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Optori: A Diagnostic Tool for H. pylori

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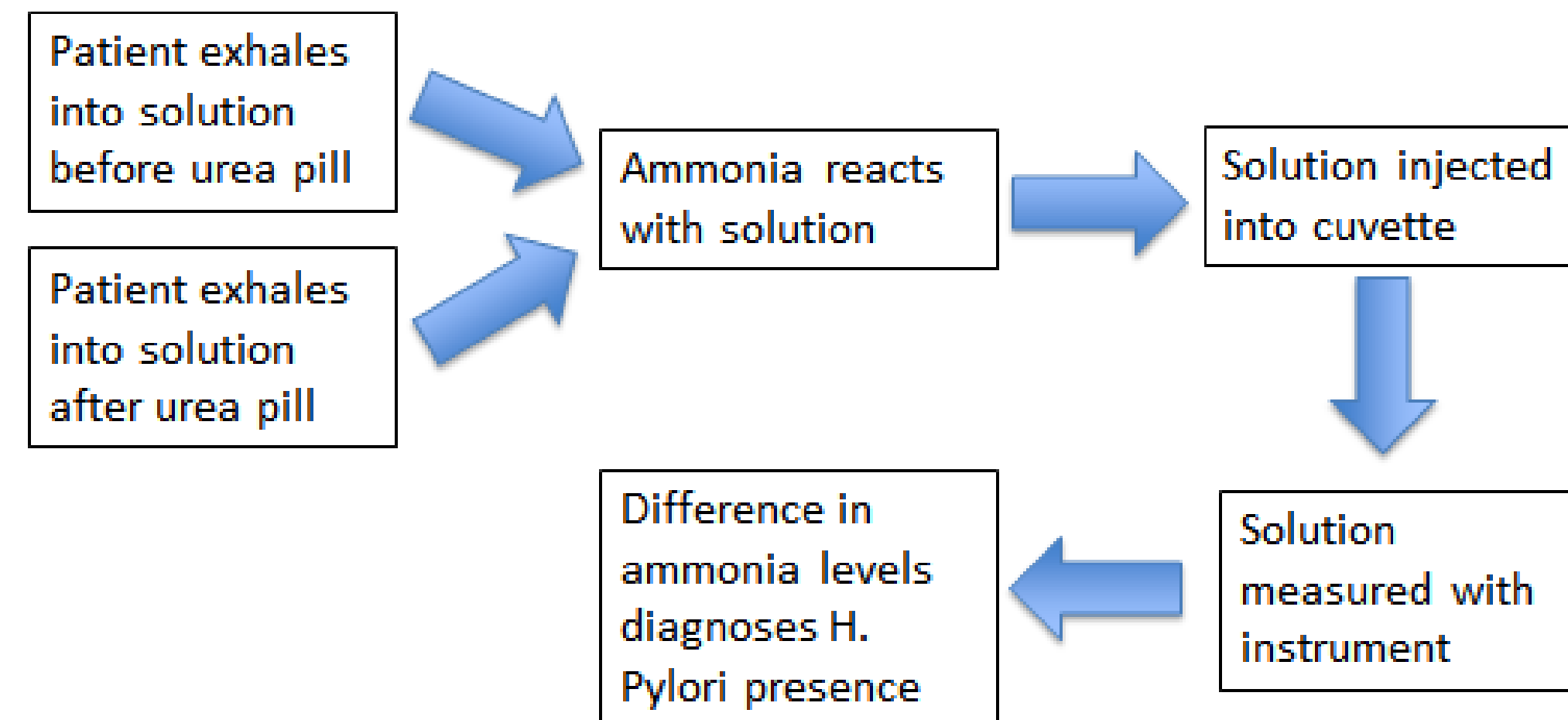
GOAL

To noninvasively detect *H. pylori* infections in patients within one hour for under \$10

