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Message from Chairman

You are cordially invited to participate in the 2015 China-Japan-Korea Symposium on Analytical Chemistry (CJK 2015), to be held in Haeundae Grand Hotel, Busan, Korea on October 13-15, 2015. The Conference should provide a forum for the analytical scientists to discuss their recent progress, to exchange the ideas and experiences on a broad range of analytical sciences, and to promote international cooperation and friendship.

A number of fruitful discussions and suggestions are expected during the conference. Outstanding analytical scientists from Korea, China and Japan are to be invited to present plenary and keynote lectures on a broad range of topics for the opening of China-Japan-Korea Symposium on Analytical Chemistry.

In this opportunity the organization committee appreciates to Dr. Yong-Kon Park, the president of Korea Food Research Institute, and several sponsors, Professor Jin-Ming Lin of China and Professor Hiroshi Sato of Japan delegate for their all consideration for this symposium. We are pleased to have you join us to share your very recent research ideas and activities, and extended our friendship. We are looking forward to welcoming you to beautiful Busan in the autumn of 2015.

Professor Jaeho HA, Ph.D.

Chair of the Organizing Committee of 2015 CJK Symposium.

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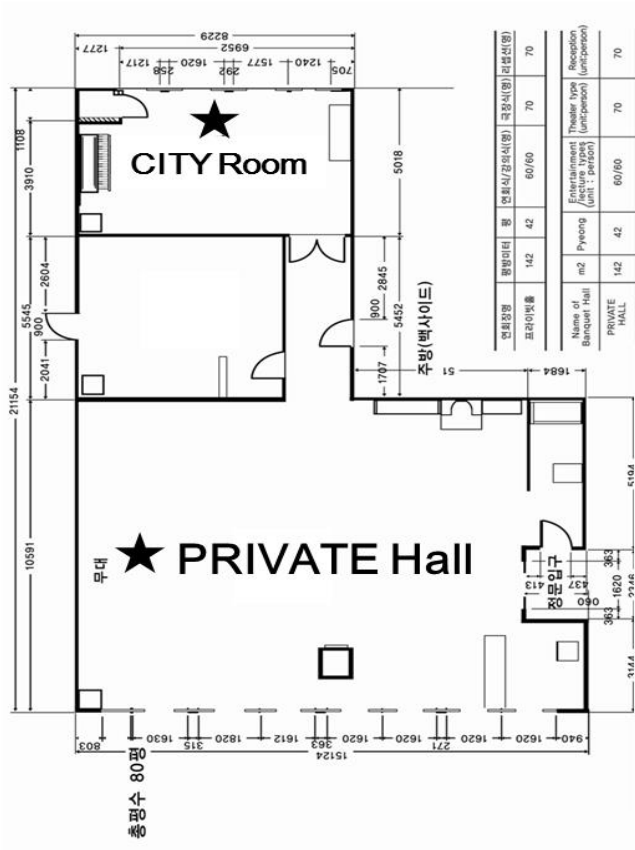
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2015 CJK SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13th, Hotel Lobby	
13:30 - 18:00	Registration
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14th, SKY Hall	
OPENING CEREMONY	
08:00 - 08:30	Opening Ceremony Prof. Jaeho Ha , Korea Food Research Institute, Korea
Session 1, PLENARY LECTURES Chairperson : Prof. Seong Ho Kang	
08:30 - 09:00	Study of DNA/Small Molecule Interaction by Dual Polarization Interferometry Prof. Xiurong Yang , Chinese Academy of Sciences, China
09:00 - 09:30	Inkjet-printed analytical devices made from paper Prof. Daniel Citterio , Keio University, Japan
09:30 - 10:00	Determination of trans fatty acids in daily consumed foods using a silver ion cartridge solid phase extraction method coupled with GCXGC-TOFMS Prof. Jaeho Ha , Korea Food Research Institute, Korea
10:00 - 10:30	Generation of Droplets of Liquid for Mass Spectrometry Prof. Jin-Ming Lin , Tsinghua University, China
10:20 - 10:50	Coffee Break
Session 2, KEYNOTE LECTURES Chairperson : Prof. Joon Myong Song	
10:50 - 11:10	Gold-containing Nanocarriers/Nanocomposites for Anti-bacterial Applications Prof. Jian-Hua Wang , Northeastern University, China
11:10 - 11:30	Simultaneous and selective determination of inorganic nitrogen species in seawater samples Prof. Kazuaki Ito , Kinki University, Japan
11:30 - 11:50	Odor variation on the car air conditioning evaporator according to the feeding nutrients Prof. Man-Goo Kim , Kangwon National University, Korea
11:50 - 13:00	Luncheon, EMERALD Hall, 6th Floor
Session 3, KEYNOTE LECTURES Chairperson : Prof. Jian-Hua -Wang	
13:00 - 13:20	Development of on-line SFE-SFC system and its application Dr. Yuki Hashi , Shimadzu (China) Co., Ltd., China
13:20 - 13:40	Quantitative on-line Concentration and Reaction for Capillary Electrophoresis with Inkjet Sample Introduction Prof. Katsumi Uchiyama , Tokyo Metropolitan University, Japan
13:40 - 14:00	Introduction of 2016 CJK Symposium in China Prof. Chunhua Ma , Wuyi University, China
14:00 - 14:20	Detection of Benzo[a]pyrene-induced Breast Cancer Stem Cells Using Quantum dot-based High-content Assay Prof. Joon Myong Song , Seoul National University, Korea

14:20 - 14:40	Coffee Break
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Session 4, KEYNOTE LECTURES		Chairperson : Prof. Jang-Hyuk Ahn
14:40 - 15:00	Micro ion extractor for transferring inorganic and organic trace anions from a single drop of whole blood Prof. Kei Toda , Kumamoto University, Japan	
15:00 - 15:20	The research of sample preparation method based on metal organic frameworks Prof. Gongke Li , Sun Yat-sen University, China	
15:20 - 15:40	LC-MS/MS analysis of sphingolipid metabolites in mice during acute exercise stress Prof. Yong-Moon Lee , Chungbuk National University, Korea	
15:40 - 16:00	Microfluidic Chips towards Cell Signaling Analysis Prof. Bi-Feng Liu , Huazhong University, China	
16:00 - 17:00	Poster Presentations	
Session 5, KEYNOTE LECTURES & ORAL PRESENTATIONS		Chairperson : Prof. Yi Chen
17:00 - 17:20	Determination of Important Volatile Compounds from Aqueous Matrix Prof. Sunyoung Bae , Seoul Women's University, Korea	
17:20 - 17:35	Electrochemical study on electron transfer across DNA base pairs Prof. Jifeng Liu , Tianjin University, China	
17:35 - 17:50	Antioxidant Activity of Volatile Compounds Isolated from Broccoli (Brassica oleracea L.) sprouts by GC and GC-MS Dr. Hae Won Jang , Korea Food Research Institute, Korea	
17:50 - 18:05	Analytical Applications of Higher-order Calibration Methods Based on Alternating Multilinear Decomposition Algorithms Prof. Hai-Long Wu , Hunan University, China	
18:30 - 21:00	Banquet, EMERALD Hall, 6th Floor	

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14th, PRIVATE Hall		
Session 1, KEYNOTE LECTURES		Chairperson : Prof. Shin-Ichi Ohira
10:50 - 11:10	The synthesis of fluorescent graphitic carbon nitride nanomaterials and their application in fluorescence sensing Prof. Xi Chen , Xiamen University, China	
11:10 - 11:30	Sputtered nanocarbon film electrodes for bioelectroanalysis Prof. Dai Kato , National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST), Japan	
11:30 - 11:50	Break diffraction-limited barrier with wavelength-modulation fluorescence-free nanoscopy Prof. Seong Ho Kang , Kyunghee University, Korea	
11:50 - 13:00	Luncheon, EMERALD Hall, 6th Floor	
Session 2, KEYNOTE LECTURES		Chairperson : Prof. Xi Chen

13:00 - 13:20	Novel Solid Phase Microextraction and Capillary Electrochromatographic Column for Pharmaceutical Analysis Prof. Zilin Chen , Wuhan University, China
13:20 - 13:40	Discrimination technique using fragmentless ionization mass spectrometry and multivariate analysis for food analysis Prof. Takahisa Tsugoshi , National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST), Japan
13:40 - 14:00	Fast Analysis by Microextraction Coupled to Ambient Mass Spectrometry Prof. Huwei Liu , Peking University, China
14:00 - 14:20	Determination of copper content in processed food by ICP Dr. Jang-Hyuk Ahn , KOTITI Testing & Research Institute, Korea
14:20 - 14:40	Coffee Break
Session 3, KEYNOTE LECTURES Chairperson : Prof. Hailong Wu	
14:40 - 15:00	Lysine surface modified Fe ₃ O ₄ @SiO ₂ @TiO ₂ microspheres-based preconcentration and photocatalysis for in situ selective determination of nanomolar dissolved organic and inorganic phosphorus in seawater Prof. Shunxing Li , Minnan Normal University, China
15:00 - 15:20	Electrochemical and optical monitoring of enzyme reaction on compact disc-type microchip Prof. Toshihiko Imato , Kyushu University, Japan
15:20 - 15:40	Strategy toward the ultrafast separation Prof. Yi Chen , Chinese Academy of Sciences, China
15:40 - 16:00	Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons, Nitropolycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons and Inorganic Ions in Snow Layers at Murodo, Tateyama, Japan Prof. Kazuichi Hayakawa , Kanazawa University, Japan
16:00 - 17:00	Poster Presentations
Session 4, ORAL PRESENTATIONS Chairperson : Prof. Shunxing Li	
17:00 - 17:15	Application of novel nanomaterials in the phosphopeptide enrichment Prof. Yu Bai , Peking University, China
17:15 - 17:30	Water Quality Monitoring of Drainage River in Kuantan, Malaysia by using Ion-exclusion/Ion-exchange Chromatography Dr. Daisuke Kosaki , University Malaysia Pahang, Japan
17:30 - 17:45	Preparation and Application of Microextraction Probe for Enrichment of Organics from Aqueous Matrices Dr. Hai-fang Li , Tsinghua University, China
18:30 - 21:00	Banquet, EMERALD Hall, 6th Floor

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15th, PRIVATE Hall	
Session 1, ORAL PRESENTATIONS Chairperson : Yu Bai	
09:00 - 09:15	Multifunctional fluorescent optical sensors for bioanalysis Prof. Yanqing Tian , South University, China
09:15 - 09:30	Facile preparation of a novel benyl imidazolium ionic liquids hybrid monolithic column for residue analysis of nitrogen-heterocyclic pesticides by CEC

	Prof. Xiaoping Wu , Fuzhou University, China
09:30 - 09:45	Electrodialytic Matrix Isolation and Preconcentration for Ionic Solutes Prof. Shin-Ichi Ohira , Kumamoto University, Japan
09:45 - 10:00	Electrothermal vaporization or atomization on tungsten coil for analytical atomic spectrometry Prof. Xiandeng Hou , Sichuan University, China
10:00 - 10:15	Determination of silicate, borate and carbonate ions in natural waters using ion-exclusion chromatography coupled with charged aerosol detector Prof. Nobutake Nakatani , Rakuno Gakuen University, Japan
10:30 – 11:00	Closing Ceremony (Young Scientists & Best Posters Awards)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15th, CITY Room	
Session 1, ORAL PRESENTATIONS	Chairperson : Prof. Kei Toda
09:00 - 09:15	Development of a Hybrid Pyrolyzer for Gas Chromatography Prof. Naoki Oguri , Japan Analytical Industry Co., Ltd., Japan
09:15 - 09:30	New strategies for the functionalization of polymer monolith and applications to separation and preconcentration of organic compounds Prof. Qiong Jia , Jilin University, China
09:30 - 09:45	Determination of arsenic species in food by LC-ICP-MS Dr. Cheong-Tae Kim , NONGSHIM CO., LTD., Korea
09:45 - 10:00	Functionalized Gold-Nanomaterials Fluorescence Probe for Cyanide Detection Prof. Shaomin Shuang , Shanxi University, China
10:00 - 10:15	Hairpin DNA Template-based Copper Nanoparticles for the Detection of NAD ⁺ Prof. Jianzhong Lu , Fudan University, China
10:30 – 11:00	Closing Ceremony (Young Scientists & Best Posters Awards), PRIVATE Hall

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PLENARY LECTURES

PL.01

Study of DNA/Small Molecule Interaction by Dual Polarization Interferometry

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PL.02

Inkjet-printed analytical devices made from paper

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PL.03

Determination of trans fatty acids in daily consumed foods using a silver ion cartridge solid phase extraction method coupled with GCxGC-TOFMS

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PL.04

Generation of Droplets of Liquid for Mass Spectrometry

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KEYNOTE LECTURES

KL.01

Gold-containing Nanocarriers/Nanocomposites for Anti-bacterial Applications

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KL.02

The synthesis of fluorescent graphitic carbon nitride nanomaterials and their application in fluorescence sensing

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KL.03

Simultaneous and selective determination of inorganic nitrogen species in seawater samples

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KL.04

Sputtered nanocarbon film electrodes for bioelectroanalysis

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KL.05

Odor variation on the car air conditioning evaporator according to the feeding nutrients

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KL.06

Break diffraction-limited barrier with wavelength-modulation fluorescence-free nanoscopy

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KL.07

Development of on-line SFE-SFC system and its application

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KL.08

Novel Solid-Phase Microextraction and Capillary Electrochromatographic Column

Techniques for Pharmaceutical Analysis

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KL.09

Quantitative on-line Concentration and Reaction for Capillary Electrophoresis with Inkjet Sample Introduction

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KL.10

Discrimination technique using fragmentless ionization mass spectrometry and multivariate analysis for food analysis.

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KL.11

Introduction of 2016 CJK Symposium in China

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KL.12

Fast Analysis by Microextraction Coupled to Ambient Mass Spectrometry

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KL.13

Detection of Benzo[a]pyrene-induced Breast Cancer Stem Cells Using Quantum Dot-based High-content Assay

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KL.14

Determination of copper content in processed food by ICP

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Study of DNA/Small Molecule Interaction by Dual Polarization

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Abstract: Dual polarization interferometry (DPI) has been developed to give accurate information of layer mass, refractive index (RI) and thickness. These facilities to reveal structural information about the biomolecular interactions taking place as the packing (from the RI) and molecule dimension (from the thickness) change, and typically give a link between a molecule's structure and its function. Functional oligonucleotides have gained many interests owing to their specific recognition ability to analytes. The study of DNA/small molecule interaction is very valuable for probing the mechanism of the interaction and establishing convenient methods to effectively understanding the functions of the small molecules.

DPI technique was used in our group to probe the interaction of deferent biosystems,^{1,2,3,4,5,6} for example, the interaction of coralyne with 48-mer homoadenine oligonucleotide (polyA₄₈), silver ions with cytosine (C)-rich ssDNA oligonucleotides, Hg²⁺ with 21-mer thymine-rich oligonucleotide (MSO) and so on. Kinetic, thermodynamic and structural information of these interaction processes were characterized in detail. Using the binding curves from changes in mass, the association rate constant (k_a), the dissociation rate constant (k_d) and the association constant (K_a) between coralyne-polyA₄₈, silver ions - cytosine (C)-rich ssDNA oligonucleotides and Hg²⁺-MSO were calculated, respectively. Simultaneously, we constructed biosensors for respective selective detection of coralyne, cytosine, Ag⁺ and Hg²⁺ and so on. The selectivity of the biosensor over the other corresponding substances was confirmed.

It is expected that the biosensing strategy will be extended for biosensing of other various analytes by using other different functional oligonucleotides (aptamers or DNAzymes), simultaneously investigate the interaction between them and reveal the structural characteristics of functional DNA with and without targets.

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Inkjet-printed analytical devices made from paper

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Abstract: Analytical devices made from paper are increasingly drawing attention, in particular in the context of clinical diagnostics, environmental monitoring and workplace condition surveillance. Since the first publication in the field by Whitesides and coworkers in 2007,¹ research activities have grown tremendously. A common feature of all paper-based analytical devices (PADs) is the perspective to have low-cost, portable and user-friendly alternatives to the common large-scale analytical systems requiring a high level of infrastructure and technically trained operators.

The primary reasons for choosing paper as the base material of PADs are its low cost, abundant availability and easiness of disposal. But at the same time, the physical-chemical properties of paper make it a versatile functional material with characteristics not so straightforwardly achieved with more presumably “high-tech” materials. The two most important properties are the autonomous pump-free sample transport due to capillary forces in the porous paper structure in the context of microfluidic paper-based analytical devices (μ PADs), and the large surface-to-volume ratio allowing for the immobilization and dry storage of assay reagents.

The use of inkjet technology is no longer limited to classical office printing applications. It enables the rapid, reproducible and contactless dispensing of picoliter order liquid droplets at defined spots on a variety of surfaces. In this way, it is suitable for the deposition of a wide range of materials required for (bio)chemical assays.² Furthermore, by directly enabling the transfer of electronically stored information from a computer to a paper surface, inkjet printing allows the fabrication of microfluidically-patterned surfaces with great flexibility in pattern design, without the need to use masks. The total number of required process steps is reduced, and as a further advantage, all steps can be performed using an inkjet printer. As a consequence, inkjet printing has become a popular tool in the development and fabrication of paper-based analytical devices.³

Since 2008, our research group is focusing on the application of inkjet printing technology for the development of paper-based (bio)analytical devices.⁴⁻⁹ We have been the first to demonstrate how an inkjet printing system can be used for both the microfluidic patterning of paper surfaces and the deposition of assay reagents to obtain μ PADs.^{4,5} Later on, we have developed an alternative inkjet-based patterning approach for

paper substrates relying on a solvent-free UV-light curable hydrophobic monomer composition, which is not only more environmentally friendly compared to our previous method, but more importantly, which can be printed from the most simple unmodified desktop inkjet printer.⁶ This technology has more recently been applied to the fabrication of a μ PAD for the determination of the glycoprotein lactoferrin in human tear fluid samples, where the detection mechanism relies on the sensitization of terbium(III) fluorescence upon binding of the cation used as the indicator to the metal-ion binding site of the protein.^{7, 8} The accuracy of the developed μ PAD has been evaluated by comparing the analysis results of human tear samples with the conventional enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) method and a good correlation between the two analytical methods has been confirmed. Compared to the ELISA approach, the strengths of the μ PAD assay have been demonstrated in terms of simplicity, speed and cost.

