

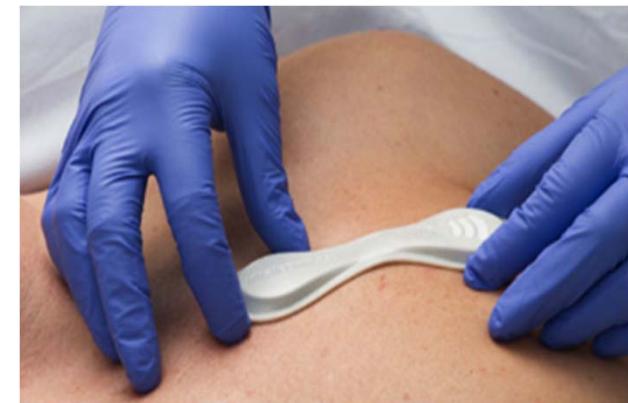
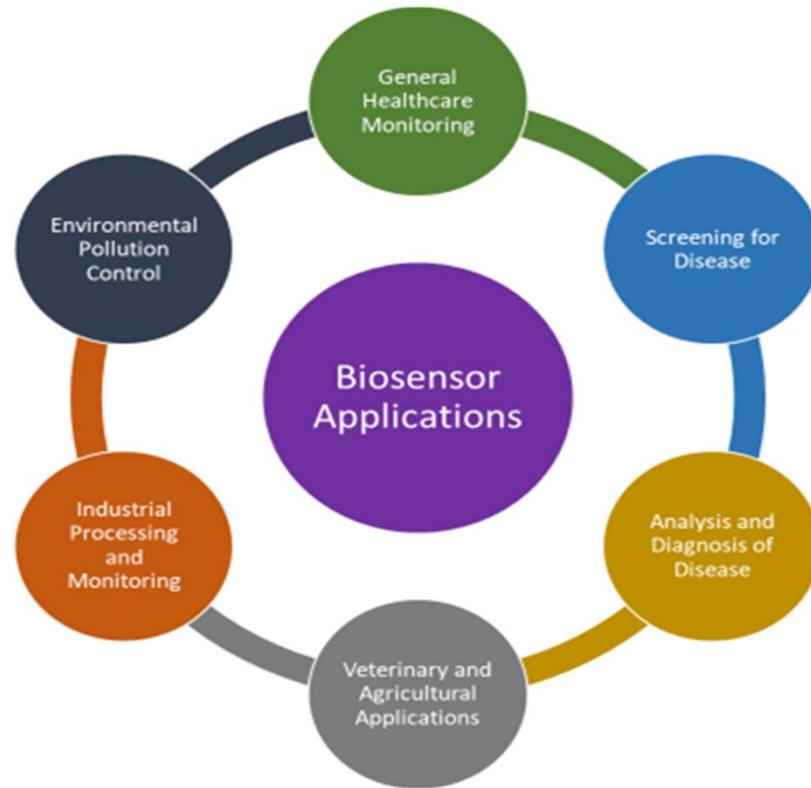


# Photonic Biosensor

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# Problem Statement

## Why Biosensors?

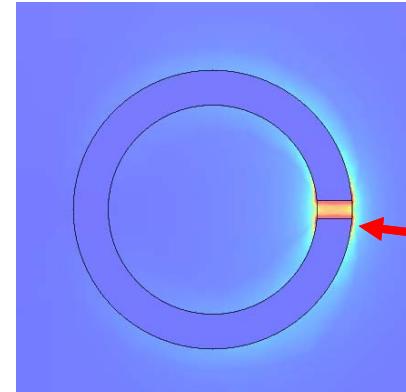
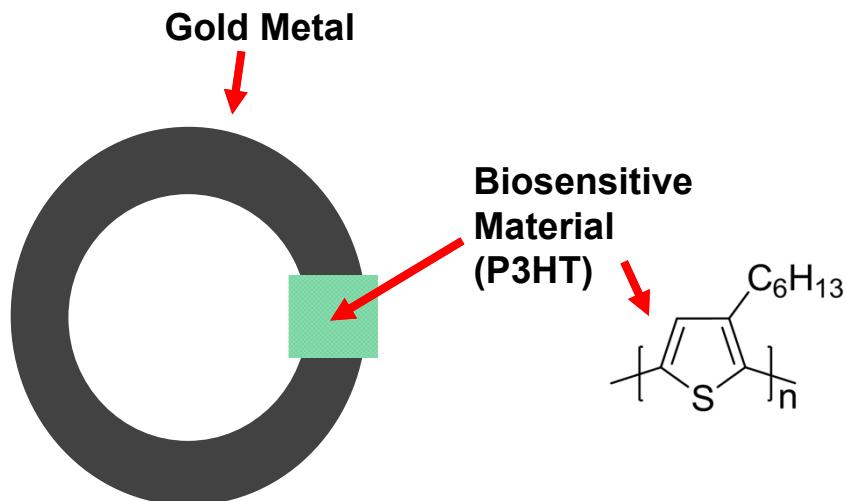




