Introduction to Biosensors: major classification of sensor- characteristic parameters of sensor-material property for designing biosensors. Introduction to Nanomaterials: Size dependence of properties –Surface to volume ratio and Quantum confinement. Microscopic techniques to study nano structures-SEM, AFM – TEM and STM.Spectroscopic techniques to characterize nano structures –Raman, XPS, Auger, EDAX. Synthetic approaches: Colloidal, Self – Assembly(self assembled monolayers-SAMs)and electrostatic self assembly, electrochemical methods(cathodic and anodic processes),sol-gel, Langmuir-Blodgett(lb) technique,chemical vapour deposition,plasma arcing and ball miling, lithography. Electrochemistry of nanostructures. Carbon nanotubes and Graphenes. Quantum Dots, wells and wires-

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