We have also demonstrated that the combination of inkjet printing and paper is also suitable for the fabrication of non-microfluidic systems. A colorimetric sensor array for the discrimination of volatile amines has been developed by combining two simple functional elements: (1) a single chromogenic sensing dye with selectivity for amines in general, encapsulated into (2) polymer nanoparticles of different polarities. Printing of 6 types of inks incorporating the two dye encapsulating nanoparticles of different polarity in different mixture ratios onto plain copy paper resulted in a colorimetric sensor array with a polarity gradient. This array indicated high discrimination ability for 7 volatile amines with good selectivity.⁹

This lecture will give a short overview of our developments targeting inkjet-printed analytical devices made from paper. Some general approaches as well as specific challenges and potential solutions for inkjet-printable “chemical sensing inks” will be shown.

Keywords: microfluidic device, colorimetric analysis, (bio)chemical sensor

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Determination of trans fatty acids in daily consumed foods using a silver ion cartridge solid phase extraction method coupled with GCxGC-TOFMS

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Abstract: This study aimed to develop an analytical method for accurately estimating the ratio of vaccenic to elaidic acid (V/E value). To estimate an accurate V/E value, a silver ion cartridge (SIC) solid phase extraction (SPE) method was performed for removing *cis*-fatty acids. The removal efficiency of *cis*-fatty acids was greater than 97.8%. However, the analytical values of total *trans*-fatty acids (TFAs) were not significantly different between with SIC SPE method and without SIC SPE method. Comparison tests of the V/E values produced by two different methods (without SIC SPE method and with SIC SPE method) using comprehensive two-dimensional gas chromatography combined with time-of-flight mass spectrometry (GC × GC-TOFMS) were also carried out. Those two methods exhibited significant differences in the estimated V/E values because removing *cis*-fatty acids affected the V/E value but did not affect the total TFAs. The SIC SPE method coupled with GC × GC-TOFMS suggested in this research is available to estimate accurate V/E values in commonly consumed foods, such as margarines, milk products and beef tallow.

Keywords: Elaidic acid, Vaccenic acid, Silver ion cartridge, GC × GC-TOFMS

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Generation of Droplets of Liquid for Mass Spectrometry

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Abstract: In this work, a paper spray mass spectrometry combined with droplets generated by gravity and electrostatic attraction, microfluidic chip, and inkjet methods, was developed. The qualitative and quantitative analytical performances of this technique for single droplet were demonstrated. This manually controlled interface is straightforward, low-cost and simple to implement. Moreover, paper spray ionization mass spectrometry hold promises in direct analysis of real biological/chemical microreaction samples because of its tolerance with complex matrix. As a proof-of-concept example, the droplet-based acetylcholine hydrolysis was carried out to demonstrate the validation of our method for direct analysis of micro-chemical/biological reactions. A module for cell culture was integrated to investigate cell metabolism by online microfluidic chip-MS, employing lactate efflux as a model. Three aspects were focused: real-time monitoring of the cellular metabolites, differential effects of a drug on cells of different types, and the dose-response information of a drug. The potential of this platform in cell analysis was exhibited.

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Gold-containing Nanocarriers/Nanocomposites for Anti-bacterial

Applications

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It is known that gold nanorods (Au NRs) are generally capsules with anisotropic structure. Au NRs and their composites have been demonstrated to exhibit superb anti-bacterial effects. Thus, we report herein the development of gold nanorods or gold-silver nanocomposites for anti-bacterial applications and controlled drug release.

We constructed a hybrid bactericidal material, i.e., gold nanorods covered kanamycin-loaded hollow-SiO₂ (HSKAu_{rod}) nanocapsules. The hybrid combines the features of chemical drug and photo-thermal physical sterilization. Hollow-SiO₂ nanocapsules are used as carrier for drug delivery. The nanocapsules load kanamycin and are covered with gold nanorods to avoid drug leakage and realize photo-thermal treatment. The sterilizing effect to bacterial strain is investigated with *E. coli* BL21 under irradiation of near-infrared light (NIR) for 20 min. A sterilizing rate of 53.47% is achieved for the HSKAu_{rod} nanocapsules with respect to a net sum sterilizing rate of 34.49% for the individual components in the HSKAu_{rod} nanocapsules, e.g., carrier nanocapsules, chemical sterilization of kanamycin and physical sterilization due to the gold nanorods under NIR irradiation.

A novel bactericidal material, e.g., rod-shaped core-shell-shell Au-Ag-Au nanorods, is constructed as a nanoheater in the NIR region. The outer Au shell melts under laser irradiation and results in exposure of the inner Ag shell facilitating controlled release of the antibacterial Ag shell/layer. This offers the Au-Ag-Au nanorods a favorable bactericidal ability by combining the features of physical photothermal ablation sterilization of the outer Au shell and the antibacterial effect of the inner Ag shell to the surrounding bacteria. The sterilizing ability of Au-Ag-Au nanorods is investigated with *E. coli* O157:H7. Under low-power NIR laser irradiation (785 nm, 50 mW cm⁻²), the Au-Ag-Au nanoheater exhibits higher photothermal conversion efficiency with respect to that for the Au-Ag nanorods. Meanwhile, a much improved stability with respect to Au-Ag nanorods is observed, i.e., a 16 days successive monitoring reveals virtually no change for the UV-vis spectrum of Au-Ag-Au nanorods. At a dosage of 10 μg mL⁻¹, a killing rate of

100% is reached for the *E. coli* O157:H7 cells under a 20-min irradiation. The bimetallic core-shell-shell nanorods provide a favorable nanoheater for *in vivo* biomedical applications.

The Au-Ag-Au nanorods have been further used for bacteria capture, separation and sterilization (killing). For this purpose, positively charged magnetic reduced graphene oxide with modification by PEI (rGO-Fe₃O₄-PEI) is prepared and then loaded with core-shell-shell Au-Ag-Au nanorods to construct a nanohybrid rGO-Fe₃O₄-Au-Ag-Au. NIR laser irradiation melts the outer Au shell and exposes the inner Ag shell facilitating controlled release of the silver shell. The nanohybrids combine physical photothermal sterilization due to the outer Au shell and antibacterial effect of the inner Ag shell. In addition, the nanohybrid exhibits high heat-conductivity due to rGO and rapid magnetic separation capability attributed to Fe₃O₄. It provides a significant improvement on bactericidal efficiency with respect to bare Au-Ag-Au nanorods and facilitates the isolation of bacteria from sample matrixes. 25 μg mL⁻¹ of nanohybrid causes a 100% capture and separation of *E. coli* O157:H7 (1×10⁸ cfu mL⁻¹) from aqueous medium in 10 min. Meanwhile it causes a 22°C temperature rise for the surrounding solution under NIR irradiation (785 nm/50 mW cm⁻²) for 10 min. With magnetic separation, 30 μg mL⁻¹ of nanohybrid results in 100% killing rate for *E. coli* O157:H7 cells. The facile bacteria separation and photothermal sterilization is potentially feasible for environmental and/or clinical treatment.

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The synthesis of fluorescent graphitic carbon nitride nanomaterials and their application in fluorescence sensing

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Abstract:

Graphitic carbon nitride (g-C₃N₄) is a typical metal-free polymeric semiconductor, which received a lot of attention due to its special structure and properties.¹ Since its discovery, it has been widely used in the fields of sensing, bioimaging, peroxidase-like catalysis and photoelectrocatalysis.² In recent years, rise with the development of carbon-based nanomaterials, nanoscale g-C₃N₄ materials, such as fluorescent g-C₃N₄ nanosheets and g-C₃N₄ nanodots, have drawn much attention because of their excellent optical and physicochemical features. The bulk g-C₃N₄ is usually obtained by high-temperature pyrolysis of small organic molecules with high content nitrogen, including melamine, cyanamide, dicyandiamide, urea and so on. There are two ways to get nanoscale g-C₃N₄. One is the up-to-down method, which include liquid phase exfoliation and chemical oxidation and hydrothermal etching of bulk g-C₃N₄. Another is the down-to-up method, which contains hydrothermal pyrolysis and microwave of organic molecules with high content nitrogen to form the s-triazine or tri-s-triazine structure of g-C₃N₄. The unique property of nanoscale g-C₃N₄ and their potential application in fluorescence sensing also aroused our interest.

With the chemically oxidized and liquid exfoliated g-C₃N₄ nanosheets, firstly, we developed a facile and effective fluorescence “on–off” sensing approach for the label-free selective detection of Cr(VI) based on the inner filter effect and a fluorescence “on–off–on” strategy for the determination of AA via the oxidation–reduction between Cr(VI) and AA. The developed approach provided a wide linear range of 0.6 to 300 μM for Cr(VI) and 0.5 to 200 μM for AA, with a low detection limit of 0.15 and 0.13 μM for Cr(VI) and AA.³ Secondly, using g-C₃N₄ nanosheets, we investigated their application in the determination

of 2,4,6-trinitrophenol (TNP). The strong inner filter effect and molecular interactions (electrostatic, π - π , and hydrogen bonding interactions) between TNP and the g-C₃N₄ nanosheets led to the fluorescence quenching of the g-C₃N₄ nanosheets with efficient selectivity and sensitivity. Under optimal conditions, a detection limit of 8.2 nM was obtained.⁴ The relative low quantum yield (no more than 30%) and large size (commonly 70 to 160 nm) of mostly g-C₃N₄ nanosheets are always big problems that limit their applications in imaging. By chemical oxidation and hydrothermal etching of bulk P-g-C₃N₄ obtained via pyrolysis of phytic acid and melamine, we synthesized a highly fluorescent phosphorus-doped graphitic carbon nitride nanodots (P-g-C₃N₄ nanodots). The P-g-C₃N₄ nanodots emitted strong blue fluorescence and displayed highly fluorescent responses towards Cu²⁺ by photo induced electron transfer. Under optimal conditions, a rapid detection of Cu²⁺ could be completed in 5 min with a detection limit of 2 nM, and a linearity ranging from 0 to 1 μ M. Meanwhile, using acetylthiocholine as the substrate, the P-g-C₃N₄ nanodots-Cu²⁺ system could sensitively detect acetylcholinesterase through the reaction between Cu²⁺ and thiocholine, the hydrolysis product of ATCh by AChE. A linearity ranging from 0.01 to 3 mU/mL could be obtained with a detection limit of 0.01 mU/mL.

Key words: graphitic carbon nitride (g-C₃N₄); fluorescence detection; 2,4,6-trinitrophenol (TNP); Cr(VI); AA; P-g-C₃N₄ nanodots; AChE

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Sputtered nanocarbon film electrodes for bioelectroanalysis

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Abstract:

We have been studying nanocarbon film electrodes formed by an electron cyclotron resonance (ECR) sputtering or an unbalanced magnetron (UBM) sputtering method.¹⁾ The film provides a nanocrystalline sp^2 and sp^3 mixed bond structure with an atomically flat surface (surface roughness of 0.05 – 0.1 nm) and high conductivity (20-38 S/cm) without doping. The film electrode has excellent properties including a low background current, a wide electrochemical potential window, and little surface fouling, while maintaining relatively high electrode activity for various biomolecules.²⁾ These characteristics allow the detection of biomolecules, especially ultratrace amount of biomolecules such as all the DNA bases, gliotransmitters, and lipopolysaccharide (LPS), which are difficult to measure at the conventional carbon electrodes. For example, this film electrode can measure all DNA bases (including DNA base derivatives e.g., 5'-methylcytosine and 8'-hydroxy 2'-deoxyguanosine) more quantitatively than conventional carbon-based electrodes.³⁾ We used this film to develop a simple DNA methylation analysis technique. Our methylation detection technique measures the differences between the oxidation currents of both 5-methylcytosine and cytosine without needs for conventional bisulfite reaction or labeling process.

Moreover, due to their good electrochemical stability and low background current, the nanocarbon film electrode is suitable for long-term analysis including as the electrode of an HPLC detector for detecting cerebral gliotransmitter (kynurenic acid) from glial cells.⁴⁾ It is recognized that the glial cells plays an important role in gliotransmission (chemical signal), different from neurotransmission (electric signal). It is recently found that kynurenic acid is increasing in epilepsy patients but its concentration is quite low (nM). Our electrode enabled to quantitatively determine cerebral kynurenic acid by direct oxidation (LOD=20 pM). Our film electrodes therefore contribute for pharmacological evaluation of new candidate drug for antiepilepsy.

Recently, we developed an electrochemical lipopolysaccharides (LPS) detection system using the nanocarbon film electrode because the atomically flat surface of the nanocarbon film electrode can be expected to achieve electrochemical measurement of LPS with low concentration (pg/mL-ng/mL). We achieved superior quantitative performance for LPS determination in terms of the low detection limit (LOD=0.2 ng/mL) by using LPS affinity probe consisting zinc-complex, which was superior result to our previous reports.⁵⁾

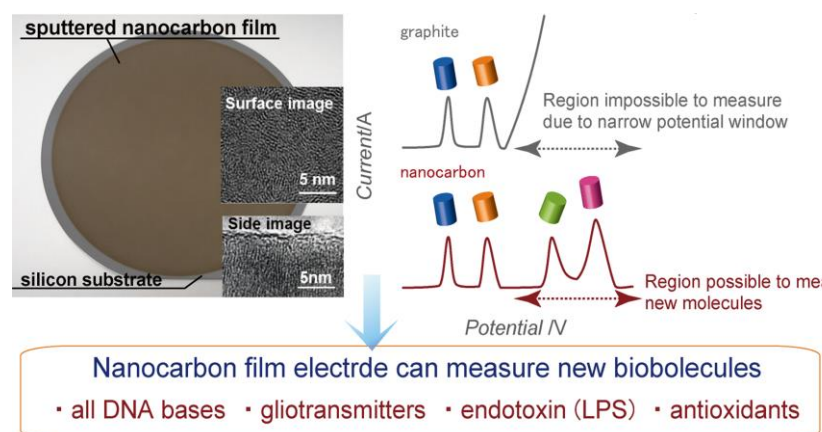


Figure 1. Sputtered nanocarbon film electrodes for bioelectroanalysis.

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Abstract: Odor and VOC have much attention in recent years because of their impact on car interior air quality. As to JD power, the consumer satisfaction included the odor item in the evaluation of car initial quality study. The odor source is abundant in a car interior but the air conditioner is the most important source. Automotive air conditioning (HVAC) system generates an intense odor when it turn on and/or off. One of the major mechanism of odor generation is a metabolism of microorganisms on the surface of the evaporator.

In this study, odor variation of HVAC evaporators were investigated according to feeding low concentration of nutrients as like rain and leather car seat extracted water. DI water is used as the control nutrient. Each evaporators were supplied each nutrient water three times a day. During the 12 weeks, each evaporator were tested and compared of odor intensities a day and the bench test were one time a week.

Odor intensity was measured by using human olfaction and odor caused components were analyzed GC/olfactometer.

The odor intensity of evaporator sprayed DI water was decreased but that of sprayed leather extracted water was increased, which explains that a variability of HVAC evaporator odor according to feeding nutrients.

Some of odor caused compounds detected old HVAC evaporator were reproduced in the evaporator of sprayed leather extracted water.

The odor generating mechanism in the HVAC system will be discussed

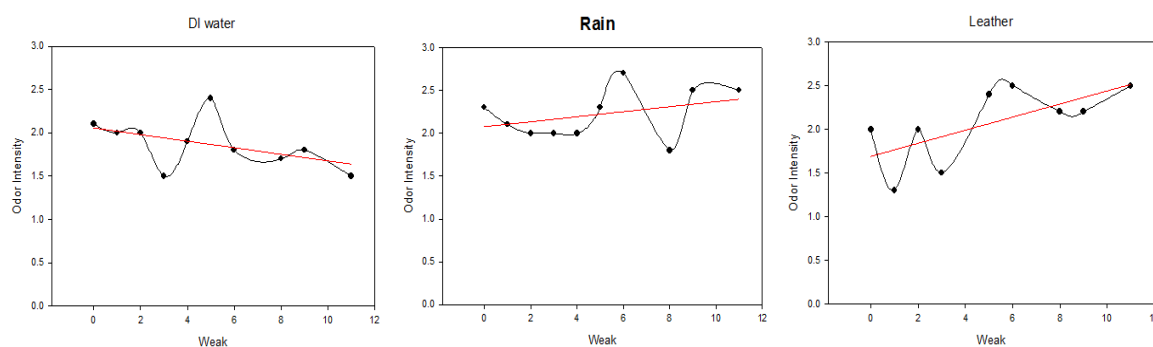


Fig. variation of odor intensity according to feeding nutrients in evaporators of automotive HVAC system during 12 weeks. (a)DI water, (b) rain and (c) Leather car seat extracted water

Keywords: odor, air conditioning, car interior, nutrient,

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Break diffraction-limited barrier with wavelength-modulation fluorescence-free nanoscopy

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Abstract: Wavelength-modulation based fluorescence-free nanoscopy was built to break the diffraction-limited barrier of optical resolution. This achievement was based on the fact that the diffraction-limited plasmonic nanoparticles could be selective detected by wavelength-modulation and the centers could be measured with precisions much better than the width of their intensity distributions. Diffraction-limited and color blended enhanced dark-field (EDF) images of neighboring gold nanoparticles (GNPs), gold nanorods (GNRs), and silver nanoparticles (SNPs) were modulated at their specific localized surface plasmon resonance (LSPR) wavelengths. The point spread functions of NPs were approximated as symmetric two-dimensional (2D) Gaussian functions and fitted with least-square algorithm to resolve the central coordinates (x , y). Due to the remarkable signal-to-noise ratio of EDF illustration system, the Cramér-Rao lower bound (CRLB) based localization precisions of GNPs, GNRs, and SNPs were measured as 2.5 nm, 5.0 nm, and 2.9 nm, respectively, which were much better than the width of their intensity distributions. Even considered the plasmonic coupling effect of particles, these localization precisions were high enough to achieve super-resolution images. Based on the corresponding localization precisions, the resolved coordinates were rendered with circularly symmetric Gaussian blobs and visualized in a reconstructed image. In addition, the rotation states of GNRs were resolved with polarizer to provide more precise information of particles. Finally, this novel method was applied in a live single cell and provided remarkable sub-diffraction limited images of NPs.