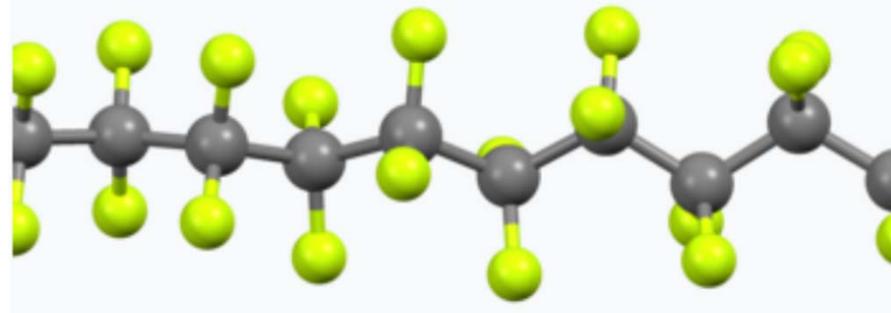
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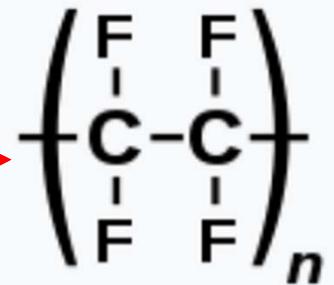
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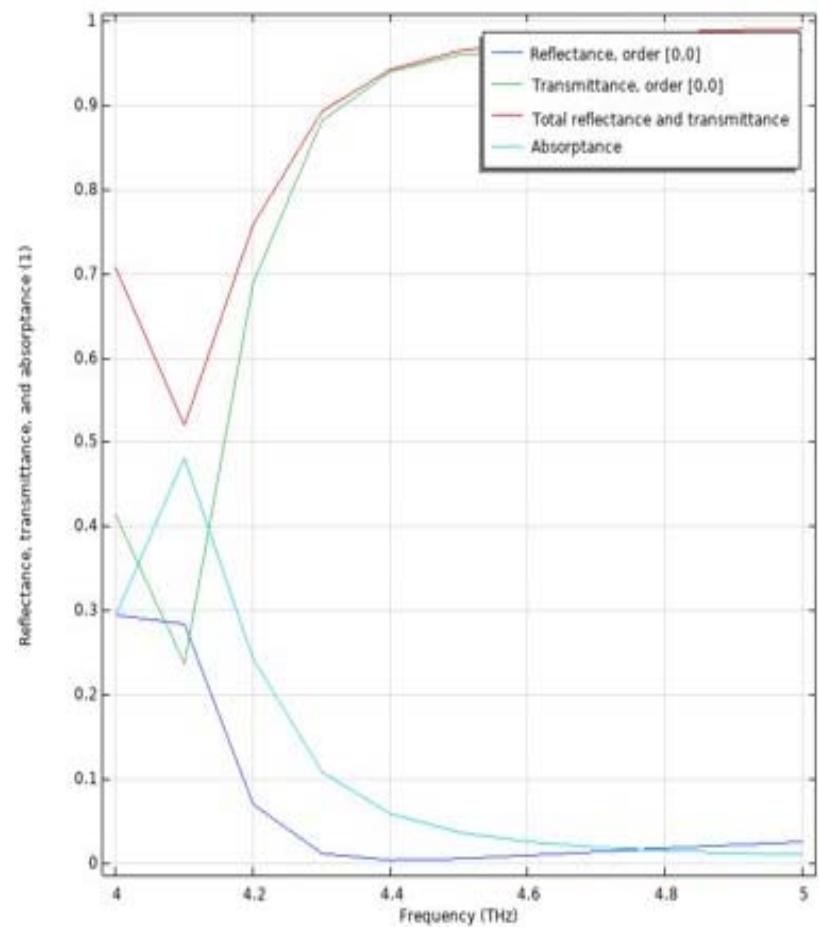
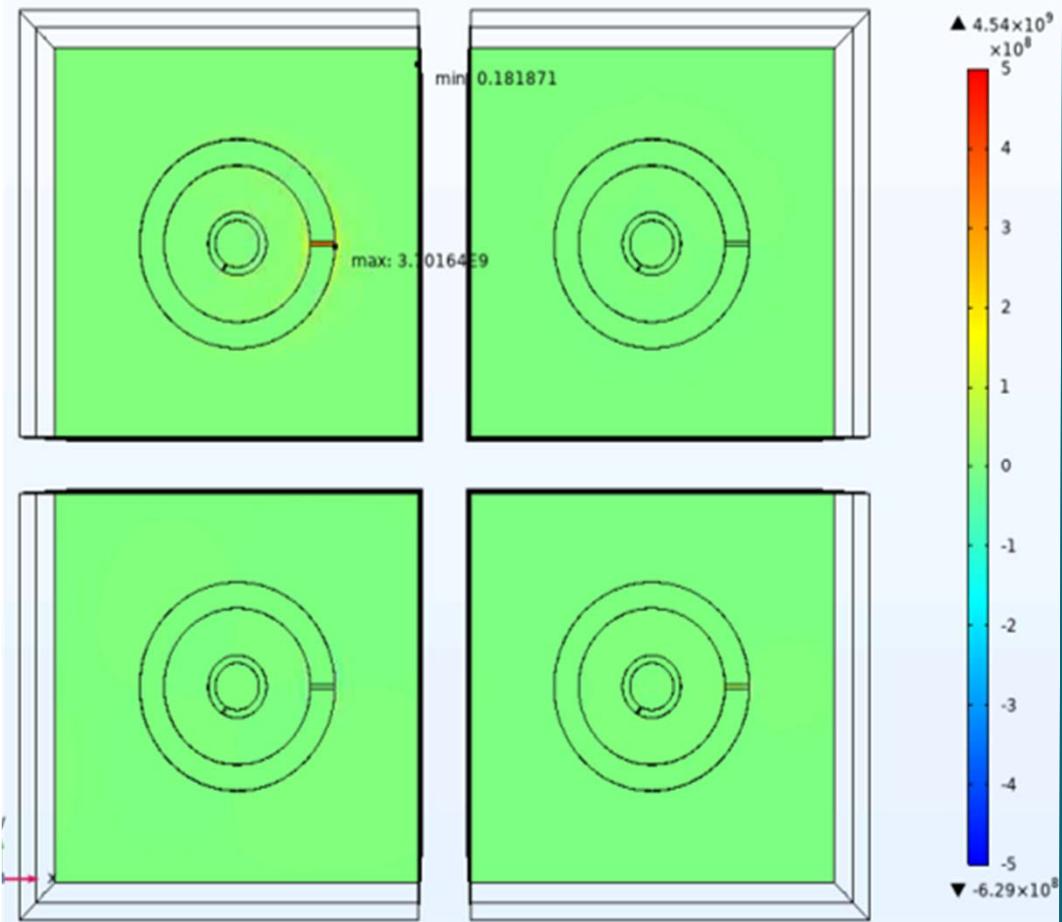
COMSOL EM  
Simulation for Split  
Ring Resonator