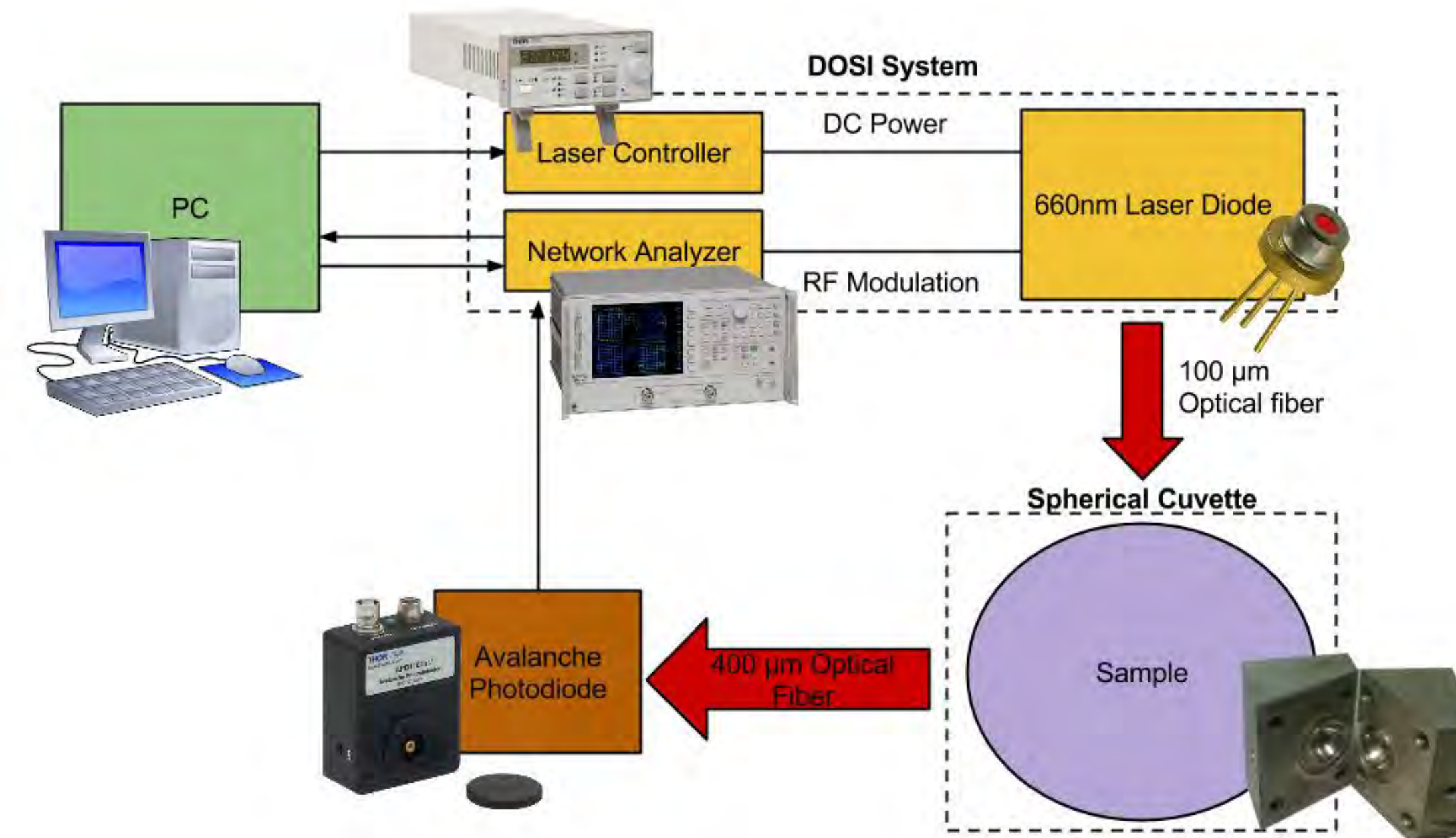
BACKGROUND

- H. pylori* infects the Upper Gastrointestinal Tract and causes:
 - Peptic Ulcers
 - Stomach Cancer
 - Dyspepsia
 - Heartburn
 - Abdominal Pain
 - Early Satiety & Bloating
- 70% of Developing World's Population
- 30-40% of Developed Nation's Population