Keywords: super-resolution, fluorescence-free, wavelength-modulation

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Development of on-line SFE-SFC system and its application

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Abstract: Sample pretreatment is always one of the key issues in a series of analytical procedures. Items such as efficiency of sample extraction, sample throughput, reproducibility, etc. are evaluated through the analytical validation. On-line sample pretreatment with an automated chromatographic system is often used for effective and reliable extraction and analysis. Previously we developed on-line pretreatment HPLC systems with the column switching techniques. The systems showed excellent performance for analysis of drugs in plasma,¹⁾ contaminants in food²⁾ and environment.³⁾ Supercritical fluid extraction (SFE) has been a commonly used substantial extraction technique and applied for extraction of bioactive compounds, drugs, lipids, and contaminants from natural products. SFE is also effective for metabolite analysis in dried blood spot.⁴⁾ Compared with other extraction methods, SFE with supercritical carbon dioxide (SC-CO₂) has advantages such as low consumption of organic solvent and low toxicity. SC-CO₂ is also readily removed after use. Supercritical fluid chromatography (SFC) has the mutual advantages with SFE. Compared with HPLC, reduction of the viscosity of mobile phase and the improvement of the diffusion coefficient make better separation performance in SFC. For the enhancement of productivity and quality of analysis, we have developed an on-line SFE-SFC system. Devices like CO₂ pump, SFE unit, BPR (back pressure regulator) were newly designed for the system. Mass spectrometers can be combined so that the system achieves the maximum performance. The system was evaluated through the applications such as residual pesticide analysis, dried blood spot analysis, and cleaning validation.

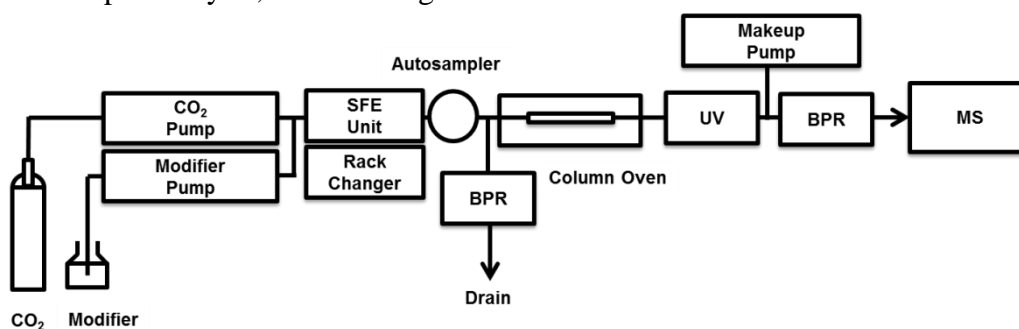


Fig. 1 On-line SFE-SFC-MS system

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Novel Solid-Phase Microextraction and Capillary Electrochromatographic Column Techniques for Pharmaceutical Analysis

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Abstract: Mussels attach to solid surfaces such as rocks in the sea. Their adhesion must be rapid, strong, and tough, or else they will be dislodged and dashed to pieces by the next incoming wave. The tight adhesion results from the adhesive protein containing polydopamine secreted by mussels. Inspired by the composition of adhesive proteins in mussels and combined with the chemical self-assembly of multilayer graphene and metal organic frame materials on chemically resistant plastic micro-tubes such as PEEK and stainless steel tubes, we have successfully developed several novel solid phase micro-extraction [1-5] and capillary electrochromatographic columns [6-8] and applied in environmental and pharmaceutical analysis. This talk will introduce the preparation, characterization, validation and application of novel solid-phase microextraction and capillary electrochromatographic columns based on mussel-inspired polydopamine functionalization. Fig. 1 shows schematic of assemblies of multilayer graphene on chemically resistant plastic micro-tubes. Fig. 2 shows schematic procedure of preparing GO-PDA-PANI@capillary.

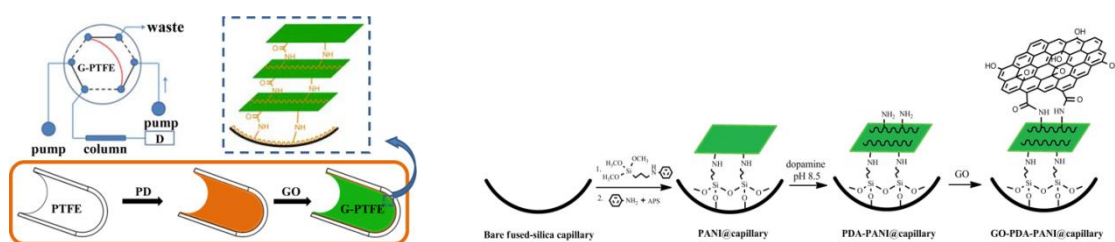


Fig. 1 (Left) Schematic of assemblies of multilayer graphene on chemically resistant plastic micro-tubes

Fig. 2 (Right) Schematic procedure of preparing GO-PDA-PANI@capillary

Keywords: Solid-phase microextraction, Capillary electrochromatographic column,

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Quantitative on-line Concentration and Reaction for Capillary Electrophoresis with Inkjet Sample Introduction

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Abstract:

A quantitative sample introduction method based upon inkjet injection was applied to capillary electrophoresis coupled with 1) stacking and sweeping on-line concentration techniques, and 2) on-line reaction system. For on-line concentration technique, methylxanthines were used as model compounds for the proof-of-concept of the method. The volume of injected sample could be easily manipulated by controlling the number of ejected droplets in the injection procedure. Under optimized conditions, a linear relationship between the ejected droplet number and peak area was obtained when the droplet number introduced into the capillary was less than 100. Under optimized quantitative on-line concentration conditions, the limit of detection for theobromine, caffeine and theophylline were 1.0, 2.0 and 1.0 μM , respectively. The inkjet injection system was evaluated by comparing it with conventional injection methods. The electropherogram of the inkjet injection mode was the same as that for hydrodynamic injection mode, and no sample discrimination was observed compared with the electrokinetic injection mode. The established method was applied to the determination of methylxanthines in bottled green tea. The recoveries of theobromine, caffeine and theophylline were 94.1, 110.6 and 86.8%, respectively. We conclude that proposed method can be used for quantitative concentration for capillary electrophoresis, thus resulting in an improved accuracy.

For on-line reaction technique, NBD-F and amino acids were alternately introduced as small plugs followed by the reaction and separation.

Keywords: quantitative; volume-control injection; capillary electrophoresis; inkjet technique; on-line concentration, on-line reaction

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Discrimination technique using fragmentless ionization mass spectrometry and multivariate analysis for food analysis.

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Abstract: Soft ionization techniques especially to be remarkable at no fragmentation during ionization have an advantage to be obtained only (quasi-)molecular ion peaks in the mass spectrum. There is less chemical reaction during the ionization, so that matrix effect for peak intensity does exist rarely. It means multivariate analysis can be applied easily, that is no need to prepare condition to calculate. According to the points aimed at, we propose to call “fragmentless ionization” for a kind of soft ionizations, e.g., ion attachment ionization and photo-ionization.

- Coffee beans -

We examined a method to discriminate *Coffea Arabica* (Arabica) and *Coffea canephora* (Robusta). In order to explore the respective biomarkers, ion attachment ionization mass spectrometer (IA-MS) equipped with a direct inlet probe (DIP) was used. It was possible to measure the solid samples directly by DIP. Furthermore, in IA ionization mass spectra, only quasi-molecular ion peaks are obtained, so that the mass spectra showed the characteristic pattern, which reflected the states in the sample. Therefore, easy screening analysis was possible. By using DIP/IA-MS, we measured nine kinds of roasted coffee beans. As a result, the peaks estimated to be Kahweol palmitate and 16-O-methylcafestol palmitate were detected from Arabica and Robusta, respectively. In addition, this method offers estimation of the mixed ratio of the Arabica and Robusta in not only roasted coffee beans milled but extract with and without heat sterilization.

- Snack Confectionery -

Samples were 10 kinds of commercial snack confectionery on the Japan's market, so-called as chips. Each sample was crushed, and the powdered specimen was measured. The residual analysis which is one of the multivariate analysis was applied for the comparison. By the comparison between an ordinary snack and infant one that avoids any oils, peaks for palmitic acid, oleic acid, triolein, etc. were detected only from ordinary one as shown in Figure.

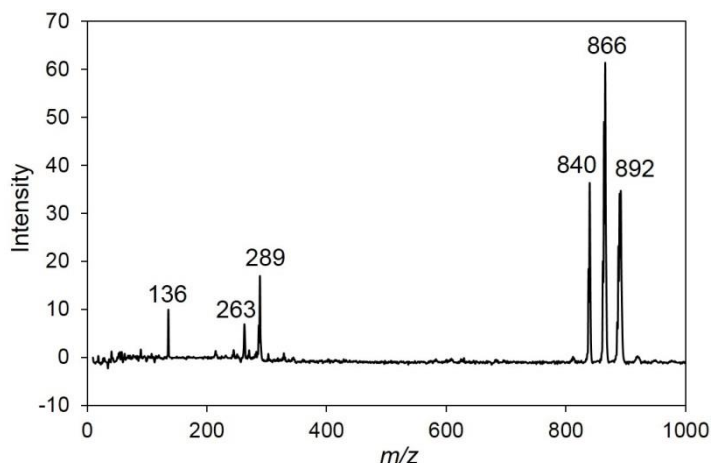


Fig. Residual analysis result between mass spectra of ordinary and infant snacks.

Keywords: coffee, snack, fragmentless ionization, ion attachment ionization, mass spectrometry, residual analysis

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Fast Analysis by Microextraction Coupled to Ambient Mass Spectrometry

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Abstract: The determination of trace residues and contaminants in complicated matrix often requires extensive sample preparation prior to instrumental analysis. Usually, sample preparation is the bottleneck in a whole analytical procedure, and minimized preparation steps are highly desired to reduce both time and sources of error. On the other hand, most analytical methods rely on the separation by liquid chromatography (LC) or gas chromatography (GC), which make the entire method complicated and time-consuming. Ambient mass spectrometry (AMS) has been frequently used for the rapid determination or screening of analytes, even without the need of chromatography separation in some cases.

In this presentation, we report our initial efforts to combine effective microextraction with AMS for high throughput analysis of targeted compounds in complex samples, including rapid screening for synthetic antidiabetic drug adulteration in herbal dietary supplements, rapid analysis of multiple phytohormones in fruit juice, fast analysis of triazine herbicides in environmental samples and four Sudan dyes in food samples.

Keywords: Fast analysis, microextraction, ambient mass spectrometry

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Abstract: Cancer stem cell (CSC) hypothesis has been reported by many studies before. Due to drug and radiation resistance inherent to CSC, CSC has received great attention in the field of cancer therapy. In this study, it was found that breast CSCs were produced from MCF-7 cells by benzo[a]pyrene (BP)-induced mutation. Breast CSCs were obtained using magnetic bead-based sorting from MCF-7 cells and detected through high-content monitoring of three different markers CD44, CD24 and aldehyde dehydrogenase1 (ALDH1) using a hypermulticolor cellular imaging system based on acousto-optical tunable filter (AOTF). The BP-induced mutation was quantitatively observed via absorption spectra of BPDE-DNA adducts that were formed in MCF-7 cells by the treatment of MCF-7 cells with BP. MCF-7 cells were treated with BP at different concentration of 0.2 μ M, 2 μ M, 5 μ M and 10 μ M for 24hr. The resultant CSCs in the entire MCF-7 cells were determined to be 0.35 \pm 0.032%, 0.45 \pm 0.038%, 0.55 \pm 0.075%, 1.02 \pm 0.28% and 1.19 \pm 0.27% in control, 0.2 μ M, 2 μ M, 5 μ M and 10 μ M respectively. Until now, FACS has been used for the detection of CSCs as general tool. In this work, it is verified that the present multicolor cellular imaging is very advantageous for the detection of CSCs because spectral overlap among probes of CSC biomarkers can be eliminated and diagnostic accuracy can be greatly improved, compared with the conventional FACS.

Keywords: High-content Imaging, Cancer Stem Cell, Quantum Dot

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Determination of copper content in processed food by ICP

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Introduction and Results

Quantitative analytical method for copper in processed food was established by using rapid microwave digestion and ICP(Inductively Coupled Plasma). Copper content determination was validated for the sample pre-treatment and instrumental process. Since the method could be used to conclude whether copper chlorophyll was added illegally or not although the colorant is permitted in some processed foods in Korea, establishment of copper content method in some food with complex matrix was needed. Key point of the sample pre-treatment was to prevent boil over in the microwave vessel using proper combination of pre-heat, cooling and acid concentration. Calibration curve for ICP instrumental analysis showed good linearity with 0.9999 regression coefficients and the result of recovery test showed within 90~110 %.

Keywords: Copper chlorophyll, Copper(Cu), ICP(Inductively Coupled Plasma)

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Micro ion extractor for transferring inorganic and organic trace anions from a single drop of whole blood

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Analysis of contents in biological samples, such as blood, saliva and urea etc., is important to investigate disease and health conditions. Especially blood samples contain a lot of chemicals. If the analysis can be frequently performed, tracing chemicals and metabolic dynamics will be monitored. Normally the blood analysis is performed after pretreatment to obtain serum. The pretreatment requires mL order of blood sample. In this work, we aimed to analyze trace anions from a single drop of whole blood without any other pretreatment, and micro ion extractor (MIE) device was developed.

The device for the extraction comprised of a 16- μ L sample cavity, anion permeable membrane, acceptor solution layer, ion exchange membrane, isolator solution layer, and anode plate [1]. Whole blood sample was obtained by earlobe prick with a lancet. The exuded blood was aspirated (25 μ L) by a micropipette and was immediately transferred to the sample well of the MIE device and covered with an anode electrode rod for electroextraction. DC voltage was applied for 1–5 min to transfer anions to the acceptor layer which was directly connected to ion chromatograph (IC) sample loop. Then the analytes of interest were determined by conductivity-based IC or IC-MS.

While iodide, thiocyanate and perchlorate were quantitatively extracted from aqueous standard solution and also from saliva but with harder condition, it was very hard to extract from blood samples. However, by optimizing the condition, 30-40% of recoveries were obtained for these anions in blood. Relative standard deviations of recovery were within 10% for the each anion and the method was successfully applied to the real blood analysis. Interestingly thiocyanate concentration was higher in blood from tobacco smokers. Also hourly sampling/analysis was repeated to obtain diurnal variations of thiocyanate and iodide. Particularly iodide concentration showed significant variations depending on the food intake.

In addition to the inorganic anions, some organic compounds were tried to analyze in the same method. For examples, medicine such as loxoprofen's pK_a is 4.2 and supposed to

be anion in the neutral medium. However transfer of such organic anions from blood was very hard and extraction efficiency was in several %. This problem was solved by investigating a new interface between the blood and acceptor. Namely a supported liquid membrane was examined to transfer the organic anions. Also indirect contact of the electrode was investigated. Finally we succeeded to detect the medicine from a single drop of whole blood.

Keywords: single drop of whole blood, micro ion extractor, thiocyanate, iodide, medicine

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**Lysine surface modified Fe₃O₄@SiO₂@TiO₂ microspheres-based
preconcentration and photocatalysis for in situ selective determination of
nanomolar dissolved organic and inorganic phosphorus in seawater**

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Abstract: Because of the lack of well-established methods, dissolved organic phosphorus (DOP) are rarely measured.¹ The sample pretreatment methods for dissolved inorganic phosphorus (DIP) monitoring are time-consuming, inadequate for maintaining original sample composition, show contradictory results and in some cases use preservation chemicals that can interfere with the analysis.² Furthermore, the processes such as precipitation, hydrolysis, and microbial uptake and release during storage, can mean that the DIP concentrations at the time of analysis may not be representative of those within the natural seawater at the time of sampling.² In many areas of the remote ocean, rapid biological uptake of P from sunlit euphotic zone, often driving P concentrations down to nanomolar levels.³ The concentrations of DIP and DOP in coastal waters reveal a high level of both spatial and temporal variability.⁴ Therefore, it is desirable to utilize in situ sampling methods, which avoid the majority of these issues, to accurately selective measure the concentrations of DIP and DOP in coastal water and ocean surface water for understanding eutrophication processes and P biogeochemical cycling.

A new method for in situ selective spectrophotometric determination of nanomolar dissolved DIP and DOP in seawaters is offered for the first time, which is based on solid-phase microextraction of DIP and photocatalysis induced species transformation of DOP into DIP. The procedure was shown in Figure 1.