Polytetrafluoroethylene  
(PTFE)

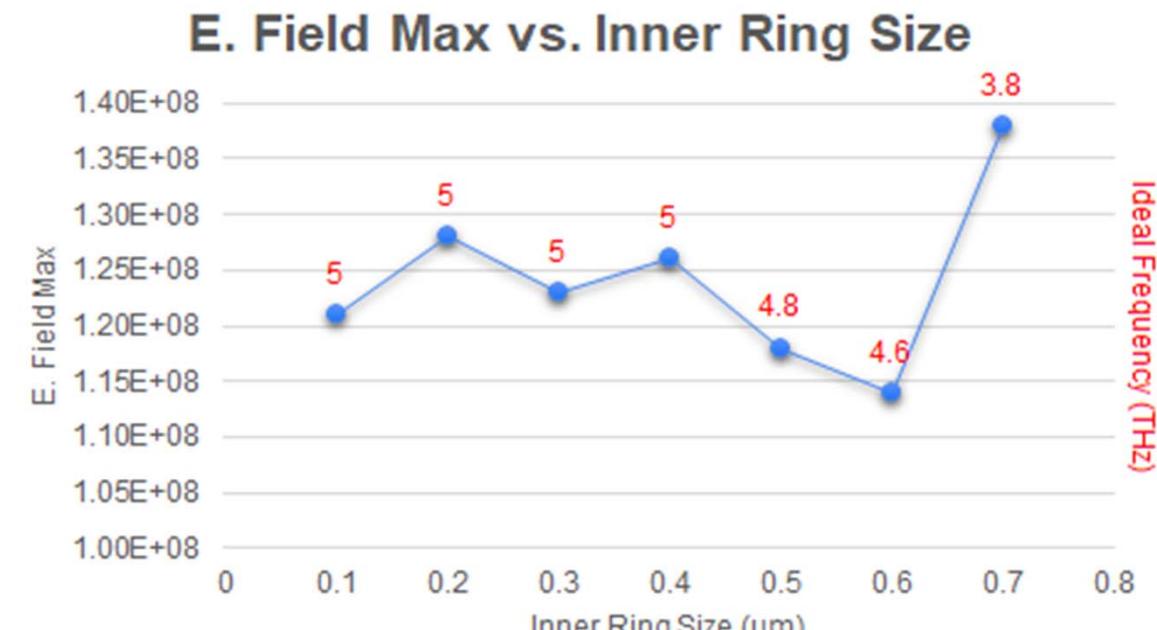


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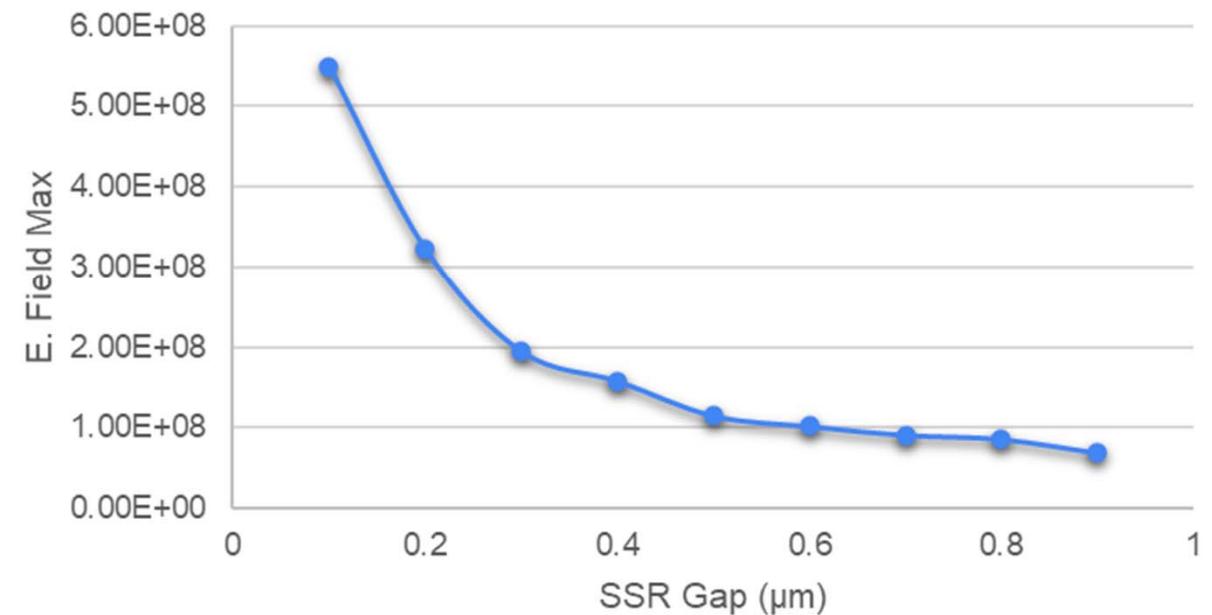
Inner Ring Size ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	Ideal Frequency (IF) (THz)	E. Field Max
0.1	5	1.21E+08
0.2	5	1.28E+08
0.3	5	1.23E+08
0.4	5	1.26E+08
0.5	4.8	1.18E+08
0.6	4.6	1.14E+08
0.7	3.8	1.38E+08



