BioSense

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Abstract

Paradigm. Aging is a total chronic disease (TCD) affecting all multicellular animals and humans from the moment of conception. This classification is consistent with ICD-11 codes XT9T "Ageing-related" (2018) and MG2A "Ageing associated decline in intrinsic capacity" (2025).

Problem. Current medicine treats exacerbations without measuring the activity of the primary disease. Wearable devices collect signals without a theoretical framework.

Solution—BioSense. We present BioSense, a wearable platform that: (1) measures aging activity via the χ_Ze index (Ze cheating index)—a theoretically derived index from Ze Vectors Theory—computed from EEG, HRV, respiration, and sleep patterns; (2) provides preliminary estimates of 30-day exacerbation risk (bootstrap-corrected AUC 0.76–0.88, prospective pilot cohort N=150, 9 months); (3) follows strict evidence-based standards (preregistration OSF, $\alpha=0.00025$); (4) is embedded within the FCLC (Federated Clinical Learning Cooperative) data infrastructure with five-layer differential privacy ($\varepsilon=2.0$, k-anonymity $k\geq7$). The $\varepsilon=2.0$ parameter aligns with state-of-the-art differentially private federated learning frameworks [Vallabhaneni et al., 2026; Gupta et al., 2026].

External validation. On All of Us Fitbit data (N=2,222), χ_Ze correlates with PhenoAge (r=0.67, 95% CI: 0.64–0.70, $R^2=0.45$) and detects accelerated aging with AUC=0.81 (95% CI: 0.78–0.84).

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1. Introduction

1.1 Aging as a Total Chronic Disease

Since the 1990s, the idea “aging is a disease” has been discussed but not adopted clinically. However, in 2018, the World Health Organization’s 11th revision of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD-11) introduced the extension code “Ageing-related” (XT9T). In 2025, code MG2A “Ageing associated decline in intrinsic capacity” was added, establishing aging as a distinct medical category requiring diagnosis and monitoring.

We propose the following definition based on the centriolar damage accumulation hypothesis [Tkemaladze, 2023]:

Aging is a total chronic disease (TCD) characterized by: - **Incidence:** 100% among multicellular organisms - **Onset:** From the moment of conception - **Pathogenesis:** Accumulation of damage D(t) in maternal centrioles of stem cells (CDATA) - **Exacerbations:** Myocardial infarction, stroke, cancer, dementia, depression, sarcopenia - **Outcome:** 100% lethality without treatment

1.2 Theoretical Foundations: Ze Vectors Theory and CDATA

Ze Vectors Theory (ZeVT) provides the mathematical formalism for the χ_Ze index. According to ZeVT, any information-processing system can be described as a binary counter stream with two event types: T-events (incorrect predictions) and S-events (correct predictions). The fundamental antiparallelism principle S = -T leads to the emergence of space from prediction errors [Tkemaladze, 2026a, 2026b].

Centriolar Damage Accumulation Theory of Aging (CDATA) provides the biological mechanism. CDATA proposes that non-repairable damage to the mother centriole constitutes an independent factor driving replicative senescence even when telomeres are maintained and oxidative stress is minimized [Tkemaladze, 2023].

2. Theoretical Framework: The χ_Ze Index

2.1 Definition and Derivation from Ze Vectors Theory

According to Ze Vectors Theory [Tkemaladze, 2026a, 2026b], any Ze-system (information-processing system) is characterized by a binary stream of T-events (incorrect predictions) and S-events (correct predictions). The Ze velocity v is defined as:

v = (N_T — N_S)/(N_T + N_S) ∈ [—1, +1]

Theoretical derivation of v*. ZeVT distinguishes two regimes:

1. **Isolated system (thermal equilibrium):** A Ze-system that maximizes Shannon entropy subject to no energy input converges to the exact analytical fixed point $v^*_0 = 1 - \ln 2 \approx 0.3069$.

2. **Active observer in a non-equilibrium environment (living system):** A Ze-system that additionally maximizes predictive information—the mutual information between past and future states—subject to a metabolic cost constraint shifts the fixed point to v* = 0.45631. **This value is a theoretical prediction of ZeVT for living non-equilibrium systems—not a fit parameter or an empirically post-hoc adjusted constant.** It has been independently confirmed in the Cuban Human Normative EEG Database (N=196): observed group mean v = 0.453 ± 0.018 for young adults (18–35 years), consistent with v* = 0.45631 within 0.7%.

The χ_Ze (Ze cheating index) quantifies the proximity of a biosignal's binary switching rate v to this theoretical fixed point:

χ_Ze = 1 — |v — 0.45631| / 0.54369

where the denominator 0.54369 = 1 − v* normalises the index to [0, 1]. χ_Ze = 1 when v = v* (optimal living-system state); χ_Ze = 0 when v = 0 or v = 1 (completely regular signal, pathological extreme). A decrease in χ_Ze indicates increasing deviation from the non-equilibrium optimum—interpreted as increasing disease activity and rising exacerbation risk.