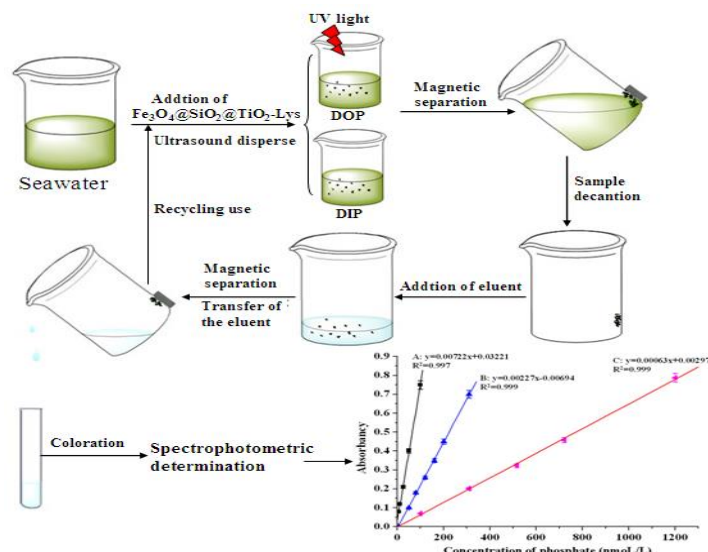


Figure 1 Procedure for in situ selective spectrophotometric determination of dissolved DIP and DOP

The zeta potential of nanosized metal oxides could be adjusted by surface modification (seen in Figure 2), which is reported by us for the first time. After surface modification with lysine, the zeta potential vs pH curve for FST could be reversed and then 98.1% of DIP anions in the seawater could be specifically adsorbed by electric attraction onto FST-Lys (1.2 mg/mL) at the pH value of natural seawater (8.1-8.3) after only stirring for 30 min. The adsorbed DIP could be eluted with hydrochloric acid solution (pH 4.0) for electric repulsion. Therefore, acid hydrolysis of DOP could be inhibited and its influence on the determination of DIP could be avoided.

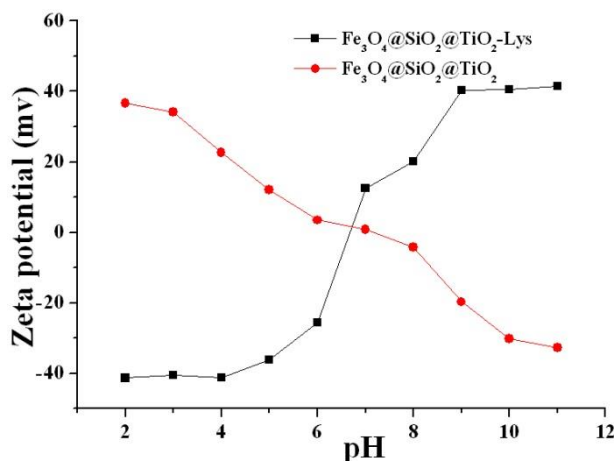


Figure 2 Zeta potential of FST-Lys and FST in different pH

This method is high sensitivity, rapid, simple, green sample pretreatment, wide linear range (3.0-1200 nmol/L), high sensitivity (detection limit of 1.42 nmol/L), and appropriate for field monitoring.

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The research of sample preparation method based on metal organic frameworks

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Abstract: Porous metal-organic frameworks (MOFs) are highly ordered crystalline materials prepared by the self-assembly of metal ions with organic linkers to yield low density network structures of diverse topology. Their unique characteristics make MOFs promising for diverse applications in analytical chemistry, for instance, as sorbents for sampling, solid-phase extraction, solid-phase microextraction, and as stationary phases for chromatography. In this paper, the sample preparation methods based on metal organic frameworks were researched.

A facile and efficient strategy about the synthesis of a novel kind of hybrid magnetic metal organic framework MOF-5 via chemical bonding assembly was reported. The as-synthesized materials combine the favorable attributes of both magnetic characteristics and high porosity, making them excellent candidates for magnetic separation and enrichment of trace analytes. Their potential applications as magnetic adsorbents were explored by preconcentrating polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and gibberellic acid (GAs) from environmental, food and plant samples prior to gas chromatography-mass spectrometry (GC-MS) and liquid chromatography-tandem mass spectrometry (LC-MS/MS), respectively. The results showed that the magnetic MOF-5 exhibited superior enrichment capacity for both of these nonpolar and polar analytes. In-situ solvothermal growth of metal-organic framework-5 supported on porous copper foam for noninvasive sampling of plant volatile sulfides was also studied.

A simple and mild multilayer interparticle linking strategy was proposed to fabricate a novel hybrid MOF-199 enrichment coating. Strong chemical interparticle linkages throughout the coating improved the durability and reproducibility of hybrid MOF-199 coating dramatically. This coating performed a significant extraction superiority of

ethylene over commonly-used commercial coatings, attributed to the multiple interactions including ‘molecular sieving effect’, hydrogen bonding, open metal site interaction and π - π affinity. The hybridization of multiwalled carbon nanotubes with MOF-199 further improved the enrichment capability and also acted as a hydrophobic ‘shield’ to prevent the open metal sites of MOF-199 from being occupied by water molecules. It was successfully applied for the noninvasive analysis of trace ethylene from fruit samples coupling with gas chromatography. The detection limit was 0.016 $\mu\text{g/L}$. MOF-199/graphite oxide hybrid composites coated solid-phase microextraction fiber coupled with gas chromatography for determination of organochlorine pesticides from complicated samples was also developed.

A facile method for in-situ fabrication of the Fe^{3+} -1,3,5-benzenetricarboxylic acid (BTC) metal-organic coordination polymer gel in capillary, which was efficiently applied to the online enrichment of trace polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) in environmental water and amphetamines drugs in urine. Water stable metal-organic framework packed microcolumn for online sorptive extraction and direct analysis of naproxen and its metabolite from urine sample was also discussed at the same time.

Keywords: Sample preparation; metal organic frameworks, trace analysis.

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Electrochemical and optical monitoring of enzyme reaction on compact disc-type microchip

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Abstract: A flow-based analysis on a compact disc (CD)-type microchip has been recognized as one of the promising analytical methods, where sample solutions, reagent solutions in reservoirs are delivered to a detector cell through microchannels by using a centrifugal force due to rotation of the microchip. Indeed some analytical instruments based on the CD-type microchips have been launched. The analytical method using the CD-type microchip does not need any mechanical pumping system, neither connectors and switching valves for changing flow direction, compared to a conventional flow-based analytical method using a mechanical pumping system or an electro-osmotic flow system. One of the advantages of the analytical method based on the CD-type microchip is that the flow sequence can be controlled by selecting rotation speed, because the critical rotation speed, at which a solution in a reservoir is started to flow, is dependent of the position the reservoirs on the CD-type microchip.

In our previous work [1,2], we have attempted to use a CD-type microchip for the determination of nonionic surfactant, alkylphenol polyethoxylates (APE) by using an immunoassay method, where the magnetic microbeads immobilized with an anti-APE antibody on their surface were placed at the detection position of the CD type microchip. The chemiluminescence detection was used for this assay. A surface plasmon resonance (SPR) sensor is also a promising detector for the immunoassay on the CD-type microchip. Indeed we have attempted to fabricate an SPR sensor on a CD-type microchip and applied to the immunoassay of IgA [3]. Recently we have assembled an electrochemical detector or carbon paste electrode detector onto the CD-type microchip and applied it to the determination of glucose based on an enzyme reaction with glucose oxidase [4].

In this lecture, we will review our recent works on the flow analysis based on the CD-type microchip including the work on an optical monitoring an enzyme reaction. To monitor an enzyme reaction of horseradish peroxidase (HRP), we have assembled a fluorescent detection system on the rotation turn table for the CD-type microchip, as

shown in Fig. 1. In this case, Amplex red and hydrogen peroxide were used as the substrates for HRP and a fluorescent product, resorufin, was monitored by the present optical system. To confirm the performance of the optical system, fluorescence signals obtained by a photomultiplier through a long pass filter from the reservoirs containing resorufin solution (Fig. 2a) at different concentrations were detected. The results are shown in Figs. 3. For monitoring the enzyme reaction of HRP with Amplex red containing hydrogen peroxide, an HRP solution at different concentration and a mixed solution of Amplex red and hydrogen peroxide were placed in each reservoirs of the microchip shown in Fig. 2b. When the microchip was rotated at the speed of 1200 rpm, two solutions in the reservoirs were started to flow into the spiral channel. Resorufin, the product of the enzyme reaction, was generated in the spiral channel and was detected by the optical detector. The time-course of the fluorescence signal is shown in Fig. 4. Flow behavior of liquids on the CD-type microchip will be also presented in the lecture.

Keywords: Compact disk type microchip, flow behavior, electrochemical detection, optical detection

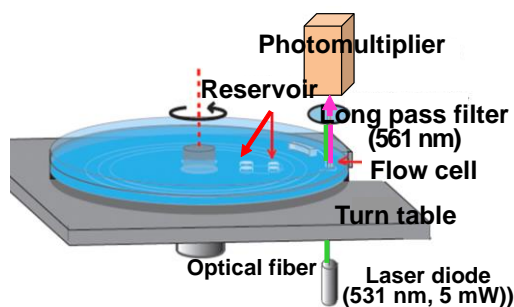


Fig. 1 A compact disk (CD)-type microchip with optical detection

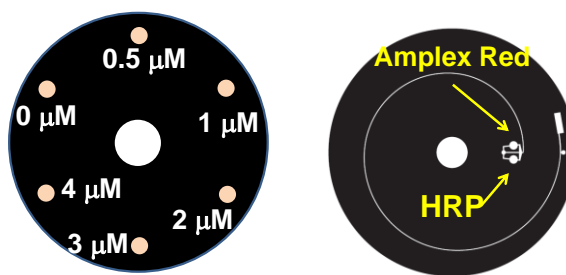


Fig. 2 CD-type microchip (a) without and (b) with a spiral channel

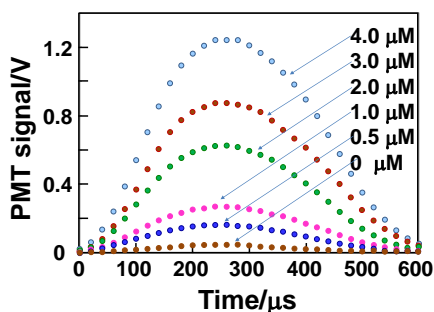


Fig. 3 PMT signal from resorufin solution of different concentration placed in reservoirs (Fig. 2a).

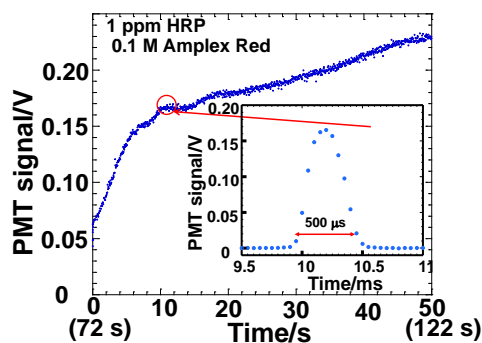


Fig. 4 PMT signal from resorufin produced from enzyme reaction of Amplex red with HRP containing H_2O_2 (Fig. 2b).

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LC-MS/MS analysis of sphingolipid metabolites in mice during acute exercise stress

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Abstract: Extracellular sphingosine 1-phosphate (S1P) binds to a family of five G-protein coupled-receptors, S1P1-5. In most vessels, S1P binds to S1P2 which mainly expressed in vascular smooth muscle cells to cause vasoconstriction. In arteries, the S1P exposure triggers Rho kinase and RhoA, the activator of Rho kinase translocation to the plasma membrane in response to stimulation with S1P. Thus the effects of S1P on blood vessel may have pathophysiological relevance to S1P concentrations. Therefore, S1P signaling pathways are potential therapeutic targets for the treatment of hypertension, stroke and vasospasm. The present investigation focused on the concentration changes of S1P and its metabolites in blood, heart, lung and muscles during swimming exercise stress in mice. In high stress conditions, S1P concentration was obviously decreased (27% reduction in blood, 38% reduction in heart) while greatly increased in lung (194% increased) and muscles (375% increased). For acute exercise, S1P may be urgently required for rapid contraction of smooth muscle cells in lung and muscles. The ceramides synthesis is impaired in vascular smooth muscle cells (VSMC) from spontaneously hypertensive rats where may contribute to increased VSMC proliferation in hypertension. Indeed, in exercise condition, ceramide levels were slightly decreased 12% in blood and 20% in heart, respectively. Interestingly, ceramide levels in lung and in muscle were apparently increased. It is not still well understood why sphingolipid metabolites is increasing or decreasing by outer stress or pharmacological agents depending on the organs. Specifically, the increase of ceramide in lung may be contributed to the concomitant activation of neutral sphingomyelinase (nSMase) and acidic sphingomyelinase (aSMase). In addition, high S1P increase (almost 4- fold) in muscle is contributed by the activation of sphingosine kinase, PKC-dependent enzyme synthesizing S1P from sphingosine by phosphorylation. Taken together, it should be mentioned that S1P and ceramides concentrations in organs were found to be greatly changed in acute exercise conditions and provides additional evidence for the significance of S1P and ceramides in the cardiovascular system.

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Abstract: How to accelerate a separation is an interesting study topic becoming more and more crucial because we are facing more and more complex analytical objects and samples. Speeding up of a separation is also an urgent challenge in omic studies, and it is in theory easy but in practice tough. Herein we will take capillary electrophoresis (CE) as an example to discuss the issue. A strategic thinking to speed up the separation lies in chromatographic theory. According to Van Deemter equation, there are at least four ways available, including shortening the separation length, increasing a driving force such as electric field strength, use of better separation materials, and reduction of injection length. Use of a short separation length is easily realized but stopped by a heavy loss of resolution. Although the loss could partially or even largely be recovered by increase of the applied electric field strength, it will be limited by the self-heating effect. Exploitation and use of a highly effective separation medium like photonic crystals (PCs) were then considered and tried, and high resolution and ultra-fast separation have been achieved ^[1]. This is a new gate toward the acceleration of separations but has to be guaranteed by significant reduction of the sample zone length. This needs a new sample injection method. Although there were optical and hydrodynamic gating injection methods published in literature ^[2,3], they are hardly copied to a common laboratory. A simpler approach termed diffusion-based injection (D²I) was hence exploited in this laboratory. It could simply be realized by touching a capillary tip on a sample surface for a while, able to inject a sample plug of less than 20 μm into the capillary tip. D²I was shown to be suitable for the injection of not only liquid but also solid and in-between-stated samples. To the best of our knowledge, this is the first method allowing a direction injection of solid samples. It is by use of D²I that CE can now separate some small molecules such as amino acids within seconds. For detailed discussions please join me on the conference.

Keywords: Fast separation strategy, capillary electrophoresis, solid sample injection

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Microfluidic Chips towards Cell Signaling Analysis

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Abstract: Cell signaling has been recognized as a highly dynamic biological process. The involved highly dynamic signals are regulated both by complicated intracellular processes, such as cell signal transduction network, gene regulatory network, metabolic regulatory network, protein interaction network and by the fluctuations in extracellular environment, including gradients of cytokines and secreted proteins from neighboring cells, biochemical and mechanical interactions with the extracellular matrix and direct cell-cell contacts. Analysis of these dynamics, therefore, required combination of two critical technologies: high resolution imaging and high precise perturbation. As is well-known, there have been tremendous progress in high resolution imaging, however high precise perturbation has been still an immense challenge. Currently, investigation of cell signaling usually involves dynamic imaging of cells upon localized mechanical, electrical, or chemical perturbations. Chemical perturbation is a relatively gentle approach that can mimic the surrounding environmental signals to cells in vivo, which is preferred for uncovering such dynamic. Conventionally, chemical perturbations are implemented via perfusion systems, which have been useful in providing information about cell signaling. However, their limitations are impeding further development, especially the drawbacks in lack of precision for spatial and temporal control of chemical stimuli. In this presentation, we report a precision guided microfluidic chemical perfusion strategy for cell dynamic signaling with high spatial and temporal resolution. It provided a versatile platform for studying cell signaling in individual cells or among contacting cells, capable of addressing individual cells among a cell cluster without interfering with adjacent contacting cells. The high temporal resolution further allowed pulsing cells with varying durations, which can be a potentially useful tool for research in chemical biology, cell biology and pharmacology.

Keywords: microfluidics, cell signaling, chemical perfusion

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Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons, Nitropolycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons and Inorganic Ions in Snow Layers at Murodo, Tateyama, Japan

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Introduction:

Acidic rain/snow and Asian dust storm in Japan are caused by long range transports of sulfur oxides and yellow sand, respectively. Recently, PM_{2.5} has become another big environmental issue in East Asia, because PM_{2.5}. Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and nitropolycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (NPAHs) are formed through imperfect combustion of organic matters such as fossil fuels and wood, and they are major components of PM_{2.5}. We found the atmospheric concentrations of PAHs and NPAHs at the Noto peninsula, Ishikawa, Japan, increased in the period from mid. October to mid. April every year, and identified that PAHs and NPAHs were mainly emitted from coal combustion processes, including coal heating, in north-east China, These results suggest that snow in Japan might be an useful environmental sample for identifying long-range transport of not only yellow sand but also PM_{2.5}, because snow falls on the Japan Sea coast area of Japan by the north-west wind in winter. The author reported the determination of PAHs and inorganic ions in snow collected at Murodo, Tateyama, Japan at CJK2014. In this report, we collected cake samples from different snow layers at Murodo in April 2015, and determined not only PAHs and inorganic ions but also NPAHs for the detail discussion of sources and behaviors of PM_{2.5}.