FLOW CHART



SCHEMATIC

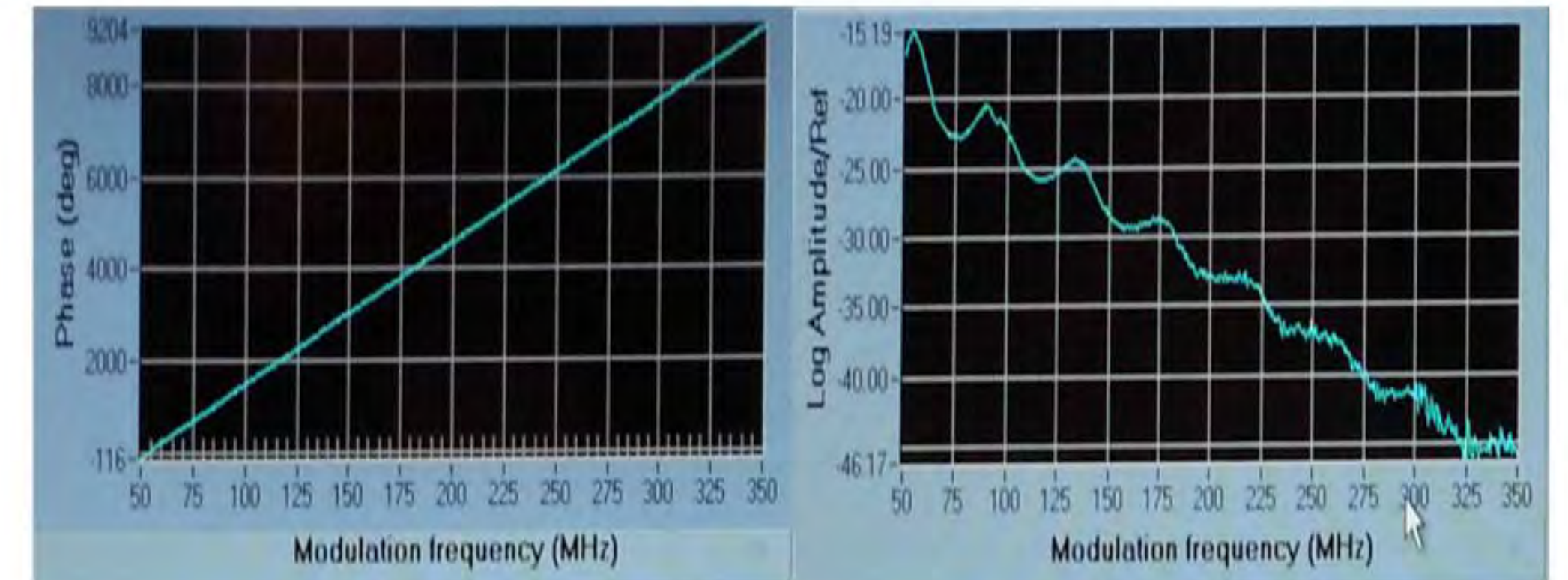


DETECTION METHOD

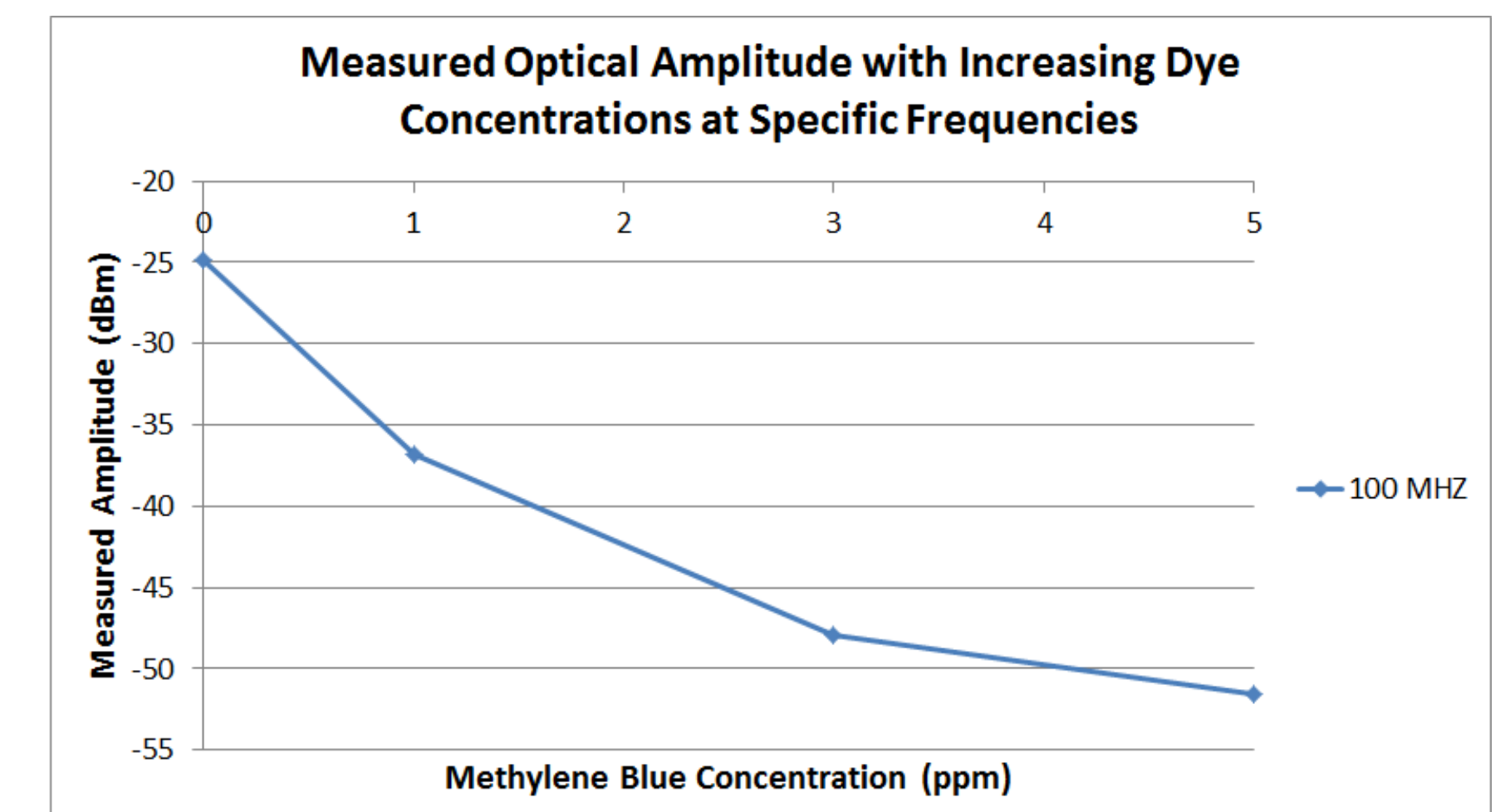
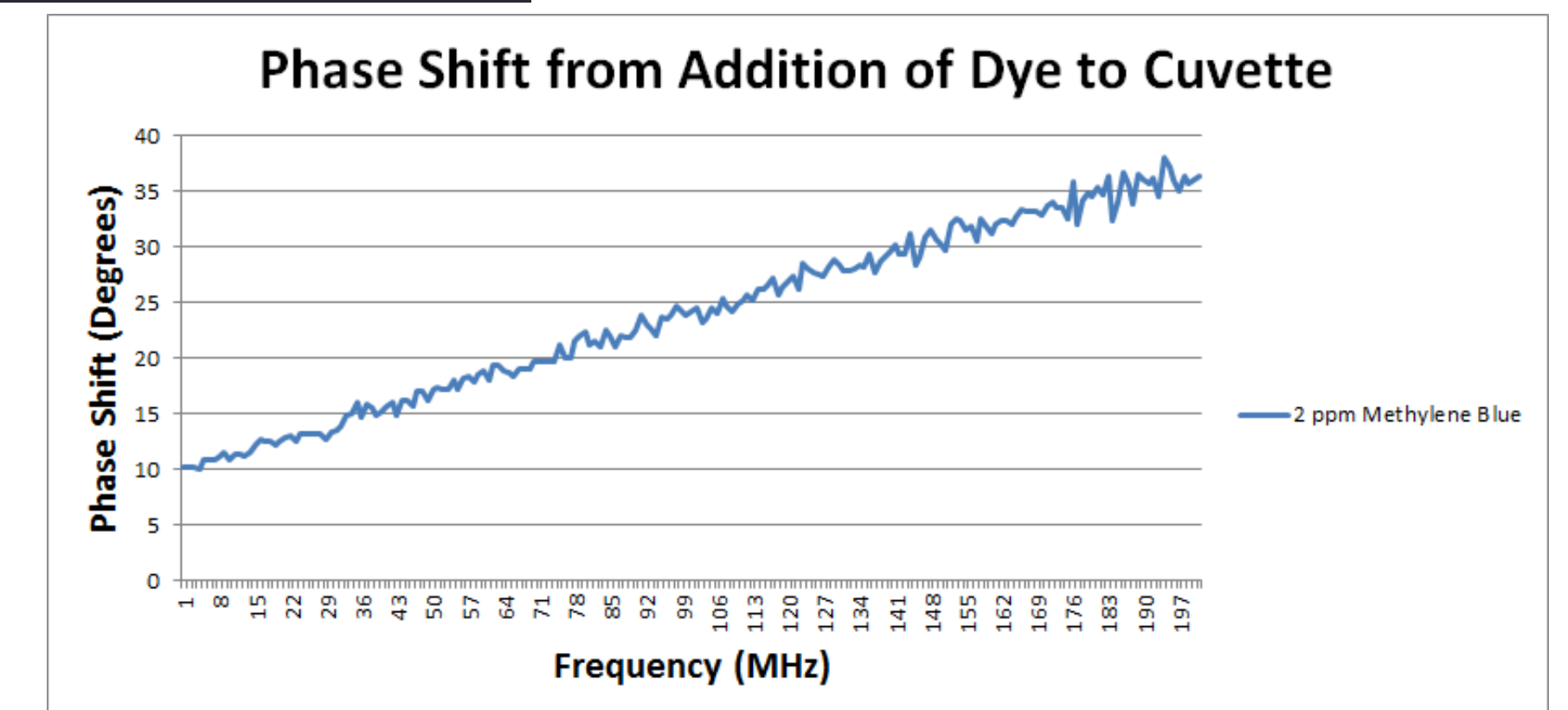
- Light enters a cuvette filled with patient's exhaled breath (contains ammonia)
- The photons experience scattering from the cuvette's medium and absorption from the ammonia
- The light is recorded from the cuvette and diffusion theory is applied to determine the medium's optical properties
- The Beer-Lambert Law is applied to calculate the ammonia concentration from the patient's breath

CURRENT RESULTS

Raw Data



Processed Data



FUTURE WORK

- Select Ammonia Binding-Agent - Winter Quarter
- Finalize specific cuvette design and materials - Winter and Early Spring Quarter
- Device hardware and software design - Spring Quarter

Table 1: Existing *H. pylori* Detection Methods

Method	Sensitivity	Specificity	Invasiveness	Requires Laboratory	Test Cost
Gastrointestinal Tract Biopsy	>95%	>95%	Highly	Yes	High
Blood Antibody Assay	85%	79%	Minimal	Yes	Low
Fecal Antigen Test	96%	97%	None	Yes	Low
Urea Breath Test	95%	96%	None	Yes	High

DESIGN INNOVATIONS

- Provides Onsite Testing and Results
- No Laboratory Required
- Use of Simple Optics-based system
- Portable and Low Cost
- Noninvasive