

**Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)**

**Low cost microfluidic thread-based electroanalytical  
device**

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**Table S1.** Materials cost estimation for a single  $\mu$ TED

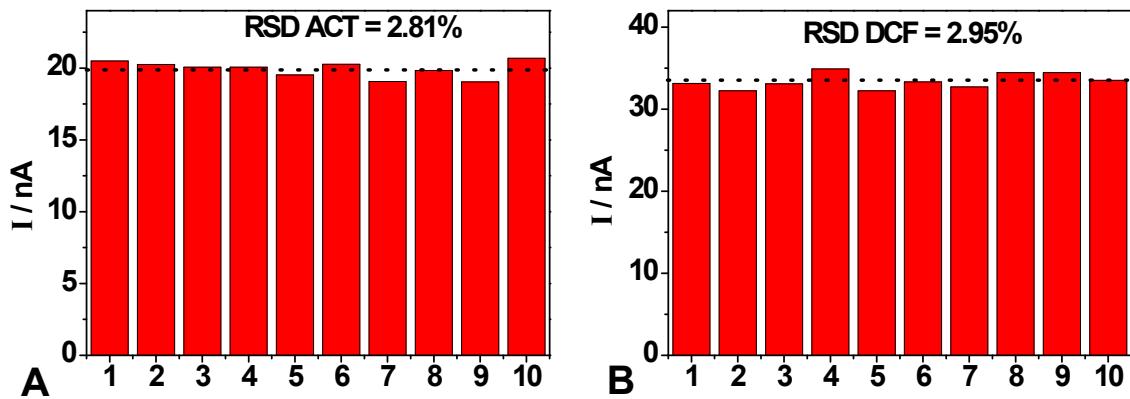
Material	Quantity used per device	Cost per device (\$)
Glass plate	30 cm	0.25
Double sided tape	5 cm	0.07
Cylindrical graphite	3 piece (1.5 graphite)	0.06
Hydrophilic cotton gauze	1 piece (12 mm <sup>2</sup> )	0.0003
Hydrophilic cotton thread	9 cm (27 mm <sup>2</sup> )	0.001
Polymeric reservoirs	2 units	0.01
Total		0.39

**Table S2.** Analytical characteristics of the µTED – MPA method.

Characteristics	DCF	ACT
Linear range ( $\mu\text{mol L}^{-1}$ )	10 – 320	10 – 320
Correlation coefficient	0.9988	0.9936
Slope (nA $\mu\text{mol}^{-1} \text{L}$ )	1.8227	0.8486
Intercept (nA)	-8.34	6.87
LOD ( $\mu\text{mol L}^{-1}$ )	1.43	2.49
LOQ ( $\mu\text{mol L}^{-1}$ )	4.77	8.30
Analytical frequency (injections per hour)	45	45
RSD	2.95 %	2.81%

**Table S3** – Comparison of LOD and linear range for determination of ACT and DCF

Specie	LOD / $\mu\text{mol L}^{-1}$	Linear range $\mu\text{mol L}^{-1}$	Device/Technique
ACT	0.3	0.35 – 100	Microfluidic device/Amperometric detection <sup>39</sup>
ACT	25.0	50 – 2000	Microfluidic device/Amperometric detection <sup>40</sup>
ACT	1.94	331 - 1656	Batch injection analysis/MPA <sup>41</sup>
ACT	1.72	-	Batch injection analysis/MPA <sup>42</sup>
ACT	1.43	10 - 320	This work
DCF	11.0	10 - 50	Batch injection analysis/MPA <sup>43</sup>
DCF	0.14	5 - 50	Flow injection analysis /MPA <sup>44</sup>
DCF	2.49	10 - 320	This work



**Fig. S1** Current values for (A) ACT and (B) DCF, obtained in the  $\mu$ TED by MPA for injection ( $n = 10$ ) of PBS  $0.10 \text{ mol L}^{-1}$  pH 7.00 containing a mixture of  $20 \mu\text{mol L}^{-1}$  DCF +  $20 \mu\text{mol L}^{-1}$  ACT. The horizontal dashed line indicates the average value of currents obtained. Applied potential pulses:  $0.25 \text{ V} / 500 \text{ ms}$  and  $0.50 \text{ V} / 500 \text{ ms}$ ; Sample injection volume:  $2 \mu\text{L}$ .