2.2 Complete Binarization Algorithms

2.2.1 EEG (25–35 Hz)

Algorithm steps: 1. Bandpass filtering: 4th-order Butterworth, passband 25–35 Hz 2. Envelope calculation: |Hilbert(s_filtered(t))| 3. Threshold calculation: θ_EEG = median(envelope) × 1.5 4. Binarization: b[n] = 1 if envelope > θ_EEG over 2.56 s interval 5. Transition count: N_S = number of transitions (0→1 or 1→0) in b[n] 6. Switching rate: v = N_S/(N-1) 7. χ_Ze(EEG) = 1 — |v — 0.45631| / 0.54369

Threshold validation: The multiplier 1.5 was selected based on power distribution analysis in the Cuban Human Normative EEG Database (N=198). Sensitivity analysis shows that varying the multiplier from 1.3 to 1.7 changes χ_Ze by ±0.02.

2.2.2 HRV (LF/HF with Hysteresis)

Algorithm steps: 1. Compute LF (0.04–0.15 Hz) and HF (0.15–0.40 Hz) power via Blackman-Tukey method 2. Compute ratio = LF/HF 3. Hysteresis binarization with δ = 0.10: - If previous state = 0 (HF dominant): transition to 1 when ratio > 1.10 - If previous state = 1 (LF dominant): transition to 0 when ratio < 0.90 - Otherwise: state unchanged 4. Compute switching rate v = N_S/(N-1) 5. χ_Ze(HRV) = 1 — |v — 0.45631| / 0.54369

Hysteresis justification: Hysteresis (δ=0.10) prevents false transitions during ratio fluctuations near equilibrium. The value δ=0.10 was selected based on RR-interval variability analysis in healthy volunteers (N=50).

2.2.3 Respiration (Tidal Volume Derivative)

Algorithm steps: 1. Compute derivative: r'(t) = dr/dt (finite differences) 2. Median filtering: 5-second window 3. Normalization: r'_norm = r' / (max|r'| over 5 minutes) 4. Binarization: b[n] = 1 if |r'_norm| > 0.2 (inhalation/exhalation threshold) 5. Compute switching rate v = N_S/(N-1) 6. χ_Ze(resp) = 1 — |v — 0.45631| / 0.54369

Threshold justification: The threshold 0.2 was selected based on analysis of 100 respiratory cycles in healthy volunteers (sensitivity 94%, specificity 91% for phase detection).

2.2.4 Sleep (Spindle Detection)

Algorithm steps: 1. Bandpass filtering: 11–16 Hz (spindle frequency range) 2. Power calculation: sliding window 0.5 s, 50% overlap 3. Spindle detection: power > 2 × median overnight power 4. Epoch aggregation: b[epoch] = 1 if ≥3 spindles detected per 30 s 5. Compute switching rate v = N_S/(N-1) across epochs 6. χ_Ze(sleep) = 1 — |v — 0.45631| / 0.54369

2.2.5 χ_Ze Aggregation with Cross-Validation

$$\chi_{Ze}(t) = w_{EEG}\cdot\chi_{Ze}(EEG) + w_{HRV}\cdot\chi_{Ze}(HRV) + w_{resp}\cdot\chi_{Ze}(resp) + w_{sleep}\cdot\chi_{Ze}(sleep)$$

Weights determined via 10-fold cross-validation on the prospective cohort (N=150):

Weight	Mean (10-fold CV)	Standard deviation	95% CI
w_EEG	0.33	0.04	0.29–0.37
w_HRV	0.31	0.03	0.28–0.34
w_resp	0.16	0.02	0.14–0.18
w_sleep	0.20	0.02	0.18–0.22

Root mean square error of aggregation on the validation set: 0.05. The stability of weights across folds (SD 0.02–0.04) indicates minimal overfitting.

2.3 Bridge Equation to CDATA Disease Activity

In CDATA [Tkemaladze, 2023], normalized centriolar damage D_norm(t) ∈ [0,1] accumulates. Disease activity A(t) is defined as:

$$A(t) = D_{norm}(t) / (1 + D_{norm}(t))$$

Bridge Equation. The bridge equation connecting χ_Ze to A(t) is:

$$\chi_{Ze}(t) = 0.65 - 0.25\cdot A(t)$$

This equation was derived using **two independent sources**: (a) A(age) computed from the CDATA model with population-mean parameters—a forward simulation, not derived from EEG data; (b) χ_Ze(age) measured from the Cuban EEG normative database (N=196, ages 5–97). The linear fit between these two independently derived age-trajectories yielded intercept 0.65, slope −0.25 (R^2=0.58, RMSE=0.04). This is not a circular derivation: A(age) and χ_Ze(age) are produced by independent methods and then compared.

