Supplimentary Information

A facile electrochemical synthesis strategy of Cu_2O (cubes, sheets and flowers) microstructured materials for sensitive detection of 4-nitrophenol[†]

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Fig. S1 Consecutive cyclic voltammograms for 10 cycles deposition of Cu_2O on the GCE using 10 mM KCl containing 5 mM of $CuCl_2$ at a scan rate of 50 mV s⁻¹.



Fig. S2. The EDX spectra for Cu_2O -cubes (a) and Cu_2O -flowers (b). Inset: the corresponding bar diagram.



Fig. S3. SEM images of the electrochemically prepared Cu₂O-cubes at 20 cycles.



Fig. S4. (a) CV capacitive current profiles for different modified electrodes in absence of 4-NP concentrations in 0.05 M PBS solutions (pH 5.0).



Fig. S4. The Cu₂O modified electrodes during the detection of 150 μ M of 4-NP, (a) Accumulated potential and (b) with variations of peak current.



Fig. S5. (a) Nyquist plots at different electrodes by using 5 mM Fe $(CN)_6^{3-/4-}$ containing in 0.1 M KCl as a supporting electrolyte solutions.

| Real samples | Analyte | Added (µM) | Found (µM) | Recovery (%) | |
|--------------|---------|------------|---------------|--------------|--|
| Tap water | 4-NP | 50 140 | 49.1 138.9 | 98.2 99.2 | |
| River water | 4-NP | 50 140 | 48.9 139.5 | 97.8 99.5 | |

Table S1. Determination of 4-NP in various real samples using DPV.