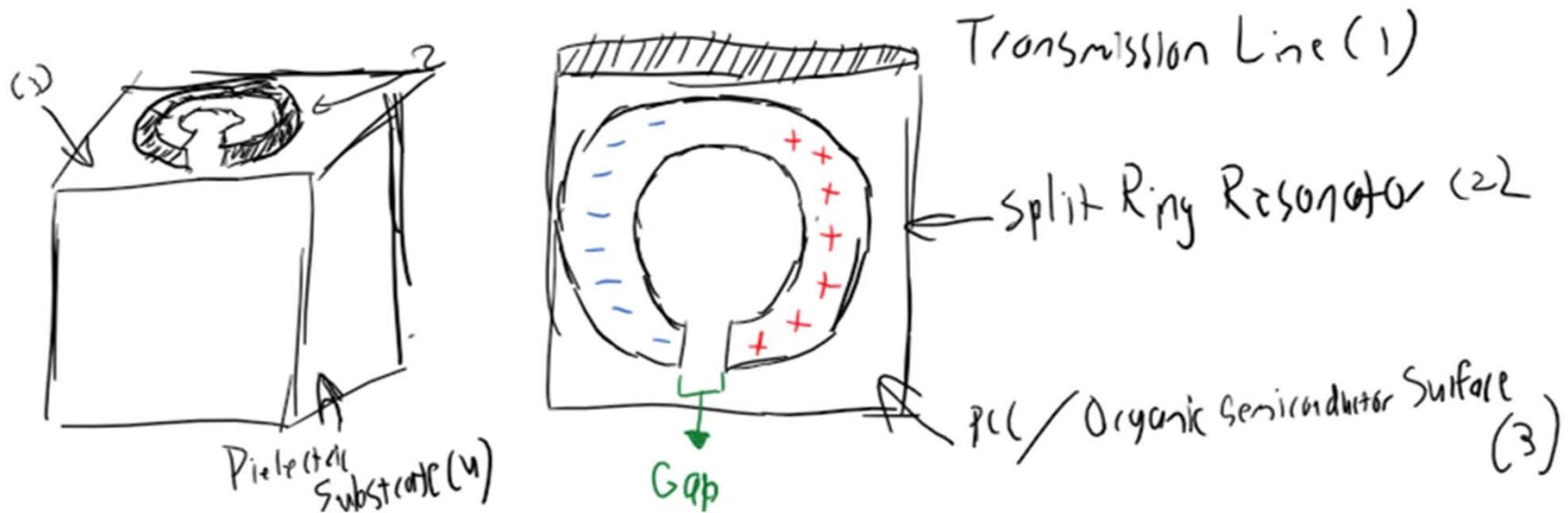
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SSR Gap ( $\mu\text{m}$ )	E. Field Max at Ideal Frequency
0.1	5.50E+08
0.2	3.23E+08
0.3	1.95E+08
0.4	1.58E+08
0.5	1.15E+08
0.6	1.02E+08
0.7	9.11E+07
0.8	8.60E+07
0.9	6.89E+07