Experimental:

Snow cakes were collected from four different layers (L-I, L-II, L-III and L-IV, in April, 2013 and M-I, M-II and M-III, in April 2015) at Murodo (2,450 m above sea level), Tateyama, Japan. Each snow cake, more than 1 kg each, was melted at room temperature, and the solution was filtered with a GC filter (pore size 0.5 μm). After drying, the filter

was weighed to calculate the amount of particulates collected. Nine inorganic ions (Cl^- , NO_3^- , SO_4^{2-} , Na^+ , NH_3^+ , K^+ , Ca^{2+} and Mg^{2+}) were determined by ion chromatography. Ten PAHs having four to six rings (fluoranthene (FR), pyrene (Pyr), benz[*a*]anthracene (BaA), chrysene (Chr), benzo[*b*]fluoranthene (BbF), benzo[*k*]fluoranthene (BbF), benzo[*a*]pyrene (BaP), dibenz[*ah*]anthracene (DBA), benzo[*ghi*]perylene (BghiPe) and indeno[1,3,3-*cd*]pyrene (IDP)) were determined by HPLC with fluorescence detection according to our previous report.¹⁾ Three NPAHs (1- and 2-nitropyrenes (1- and 2-NPs) and 2-nitrofluoranthene (2-NFR)) were determined by HPLC with chemiluminescence detection according to our previous report.²⁾

Results and Discussion:

From the depth of snow, dates of four layers, L-I through VIII and M-I through III, were estimated. In L-series, L-I showed the lowest concentration of particulates and L-III showed the highest concentration of particulates. L-IV showed the highest concentration of nssCa^{2+} . L-IV showed the highest concentrations of PAHs and nssSO_4^{2-} . On the other hand, in M-series, M-I showed the highest concentration of nssSO_4^{2-} , PAHs and NPAHs. Back trajectory analysis suggested that air masses corresponding to L-IV mainly passed through central-east China and north-east China, respectively and that air mass corresponding M-I mainly passed through north-east China. These results suggest that $\text{PM}_{2.5}$ long-range transported from north-east China contained high concentration of PAHs, NPAHs and nssSO_4^{2-} . The smaller NPAH/PAH concentration ratios, such as [1-NP]/[Pyr], suggested that the major contributor was coal-burning systems but not automobiles. Monitoring of particulate weight only is not sufficient for identifying the origin of $\text{PM}_{2.5}$. Simultaneous determination of PAHs and inorganic ions are very important to differentiate the origins of $\text{PM}_{2.5}$, yellow sand and combustion of fossil fuels.

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Determination of Important Volatile Compounds from Aqueous Matrix

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Abstract

Volatile fractions of samples are generally associated with low molecular weight compounds that vaporize at room temperature from various matrices. For various reasons, volatile compounds become important to be measured and characterized. Either major or minor in composition, they play important roles in many applications such as environmental, clinical, forensic, personal-care, pharmaceutical, and food-product samples. The trace compounds could be more significant than major compositions. However, due to its characteristic including the loss of compounds during sample preparation, sensitive analytical techniques are required.

Sample preparation is so difficult in trace analysis that becomes the rate-determining step of the experiment. Through preparation of the analytes, it enables minor compounds to be concentrated and detected over the limit of detection of the analytical instruments. Several sample preparation techniques would be discussed about advantages and disadvantages with experimental data in this presentation. They include solid phase microextraction fiber located in a needle (SPME), in-tube SPME, in needle capillary adsorption trap (INCAT), solid phase dynamic extraction (SPDE), single drop microextraction (SDME) and a sorbent-packed needle trap device (NTD).

Especially, sol-gel microextraction phases for sample preparation were investigated. Polydimethylsiloxane (PDMS) has been generally used for non-polar analytes while others used for polar compounds. In our lab, the different sol-gel microextraction phases were produced including PDMS/DVB (Divinylbenzene), PDMS/PEG (Polyethylene glycol), PDMS/PAA (Polyacetic acid), and PDMS/ β -CD (Cyclodextrine). Needle was a platform to be coated with these phases. It is easy to handling and inexpensive to fabricate. It also shows that the selectivity and extraction efficiency of both polar and nonpolar compounds depending on coating materials in needle.

Data obtained from the real samples show that the minor compounds in trace amount would distinguish one sample from others. The quantitative information of these compounds was input for principal component analysis as multivariate statistical analysis. This approach provides the fundamental information on characterization of volatile compounds for samples and their classification for recognition.

Keyword: Volatile compounds, sol-gel microextraction, classification, preconcentration

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Electrochemical study on electron transfer across DNA base pairs

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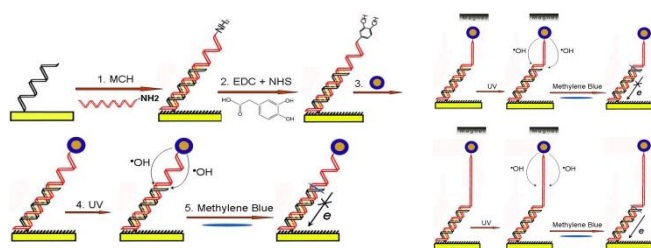
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Abstract:

The molecular π -stack of base pairs within double-strand DNA (dsDNA) has been shown to mediate electron transport (ET) reactions, which has received a substantial attention because of its biological significance in DNA damage and DNA repair mechanisms as well as the DNA electronic devices. The ET process across the base pair stacking as well as the bases terminated monolayer were investigated.

1. How far can hydroxyl radicals travel?

Onto gold surface adsorbed DNA monolayer composed of double stranded part of 20 base pairs at the gold surface and extra single stranded $(AT)_n$ part at the distal of DNA monolayer. $TiO_2@ \gamma\text{-}Fe_2O_3$ composite nanoparticles were attached onto the distal of single strand DNA parts. Under UV illumination, hydroxyl radicals generated at the TiO_2 shell would diffuse to the double strand parts of DNA monolayer and the single strand parts acted as ruler to measure the diffusing distance of the radicals. Thus using photocatalytic reactive nanoparticles and DNA composite modified gold electrodes, exploiting the sensitivity of DNA-mediated electron transfer to base pair stacking, we proposed an electrochemical technique to read the effective diffusing distance of hydroxyl radicals.



Scheme 1. (left) Preparation of $TiO_2@ \gamma\text{-}Fe_2O_3$ core-shell particle attached dsDNA modified Au electrode ($Fe_2O_3@TiO_2/(AT)_n/dsDNA/Au$) (step 1, 2 and 3) and oxidation of

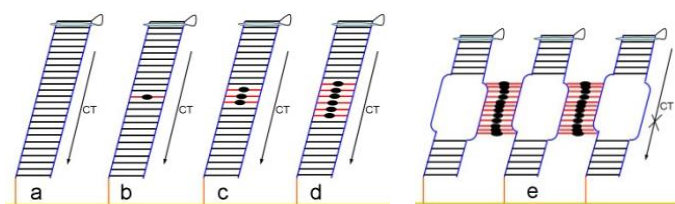
DNA base pairs by photogenerated $\bullet OH$ radicals upon UV illumination (step 4 and 5).

(right) The single strand part of DNA ($(AT)_n$, $n = 5, 12, 24$) acted as a spacer between base pair in the dsDNA film and the $\gamma\text{-}Fe_2O_3@TiO_2$ particle when placed a magnet above the modified surface. Top, $n < 12$; bottom, $n > 12$.

2. An electrochemical study based on thymine-Hg-thymine DNA base pairs mediated

electron transfer process

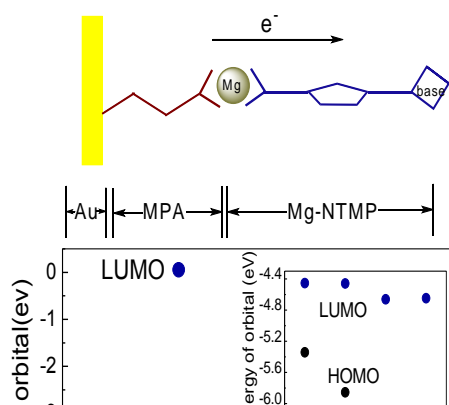
Onto Au surface adsorbed DNA monolayer composed of double stranded of 25 base pairs, and at the gold surface and distal part were matched base pairs, while at the middle of DNA monolayer were $(TT)_n$ mismatched pairs. The ET properties of the DNA monolayer was studied using Laviron's theory and it was found that when $n \leq 6$, the kinetics of CT followed the order: matched DNA base pairs < DNA duplexes with $(TT)_n$ < DNA duplexes with $(T-Hg(II)-T)_n$ and the CT kinetics increased with increasing n . However, an interesting phenomenon was found when $n \geq 12$, that is $(T-Hg(II)-T)_n$ conformation was formed between different DNA strands and the this inter-DNA $(T-Hg(II)-T)_n$ structure caused DNA monolayer deformed and CT not occur along the DNA base pairs.



Scheme 2. CT process of dsDNA with $(T-Hg(II)-T)$ sequench. (a) matched dsDNA, (b) dsDNA with $(T-Hg(II)-T)_1$, (c) dsDNA with $(T-Hg(II)-T)_3$, (d) dsDNA with $(T-Hg(II)-T)_6$, (e) dsDNA with $(T-Hg(II)-T)_{12}$.

3. Study on electron transfer across nucleobases terminated surface assembly

ET process with different kinetics occurred across the nucleobases terminated multilayer assembly and the base-dependent ET properties were studied in this work. To prepare such nucleotide monophosphate (NTMP) (including guanosine, adenosine, cytidine, uridine-5'-monophosphate, and abbreviations were GMP, AMP, CMP, UMP respectively) assembly, 3-mercaptopropionic acid, Mg^{2+} , NTMP were adsorbed onto Au substrates stepwise to form nucleobases terminated surface. Cyclic voltammetry, chronoamperometry and electrochemical impedance spectroscopy showed that the rate of ET kinetics decreased in the order: $GMP/Mg^{2+}/MPA/Au > AMP/Mg^{2+}/MPA/Au > UMP/Mg^{2+}/MPA/Au > CMP/Mg^{2+}/MPA/Au$. Nucleobases have different geometrical conformations and electrical structural properties, which determined the ET kinetics across nucleobases terminated multilayer assembly. And these differences in ET behavior were ascribed to different HOMO energies of the Mg-Nucleotide moieties (decreased in the order: $GMP-Mg > AMP-Mg > UMP-Mg > CMP-Mg$). This study may be valuable to the studies of DNA electronic structure, which had been utilized for DNA sequencing *via* nanopore techniques.



Scheme 3. Energy diagram for the electron transfer from the gold electrode to nucleobases across the NTMP/Mg²⁺/MPA/Au multilayer assembly. The calculation was carried out based on B3LYP/6-31G* using Gaussian program.

Keywords: DNA base pairs, electron transfer, electrochemistry

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Application of novel nanomaterials in the phosphopeptide enrichment

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Abstract: As one of the most common post-translational modifications, protein phosphorylation is of great importance in regulating various biological processes. Therefore, effective analytical methods for phosphoprotein are in urgent demand for further phosphoproteomic research. Mass spectrometry (MS) is considered as a powerful tool in the detection and identification of proteins. However, for phosphoproteomic analysis, effective enrichment approaches prior to MS analysis are often required due to serious signal suppression caused by non-phosphorylated species. Among these approaches, metal oxide affinity chromatography (MOAC) has become more and more popular in recent years [1-3]. Different surface properties of nanomaterials often lead to different enrichment performance in sensitivity, specificity or phosphoproteome coverage. Therefore, the exploration of novel nanomaterials for comprehensive phosphoproteomic analysis with enhanced sensitivity is still attracting considerable interest. In this work, binary metal oxides and other novel nanomaterials have been synthesized and characterized. All these novel nanomaterials provide attractive properties in the phosphopeptide enrichment and the target proteomic research [4-7].

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Antioxidant Activity of Volatile Compounds Isolated from Broccoli (*Brassica oleracea* L.) sprouts by GC and GC-MS

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Abstract: Broccoli (*Brassica oleracea* L.) sprouts have received much attention recently because they contain various bioactive constituents, which are not present in broccoli. However, there are no reports on the biological activity of the volatile compounds from broccoli sprouts. In the present study, volatile extracts of broccoli sprouts were obtained by a steam distillation under reduced pressure, followed by a liquid–liquid continuous extraction and then examined for their antioxidant activities using aldehyde/carboxylic acid and lipid/malonaldehyde (MA) assays. All samples exhibited dose-dependent antioxidant activity. The antioxidant activity ranged from $74.5 \pm 0.5\%$ (less volatile sample) to $99.5 \pm 0.5\%$ (volatile sample) at the level of 500 $\mu\text{g/mL}$. Antioxidant activity of samples obtained from broccoli sprouts was comparable to that of known antioxidants, α -tocopherol and BHT. Subsequently, volatile extracts were analyzed by gas chromatography and gas chromatography–mass spectrometry to identify principle antioxidants. Among the 43 compounds positively identified by gas chromatography/mass spectrometry, 4-methylpentyl -isothiocyanate (2.48 $\mu\text{g/g}$) was found in the greatest concentration, followed by 4-methylthiobutylnitrile (10.63 $\mu\text{g/g}$), 5-methylthiopentyl nitrile (31.64 $\mu\text{g/g}$), 3-methylthiopropylisothiocyanate (3.00 $\mu\text{g/g}$), and 4-methylthiobutylisothiocyanate (14.55 $\mu\text{g/g}$). These isothiocyanates are known to possess antioxidant properties. Possible phenolic antioxidants found are 4-(1-methylpropyl)-phenol (0.012 $\mu\text{g/g}$), 4-methylphenol (0.159 $\mu\text{g/g}$) and 2-methoxy-4-vinylphenol (0.009 $\mu\text{g/g}$). The present study demonstrates that broccoli sprouts are a good source of natural antioxidants.

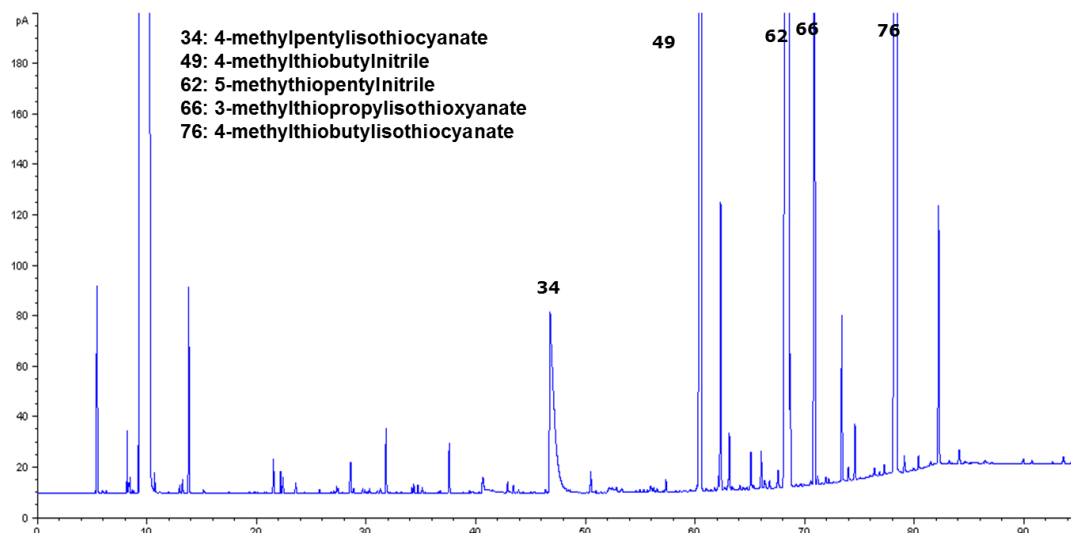


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Determination of arsenic species in food by LC-ICP-MS

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Abstract: Arsenic (As) is considered as one of the most important toxic elements in the environment because of its potential risk to human health and to ecosystems. Apart from drinking water, rice consumption may be the most important pathway of human As uptake. After the US-Government announced that the rice cultivated in California has high levels of inorganic As, many consumer groups are concerning about human health problems will be caused by staple food. Especially, it is especially alarming in Asian countries due to huge consumption of rice. The chronic exposure to As can lead to cancerous health hazards and other health problems. So, we conducted the development of extraction method for arsenic speciation and the determination of arsenic compounds in food stuff including rice grain purchased from markets in Korea by using LC-ICP-MS. Around 1.0 g samples were weighed into the vessels and extracted with 10 mL of 0.28 M nitric acid at 85 °C for 70 min. Samples were cooled to room temperature and centrifuged at 4500 rpm for 10 min. The supernatant was filtered and kept at 4 °C until analysis. Using a solution of 1% HNO₃ for extracting As from food stuff was suitable. Arsenic species were quantified by IC-ICP-MS with Dionex IonPac™ AS7 RFICTM column (250 mm x 2 mm). The gradient mobile phases were 10 mM ammonium carbonate adjusted to pH 8.8 and 200 mM ammonium nitrate and ammonium phosphate adjusted to pH 9.0. The flow rate was 0.3 mL/min. Injection volume and column temperature were 25 uL and 15 °C, respectively.

Arsenic exists in forms of various chemical species. Inorganic As species (arsenite (As³⁺) and arsenate (As⁵⁺)) have been classified as carcinogenic and the methylated form, monomethylarsonic acid (MMA) and dimethylarsinic acid (DMA) have been identified as cancer promoters. It is believed that arsenobetaine (AB) and arsenocholine (AC) are non-toxic. The method of As speciation by IC-ICP-MS was developed that allowed the simultaneous separation of six As species. Four species of As were mainly detected in food stuff as As³⁺, As⁵⁺, MMA and DMA. Arsenic species in samples were extracted with microwave-assisted 1 % nitric acid. The recoveries of fortified rice (50 ug/kg) were 91~112 % The LODs of As species method were 0.1~ 0.5 ug/kg.

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Water Quality Monitoring of Drainage River in Kuantan, Malaysia by using Ion-exclusion/Ion-exchange Chromatography

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Abstract:

The water quality of drainage river (system), namely Galing River in Kuantan, Malaysia were examined effectively by using ion-exclusion/cation-exchange chromatography with water quality indices and land usage data. In Kuantan, there are 228 sewerage treatment plants, many of which were built in the early 1970's and individual septic tanks (ISTs) serve 51%, the centralized sewer system serves 47%, and individual primitive systems serve the remaining 2% of sewage/household wastewater in Kuantan. However, ISTs are not highly efficient in removing nutrients and organic compounds (COD) with removal capacities of 5–18% and 50–78%, respectively. In this study, we have focused on evaluating and grasping the effect of sewage/household wastewater discharged from housing areas in the Kuantan district on the river water quality. Based on this study, the following beneficial information were obtained effectively by using ion-exclusion/cation-exchange chromatography: (1) the pollution level (Galing River: Class I – V) in the Galing River are linked with the urbanization level of the river basin area; (2) differences in the biological reactions in the different pollution level rivers are understood; (3) Galing River is among the most polluted rivers not only in Kuantan, but also in the Malay Peninsula, owing to poor water treatment of the sewage/household wastewater discharged from the river basin area.

