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A versatile and robust electrochemical flow cell with a boron-doped diamond electrode for simultaneous determination of Zn²⁺ and Pb²⁺ ions in water samples

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Fig. S1. Flow diagram for the FBA-DPASV. The symbols between the pulses represent a group of pulses applied at a time interval. The steps are described as: filling the channels (1), addiction of H₂SO₄ solution (2), temperature control (3), APT and CPT (4), drainage/air (5), cleaning (6), drainage/air (7), addition of blank (8), addition of Zn²⁺ (9) and Pb²⁺ solutions (10), simultaneous addition (Zn²⁺/Pb²⁺) (11), addition of sample (12), temperature control (13), preconcentration (14), and measurements/DPASV (15).



Fig. S2. Cyclic voltammograms of SPE-BDD without pretreatment compared to APT and CPT (A). Comparison between APT and CPT with the same current density applied for 60 s (B). Studies of different current densities for CPT during 120 s (C). Performance of the CE based on graphite carbon (CE-C) embedded into the SPE-BDD compared to an external CE of platinum (CE-Pt), and an external RE (Ag/AgCl, 3.0 mol L^{-1} KCl) compared to the pseudo-RE of the SPE-BDD (D).

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Fig. S3. Supporting electrolytes evaluated by cyclic voltammetry. Solutions of 0.1 mol L^{-1} H₂SO₄ (A). Acetic acid/acetate buffer solution (0.2 mol L^{-1} , pH 4.0 and 4.5) (B). Britton-Robinson (BR) buffer (0.04 mol L^{-1} , pH 2.0, and 6.0) (C). Phosphate buffer solutions (0.2 mol L^{-1} , pH 4.0 and 5.0) (D). Potential scan rate of 50 mV s⁻¹.



Fig. S4. Hydrodynamic evaluation of the potential for reduction of 2000 μ g L⁻¹ of Zn²⁺ (A) and 500 μ g L⁻¹ Pb²⁺ (B). Carrier solution used was 0.2 mol L⁻¹ acetic acid/ acetate buffer, pH 4.0 at a flow rate of 50 μ L s⁻¹. Pulse duration of 100 ms.



Fig. S5. Hydrodynamic studies to evaluate the pulse time applied for -1.3 V (A) using 4000 μ g L⁻¹ of Zn²⁺ and - 0.9 V (B) employing 500 μ g L⁻¹ of Pb²⁺ solution with 0.2 mol L⁻¹ acetic acid/acetate buffer solution, pH 4.0 as carrier solution at a flow rate of 50 μ L s⁻¹.



Fig. S6. Influence of the flow rate of the carrier solution based on acetic acid buffer pH 4.0 on the MPA signal for 500 μ g L⁻¹ of Pb²⁺ injected to generate each transient signal obtained applying – 0.9 V/100 ms.



Fig. S7. Studies of the size of the sampling volume injected into the EFC, which is proportional to the number of pulses applied in each μ P used in the MCFA system with MPA for 4000 μ g L⁻¹ stock solution Zn²⁺ (A) and 500 μ g L⁻¹ stock solution of Pb²⁺ (B). The flow rate employed was 50 μ L s⁻¹.



Fig. S8. Simultaneous calibration curves of Zn^{2+} and Pb^{2+} employing the SPE-BDD with MCFA-MPA. A carrier solution of acetic acid/acetate buffer, pH 4.0, at a flow rate of 50 μ L s⁻¹ was used. The potential pulses employed were -1.4 V/50 ms and -1.0 V/50 ms to determine Zn^{2+} and Pb^{2+} respectively. Stock solutions of 10,000 μ g L⁻¹ and 2000 μ g L⁻¹ for Zn^{2+} and Pb^{2+} ions were employed.