# live Scent: evil Stench

This (not so) Perfect (Smelling) Day



live | evil live

veil

energetic happy calm good lively peaceful anxious irritable fearful sad tired depressed

# Background: A Science Fashion Story

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- Founder / Creative Director Sensory Design & Technology Ltd, Cambridge
- Visiting Scholar Institute of Biotechnology, University of Cambridge

- PhD Textiles Royal College of Art
- BA Fashion Communication Central Saint Martins
- Fashion Stylist / Sensory Designer Charmed Technology (MIT Media Lab)
- Inspiration: Science Fiction + Healthcare sector (Mental Health, HIV &AIDS)

# Charmed Technology Inc

MIT Media Lab High-tech spinout: WEARABLE COMPUTING

'Brave New Unwired World' show 2000



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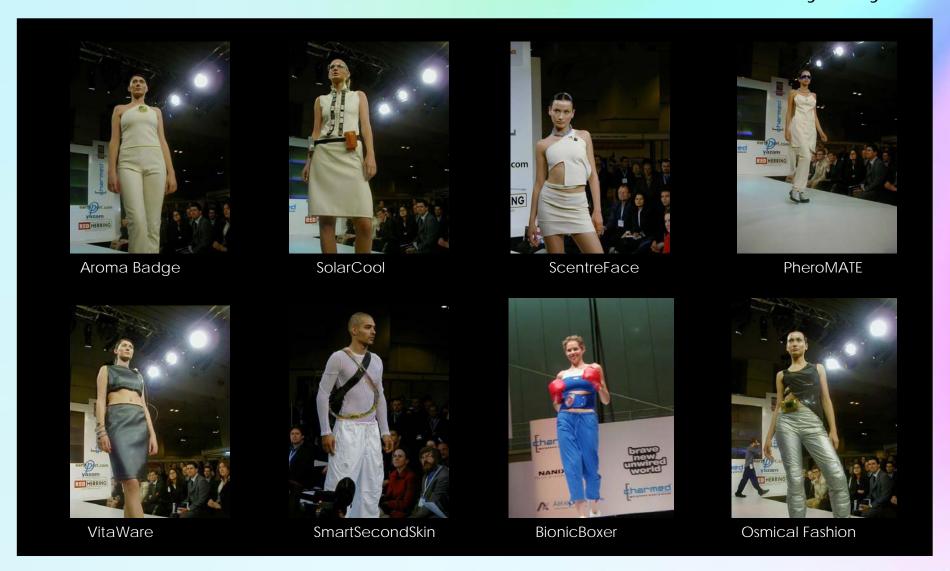
'Twiddler' keyboard





# Charmed Technology Inc

'Brave New Unwired World' 2000: London, Berlin, NYC, Seoul, Sydney





Central Saint Martins / University of Cambridge

Break the tradition of scent delivery

Specialise in the Research & Development of wearable wireless sensor networks and microfluidic devices for fragrance delivery and therapeutic applications in 'emotional clothing'

'Smart Second Skin': exploits olfaction in multisensory fabrics (active 'scentsory' properties)

# Introducing eScent ®

Miniaturisation + Biology + Design = Wearable Technology



[1] Functional 'Wellbeing' Scent Dispensing Jewellery



[2] Wearable/Mobile Technologies (consumer electronics/cell phones)



[3] Smarter materials interactive products

#### **SCENT COMMUNICATES A MESSAGE**

- Ancient and primitive sense. 10,000 more sensitive than other senses
- Plumbed into memory via limbic system
  - access to feelings, likes/dislikes
- Increases wellbeing via changes in electrical brain activity
- Mood-enhancing effects of scent on brain influence
  - · Performance, behaviour
  - Learning, mood. . .

Hotline To The Brain

Ventroposterior lateral and medical nucleus of thalamus

Thalamus

Amygdala

Smell pathway

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Touch, pain, temperature, sense of position pathways

Hippocampus Medical Iemniscus

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# The sense of smells known affective potential to regulate mood, physiological & psychological state



## 'SMART SECOND SKIN': Strings Of Emotion

'Smart Sensory Fabric' vs. microencapsulated techniques

#### **Rivals Natures capillaries**

Inspired by 'neurobiological delivery mechanisms'