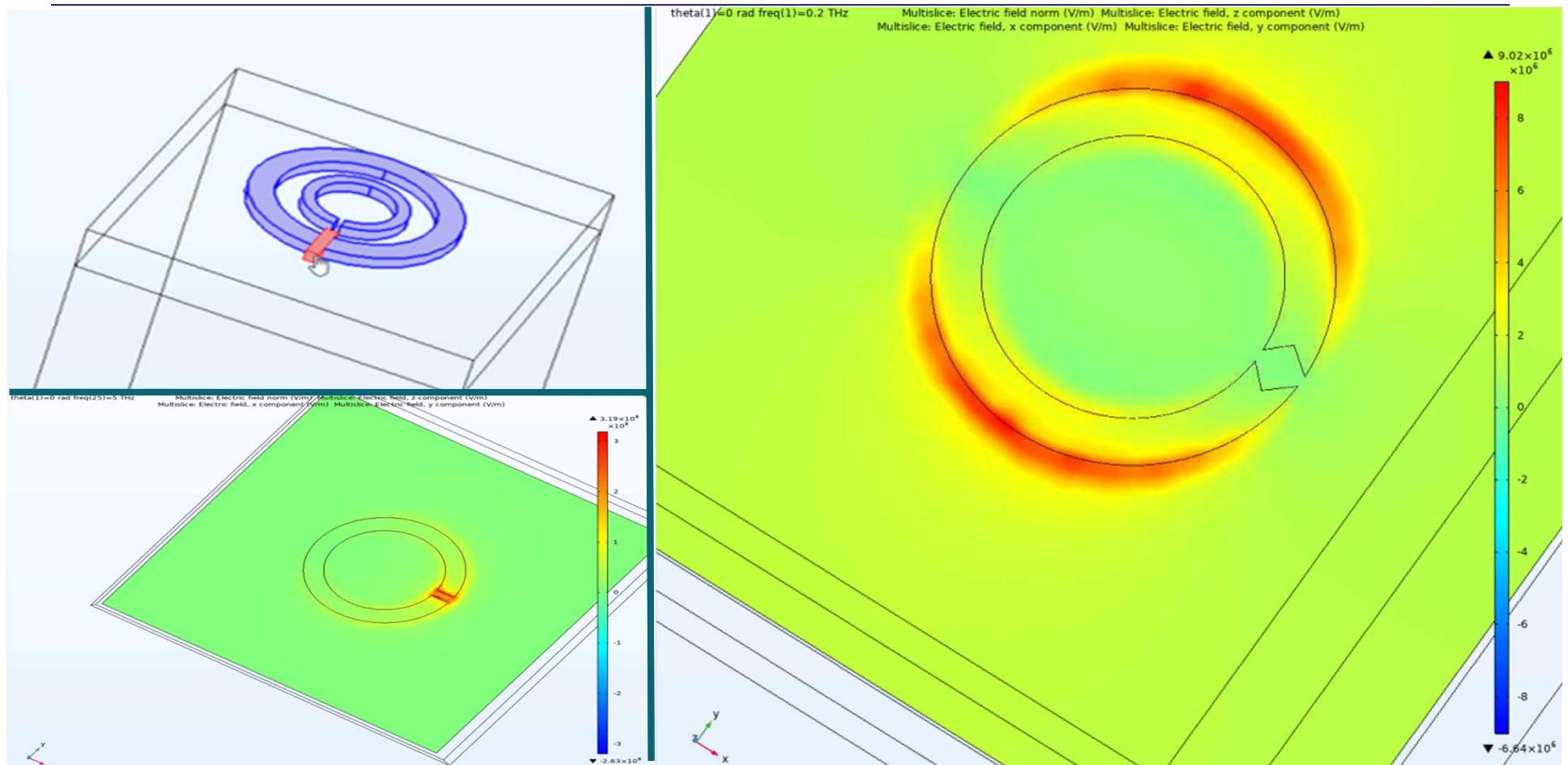
**E. Field Max at IF vs SSR Gap**



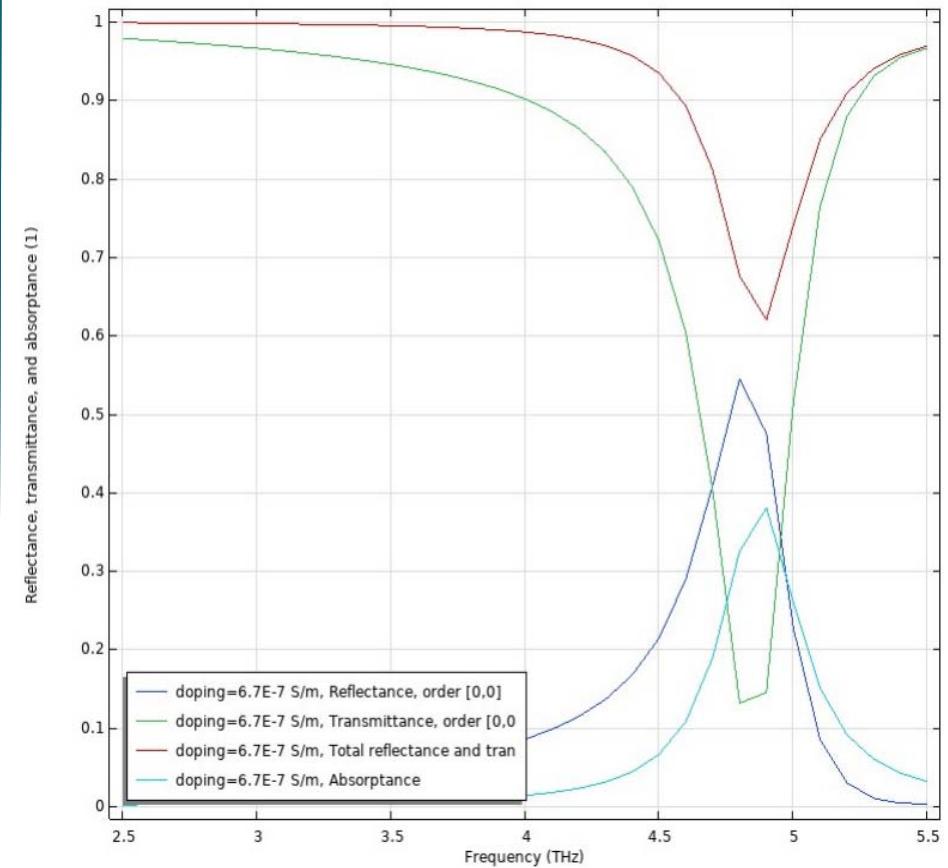
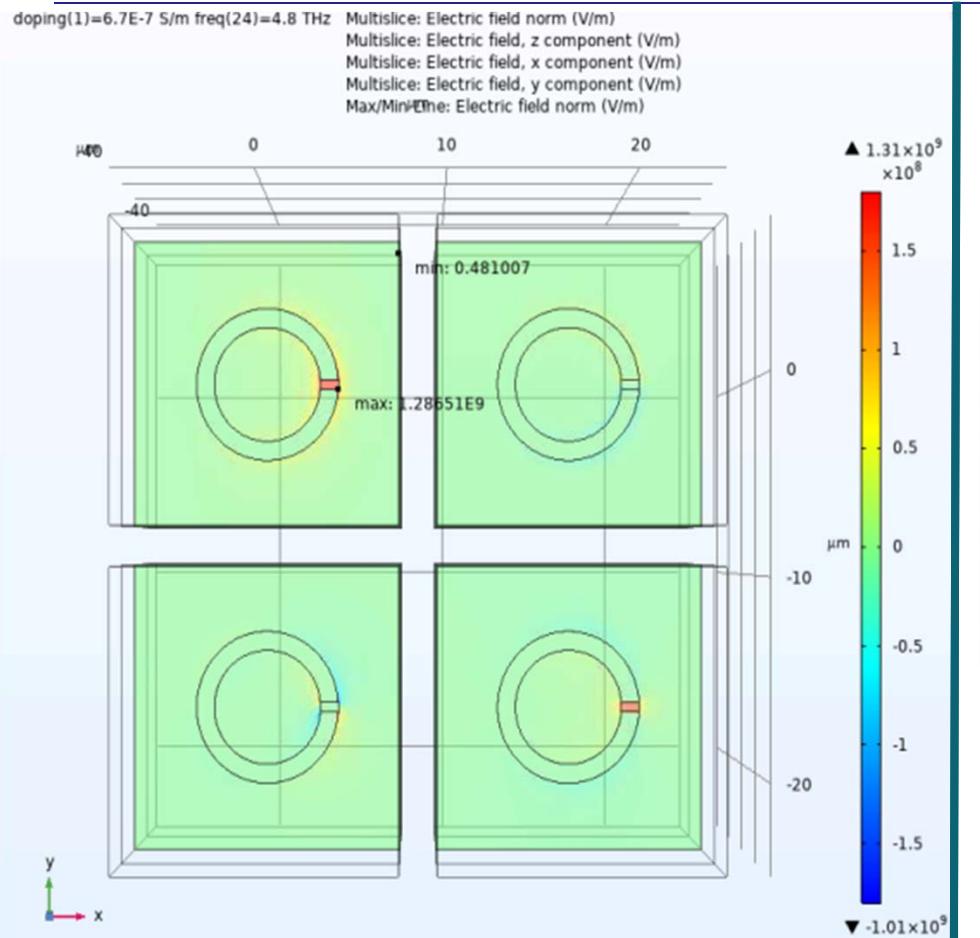
