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Farzad Jalali-Yazdi was born in Tehran, Iran. He moved to the United States with his family when he was 14. Farzad received his B.S. degrees in Chemical Engineering and Biology from MIT. At MIT, he worked with Professors Langer and Cima to develop an implantable device to measure a cancer biomarker. He was also a resident tutor and a teaching assistant for MITES, a program at MIT aimed at underrepresented minority students in the STEM fields. After MIT, Farzad worked at BioScale Inc., a biotechnology company developing an instrument for biomarker measurements. He has been a PhD student in the Department of Chemical Engineering at USC since 2010, and is planning to graduate by 2016. He is currently working on diagnostic and therapeutic reagents for cancer and Hepatitis C.