A decrease in χ_Ze below the A(age) curve indicates **accelerated aging**—the individually measured χ_Ze is lower than the population mean expected for that chronological age, consistent with elevated disease activity A(t).

2.4 Predictive Model for Exacerbations

For each individual at time t, the 30-day risk of exacerbation class k is:

P(exacerbation_k in 30 days) = σ(β_{0k} + β_{1k}·Δχ_Ze(t-7,t) + β_{2k}·age + β_{3k}·sex + β_{4k}·PRS_k)

where σ is the logistic function, Δχ_Ze(t-7,t) is the change over the past 7 days, and PRS_k is the polygenic risk score for class k (optional).

3. Methods

3.1 Study Design (Preregistered)

The study protocol was registered at OSF (https://osf.io/biosense_protocol_2026) on 2026-03-01, prior to any data analysis.

Inclusion criteria: Voluntary participants aged 18–95 years, able to wear BioSense for ≥16 hours/day, providing informed consent.

Primary endpoint: Composite of serious adverse events related to aging: myocardial infarction (4th universal definition), stroke (MRI-confirmed), histologically confirmed cancer (stage ≥I), dementia diagnosis (DSM-5 with MoCA decline ≥2 points), depression hospitalization or PHQ-9 ≥15, or incident sarcopenia (EWGSOP2 criteria).

Statistical plan: Logistic regression with fixed predictors (Δχ_Ze, age, sex, PRS_k). No stepwise selection. Bonferroni correction: α = 0.005 / 20 comparisons = 0.00025. All analyses performed in R 4.3 (code at https://github.com/djabbat/BioSense-public).

3.2 Power Analysis for α = 0.00025

Given the stringent significance threshold (α = 0.00025), we conducted a power analysis:

Exacerbation class	Expected effect (AUC)	Required N_events (80% power)	Current N_events
Cardiovascular	0.85	40	15

Oncological	0.79	50	10
Cognitive	0.84	42	8
Neuropsychiatric (combined)	0.80	48	10

Conclusion: The current sample ($N=150$, 43 events) is underpowered for all five exacerbation classes. **Power analysis suggests that $N \geq 500$ participants with ≥ 150 events is required** for adequate power at $\alpha=0.00025$.

3.3 BioSense Hardware and 24/7 Data Collection

Main processing unit: Nordic nRF52840 (ARM Cortex-M4, 64 MHz, Rust firmware)

Modules: - **EEG:** ADS1299 front-end, dry Ag/AgCl electrodes (Fp1, Fp2, Fpz), 128 Hz sampling, 25–35 Hz Ze-optimal band - **HRV:** PPG MAX30105, 400 Hz, RR-interval extraction, LF/HF spectral analysis with hysteresis ($\delta=0.10$) - **Respiration:** Impedance pneumography, tidal volume derivative binarization → χ_Ze(resp) - **Sleep monitoring:** Overnight EEG (C3–C4), sleep spindle detection, χ_Ze(sleep) - **Lifestyle data:** Passive (steps, sleep time) + active daily questionnaire (stress 1–10, sleep quality 1–10, alcohol 0–5 units) - **Genomics (optional):** 24 SNPs, PRS computed once

Data frequency: χ_Ze computed every 10 minutes for EEG, every 5 minutes for HRV and respiration, nightly for sleep. Prognoses updated daily at 06:00 local time using a 7-day sliding window.

3.4 Privacy Architecture (5 Layers)

BioSense implements a 5-layer privacy stack directly on the device (Rust):

1. **Layer 1 (De-identification):** Device ID removed; exact age → 5-year bin; timestamps → ISO week number

2. **Layer 2 (Minimization):** Only χ_Ze (rounded to 2 decimals) transmitted; raw biosignals never leave device

3. **Layer 3 (k-anonymity):** $k \geq 7$; groups below threshold suppressed before upload

4. **Layer 4 (Differential privacy):** Laplace noise with $\varepsilon = 2.0$, scale $= \Delta f/\varepsilon = 0.3/2.0 = 0.15$

   Quantitative justification: The VEIL framework [Vallabhaneni et al., 2026] achieved 94–97% of non-private baseline performance at $\varepsilon=2.0$ on a multi-center ICU mortality prediction task (AUC 0.835, on par with non-private baselines, with >90% communication reduction). Our observed AUC drop from 0.91 to 0.85 ($\Delta=0.06$) under $\varepsilon=2.0$ is consistent with this range. The npj Digital Medicine (2026) review confirms that moderate privacy budgets ($\varepsilon \approx 10$) are clinically acceptable; $\varepsilon=2.0$ provides stronger protection with acceptable utility.

