



**Title**

**Special Session:  
“ WORKSHOP ON RF CAPTURE OF MEDICAL  
TELEMETRY - LEARN BUILD DIAGNOSE!! ”**

**Workshop  
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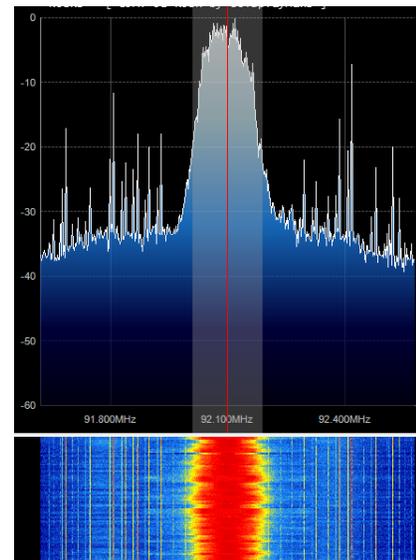
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**Abstract**

Low-cost access to medical diagnostics has the potential for positive health outcomes worldwide. In this workshop, attendees will be instructed to develop a system capable of receiving and decoding radio packets of medical telemetry.

Periodic measurement of blood glucose is key in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of diabetes. A sensor patch continuously measures glucose whereas a meter provides a patient-initiated reading. In either case, the data is available over the air and is receivable using a low-cost Software Defined Radio (SDR). Participants can expect to learn how to tune a SDR, set key RF parameters and demodulate the signal. This is a *hands-on* and practical session that will involve coding in C overtop a Linux environment.

This workshop will develop core skills such as microprocessor programming and radio frequency communication protocols – skills that are transferable to other humanitarian projects. We hope this knowledge will encourage attendees to reach out to their communities and deploy solutions.



*Example radio spectrum and waterfall*

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## Agenda

December 11, 2018

09:30 – 17:30

Classroom (to be confirmed)  
Universidad Catolica San Pablo

09:30 – 09:45 Opening remarks  
09:45 – 11:00 Architecture of software defined radio  
11:00 – 12:30 SDR programming  
12:30 – 13:15 Lunch break  
13:15 – 14:00 SDR programming continued  
14:00 – 16:30 Capturing data from test signal  
16:30 – 17:30 Glucometer decoding

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## Optional Tutorial

December 10, 2018

13:00 – 18:00

Classroom (to be confirmed)  
Universidad Catolica San Pablo

Introductory tutorial on Linux programming. Participants will practice using secure shell, vi text editor, gcc compiler and make utility. A simple program will be written to calculate and output pi (3.14159...) using C.

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## Prerequisites

Bring a WiFi capable laptop with installed secure shell terminal. To maximize their benefit from this workshop, participants should already be comfortable with (i) radio fundamentals and (ii) basic software programming in a Linux environment. (Note: an optional introductory tutorial is available to refresh programming skills).