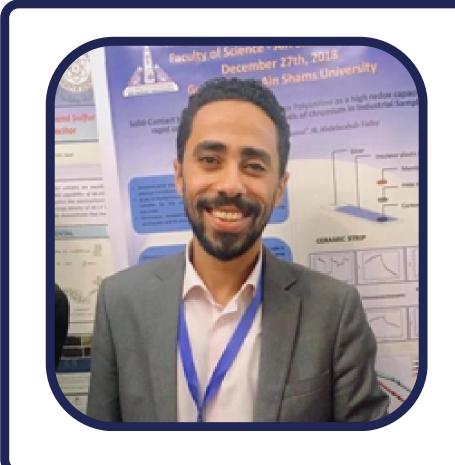




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## Low-Cost Potentiometric Sensors Basedon Disposable PaperStrips for Monitoring of Toxic Pollutants

Potentiometric sensors are smart and efficient analytical technology with additional attractive benefits due to their fast stable response, low cost, simplicity in preparation and application in various fields, including clinical, industrial and environmental analyses. These sensors consist of two main parts: Recognition and Transducer. As a result of the tremendous and continuous development in the applications and designs of the ion-selective electrodes (ISEs) from conventional electrodes (containing inner filling solutions) to solid-state electrodes (coated wire and planar types) to overcome the drawbacks of the conventional design. In the present work, paper-based sensors have been described and used for monitoring toxic environmental pollutants. Advantages offered by this type of sensors are: Eco-friendly nature, low cost, flexibility, light weight and compatibility with biological samples, fast and stable response, accurate results, mass production, ease of miniaturization.

These types of potentiometric sensors fall under the concept of green electronics due to their safe nature, which can be easily disposed without damage to the environment. Paper-based potentiometric sensors, as described in this work (Fig. 1) depend on the use of a paper stripsas a flexible substrate. The main component of the substrate is cellulose, an ideal candidate for use in all clinical and decentralized wearable potentiometric sensors(WPSs). Furthermore, the porous nature of the paper substrate makes it easy to absorbconductive materials or recognition elements by physical adsorption, chemical coupling, coating or deposition of the electroactive recognition material on its surface.

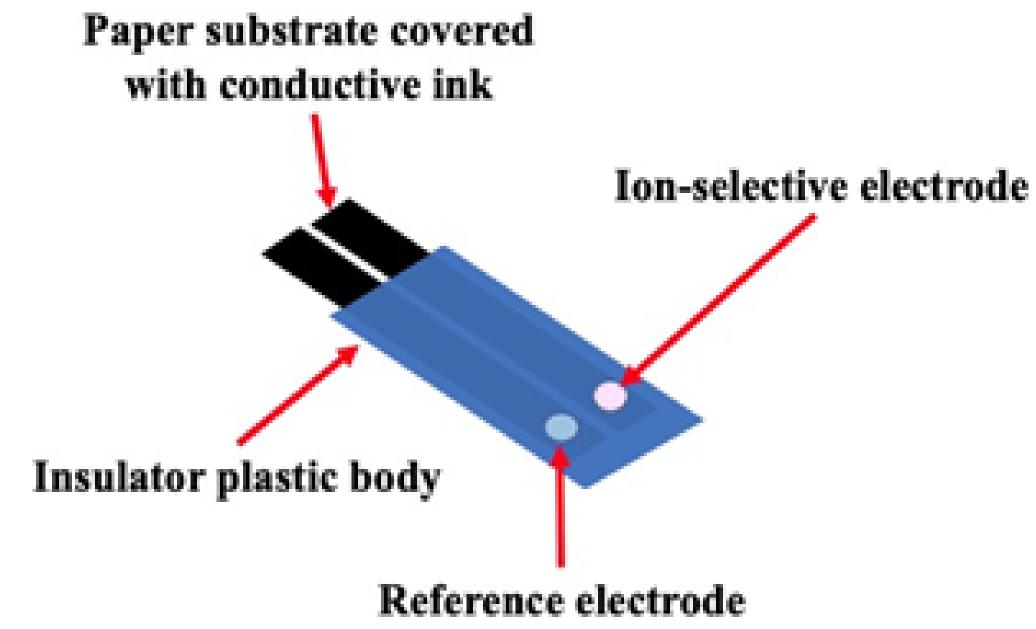


Figure 1. The structural components of the all-solid-state paper-based combinedsensors.

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