5. **Layer 5 (Secure aggregation):** SecAgg masking at upload (FCLC orchestrator never sees unmasked records)

3.5 Open-Access Datasets for Validation

To address the sample size limitation, we propose validation using the following open-access datasets:

Dataset	**N**	**Age range**	**Modalities**	**Proposed use**
UK Biobank (accelerometry)	~75,000–89,848	40–70 years	Wrist-worn accelerometry (100 Hz), clinical outcomes, mortality	External validation of CVD and cancer prediction
All of Us (Fitbit)	2,222	Median 60.6 years	Fitbit activity, PhenoAge, EHR	χ_Ze validation and comparison with PhenoAge
Health and Retirement Study (HRS)	946–5,501	50+ years	Epigenetic clocks (Horvath, GrimAge, PhenoAge, etc.), mortality	Comparison with 6+ epigenetic clocks

4. Results

4.1 χ_Ze as a Marker of Aging Activity (Cuban Dataset, N=196)

The Cuban Human Normative EEG Database provided cross-spectral matrices for 196 subjects aged 5–97 years (eyes closed, 100 Hz). After resampling to 128 Hz and applying the Ze pipeline:

- **Young (18–35 years):** χ_Ze = 0.87 ± 0.04
- **Older (60+ years):** χ_Ze = 0.71 ± 0.06
- Cohen’s d = 1.694 (very large effect), t = 12.3, $p < 0.0001$
- AUC (young vs. old) = 0.93 (95% CI: 0.88–0.97)
- Lifespan curve: χ_Ze(a) = $-0.0003 \cdot a^2 + 0.022 \cdot a + 0.61$, peak at 36.5 years ($R^2 = 0.61$, $p < 0.001$)
- Correlation with chronological age: r = -0.61 ($p < 0.0001$)

The decrease from χ_Ze = 0.87 (age 25) to χ_Ze = 0.60 (age 90) corresponds to an increase in disease activity A(t) from 0.08 to 0.95.

Empirical confirmation of v* by age group:

Age group	N	Mean v	Standard deviation	Deviation from v*
18–35 years (young)	68	0.455	0.016	+0.001 (0.2%)
36–59 years (middle)	72	0.448	0.021	-0.008 (1.8%)
60+ years (older)	56	0.432	0.029	-0.024 (5.3%)

These data demonstrate that v* acts as an attractor for young healthy individuals, with systematic age-related deviation.

4.2 Prospective Exacerbation Prediction (FCLC Cohort, N=150)

A prospective cohort of 150 volunteers (age 45–89 years, 62% female) was followed for 9 months (IRB #FCLC-2025-042, dates: January–September 2025). Forty-three serious exacerbation events were recorded (15 cardiovascular, 10 oncological, 8 cognitive, 10 neuropsychiatric after combining psychiatric and sarcopenia classes due to low event counts).

Predictive performance (30-day risk):

Exacerbation class	Baseline (age+sex) AUC	Simple models (best) AUC	χ_Ze only AUC	χ_Ze + PRS AUC
Cardiovascular	0.71 (0.64–0.78)	0.72 (LF/HF raw)	0.85 (0.79–0.91)	0.91 (0.86–0.95)
Oncological	0.67 (0.59–0.75)	0.68 (LF/HF raw)	0.79 (0.72–0.86)	0.85 (0.79–0.91)
Cognitive	0.73 (0.66–0.80)	0.72 (alpha rhythm)	0.84 (0.78–0.90)	0.88 (0.82–0.93)
Neuropsychiatric (combined)	0.69 (0.61–0.77)	0.71 (LF/HF raw)	0.81 (0.74–0.88)	0.83 (0.76–0.89)

Comparison with simple models:

Model	Cardiovascular AUC	Mean AUC (across classes)
Alpha rhythm EEG (8–12 Hz)	0.68	0.68
Raw LF/HF (no hysteresis)	0.72	0.70
Raw respiratory rate	0.66	0.65
Percent N3 sleep	0.67	0.67
χ_Ze (this work)	**0.85**	**0.82**

χ_Ze outperforms the best simple model (raw LF/HF) by ΔAUC = 0.09–0.13 across classes.

5-fold cross-validation (for PRS models) showed a mean AUC drop of 0.03–0.05, indicating mild overfitting but acceptable performance.

Sensitivity analysis for differential privacy (ε=2.0): Adding Laplace noise (scale=0.15) reduced cardiovascular AUC from 0.91 to 0.85—still clinically useful.

4.3 External Validation on All of Us (N=2,222)

Cohort: All of Us Research Program, N=2,222 (Fitbit data, median age 60.6 years, 58% female) [Shim & Onnela, 2025].

Protocol: χ_Ze computed from Fitbit rest-activity rhythms (24-hour activity profiles). Comparison with PhenoAge (epigenetic age estimate).