Keywords: Ion-exclusion/cation-exchange chromatography, Urban drainage river, Malaysia

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Analytical Applications of Higher-order Calibration Methods Based on Alternating Multilinear Decomposition Algorithms

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Abstract:

Higher-order calibration methods based on multilinear models in chemometrics are gaining more and more attention in the field of analytical science. Based on the “mathematical separation”, higher-order calibration methods enable one to achieve direct quantitative analysis of analytes of interest in complex systems even in the presence of unknown, uncalibrated interferences, which is also known as the “second-order advantage”. Additionally, higher-order calibration methods can provide some other advantages, such as higher selectivity and sensitivity. In this work, higher-order calibration methods based on alternating multilinear decomposition algorithms are firstly introduced and its general procedure, by using a simulated EEMs data array, is illustrated. Secondly, the analytical applications of these higher-order calibration methods in such sciences as environment, food, biology, medicine are provided. Finally, some case studies to further illustrate the practical analytical applications of second-order and third-order calibration methods were provided.

Keywords: Higher-order calibration; Mathematical separation; Alternating multilinear decomposition; Multilinear model; Second-order advantage; Direct quantitative analysis; Complex system; Chemometrics

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Preparation and Application of Microextraction Probe for Enrichment of Organics from Aqueous Matrices

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Abstract Fiber-based microextraction has dominant advantages for sample pretreatment by integrating sampling, extraction, and GC or LC sample introduction into one step. In recent years, fiber microextraction is generally represented by solid-phase microextraction (SPME) and liquid-phase microextraction (LPME) [1, 2]. The former works by extraction of analytes from liquid solution onto the fiber's solid surface coating, while the latter is realized by immobilizing organic solvent inside the porous membrane of hollow fiber serving as the acceptor phase. In our work, different fiber-based microextraction methods were developed for rapid extraction of trace organic components from aqueous matrices. The poly(ethylene glycol) diacrylate (PEG-DA) coated glass fiber and multilayer-graphene bonded titanium fiber were fabricated, which presented excellent stability and extraction efficiency [3, 4]. The multilayer-graphene modified fiber could stand up for more than 200 SPME cycles. In addition to SPME methods, the polypropylene hollow fiber was directly used for LPME. Strong hydrophobic organic solvent was injected into the hollow fiber and held by the porous membrane. Dynamic hollow fiber LPME demonstrated good extraction ability with toluene as extraction phase for extraction of organic UV filters in cosmetic products [5]. To increase the extraction speed and efficiency, short hollow fiber immobilized with organic solvent was vortex microextraction of phthalate esters from aqueous matrices [6]. With the extraction solvent lost gradually from the hollow fiber during stirring, the efficient extraction was maintained by the absorption of analytes in the porous membrane. The super high enrichment factor over 1500 was obtained for phthalate esters and reduced the limit of detection as low as ng L^{-1} level with chromatographic analysis.

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Keywords: Fiber probe, solid-phase microextraction, liquid-phase microextraction

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Multifunctional fluorescent optical sensors for bioanalysis

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Abstract: Optical sensors are important tools for cellular imaging and analysis, for probing cellular metabolism, for understanding pathways and biological and physiological processes, and for diagnosing diseases and cancers. We have developed several series of fluorescent optical sensors (pH, oxygen (O₂), potassium ion (K⁺), and glucose sensors) suitable for intracellular and/or extracellular imaging and analysis.

We integrated individual sensors as dual sensors using polymeric synthesis techniques for simultaneous multi-parameter measurements. Of particular value for application in the complex biological environment, some of the sensors emit two or even three colors in response to the same excitation wavelength, enabling ratiometric measurements and providing superior measurement accuracy. For example, we have prepared a dual pH/O₂ sensor with three emission colors. The tri-color sensor composed of a blue emitter as an internal build-in reference probe, a green emitter as the pH probe, and a red emitter as the oxygen sensor. The build-in reference probe is unresponsive to pH or O₂. It was demonstrated that this polymer-based tri-color sensor is capable for measuring the changes of pH and oxygen concentrations in photosynthesis cyanobacteria possessing high autofluorescence. We also integrated glucose and oxygen sensor as ratiometric dual glucose/oxygen sensors for analysis the glucose and oxygen consumption for bacterial cells and mammalian cells in real time. This dual glucose/oxygen sensor enables simultaneous measurement of glucose and oxygen, providing important information for continuous monitoring of glucose, diagnosing diabetes and hypoxia (low oxygen) related diseases and cancer, as well as the understating of biological processes of the metabolism.

Keywords: pH sensors, oxygen sensors, glucose sensors, dual sensors

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Development of a Hybrid Pyrolyzer for GAS CHROMATOGRAPHY

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Abstract:

We have been developing chromatographic instruments, for instance, Curie point pyrolyzers Curie point purge and trap samplers, recycling preparative HPLC and those related attachments since 1965. On this occasion, the 50th anniversary, we have pioneered the hybrid pyrolyzer in the world.

The pyrolyzer can be pyrolyzed polymer sample by furnace or Curie point heating by selection of the heating method.

Also, it can be used for evaluated gas analysis (EGA) for the polymers with temperature rising as like as thermogravimetry heating. And more, evaluated gas can be trapped into the mini-PAT (packed Tenax GR) according with interest. After trapping the mini-PAT can be desorbed and re-injected into the GC by Curie point heating in order to composition analysis of the peak.

Application for the polymer characterizations will be presented.

Keywords: Curie point pyrolyzer, furnace pyrolyzer, hybrid pyrolyzer

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**Facile preparation of a novel benyl imidazolium ionic liquids hybrid
monolithic column for residue analysis of nitrogen-heterocyclic pesticides
by CEC**

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Abstract: Recently, hybrid organic-silica monolithic column have received much attention in capillary electrochromatography (CEC) and LC, due to their unique advantages of easy fabrication, pH stability, and less shrinkage [1]. C18-incorporated organic-silica monolithic column was introduced as a prevalent separation media by Malik and coworkers [2] for RP CEC separation of the majority of non-polar and weak-polar organic compounds. However, in the case of polar and charged compounds, the selectivity of C18 stationary phase is not that ideal due to the lack of more retention mechanisms.

Nitrogen-heterocyclic pesticides are a type of broad-spectrum and polar insecticides or fungicides which are widely used to control plant diseases. Since discovering its chronic mammalian toxicity such as infertility, maximum pesticide residue limits (MRLs) have been reduced. Efficient separation and determination of nitrogen-heterocyclic pesticides residue in the plants, water and soil is significant to keep foodsafety and human health.

Herein, a simple thermal-treatment “one-pot” approach for the preparation of hybrid capillary monoliths with mix-mode interaction mechanisms was developed via a sol-gel process, by using tetramethoxysilane and vinyltrimethoxysilane as precursors and 1-vinylbenzyl-3-methylimidazolium tetrafluoroborate (VBIM) as functionalized monomer respectively, in the presence of porogenic agents (PEG and urea). The effects of the ratio and content of reaction mixture, composition of porogenic solvent and initiator, on the morphology and column performances of the hybrid monoliths were investigated. The resulting monolith showed uniform monolithic network, high permeability and thermal/mechanical stability. It exhibits a typical reversed-phase chromatographic behavior with the controllable EOF over a wide pH range, owing to the incorporation of ILs, which could be used for the separation of various neutral, basic and polar analytes by CEC. A column performance varying from 84,000 to 106,600 N/m was achieved for alkybenzenes.

Based on a mix-mode retention mechanism of hydrophobic interaction and weak

interaction, especially electrostatic interaction between organic and inorganic parts, the proposed VBIM- hybrid monolithic column has been applied for the residue analysis of nitrogen-heterocyclic pesticides in vegetables by CEC. Under the optimum conditions, rapid separation of six nitrogen-heterocyclic pesticides was achieved within 10 min, with an interday RSD less than 6.5%. The linear range was 0.5 - 100 mg/L and the LODs ranged from 0.05 to 0.2 mg/L. This method was successfully applied to the determination of nitrogen-heterocyclic pesticides in vegetables with satisfying recoveries. The result in comparative experiment agrees well with that of HPLC. This research provides a novel separation medium and feasible method for the high-efficient analysis of nitrogen-heterocyclic compounds with different physical properties.

Keywords: capillary electrochromatography, ionic liquids hybrid monolithic column, nitrogen-heterocyclic pesticides

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New strategies for the functionalization of polymer monolith and applications to separation and preconcentration of organic compounds

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Abstract: Polymer monolith column is a new type of miniaturized sample pretreatment strategy based on in-tube solid phase microextraction. As an extraction medium, organic polymer monolith column has several advantages of good biocompatibility, high enrichment efficiency, simple preparation process, wide pH range, and little sample consumption, etc. It combines concentration, extraction, separation, purification, moreover, it is rapid, sensitive, simple operation, and easy to realize automation. However, it has some disadvantages, such as swelling in organic solvent and decreasing mechanical stability, which may affect its life.

Macrocyclic compounds have a variety of applications, such as molecular recognition, supramolecular self-assembly, and bionic materials. In recent years, they have been applied in the enrichment of material and has developed very rapidly. Cyclodextrin and cucurbituril are representatives of macrocyclic compounds, both of which have cavities and can easily form host guest compounds. Hydrogen bond, hydrophobic, and π - π interactions may exist between them and other compounds. In addition, they both have a variety of functional groups on the surface, which makes them easily modified. In the present study, cyclodextrin and cucurbituril were employed for the modification of organic polymer monolithic column and used as enrichment materials. The modified polymer monolithic columns were coupled with chromatography and applied to the determination of organic compounds in food, environment, and biological source.

Keywords: Polymer monolith, functionalization, preconcentration

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Electrodialytic Matrix Isolation and Preconcentration for Ionic Solutes

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Abstract: Ionic solutes determination is widely applied for an evaluation of environmental and human health conditions, and industrial products. The determinations can be achieved with fully automated instruments such as ion chromatography (IC), high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC), induction coupled plasma (mass) spectrometry and so on. However most of samples cannot be directly introduced into the instruments because of hard matrices which may interfere the analysis or break the instruments. Most of cases, sample pretreatment, which removes matrices to purify the sample, was applied to every sample batchwisely. Previously, we have developed electro-dialytic matrix isolation system for ionic solutes analysis [1–3]. The developed ion transfer device for matrix isolation was consisted with five solution flow channels separated with ion permeable membranes. Ionic solutes are selectively and quantitatively transferred from a sample into acceptor solutions, typically purified water. Non-ionic compounds, particulates, and proteins are not transferred. Based on the quantitative ion transfer, the enrichment of ionic solutes in sample was also achieved with a higher sample flow rate and smaller acceptor solutions. This in-line preconcentration can be applied to determine trace analyte without highly sensitive analytical instruments.

Tap water disinfection is generally achieved by addition of sodium hypochlorite. However, it is also reported that more than 600 kinds of byproducts such as trihalometanes, and chloroacetates are generated. These by-products cause cancers or liver damage. In Japan, the quality standards for tap water was set as 0.02, 0.04, and 0.2 mg L⁻¹ for monochloroacetic acid (MCA), dichloroacetic acid (DCA) and trichloroacetic acid (TCA), respectively. Chloroacetates in tap water are measured with gas chromatograph–mass spectrometry (GC–MS), GC–electron captured detector (ECD), and high performance liquid chromatography–MS (HPLC–MS) for the evaluate tap water safety. Chloroacetates can also be measured with an ion chromatography (IC) with conductivity detection, and a HPLC with UV absorbance detection. However, the limits of detections of the IC or HPLC-UV for the compounds is not enough to detect the quality control levels.

In the present study, we have tried to determine chloroacetic acids in drinking water with conventional IC with UV absorbance detection. The sample, drinking water, was

introduced into the electro dialytic ion transfer device without any pretreatment. Obtained acceptor solution was directly introduced ion chromatography system. Because chloroacetic acids are weak acids and relatively larger sample flow rates are required for in-line enrichment, larger applied voltage (~50 V) was required for the quantitative transfer and enrichment. The obtained limits of detection (LOD) with x10 in-line enrichment was 0.004, 0.003, and 0.02 mg L⁻¹ for MCA, DCA, and TCA, respectively. These values were enough to detect Japanese quality standard for tap water. The recoveries were studied with real tap waters (*n* = 5). The obtained recoveries were 89~110%.

Keywords: Matrix isolation, electro dialysis, preconcentration, haloacetic acids

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Antioxidant Activity of Volatile Compounds Isolated from Broccoli (*Brassica oleracea* L.) sprouts by GC and GC-MS

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Abstract: Broccoli (*Brassica oleracea* L.) sprouts have received much attention recently because they contain various bioactive constituents, which are not present in broccoli. However, there are no reports on the biological activity of the volatile compounds from broccoli sprouts. In the present study, volatile extracts of broccoli sprouts were obtained by a steam distillation under reduced pressure, followed by a liquid–liquid continuous extraction and then examined for their antioxidant activities using aldehyde/carboxylic acid and lipid/malonaldehyde (MA) assays. All samples exhibited dose-dependent antioxidant activity. The antioxidant activity ranged from $74.5 \pm 0.5\%$ (less volatile sample) to $99.5 \pm 0.5\%$ (volatile sample) at the level of 500 $\mu\text{g/mL}$. Antioxidant activity of samples obtained from broccoli sprouts was comparable to that of known antioxidants, α -tocopherol and BHT. Subsequently, volatile extracts were analyzed by gas chromatography and gas chromatography–mass spectrometry to identify principle antioxidants. Among the 43 compounds positively identified by gas chromatography/mass spectrometry, 4-methylpentyl -isothiocyanate (2.48 $\mu\text{g/g}$) was found in the greatest concentration, followed by 4-methylthiobutylnitrile (10.63 $\mu\text{g/g}$), 5-methylthiopentyl nitrile (31.64 $\mu\text{g/g}$), 3-methylthiopropylisothiocyanate (3.00 $\mu\text{g/g}$), and 4-methylthiobutylisothiocyanate (14.55 $\mu\text{g/g}$). These isothiocyanates are known to possess antioxidant properties. Possible phenolic antioxidants found are 4-(1-methylpropyl)-phenol (0.012 $\mu\text{g/g}$), 4-methylphenol (0.159 $\mu\text{g/g}$) and 2-methoxy-4-vinylphenol (0.009 $\mu\text{g/g}$). The present study demonstrates that broccoli sprouts are a good source of natural antioxidants.

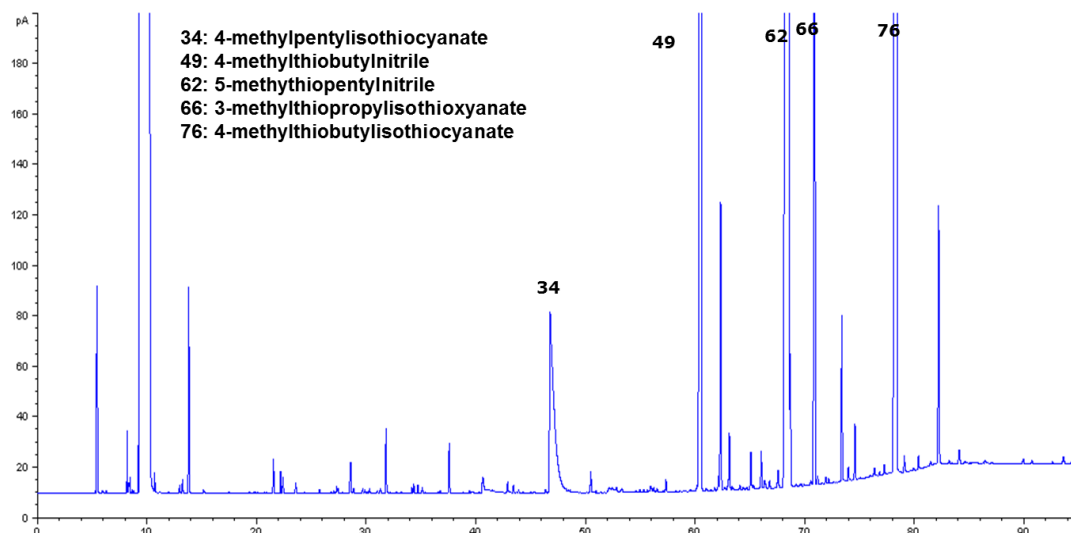


Figure 1. GC Chromatograms of cholesterol in infant formulas using GC/FID.

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Electrothermal vaporization or atomization on tungsten coil for analytical atomic spectrometry

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Tungsten coil device has been used in analytical atomic spectrometry for approximately 40 years for sample vaporization or atomization (1). These vaporizers/atomizers can be easily electrically heated up to over 3000 K at very high heating rates, with a simple power supply, and the whole device can be very compact. Here we report our recent work using tungsten coil as an electrothermal vaporizer for sample vaporization into atomizers such as new plasmas and flames, and as an atomizer or excitation source, for atomic spectrometry (2,3).

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Functionalized Gold-Nanomaterials Fluorescence Probe for Cyanide

Detection

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Abstract: Cyanide is the most-concerning toxic anion due to its severe environmental pollutants and adverse health effects. The World Health Organization (WHO) has set the maximum permissible level of cyanide in drinking water at 1.9 μM . Fluorescent method for the detection of cyanide exhibited many advantages over other optical methods such as high sensitivity, easy operation, and multiplicity of measurable parameters.

