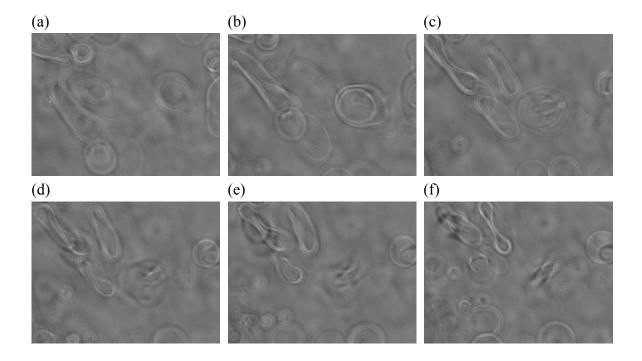
## **Supplementary Materials**

Fluctuation of membranous objects in the early stage of electroswelling with static dc voltage.

**Figure S1**. Fluctuation of membranous objects under static dc voltage (3.0 V). The pictures were taken every 30 sec starting from 2 min after the application of the voltage. The length across the frame is 120 μm.



The prices of ITO-PET and ITO-glass.

As of May 11, 2011, Aldrich (http://www.sigmaaldrich.com/) lists the following prices for ITO-PET sheets and ITO-glass plates.

ITO-PET sheets (639281-5ea, 1ft x 1ft, 100 ohm): \$78.10/5 sheets

ITO-glass plates (703176-10pak 25 x 25 mm, 70-100 ohm): \$35.20/10 plates

In general, ITO-coated materials with lower electric conductivity are less expensive and used in this comparison. The costs can be calculated as \$0.017/cm² and \$0.56/cm², for the ITO-PET and ITO-glass, respectively. Although the prices should be different depending on the sources of the materials, in this example, ITO-PET costs approximately 30 times less than ITO-glass.