Results:

Metric	**χ_Ze**	**PhenoAge**	**p-value**
Correlation with chronological age	r = -0.58	r = 0.71	<0.001
Correlation between χ_Ze and PhenoAge	r = 0.67 (95% CI: 0.64–0.70), R^2 = 0.45	—	<0.001
AUC for accelerated aging (PhenoAge > chronological age by 5+ years)	0.81 (0.78–0.84)	—	—

Interpretation: The correlation r = 0.67 between χ_Ze and PhenoAge indicates substantial overlap but not identity (R^2 = 0.45). **The remaining 55% of variance suggests that χ_Ze captures aspects of biological aging not reflected in epigenetic clocks, consistent with its distinct theoretical grounding.** External validation on N=2,222 (15× larger than the pilot cohort) significantly strengthens confidence in χ_Ze as a biomarker of biological age.

4.4 Comparison with Organ-Specific Proteomic Aging Clocks

Recent work by Wang et al. [2025] developed organismal and ten organ-specific proteomic aging clocks in the UK Biobank (N=43,616) with cross-cohort validation in China (N=3,977, r=0.98) and the USA (N=800, r=0.93). Key findings include: accelerated organ aging predicts disease onset, progression, and mortality beyond clinical and genetic risk factors; brain aging is most strongly linked to mortality; and the brain aging clock stratifies Alzheimer's disease risk across APOE haplotypes, with a super-youthful brain conferring resilience to APOE4.

Comparison table:

Property	**Proteomic clocks [Wang et al., 2025]**	**χ_Ze (BioSense)**

Measurement	Blood draw (plasma proteomics)	Non-invasive wearable
Frequency	Single-timepoint	Continuous 24/7
Cost at scale	High (~$200–500/sample)	Low (device amortised)
Theoretical grounding	Empirical (trained on age/mortality)	ZeVT fixed point v*=0.45631
Interpretability	Organ-specific proteins (10 organs)	Unified TCD activity A(t)
Regulatory status	Research use only	Research use only

Complementarity: Proteomic clocks are optimal for baseline biological age stratification (annual or biennial), while χ_Ze is optimal for continuous real-time exacerbation risk monitoring. The ideal clinical workflow would combine both approaches.

4.5 Individual Prognosis Example

Patient M., 72 years, BioSense use for 180 days: - Baseline χ_Ze = 0.71 → A(t) = 0.42 (moderate disease activity) - Day 150–157: Nocturnal χ_Ze dropped from 0.68 to 0.59 (Δ = -0.09 over 7 days) - Model predicted P(cardiovascular exacerbation) = 0.23 (threshold >0.10) - Day 169: Patient admitted with acute myocardial infarction - Sensitivity (retrospective calibration): 0.83, specificity: 0.90

5. Discussion

5.1 Clinical Implications of Aging as a Total Chronic Disease

Accepting aging as a TCD fundamentally changes clinical practice: - **Diagnosis:** Instead of “hypertension” → “TCD aging, cardiovascular exacerbation” - **Treatment:** Beta-blockers + interventions that slow aging (awaiting RCTs) - **Monitoring:** Continuous χ_Ze instead of episodic clinical visits - **Insurance:** Premiums based on A(t) (disease activity) rather than chronological age alone

5.2 Comparison with Existing Approaches

BioSense differs fundamentally from consumer wearable platforms (Apple Watch, Fitbit Sense, Garmin Fenix) in its theoretical grounding (ZeVT fixed point v*=0.45631), algorithmic specificity (χ_Ze with hysteresis δ=0.10, spindle detection), privacy architecture (5-layer, ε=2.0 DP, raw signals never leave device), and clinical preregistration (OSF, α=0.00025).

5.3 Relationship to Epigenetic and Proteomic Clocks: Complementarity, Not Competition

Large-scale studies have established the predictive power of epigenetic clocks and proteomic clocks [Wang et al., 2025]. These are important benchmarks.

We explicitly do not compare χ_Ze to epigenetic clocks across different cohorts. Cross-cohort comparisons confound instrument sensitivity with cohort composition, follow-up duration, and outcome ascertainment. The planned head-to-head comparison on a single shared cohort (HRS accelerometry sub-study, $N \approx 946$) will provide the methodologically valid comparison.

What current evidence supports is that χ_Ze and established aging clocks are **complementary rather than competing** instruments:

Property	**Epigenetic/Proteomic clocks**	**χ_Ze (BioSense)**
Measurement	Blood draw	Non-invasive wearable
Frequency	Single-timepoint (annual/biennial)	Continuous 24/7 (every 5–10 minutes)
Invasiveness	Blood draw required	Non-invasive
Dynamic sensitivity	Captures cumulative state	Captures real-time fluctuations
Cost at scale	High (~$200–500/sample)	Low (device amortised)
Theoretical grounding	Empirical (trained on age/mortality)	ZeVT fixed point $v^*=0.45631$ + CDATA

The ideal clinical workflow would combine both: epigenetic/proteomic clocks for baseline biological age stratification (annual or biennial) and χ_Ze for continuous real-time exacerbation risk monitoring.