Gold nanomaterials have been favorably adopted to design novel sensors by fluorescent methods due to their ultra small size, nontoxicity, and high fluorescence. We investigate a series of gold nanomaterials fluorescent sensor for the detection of cyanide in aqueous solution. Lysozyme stabilized gold nanoclusters (Lys-AuNCs) have been synthesized and utilized as a fluorescence probe for selective detection of cyanide (CN^-). Lys-AuNCs had an average size of 4 nm and showed a red emission at 650 nm ($\lambda_{\text{ex}}=370$ nm). The fluorescence intensity was linear with the CN^- concentration in the range of 5.00×10^{-6} M $\sim 1.20 \times 10^{-4}$ M with a detection limit as low as 1.9×10^{-7} M. Simultaneously, the Lys-AuNCs could be visualized with the naked eye for CN^- which might etch with Lys-AuNCs resulted in an obvious color change from light yellow to colorless under visible light (Fig.1A). N-acetyl-L-cysteine modified gold nanoparticles (NAC-AuNPs) for CN^- detection in aqueous solution have been designed, synthesized, and characterized. NAC-AuNPs showed a red emission at 690nm ($\lambda_{\text{ex}}=370$ nm) and an average size was about 3 nm measured by TEM. An excellent sensitivity fluorescence probe of NAC-AuNPs for CN^- in aqueous solution was developed ranging from 1.0×10^{-7} M $\sim 1.1 \times 10^{-6}$ M, with a detection limit of 6.4×10^{-8} M. In addition, the NAC-AuNPs probe possessed a good selectivity for CN^- over other common anions and was expected to be great candidate for CN^- detection in food, water and biological applications (Fig.1B). In summary, Au nanomaterial could be a novel fluorescence probe for CN^- and might be a great candidate for sensing applications in environmental analysis and fluorescence imaging.

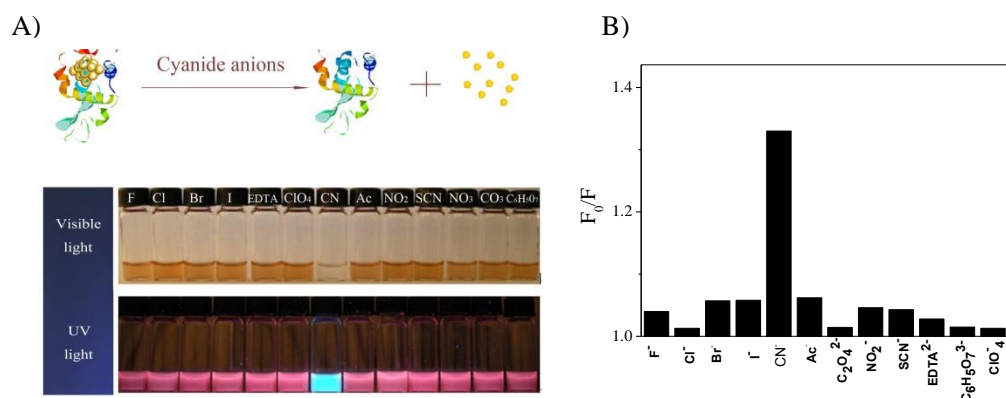


Fig.1 (A) The color (top) and the fluorescent (bottom) changes of Lys-AuNCs solution to different anions ions (concentration of all the anions ions was 3mM). (B) Selectivity of NAc-AuNPs-based sensor for CN⁻ (50μM) over other anions (50μM) at pH of 12.

Keywords: gold nanoparticles, cyanide detection, fluorescence probe

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**Determination of silicate, borate and carbonate ions in natural waters
using ion-exclusion chromatography coupled with charged aerosol
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Abstract: Weak inorganic anions of silicate, carbonate and borate ions are the important ionic species in biogeochemical cycles of silicon and carbon, and the water pollutants. In the natural waters, these anions are presents in partially dissociated or un-dissociated forms. In general, these ionic species are separately determined by the spectrophotometry or the titration method. Ion-exclusion chromatography (IEC) was developed as conventional method for separation of weak acid anions and was applied as a method for water quality monitoring [1]. Charged aerosol detector (CAD) has become useful in the analytical chemistry field and has been applied as a detector for liquid chromatography [2]. In this presentation, we introduces about the determination for weak inorganic anions of silicate, borate and carbonate ions using IEC coupled with Corona® CAD. Silicate and borate ions were separated and detected using the ultrapure water as an eluent and the addition of acetonitrile to the elution made the sensitivity for both ions higher. Carbonate ions could not detected due to the degradation into carbon dioxide during the drying process to form particles in CAD. By connecting a cation-exchange column in the K⁺-form after the ion-exclusion separation, weak inorganic anions including carbonate ions could be converted to their potassium salts and detected by CAD within 15 min. The present method was successfully applied to the analysis of weak inorganic anion in natural water samples.

Keywords: charged aerosol detector, ion-exclusion chromatography, weak inorganic anions

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Hairpin DNA Template-based Copper Nanoparticles for the Detection of NAD⁺

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Ultra-small metal nanoparticles are recognized as a promising alternative to organic fluorophores and quantum dots as they have unique physical, electrical, and optical properties. With regard to metal nanofabrication, DNA has proven an excellent template for fluorescent metal nanoparticles due to its unique nano-sized structure, excellent programmable properties, and great affinity for several metal ions. For example, DNA-templated gold, silver, palladium, platinum, and copper nanoparticles (CuNPs) are highly suitable for signal amplification due to their facile synthesis, ultrafine size, low toxicity, and photophysical properties. In the specific case of CuNPs, both double-stranded DNA (ds DNA) and single-stranded poly-thymine (ss poly T) can serve as templates. Herein, we propose a strategy utilizing hairpin-structured DNA as an efficient template for the formation of fluorescent CuNPs. A label-free analytical system based on this novel hairpin template demonstrated excellent sensitivity for the quantitative detection of NAD⁺.

Development of Inkjet Printing Single-cell Technology to Electrospray Ionization for Mass Spectrometer

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Abstract Single cell analysis has become an important field of research in recent years, high-throughput single cell measurements of cellular responses are of great importance for a variety of applications, including drug testing, toxicology, and basic cell biology [1-2]. Fluorescence microscope allows us to observe the states of cells before and after stimulation. However, it is difficult to observe signals of a large number of cells under a microscope. Electrospray ionization mass spectrometry (ESI-MS) is a sensitive method with low sample consumption, which is especially suitable for small and even ultra-small volume analysis [3-4]. Unfortunately, many biological samples are very complicated, and the matrices, especially those containing salts, have a significant ion suppression effect, which enormously reduces the sensitivity of Nano-ESI-MS. Moreover, the salts in samples can form complicated compounds through molecular association and coordination, which makes it quite difficult to clearly identify the target compounds in the mass spectrum. It is even worse when using Nano-ESI-MS for the analysis of a single cell owing to its very small sample volume. The inkjet printing technology [5-6] can accurately and reproducibly eject picoliter volumes of droplet, with which we combined tungsten probes for selectively and controllably encapsulating one single target cell into one picoliter-volume droplet. The tungsten probes with a tip were applied for electrospray ionization of mass spectrometry (MS) detection. We report a highly accurate sample injection system to realize the single-cell mass spectrometry based on an inkjet technology.

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Selective removal of cadmium from water samples by bio-functionalized composite MT@C-dot@SiO₂

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Silica gel has been widely used as adsorbent for the removal of heavy metals due to its good mechanical, chemical and thermal stability. However, the silanol groups on the surface of silica gel bind with a variety of metal species and thus result in poor selectivity. In this study, we report a bio-functionalized composite, e.g., MT@C-dot@SiO₂. The composite material provides a favorable adsorption performance toward cadmium and is used for cadmium removal from waters.

Silica gel is modified with metallothionein (MT) to improve the adsorption selectivity through the specific interactions between mercapto group and cadmium. One-step calcination is used to immobilize carbon dots (C-dots) onto the silica gel. The obtained composite shows excellent chemical stability and thus it can be used repeatedly. The MT@C-dot@SiO₂ composite has been characterized by means of FT-IR, SEM and TGA. The adsorption capability for cadmium by MT@C-dot@SiO₂ is derived to be 304 $\mu\text{g g}^{-1}$ with respect to 178 $\mu\text{g g}^{-1}$ by pure silica gel. Although the improvement on the adsorption capacity for cadmium is not remarkable, while most importantly, the MT@C-dot@SiO₂ composite exhibits very high tolerance capacity to some of the commonly encountered cationic and anionic species in water bodies. When 100 $\mu\text{g L}^{-1}$ cadmium solution is treated by 6 mg of the composite material, an adsorption efficiency of >90% is achieved in the presence of large amount of concomitant species, e.g., 1000 mg L^{-1} of K⁺, Na⁺, Mg²⁺, Ca²⁺, NO₃⁻, HCO₃⁻ and 5 mg L^{-1} of Al³⁺, Fe³⁺, Cu²⁺, Pb²⁺. In general, the bio-functionalized composite MT@C-dot@SiO₂ is demonstrated to be a promising adsorbent for the selective removal of cadmium from water bodies.

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Monitoring the dynamic mass-transferring behaviors of hemoglobin between aqueous/ionic-liquid phases with liquid core optical waveguide system

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Ionic liquids (ILs) is a group of organic salts consisting entirely of ions (anions and cations) and exist in the form of liquid at temperature $<100^{\circ}\text{C}$. Due to the unique properties such as negligible vapor pressure, nonflammability, high chemical/thermal stability, low toxicity and favorable conductivity, ILs have been termed as green solvents and shown great promise as an attractive alternative or replacement to conventional volatile organic solvents in various fields. The potential of ILs in biological sample pretreatment are also well demonstrated by their extensive applications in the extraction/purification of protein species from complex matrixes. The ILs-based liquid-liquid extraction system not only achieve extraction without deteriorating the activities and configurations of proteins, but also eliminate the risk of protein contamination which might pose adverse effects on the subsequent biological investigations.

As a kind of novel detecting technique, liquid core waveguide could greatly enhance the detection sensitivity of conventional spectrophotometry, by extending optical path length via the formation of total internal reflection (TIR) at the interfaces. The evanescent wave induced by the TIR extend out from the surface of the higher refractive index medium and into the lower index medium, could efficiently interact with the analyte on the liquid-liquid interface, thus offering a powerful tool for real-time monitoring of the local reactions at the core-cladding interfaces, and the dynamic transferring process across the interface.

We herein develop a solid-cladding/liquid-core/liquid-cladding sandwich optical

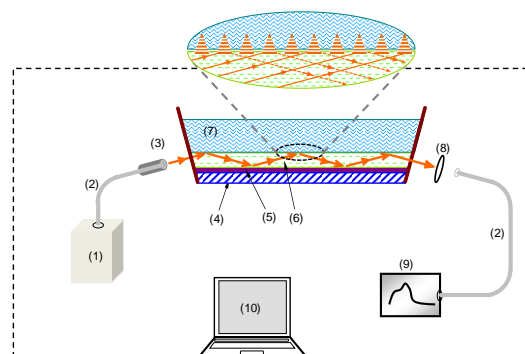


Fig. 1 Schematic diagram of ILs-based liquid core optical waveguide system. 1, Xe arc lamp; 2, optical fiber; 3, collimator; 4, support board; 5, FEP film (RI=1.338); 6, IL BmimPF₆ (RI=1.408); 7, protein solution; 8, convex lens; 9, spectrometer; 10, personal computer

waveguide system to monitor the dynamic transfer of hemoglobin (Hb) from aqueous phase to ILs phase. The optical waveguide system is fabricated by using a hydrophobic ILs (1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium hexafluorophosphate, BmimPF₆) as the core, and protein solution as one of the cladding layer (Fig. 1). The monitored spectra by this optical waveguide system indicate that the transferring of Hb molecules consists of the aggregation of Hb on water/ILs interface and the dynamic extraction of Hb into ILs phase, and part of Hb would remain at the interface even after the accomplish of the extraction process. Investigations on the transfer rates of Hb under different pH and concentration suggest that the transferring of Hb from aqueous phase towards IL phase is mainly driven by the coordination interaction between the heme group of Hb and the cationic moiety of imidazolium ILs, and the hydrophobic interactions also contribute to the transferring behaviors of Hb.

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Self-assembly sea urchin-like ZnO nanoparticles for headspace thin-film microextraction coupled with SERS to detect sulfur dioxide in medlar

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Abstract:

Self-assembly sea urchin-like ZnO nanoparticles were used for headspace thin-film microextraction (TFME) and coupled with surface enhanced Raman spectroscopy (SERS) to perform a simple and easy operational determination of SO₂ in medlar. After head space sampling (HS), the highly volatile SO₂ was adsorbed and concentrated by the nano ZnO, and the content of SO₂ was then measured using SERS. The method showed good sensitivity and reproducibility. After condition optimization, it was satisfactory that sulfur dioxide concentration and the intensity of SERS shift at 630 cm⁻¹ showed a good linearity in the range of 25–800 mg/kg. The detection limit of the method was found to be 15 mg/kg. The real samples analysis by the proposed HS-TFME-SERS method agreed very well with that by the traditional distillation and titration method, showing the method was reliable and applicable for the sulfite analysis in medlar samples. The method has shown great potentials in the fast analysis of sulfite in various sample matrixes such as acid rain, white sugar, and fresh or dried vegetables.

Keywords: Thin-film microextraction ZnO SERS sulfur dioxide

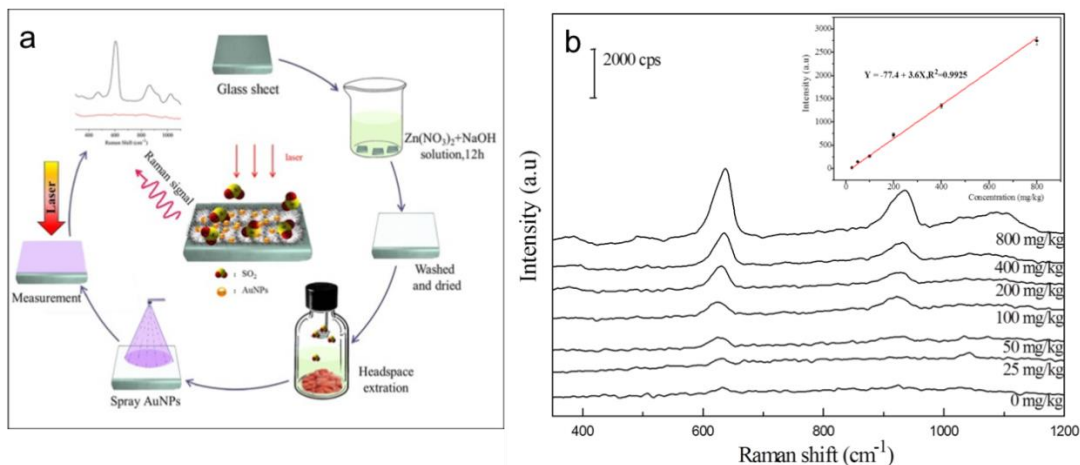


Fig. (a) Schematic illustration of the preparation of self-assembly sea urchin-like ZnO nanoparticles and HS-TFME-SERS analysis of SO₂ in medlar. (b) SERS spectra and working curve of HS-TFME-SERS method for analysis of SO₂ at different concentration. The inset figure presents the simulation curve of SERS peak intensity at 630 cm⁻¹.

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**Selectively enhanced molecular emission spectroscopy of benzene,
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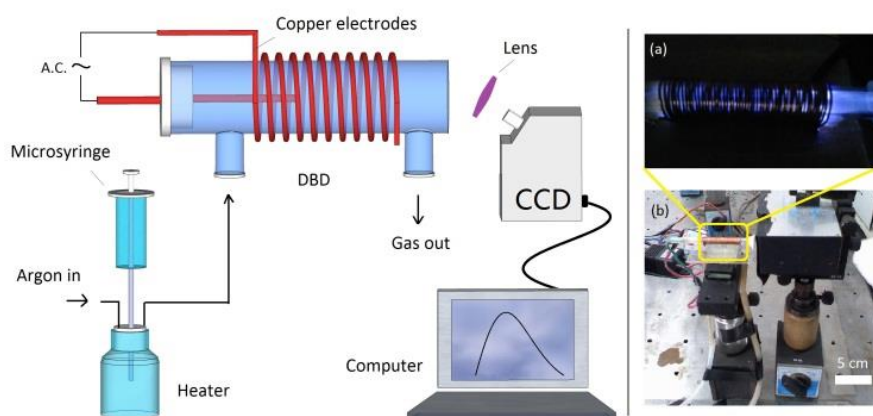
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ABSTRACT: In this work, nano-MnO₂ was used to selectively enhance molecular emission spectroscopy in an atmospheric ambient temperature dielectric barrier discharge, based on which a portable spectrometer was developed for potential field analytical chemistry of trace benzene, toluene and xylene. Under the optimal conditions, the proposed method has some distinct advantages: (1) high selectivity and sensitivity for detecting BTX; (2) simple, inexpensive and compact instrumentation; (3) green analytical chemistry since no toxic reagent/solvent was used, and the exhaust is of low toxicity or at low concentration; and (4) easy operation and hyphenation to other analytical instruments, such as CE, GC and LC as a detector.