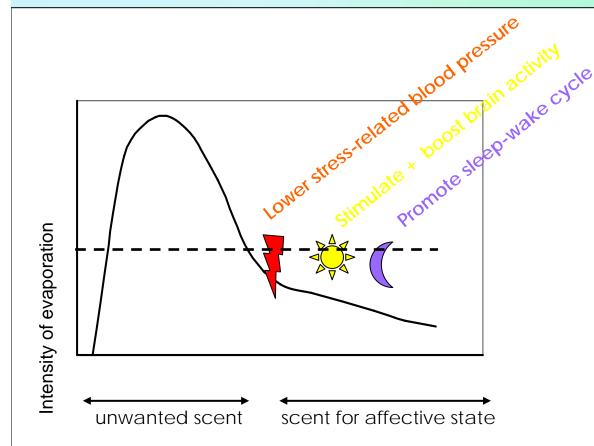
Mimics natures microfluidic processing system; veins, senses)

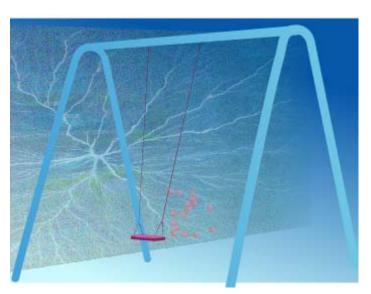
- forms an additional layer of sensitive skin that interacts with the wearer's emotions (joy, anger)
- controls the different emotional states of the wearer



Adeline Andre Haute Couture - Paris

# **Mood Swings?**





Jewellery to manage moods swings?

Moods are important factor in determining well-being & behaviour

good – bad – lively – energetic – calm – peaceful – anxious – irritable – fearful – sad – tired – burnout – depressed

# eScent ®

#### **Scent By A Wireless Web**







#### PATENT 046382.8

'Wearable system and method for dispensing fluid in response to a sensed property such as biometric data from an individual or various ambient sounds'.

#### This Pervasive Day: The Potential And Perils Of Pervasive Computer

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live - to be alive / living

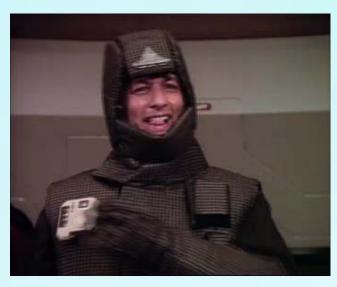
evil - wicked, associated with the devil

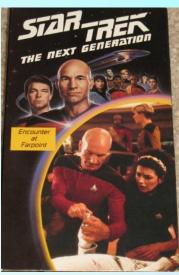
veil - conceals, disguises or obscures

vile - unpleasant, morally bad

# So what if eScent® was misused??

Affective state mood-enhancing scented clothing – inbuilt 'sniffers' Influence behaviour



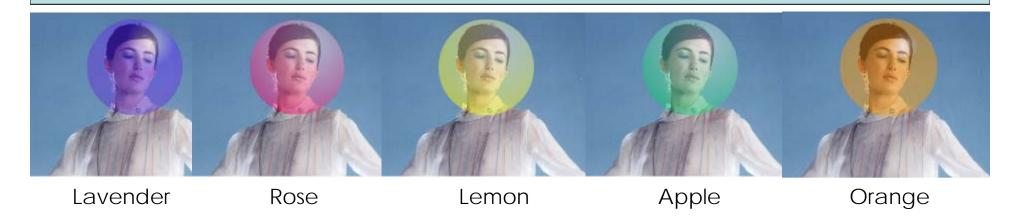




Star Trek The Next Generation 'Encounter At Farpoint' - military police

Scents to suppress positive feelings, increase extreme mood swings, negative emotions, distort reality,

Smell the colour of the rainbow!



Augment **positive** emotional experiences, excitement, love, happiness, joy

Augment <u>negative</u> experiences, the smell of fear, sadness, guilt, anger, disappointment, bitterness, *implanted sensory hallucinations* Synaesthesia

'Smell the time' - creates a personal scent symphony that adjusts body clock - scents changing over time - improve sleep



Imposes 'congenital anosmia' (similar to blind/deaf but inability to smell due to brain injury) - distorts scentsory perception, sleep deprivation

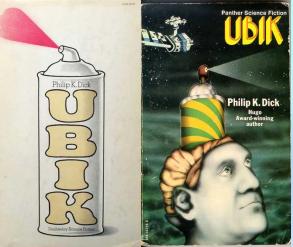
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UBIK - Philip K.Dick 1969

UBIK 'scent bubble' (veil) stabilise nightmare: reduce fear, anxiety, stress, boost self-esteem, confidence, maintain communication skills