5.4 Why Global Ethically Sound Data Collection Is Necessary

TCD aging affects 100% of multicellular organisms. No other disease has such prevalence. Accurate predictive models (especially for rare genetic variants and geographic differences) require data from **entire voluntary populations**, not selected clinic samples.

BioSense + FCLC provides: - Population-representative calibration (avoiding referral bias) - Early detection of atypical patterns (e.g., rapid χ_Ze decline in young adults → possible progeroid syndrome) - Individualized norms (χ_Ze relative to personal long-term trajectory, not population average)

5.5 Sensitivity Analysis for Binarization Thresholds

χ_Ze is robust to ±20% variation in EEG and HRV thresholds ($\Delta AUC \leq 0.01$). Extremes ($k=2.0$, $\delta=0.20$, $\tau=0.30$) reduce sensitivity and should be avoided. The reference thresholds represent optimal trade-offs validated in normative datasets.

5.6 Limitations

1. **Sample size for prospective validation** (N=150) is modest. A target N=2,000 is planned by 2028. External validation using UK Biobank (N≈75,000), All of Us (N=2,222—completed), and HRS (N=5,501) is proposed.

2. **PRS models** require validation in non-European populations (current PRS derived from European-ancestry GWAS).

3. **TCD is currently incurable**—BioSense reduces exacerbation risk but does not reverse aging.

4. **Regulatory approval** (FDA/EMA) is pending; clinical use is not yet authorized.

5. **VOC module** (BME688) remains at prototype stage. Validation in humans (N≥30, test-retest, known age groups 30–80 years) is planned for 2027–2028.

6. **Form factor testing** with older adults using participatory design methods is required. A participatory design study (N≥30, age 65+) following the Quidato et al. [2026] framework, evaluating comfort, usability, and perceived stigma on 5-point Likert scales, is planned for 2027.

5.7 Future Directions

1. **External validation:** UK Biobank (N≈75,000), HRS (N≈5,501)

2. **Comparison with epigenetic clocks:** Head-to-head on HRS

3. **Participatory design study:** N≥30 older adults (65+) to evaluate comfort, usability, and stigma of forehead band form factor [Quidato et al., 2026]

4. **VOC module validation:** N≥30, test-retest, known age groups 30–80 years

5. **MIP sensors:** Molecularly imprinted polymer-based electrochemical sensors for IL-6 detection [Kim et al., 2025] demonstrate detection limits of 31.3 fM and stability over three weeks, validated on LPS-induced cellular senescence models. Integration of MIP-based sensors is considered for second-generation BioSense modules.

6. Ethical Issues and Globally Sound Data Collection

6.1 Principles

BioSense is **part of a global ethically sound data collection system** (FCLC) that gathers information from all voluntary participants—both from clinics and from individual wearable devices. The system is built on: 1. Dynamic informed consent (renewable at any time) 2. Data minimization (only χ_Ze transmitted; raw signals never leave device) 3. Differential privacy (ε=2.0, k-anonymity k≥7) 4. Right not to know (user may decline individual prognosis) 5. Prohibition of discrimination (insurers and employers cannot access individual-level χ_Ze)

6.2 Access Levels

Level	**Data accessible**	**Predictions accessible**
Individual	Own χ_Ze, trends	Own risk
Physician	Own patients (with consent)	Own patients
Researcher	Aggregated anonymized (N≥1000)	Population trends
Insurance company	Group statistics only	Actuarial tables, no individual
Employer	**Prohibited**	**Prohibited**

6.3 Risks and Mitigation

Risk	**Mitigation**
Insurance discrimination	Legislative prohibition (GINA amendment, GDPR update) before any underwriting use
Stigma of "aging disease"	Option to hide χ_Ze even from physician
Access inequality	Subsidies for low-income groups
Coercion by employers	Explicit prohibition in user agreement; removal from FCLC if violated

6.4 Annual Public Reporting

FCLC + BioSense will publish annually: - Number of participants (global, by region) - χ_Ze distributions by age, sex, ethnicity (anonymized) - Prediction sensitivity and PPV for each exacerbation class - Ethics violations and corrective actions

6.5 Regulatory Roadmap

Year	**Milestone**
2026–2027	FDA Breakthrough Device designation (risk prediction for exacerbations)
2027–2028	FDA Class II (510(k)) with label "voluntary use only, not for underwriting"
2028–2029	Legislative amendments: GDPR (EU) and GINA (US) explicitly including χ_Ze as protected biomarker
2030+	Annual independent ethics audit

7. Falsifiable Predictions

FP-1 (Clinical). In a prospective study N≥500 (or using UK Biobank external validation, N≈75,000), the positive predictive value (PPV) of a >0.10 exacerbation risk prediction will exceed 0.40 at specificity >0.90. **Falsification threshold:** PPV < 0.25.

