

Electronic supplementary material

A novel substitution sensing for hydroquinone and catechol based on Poly(3-aminophenylboronic acid)/MWCNTs modified electrode

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Table S1 Comparison with other sensors for the determination of **CC**.

Method	Calibration range (mol/L)	Detection limit (mol/L)	References
A sensor based on as-grown and nanograss array BDD electrode	5.0×10^{-6} $\sim 1.0 \times 10^{-4}$	1.3×10^{-6}	[1]
A GCE modified with multi-walled carbon nanotubes	2.0×10^{-5} $\sim 1.2 \times 10^{-3}$	1.0×10^{-5}	[2]
A CNCs-RGO/GCE	1.0×10^{-6} $\sim 4.0 \times 10^{-4}$	4.0×10^{-7}	[3]
A laccase biosensor based on AgNPs-CMC/cellulose composite nanofibrous mats	5.0×10^{-6} $\sim 3.7 \times 10^{-3}$	1.6×10^{-6}	[4]
A screen-printed prussian blue modified electrode	1.0×10^{-6} $\sim 9.0 \times 10^{-5}$	4.3×10^{-7}	[5]
A nanotubes/carbon paper composite electrochemical sensor	1.0×10^{-6} $\sim 1.0 \times 10^{-4}$	2.9×10^{-7}	[6]
A BphC/GCE constructed by polyvinyl alcohol/SiO ₂ sol-gel method	2.0×10^{-6} $\sim 8.0 \times 10^{-4}$	4.3×10^{-7}	[7]
MWCNTs-PDDA-GR/GCE	5.0×10^{-7} $\sim 4.0 \times 10^{-4}$	1.8×10^{-8}	[8]
A photoelectrochemical sensor based on CdS quantum dots, DNA and pristine graphene nanocomposite film modified electrode	1.0×10^{-8} $\sim 1.0 \times 10^{-6}$	4.9×10^{-9}	[9]
pAPBA/MWCNTs/GCE	4.0×10^{-8} $\sim 1.7 \times 10^{-5}$	4.3×10^{-9}	This work

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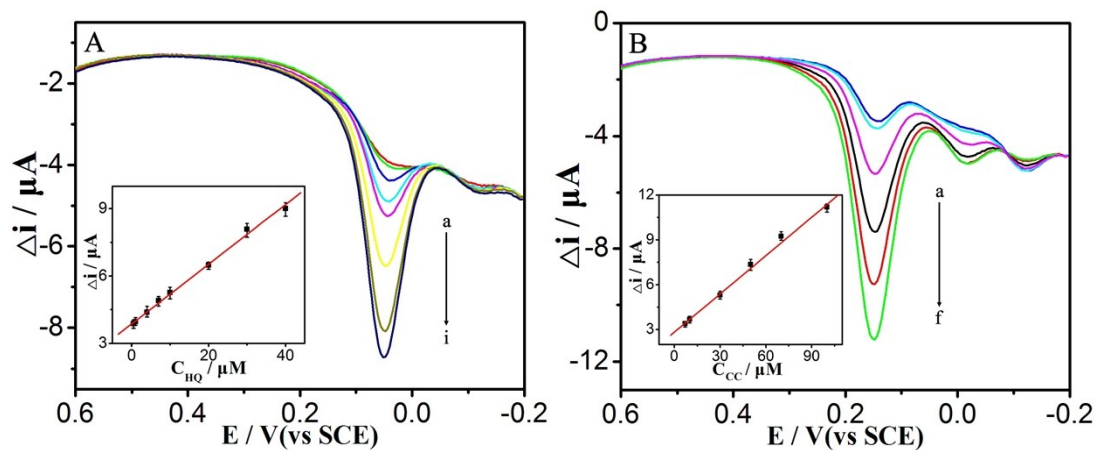


Fig. S1 (A) DPV curves of HQ recorded on pAPBA/MWCNTs/GCE with different concentration (a-i were 5.0×10^{-7} to 4.0×10^{-5} mol L⁻¹). Inset: The calibration curve for HQ; (B) DPV curves of **CC** recorded on pAPBA/MWCNTs/GCE with different concentration (a-f were 7.0×10^{-6} to 1.0×10^{-4} mol L⁻¹). Inset: The calibration curve for **CC**.

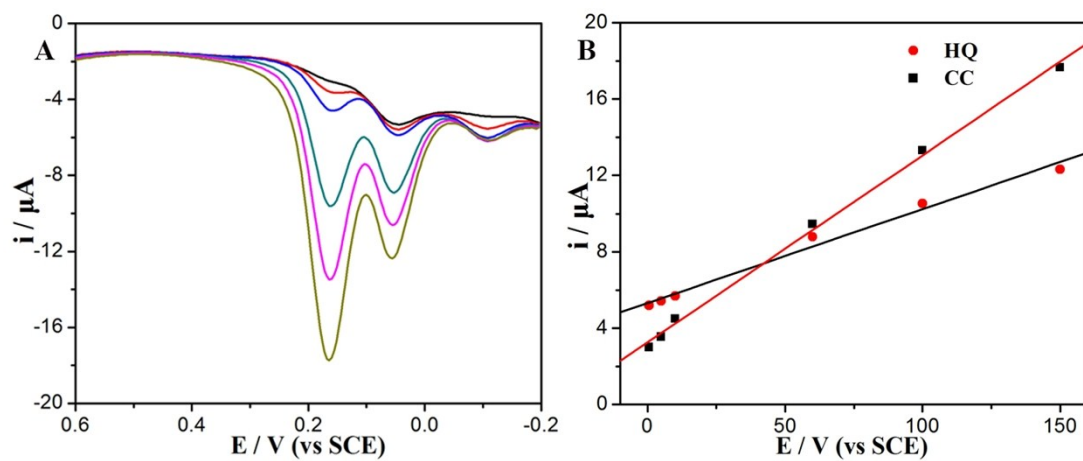


Fig. S2 (A) DPV curves of simultaneous detection of HQ and CC on pAPBA/MWCNTs/GCE with different concentration of HQ and CC (Concentrations were 5.0×10^{-7} to 1.5×10^{-5} mol L⁻¹). (B) The calibration curve for HQ and CC.

Table S2 Application of the sensor to competitively determine CC in five kinds of real water samples spiked with different amounts of CC.

Samples	Added (μM)	Founded* (μM)	Recovery (%)
Tap Water	0.5	0.475	95.0
	5	5.18	103.6
	10	10.2	102.0
Jinghu Lake Water	0.5	0.522	104.0
	5	5.26	105.3
	10	9.85	98.5
Wenjin Lake Water	0.5	0.476	95.1
	5	5.39	107.9
	10	10.1	101.0
Changjiang River Water	0.5	0.515	103.0
	5	5.41	108.2
	10	9.78	97.8
Sanitary Wastewater	0.5	0.490	98.0
	5	4.95	99.0
	10	9.91	99.1

* Average value of three determination