Correction: Microfluidic pumping, routing and metering by contactless metal-based electro-osmosis

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After publication of our article, a relevant paper by Gao and Gui1 was brought to our attention. In the 2014 Lab on a Chip publication, “A handy liquid metal based electroosmotic flow pump”, Gao and Gui1 experimentally demonstrate the ability to drive fluid motion in a microchannel using liquid metal electrodes. Both papers describe contactless electrokinetic micropumps that use contactless metal electrodes to drive fluid flow in microchannels. The difference between their work and ours is that in our work we present a micro-pump design that uses contactless solid metal electrodes for on-chip fluid pumping, routing and metering whereas Gao and Gui show how electrodes fabricated from liquid metal alloy can be used to drive fluid motion in a microchannel. To do this, they present fluid velocity data taken using pumps integrated into channels of varying height and length.

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