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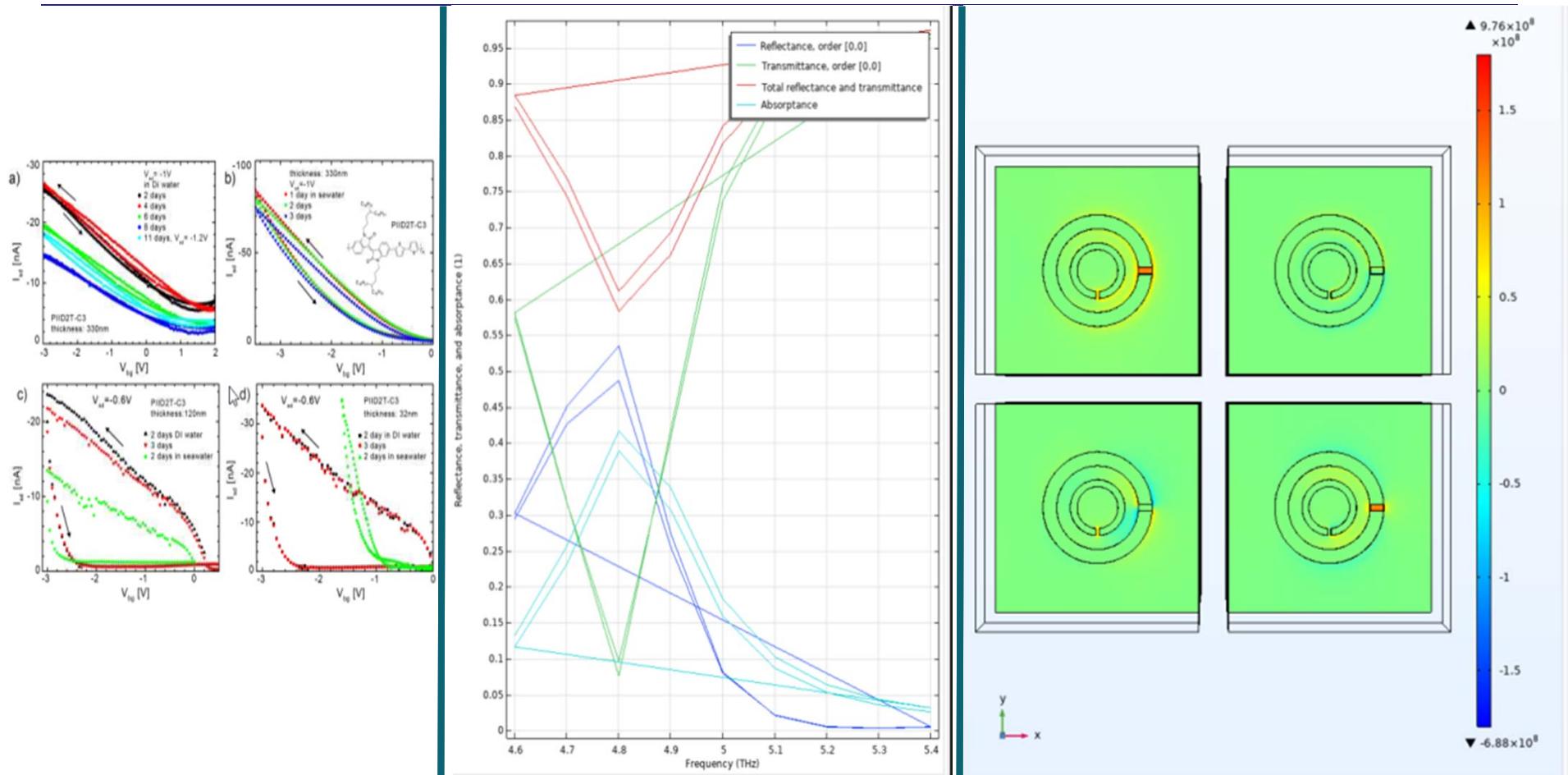
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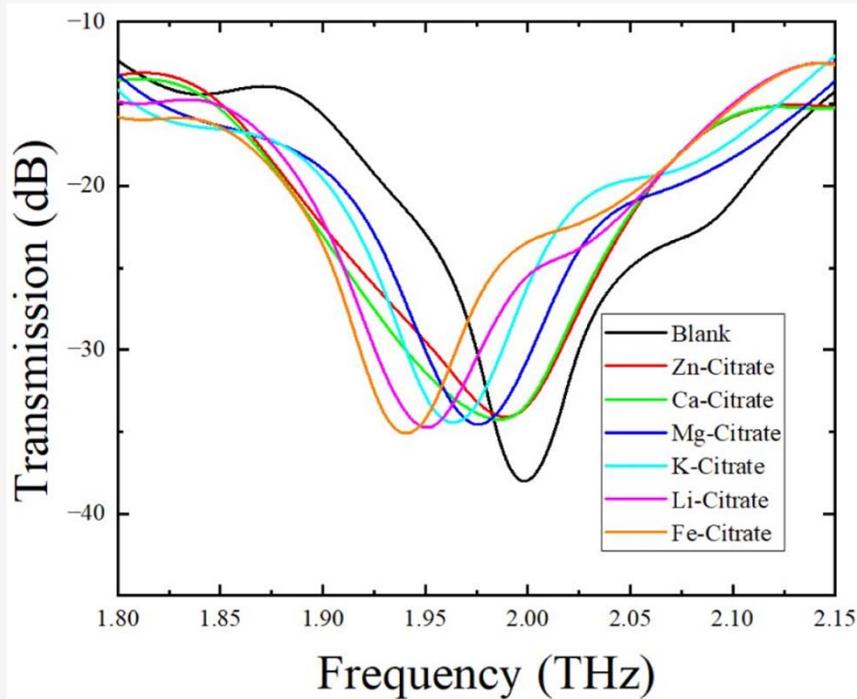


