## Supporting Information for

## A high-sensitive surface acoustic wave biosensor for the detection of Hg<sup>2+</sup> based on thymine - Hg<sup>2+</sup> - thymine structure

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Fig. S1 Structural formula of obtained T-Hg<sup>2+</sup>-T base pair.



Fig. S2 AFM topological morphology of the sensitive region surface of the SAW biosensor after: (a) DNA probe adsorption, (b) immobilization of  $Hg^{2+}$ . (c) Section profiles of the white line plotted in (a). (d) Section profile of the white line plotted in (b).



Fig. S3 The CAM of LiNbO<sub>3</sub> surface.



Fig. S4 (a) The SAW biosensor exhibited distinct responses to mixtures containing  $Hg^{2+}$  (0.5 nM) with  $Ag^+$  (1 nM) or Na<sup>+</sup> (1 nM) in comparison to the individual pure solutions. (b) A comparative analysis was conducted on the responses of the proposed SAW biosensor to a mixture containing 0.1 nM  $Hg^{2+}$  solution and 1 nM Na<sup>+</sup> solution against the responses to the respective individual pure solutions. Error bars indicate the standard deviation.

