



Figure. S1 Raman spectroscopy of GO.



Figure. S2 SEM image of GO (a), NQS/GO without (b) and with (c) addition of 1 mM sarcosine.



Fig. S3 DPVs of 1.0 mM K<sub>3</sub>[Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>]/K<sub>4</sub>[Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>] containing 0.1 M KCl on NQS/GO GCE with addition of 0, 4, 6, 10 and 20 μM sarcosine, respectively.



Figure. S4 Photograph of 0.1 mM sarcosine in NQS/GO solution with different pH values of 3, 5, 7, 8, 9 and 10.

Table. S1 Electrochemical parameters of redox probe of 1 mM K<sub>3</sub>[Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>]/K<sub>4</sub>[Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>] on different electrodes

Parameters	Bare GCE	GO/GCE	NQS/GCE	NQS/GO GCE
$R_{ct}(\Omega)$	116	217	262	301
$K_{\rm app}$ (cm s <sup>-1</sup> )	4.59×10 <sup>-7</sup>	2.45×10-7	2.03×10-7	1.77×10-7



NQS priamry or secondary amines highly chromgenic product

Scheme S1 Reaction scheme of amines with NQS.