# Implementation Process: Sprint 3

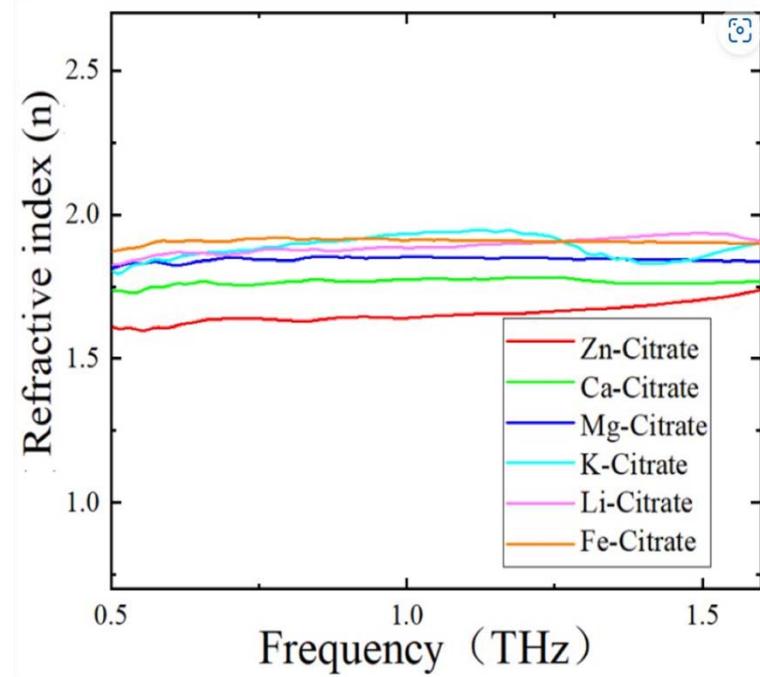


# Implementation Process: Sprint 4

**Figure 6.** Transmission spectral curves of the blank sensor and the sensor covered with six different CSs.



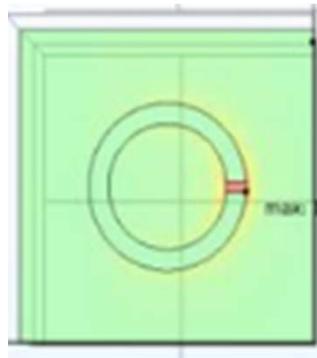
**Figure 7.** Refractive indices of CSs measured by THz-TDS system.



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# Conclusion

## Single Split Ring Resonator



6.7E-7 S/m

4  $\mu$ m0.5  $\mu$ m0.5  $\mu$ m

1.28E9

4.8 THz

Doping Level

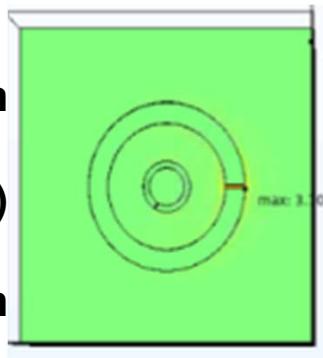
Ring Diameter

Ring Thickness

Gap Size

E-Field Strength

Frequency



6.7E-7 S/m

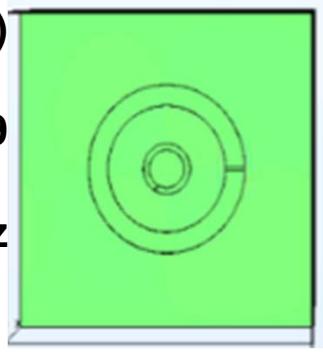
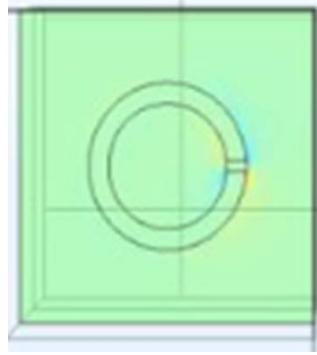
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0.5  $\mu$ m

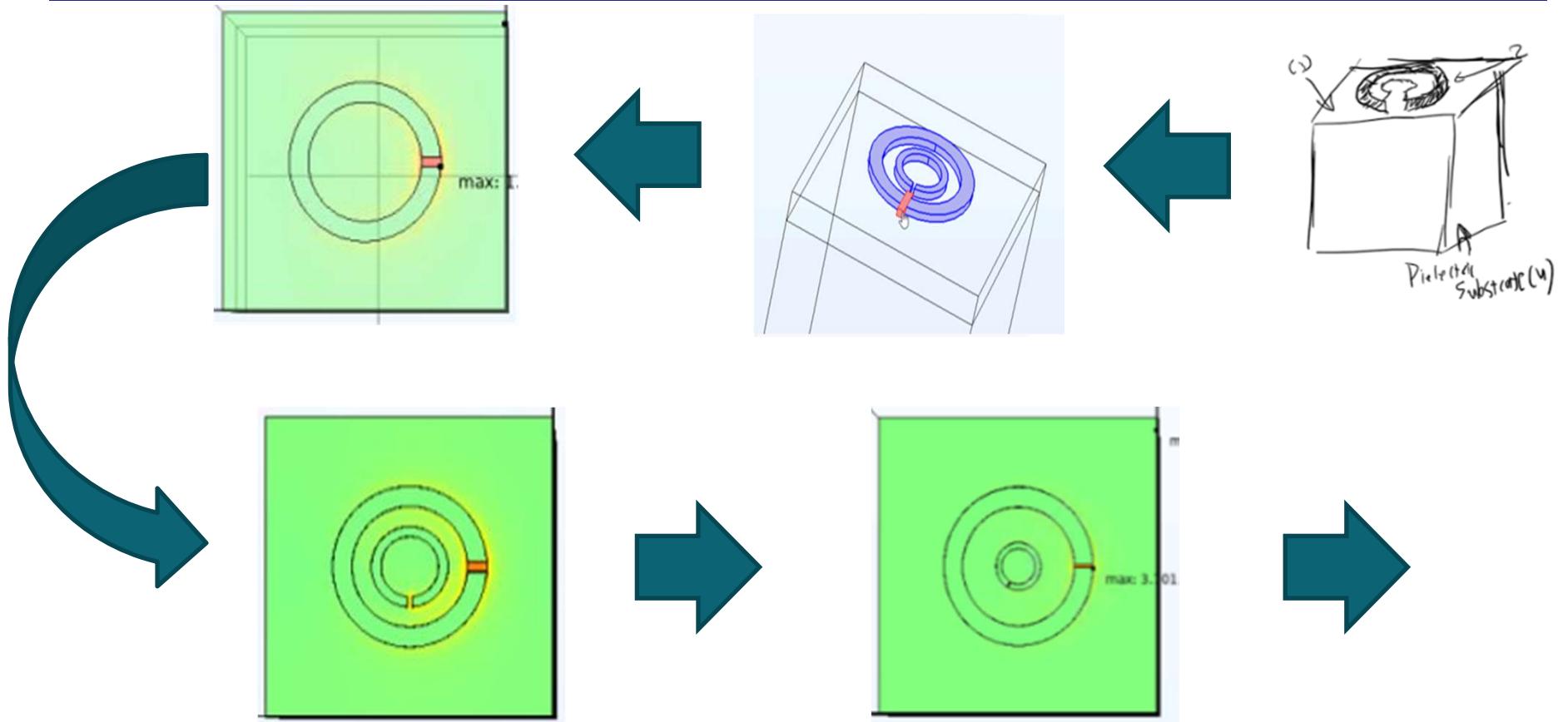
0.2 nm (Inner)

