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Nitrogen-doped carbon dots as a “turn-off” fluorescence probe for mercury (II) detection and live cell imaging

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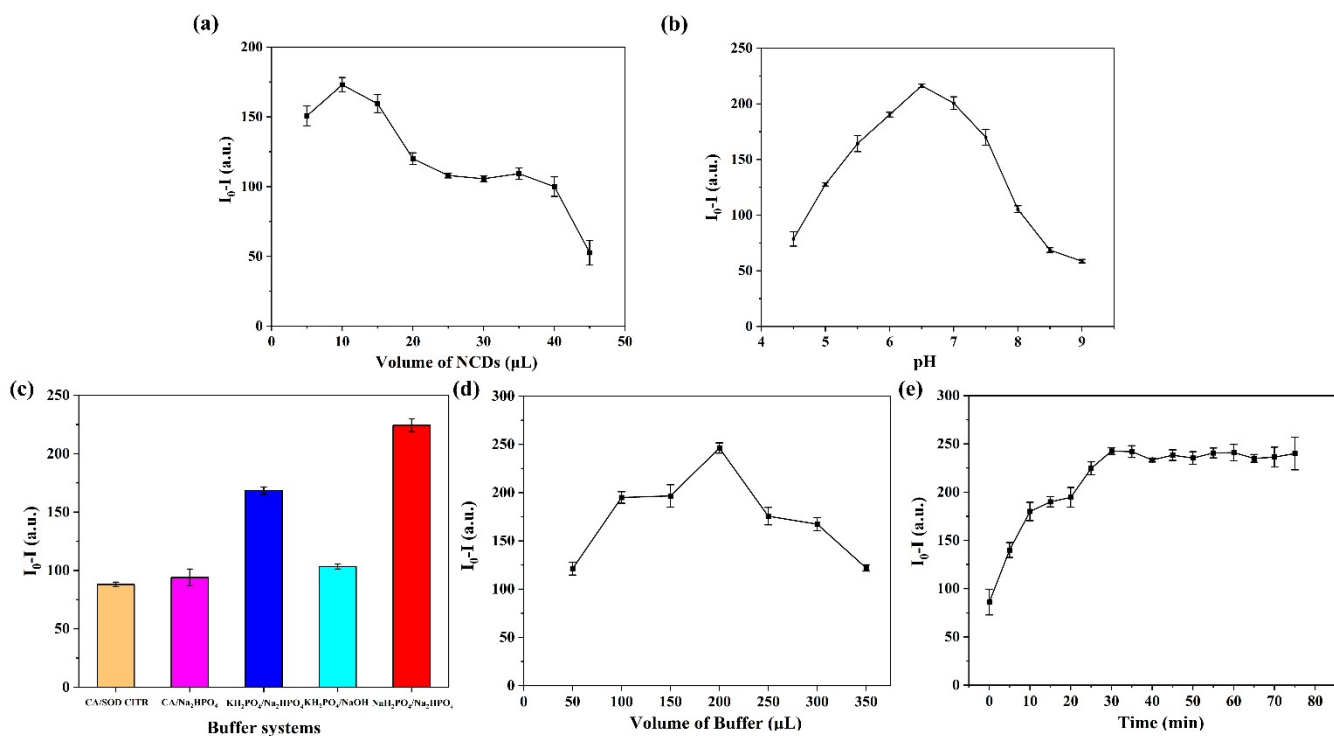


Fig. S1 Optimization of (a) NCDs dosage, (b) pH, (c) buffer systems, (d) buffer volume and (e) reaction time for Hg²⁺ detection.

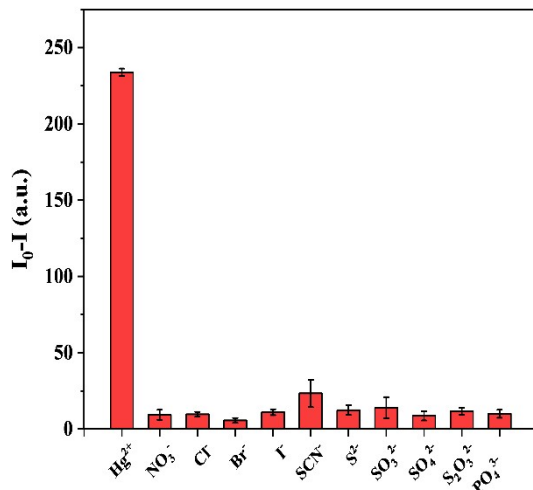


Fig. S2 Influence of different anions on the fluorescence of NCDs.

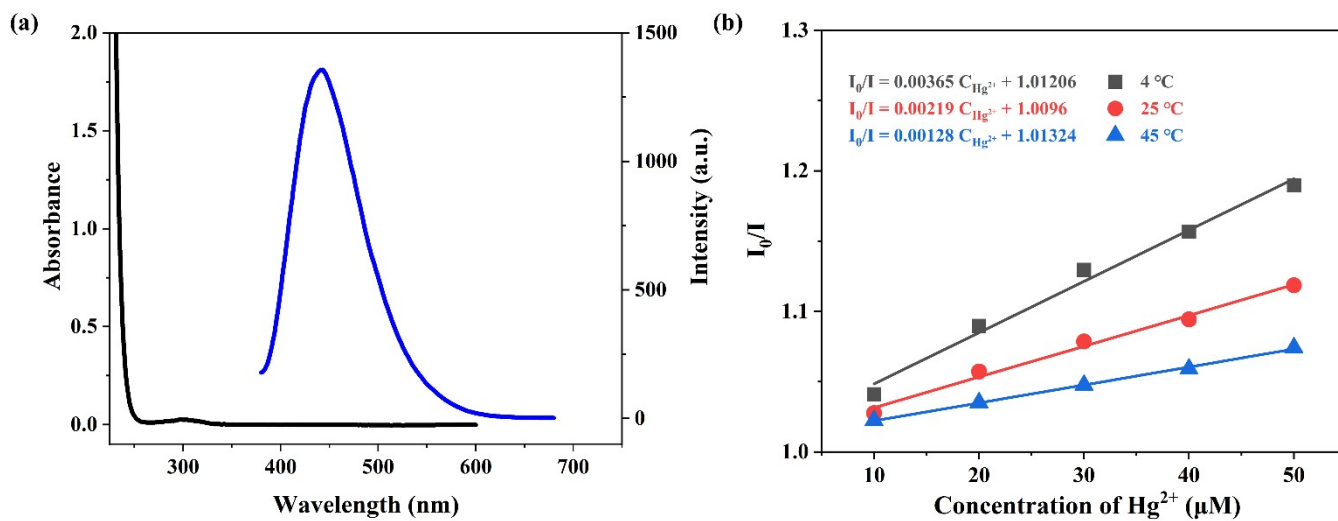


Fig. S3 (a) The UV-vis spectrum of Hg^{2+} (black line) and the fluorescence emission spectrum of NCDs (blue line). (b) Stern-Volmer plots for the solution systems of NCDs and Hg^{2+} at different temperatures.