Supplementary Materials for

Wireless, implantable catheter-type oximeter designed for cardiac oxygen saturation

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**Fig. S1.** Measured spectra for the red and near-infrared (NIR) LEDs of the sensing probes. The measured spectral bandwidths are ~34 nm and ~53 nm for red and NIR LED, respectively.

**Fig. S2.** Photoelectric characterization of the miniaturized photodiode. (A) Relative spectral sensitivity vs. wavelength. (B) Measured photocurrent from the photodiode at the sensing probe as a function of time for illumination with light after passing through a chopper (red light, wavelength: 633 nm; optical power: 4 mW).
Fig. S3 Test platforms for measuring the optical response and thermal characteristics of the catheter oximeter probe. (A) Test platform for measuring NIR and RED LED optical responses, for Fig. 2B. (B). Test platform for measuring the thermal characteristics of the catheter oximeter probe, for Fig. 2E. (Photo credit: Wei Lu and Haixu Shen, Northwestern University)
**Fig. S4. Monte Carlo simulation of the optical characteristics.** (A) Light intensity decay from catheter/muscle boundary, along the z-axis right on top of red LED and NIR LED respectively; (B) The illumination volume in cardiac tissue for red and NIR LEDs as a function of irradiance threshold. (C) Light penetration depth in tissue as a function of LED irradiance, for threshold 0.01 mW/mm²; (D) Light illumination volume in tissue as a function of LED irradiance, for threshold of 0.01 mW/mm².
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Abbreviations and corresponding units include, WBC: white blood cell (K/μL), RBC: red blood cell (M/μL), HGB: blood hemoglobin level (g/dL), HCT: hematocrit level (%), MCV: mean corpuscular volume (fL), MCH: mean corpuscular hemoglobin (pg), RDW: red cell distribution width (%), PLT: platelet count in blood (L/μL), GLU: glucose (mg/dL), TRIG: triglycerides (mg/dL), ALT: alanine aminotransferase (U/L), AST: aspartate transaminase (IU/L), ALP: alkaline phosphatase (IU/L), CHOL: cholesterol (mg/dL), PHOS: phosphorus (mg/dL), CAL: calcium (mg/dL), NEU%: percentage of neutrophils (%), LYM%: percentage of lymphocytes (%), MON%: percentage of monocytes (%), EOS%: percentage of eosinophils (%), LUC%: percentage of large unstained cells (%), MCHC: mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration (g/dL), MPV: mean platelet volume (fL), TP: total protein (g/dL), CREA: creatinine (mg/dL), TBIL: total bilirubin level (mg/dL), ALB: albumin (g/dL), GLOB: globulin (g/dL), Na: sodium (mEq/L), K: potassium (mEq/L), Cl: chloride (mEq/L).
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