4.84 E9

4.1 THz



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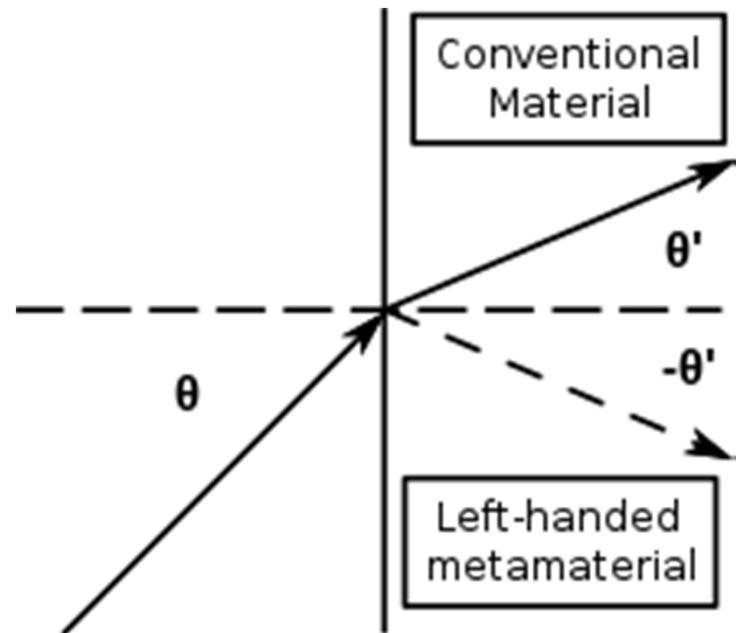
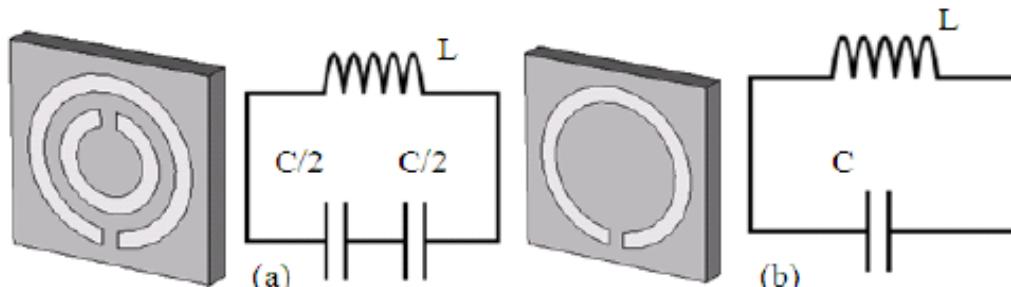
**Goal accomplished!**

Sensitivity increased by

**71.8%**

# Conclusions

- Split ring resonator equivalent circuits
- Finite element analysis
- Sensitivity analysis on photonic devices
- Physics of Photonic devices
- Meta Materials and left-handed media

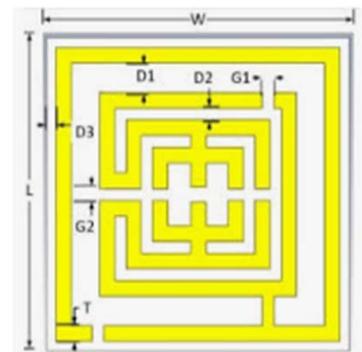
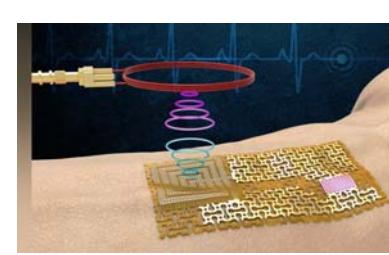
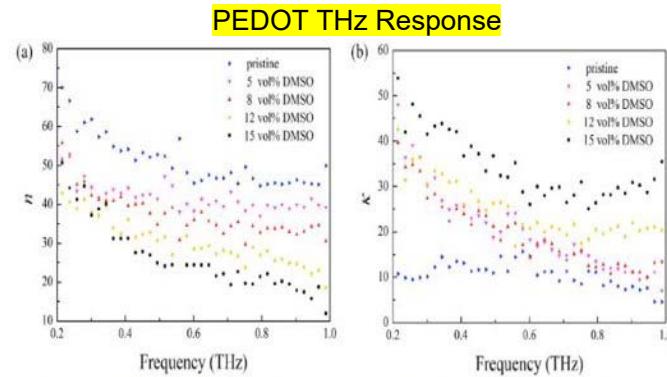


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# Future Work

- Simulate Various environments (ie on skin, inside body, etc)
- Explore Exotic Resonator Geometries to maximize sensitivity
- Experiment with electrostatic integration for optoelectronic devices
- Further explore biosensor sensitivity to other analytes (salinity, iron concentration in blood, etc)



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**Thank you for your  
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Any questions?**