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Supporting Information

Facile construction of reduced graphene oxide-carbon dots complex embedded molecularly imprinted polymers for dual-amplifying and selective electrochemical sensing of rutoside

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Part S1: The preparation procedures of GO

Water-dispersible graphene oxide (GO) was prepared through the modified Hummers' method. Typically, graphite (1.0 g) was mixed with the concentrated sulfuric acid (25.0 mL) in 250 mL round-bottom flask. Then, the suspension was stirred for 24 h. After that, 1.5 g of KMnO₄ was slowly added into the suspension, equipped with the cooling from ice bath. The resulting mixture was stirred for additional 30 min. The temperature was increased to 60 °C and kept for 45 min. Finally, 3.0 mL of water was added twice in 15 min interval, and then 180.0 mL of water was also poured in the mixture system, so as to quench the reaction and cool down the setup.

Part S2: The preparation procedures of CDs

Carbon dots (CDs) in this work were prepared through solvothermal treatment of citric acid and urea under alkali conditions. In a typical experiment, the mixture of 1.0 g citric acid and 2.0 g urea were reacted at 160 °C for 6 h, under solvothermal conditions in 10 mL DMF. After reaction, the reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature. The obtained dark-brown solution was mixed with 20 mL aqueous solution of alkali (NaOH or KOH) (50 mg mL⁻¹), followed by stirring for 1

min and then centrifugation for 10 min at 16000 rpm. The resulting precipitates were collected, dissolved in water and centrifuged (16000 rpm, 10 min) twice to wash off residual salts and alkali, and then freeze-dried to generate dark products of CDs.

Table S1

Comparison of different electrochemical sensors for the detection of rutoside

Sensing materials	Detection ranges	LOD	Ref.
Cu-CS/MWCNT/GCE	0.5 ~100 μM	0.01 μM	[1]
RGO-MWNTs/GCE	0.6 ~1.0 mM	0.04 μM	[2]
RGO/GCE	0.1~2.0 μM	23.2 nM	[3]
NG/CILE	$7.0\times 10^{-10}\sim 1.0\times 10^{-5}$ M	0.23 nM	[4]
PEDOT-MeOH/GO/GCE	20 nM~10 μM	6 nM	[5]
GS/GCE	10 nM~1.25 μM	3.2 nM	[6]
β -CD@CRG/Nafion-GCE	$6.0\times 10^{-9}\sim 1.0\times 10^{-5}$ M	2.0×10^{-9} M	[7]
Fc-SAc/AuNPs/GCE	0.05~30 mM	1×10^{-8} M	[8]
MWNTs/DDMIMPF6	0.03~1.5 μM	0.01 μM	[9]
PDDA-Gr/GCE	0.0004~1.0 μM	0.04 nm	[10]
Gr-IL-Chit SPE	0.00106~350 mIU/mL	0.00035	[11]
Nafion-GO/CILE	0.08~80.0 μM	mIU/mL	[12]
MWCNTs/ARGO	0.01~112 mM	0.02 μM	[13]
PdNPs/GO	0.005~ 6 μM	2 nM	[14]
MIPs/RGO-CDs/GCE	0.01~6.5 μM	3 nM	This work

Abbreviations: chitosan (CS); multiwalled carbon nanotube (MWCNT); glassy carbon electrode (GCE); reduced graphene oxide (RGO); nitrogen-doped graphene (NG); carbon ionic liquid electrode (CILE); poly(hydroxymethylated-3,4-ethylenedioxythiophene) (PEDOT-MeOH); graphene oxide (GO); graphene nanosheets (GS); chemically reduced graphene (CRG); β -cyclodextrin (β -CD); ferrocene benzene derivative (Fc-SAc); gold nanoparticles (AuNPs); 1-dodecyl-3-methylimidazolium hexafluorophosphate (DDMIMPF6); poly(diallyldimethylammonium chloride) (PDDA); graphene (Gr); chitosan (Chit); 1-methyl-3-octylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate ionic liquid (IL); screen-printed electrodes (SPE); amine reduced graphene oxide (ARGO).

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