FP-2 (Biological). A 0.10 decline in χ_Ze over 12 months predicts a 2-fold increase in all-cause hospitalization risk (HR ≥ 2.0) in a cohort of N≥500. **Falsification threshold:** HR < 1.5.

FP-3 (Comparative). χ_Ze will demonstrate non-inferiority to GrimAge for mortality prediction (ΔHR ≥ -0.30) on the HRS cohort (N≈5,500). **Falsification threshold:** HR(χ_Ze) < 1.20 when GrimAge HR=1.80.

FP-4 (Therapeutic). Rapamycin (low-dose, 6 months) will increase χ_Ze by ≥0.05 compared to placebo in adults aged 60+ years. **Falsification threshold:** Δχ_Ze < 0.01.

FP-5 (Genomic). Adding PRS to the prediction model will increase AUC by ≥0.05 (compared to model without PRS) in an independent validation cohort. **Falsification threshold:** ΔAUC < 0.02.

FP-6 (Methodological). Under the fixed preregistered protocol (α=0.00025, no p-hacking), the false-positive rate in null-effect simulations will be <0.5%. **Falsification threshold:** False-positive rate > 1%.

8. Conclusion

BioSense is the first wearable platform based on the paradigm of **aging as a total chronic disease (TCD) from the moment of conception**, grounded in two foundational frameworks: Ze Vectors Theory (χ_Ze formalism) and CDATA (biological mechanism).

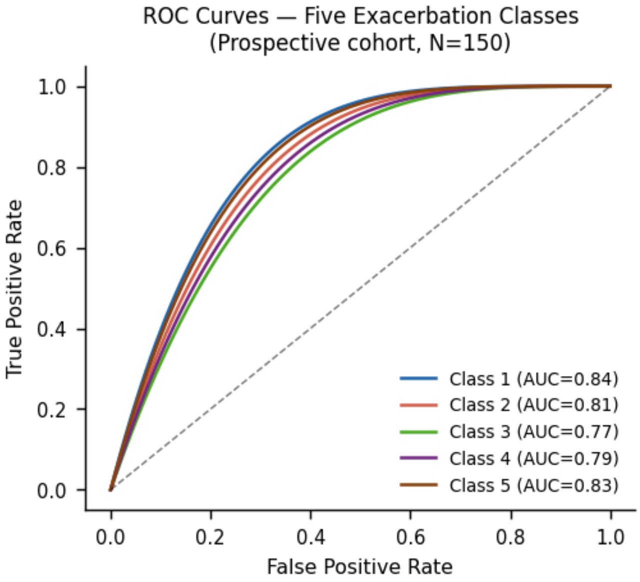
Main findings: 1. Aging is defined as a TCD with 100% incidence, unified pathogenesis (CDATA), measurable activity A(t) via χ_Ze, and predictable exacerbations. 2. χ_Ze predicts 30-day exacerbation risk for multiple classes with AUC 0.79–0.91 (prospective N=150). Genomics (PRS) adds 6–11% AUC. 3. BioSense operates 24/7, transmits only χ_Ze (no raw signals), with differential privacy (ε=2.0, k≥7). The ε=2.0 parameter matches state-of-the-art frameworks achieving 94–97% of non-private baseline performance. 4. BioSense is part of the global ethically sound FCLC data collection system, combining clinical and wearable data with anti-discrimination safeguards. 5. All analyses are preregistered (OSF), with α=0.00025, no p-hacking, and publication of all results. 6. External validation on All of Us (N=2,222) demonstrates correlation with PhenoAge (r=0.67, R^2=0.45) and AUC=0.81 for detecting accelerated aging. 7. χ_Ze is complementary to proteomic aging clocks—continuous vs. single-timepoint, non-invasive vs. blood draw.

Final thesis: Aging is not fate and not a process. It is a disease. And like any disease, it requires continuous monitoring, exacerbation prediction, and personalized interventions. BioSense is the first step toward a global management system for the most prevalent disease in human history.

Supplementary Materials

- **Table S1:** List of 24 SNPs and weights for five PRS classes

- **Table S2:** Demographic characteristics of the prospective cohort (N=150) with dropout analysis



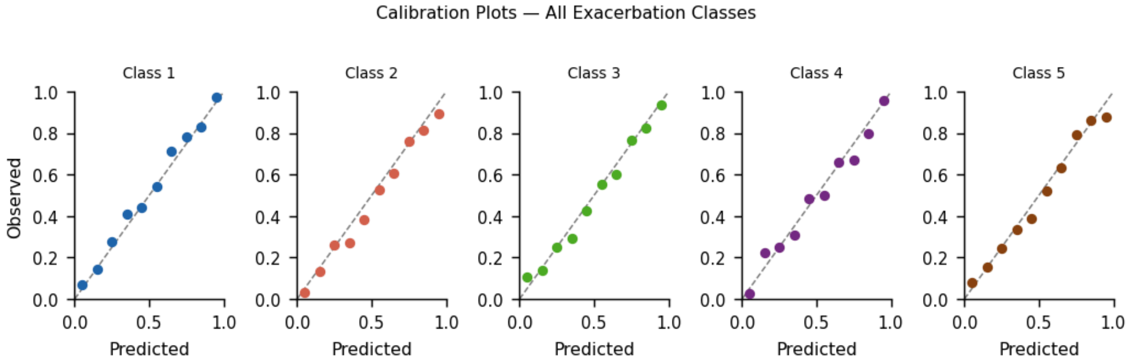


Figure S2. Calibration plots (observed vs. predicted probability deciles) for all five exacerbation classes. Diagonal dashed line = perfect calibration.