UBIK nightmare 'reality in a can', anti-wellbeing, increase fear and stress levels, reduce communication skills –

increase risk of mania and chronic depression (bipolar affective disorder)

Smart Hologram / Electronic nose sensors detect stress related body odour, early stages of lung and breast cancer, TB, diabetes "off" food





Deliberately diagnoses the wrong illness / increase probability of asthma attack (scent allergy), increase side effects from drugs

### **LIFESTYLE**

#### **Scentsory Nutrition**







Scent to reduce obesity, minimise eating disorders

Scent as an aid to increase appetite to encourage the obese to get fatter and fatter

Hirsch, A., 1995, Weight Reduction Through Inhalation of odours, J Neurol Orthop Med Surgery, 16:28-31

### **LIFESTYLE**

. . . Smell the story . . . memory recall

Ignite pictures with scent communication / branding. Increases odour training mechanism in elderly - reminiscence therapy, independent skills







Sensory overload / bombard elderly with negative, terrifying smells from past (entice stroke, heart attack = death)

Confuse our (pre-historic) ability to smell.

\* Woods, B, Spector A, Jones C, et al. Reminiscence therapy for dementia. In: The Cochrane Library: Issue 2, 2006. Chichester: John Wiley & Sons.

# SEX

social seductive magnets

Pheromones for healthy sex life, freedom for intimate romance and privacy





Pheromone overload: mass orgy, dating clothes attract wrong partner, promotes rape / violence, lack of trust. Arranged pheromonal matching

# **PROCREATION**

Attraction: Pheromones for procreation



Control population: synchronized menstruation (McKlintock Theory 1971) control ovulation 'pheromone fertility' mass female conception community

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Control ovulation: speed up or slow down hormones to pinpoint ovulation

# **TRUST**

Pheromones to calm new born babies. New born baby smell calms mother promotes parent and child bond



Lactation 'mind games' for new mothers: clone maternal body odour and confuse new born babies (warped 'wet nurse')

# **LEISURE**

Multi-sensory enhancement - clubs/TV concerts, scent experience





Anti-(sc)entertainment promotes extreme fear / audience scaremongering

### **LEARNING**

Improve maths & finance skills - sensory internet banking, enhance creativity





Encourages overspending and mass gambling (scent in casinos Las Vegas)

### **LEARNING**

Scentsory Brainwaves: Improve consolidation of memory and learning (slow-wave sleep 'pulses')





Minimising affectivity in learning by 'brain-wash' during slow-wave sleep 'pulses'

Rasch, B., Büchel, C., Gais, S., Born, J., Odor Cues During Slow-Wave Sleep Prompt Declarative Memory Consolidation, **Science**, 9 March 2007: Vol. 315. no. 5817, pp. 1426-1429, March 2007

# **SECURITY**

Early warning danger signal for fire, leaking gas, mobile phone 'scent tones'





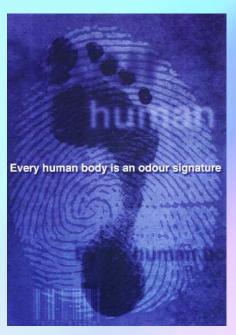
Entice danger: loose total control of navigation: confusion 'scent implants' for enemy warfare – poison 'scent by a wireless web'

# **SECURITY**

New data senses

Maintain personal identity 'olfactory signature' - privacy issues





Loose control of 'odour signature' stored in 'Smellcode database'.

<u>Electronic nose</u> (vs physical biometrics) passport control holds BO data

## **PUBLIC SPACE**

Stop making scents!

Wireless inhibitor reduces transportation of fragrance molecules overload in constricted environments (lifts, the tube etc) and 'perfume-free zone'



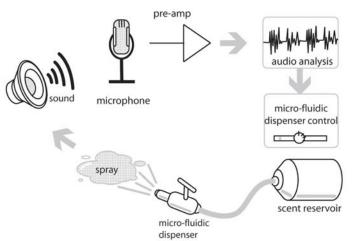
Intense olfactory intrusion in public spaces - computer controlled stink bomb

# **PROTECTION**

**Stop Biting Me!** 

Insect repellent acoustic sensor clothing - Delivers anti-malarial chemicals







Enhanced body odour attracts swarms of insect bites & higher risk of malaria

# **PROTECTION**

The Wearable Stink Bomb

Clothes to destabilise prisoners – induces violent vomiting ('Stench soup') Military application, Crowd control, stop muggers/rapists/burglars



Malodour loss of control causes discomfort, violent vomiting, annoy people!







SMART, mat





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