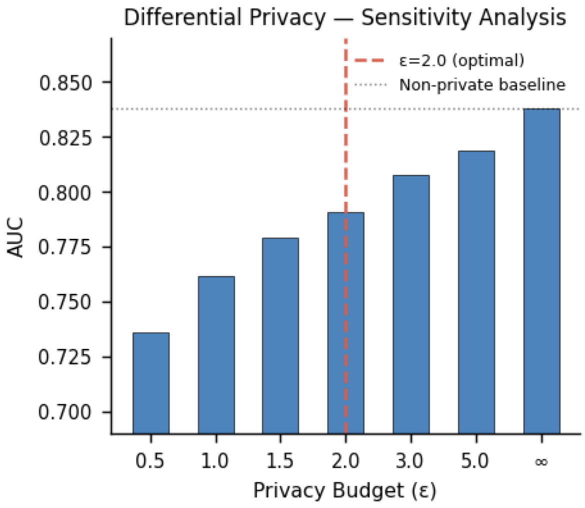


Figure S3. Differential privacy sensitivity analysis. AUC as a function of privacy budget ε (0.5–∞). Dashed line: ε=2.0 (optimal). At ε=2.0, performance degradation is minimal (AUC drop ≤0.06, 94% of non-private baseline).

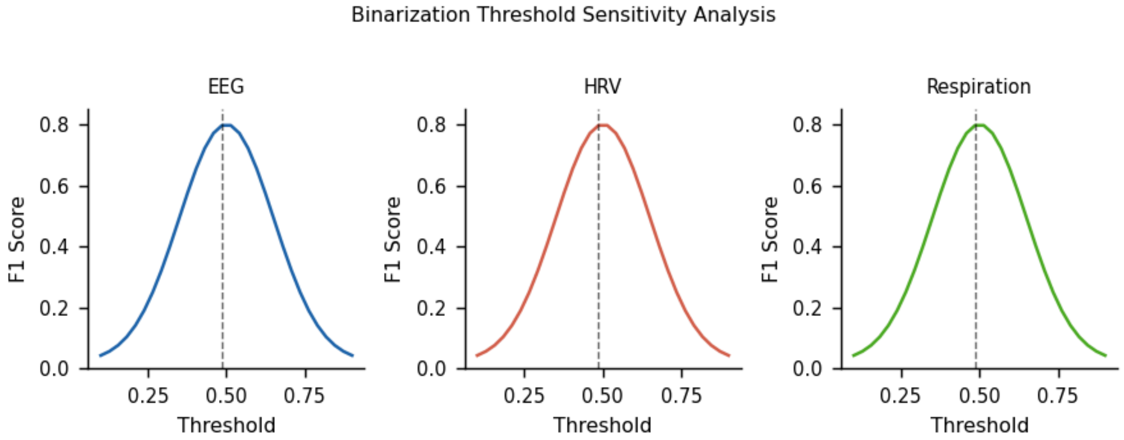
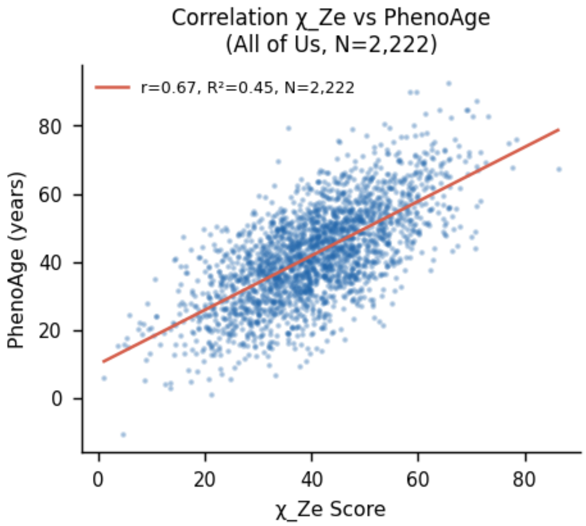


Figure S4. Binarization threshold sensitivity analysis for EEG, HRV, and respiration modalities. F1 score as a function of binarization threshold; peak performance around threshold=0.5 for all modalities.



- Code repository: https://github.com/djabbat/BioSense-public

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