KEY WORDS: dielectric barrier discharge; nano-MnO₂; molecular emission spectroscopy; benzene, toluene and xylene

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Synthesis of Highly Fluorescent P-g-C₃N₄ Nanodots for Label-free Detection of Cu²⁺ and Acetylcholinesterase Activity

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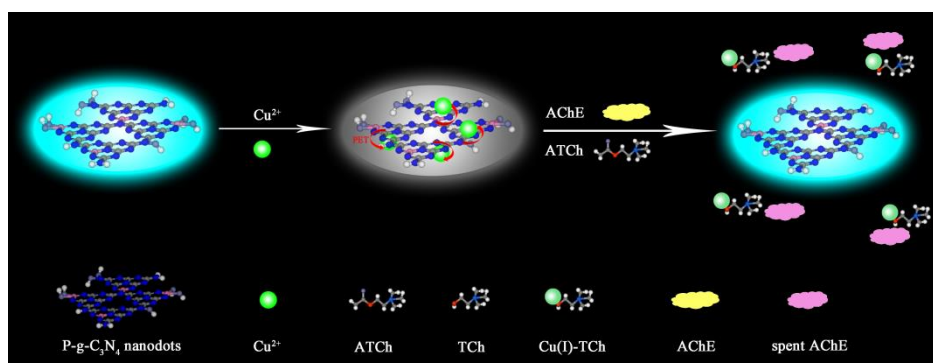
Graphitic carbon nitride (g-C₃N₄), a well-known graphene-like carbon-based material, received a lot of attention due to its special structure and properties.¹ In recent year, nanoscale g-C₃N₄ materials, such as fluorescent g-C₃N₄ nanosheets and g-C₃N₄ nanodots, have drawn great attention in sensing² and bioimaging³ because of their excellent optical and physicochemical features. In this report, highly fluorescent phosphorus-doped graphitic carbon nitride nanodots (P-g-C₃N₄ nanodots) were synthesized by chemical oxidation and hydrothermal etching of bulk P-g-C₃N₄ obtained via pyrolysis of phytic acid and melamine. The P-g-C₃N₄ nanodots emitted strong blue fluorescence and displayed high resistance to photobleaching and high ionic strength.

Copper (Cu) is a widely used industrial metal and it is an essential trace element in various biological processes.⁴ The excess accumulation of Cu²⁺ in human body causes damage to the central nervous system and induces neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's disease, Menkes syndrome, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis and Wilson's diseases.⁵ Although there are some attractive fluorescence sensors using carbon nanomaterials,⁶ it is still essential to develop more simple, rapid and highly sensitive detection methods for Cu²⁺. Acetylcholinesterase (AChE) is a type of serine esterase in the central and peripheral nervous systems, it regulates the levels of neurotransmitter acetylcholine (ATCh) by catalyzing the hydrolysis reaction of ATCh to choline.⁷ Many neurodegenerative diseases including Alzheimer's disease and Parkinson's disease are related to the degeneration of the cholinergic system, resulting in the amount decrease of AChE and ATCh.⁸ Though great efforts have been made to detect the activity of AChE, some disadvantages still exist, such as complicated synthesis, high toxicity, expensive cost and long measurement time. Hence, novel label-free, economic, time-saving, high sensitive and selective methods are

urgently needed.

Herein, a sensitive and facile fluorescence sensing approach for Cu^{2+} was developed based on the P-g- C_3N_4 nanodots by photoinduced electron transfer (PET). Under optimal conditions, a rapid detection of Cu^{2+} could be completed in 5 min with a detection limit of 2 nM, and a linearity ranging from 0 to 1 μM . Meanwhile, using acetylthiocholine (ATCh) as the substrate, the fluorescence of the P-g- C_3N_4 nanodots- Cu^{2+} system could be sensitively turned on in the presence of acetylcholinesterase (AChE) through the reaction between Cu^{2+} and thiocholine (TCh), the hydrolysis product of ATCh by AChE. A linearity ranging from 0.01 to 3 mU/mL could be obtained with a detection limit of 0.01 mU/mL.

Keywords: P-g- C_3N_4 nanodots; fluorescence; Cu^{2+} ; photoinduced electron transfer (PET); acetylcholinesterase (AChE)



Scheme. Schematic illustration of the sensitive and selective fluorescence detection of Cu^{2+} and AChE activity based on the P-g- C_3N_4 nanodots

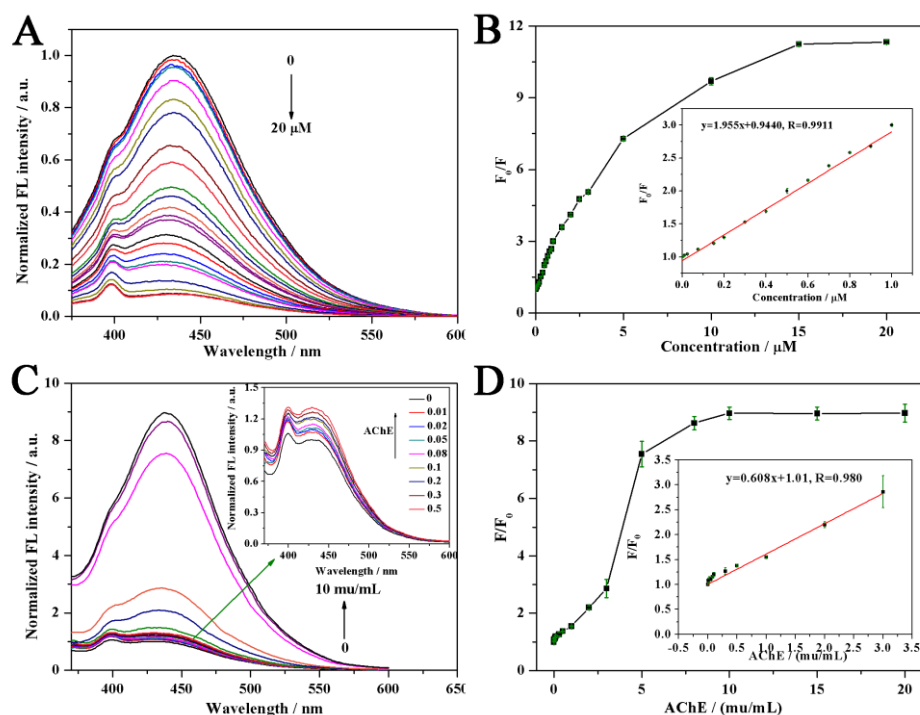


Figure.(A) Fluorescence responses of the P-g-C₃N₄ nanodots in the presence of different concentrations of Cu²⁺ in 10 mM borate buffer (pH 7.0). (B) The relationship between F₀/F and the concentration of Cu²⁺. The inset figure presents the linear responses to Cu²⁺ ranging from 0 to 1 μM. (C) Fluorescence responses of the P-g-C₃N₄ nanodots in the presence of 15 μM Cu²⁺ and different concentrations of AChE in 10 mM borate buffer (pH 7.0). The inset figure presents the fluorescence responses of the P-g-C₃N₄ nanodots with 15 μM Cu²⁺ at low concentrations of AChE. (D) The relationship between F₀/F and the concentration of AChE. The inset figure presents the linear responses to AChE ranging from 0.01 to 3 mU/mL.

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Simultaneous detection of dihydroxybenzene isomers by HKUST-1 MOF modified electrode

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Abstract: Catechol (CT), resorcinol (RS) and hydroquinone (HQ) are three typical dihydroxybenzene isomers (DBIs) of phenolic compounds, which usually coexist in environmental samples as pollutants.¹ Due to their high toxicity and low degradability in the ecological environment, it is necessary to develop simple and rapid analytical technology for the determination of them. The electrochemical methods attracted increasing attentions due to their advantages of fast response, low-cost, high sensitivity and excellent selectivity.² However, because the three isomers of CT, RS and HQ have similar chemical structure and close redox potentials on common electrode, the simultaneous determination of them are usually hardly achieved. Metal-organic frameworks (MOFs) are a type of novel three-dimensional (3D) coordination compounds with the features of controllable synthesis, structural diversity, porosity, high specific surface areas, metal active site richness, and high flexibility of the pore size/wall modification.³ In this work, we fabricated a novel electrochemical sensing platform for the detection of DBIs through covalent immobilization of the electroactive HKUST-1 MOF on a functional matrix of chitosan (CS)-electrochemically reduced graphene oxide (ERGO) for the first time. The morphology and structure of the obtained materials and sensing interface were characterized using scanning electron microscopy (SEM), and energy-dispersive X-ray spectra (EDS). The results were displayed in Figure 1

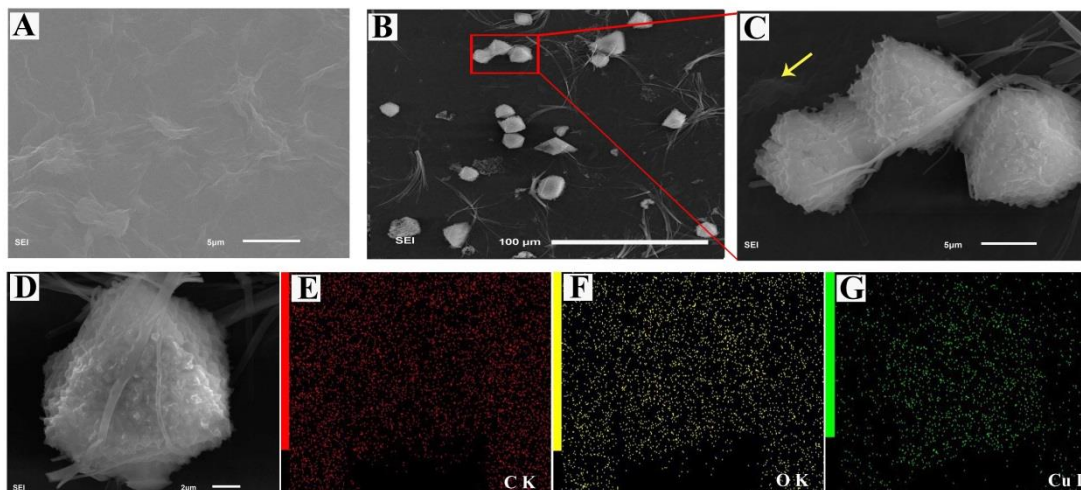


Figure 1 SEM images of CS-ERGO/GCE (A), HKUST-1/CS-ERGO/GCE with low resolution (B) and high resolution (C), SEM (D) and EDS elemental mapping analysis of a single HKUST-1 particle (E-G).

The electrochemical experiments showed that based on the unique porous nature and inherent redox-activity of the Cu(btc) MOF, the three DBIs of RS, CT, HQ can be well separated from each other with a wide peak potential difference (Figure 2A). The oxidation peak currents of HQ, CT and RS increased linearly with the concentration of their own in the ranges of 1.0 to 200 μM (Figure 2B). The regression equation was $I_{pa}/\mu\text{A} = -0.0321 C (\mu\text{M}) - 5.0185$ ($r = 0.9951$) for HQ, $I_{pa}/\mu\text{A} = -0.0256 C (\mu\text{M}) - 8.2104$ ($r = 0.9900$) for CT and $I_{pa}/\mu\text{A} = -0.0171 C (\mu\text{M}) - 2.2899$ ($r = 0.9918$) for RS. The detection limits were estimated to be 0.44 μM , 0.41 μM , and 0.33 μM for HQ, CT and RS, respectively. Also the accurate determination of DBIs in the real samples could be realized by the proposed sensor, which broadens the application of the MOF materials in the analytical fields.

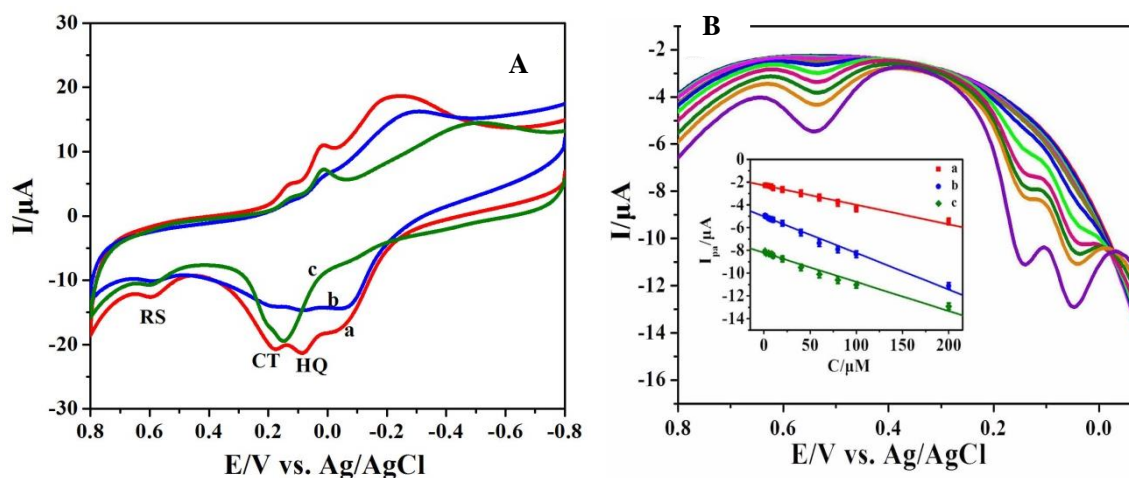


Figure 2 (A) CVs of 0.1 mM HQ, CT and RS mixture at Cu(btc)/CS-ERGO/GCE (a), Cu(btc)/CS-GO/GCE (b) and CS-ERGO/GCE (c) in 25 mM PBS (pH 7.0). (B) DPVs of

the mixtures with increasing HQ, CT and RS at Cu(btc)/CS-ERGO/GCE in 25 mM PBS (pH 7.0). Inset: the plot of I_{pa} versus the concentrations of RS (a), HQ (b) and CT (c).

Keywords: Dihydroxybenzene isomers, Graphene oxide, HKUST-1, Metal-organic frameworks

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In-situ growth of gold nanoparticles on mercury-binding M13 phage for Hg^{2+} sensing

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Routine determination of mercuric ions (Hg^{2+}) is of great importance to environmental monitoring because of its deleterious effects on human health and environment. Colorimetric detection and visual sensing of Hg^{2+} based on functionalized gold nanoparticles (Au-NPs) have been extensively reported in the last decade, taking advantage of the color change originates from the surface-plasmon resonance (SPR) properties of Au-NPs. In order to enhance the selectivity towards Hg^{2+} , the functionalization of Au-NPs by ligands or receptor molecules are always necessary, making the preparation and modification process complicated and time-consuming.

Phage displayed peptide library technology is based on the expression of recombinant random peptides on the surface of filamentous phage. It is a new approach through high-throughput selection of peptide ligands of diversity and has been used as a powerful tool in the discovery of peptides capable of exhibiting specific affinity to various metals or metal cations.

In the present study, a highly specific Hg^{2+} -binding M13 phage is obtained by means of biopanning from random heptapeptide peptide library. Positive screening against $\text{Hg}(\text{II})$ and negative screening against foreign metals, e.g., $\text{Fe}(\text{III})$, $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$, $\text{Zn}(\text{II})$ and $\text{Cd}(\text{II})$, are proceeded for the guarantee of selectivity. The as-selected Hg^{2+} -binding M13 phage has been used as bio-template for in-situ growth of AuNPs. Under optimized conditions, i.e., a system containing 0.03 M NaOH, 631.3 μM HAuCl_4 and 10^{10} pfu/mL phage, well-dispersed AuNPs with λ_{max} at 525 ± 2 nm is prepared after reaction at room temperature for 90 min. This process greatly reduced the preparation time and simplified the preparation procedure compared with those of previously reported approaches. In addition, the AuNPs inherits the selectivity of Hg^{2+} -binding phage towards $\text{Hg}(\text{II})$, which shows prominent color change in the presence of Hg^{2+} , while the addition of other metal cations, e.g., Ag^+ , Mg^{2+} , Pb^{2+} , Cr^{3+} , Cd^{2+} , Mn^{2+} , Cu^{2+} , Fe^{3+} , Ni^{2+} , and Co^{2+} , shows no obvious change.

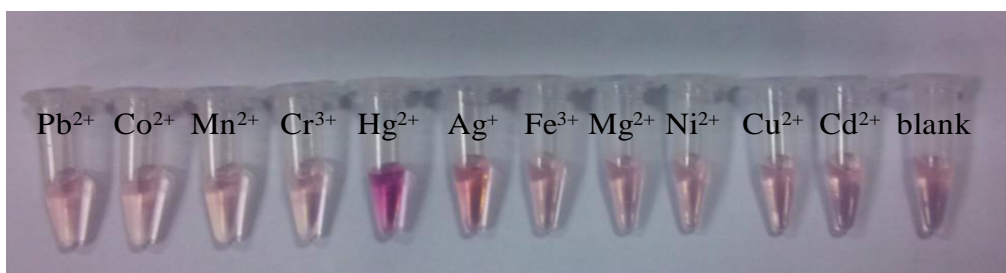


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Absorption of Pb^{2+} and Cd^{2+} from Water using 3D nitrogen-doped graphene

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Abstract:

We present an approach for the preparation of 3D nitrogen-doped grapheme (3D rGO-DA) using dopamine (DA) as both reductant and functionalization agents. Compared with reduced graphene oxide (rGO), the 3D rGO-DA presents excellent absorption ability towards Pb^{2+} and Cd^{2+} . The adsorption capacity of Pb^{2+} and Cd^{2+} by 3D rGO-DA is found to be 75 and 65.8 mg/g, respectively. The effect factors, including adsorption time, pH and initial concentration of Pb^{2+} and Cd^{2+} , are studied. Adsorption time of 120 min and pH 5.0 are found to be the suitable condition for Pb^{2+} and Cd^{2+} adsorption. After 3 cycle absorption/desorption, the 3D rGO-DA still remained excellent absorptive capacity and can be easily removed from water after adsorption process, indicating its applicability in the water purification

Keywords: 3D graphene; Pb^{2+} ; Cd^{2+} ; absorption

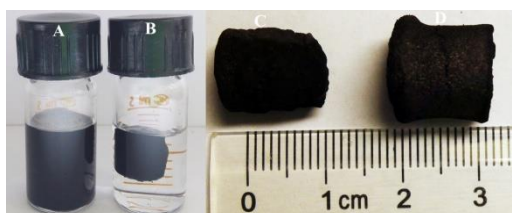


Fig. 1 Photographs of GO solution (A); 3D rGO-DA before lyophilization (B); Measurement of 3D rGO after lyophilization (C); Measurement of 3D rGO-DA after lyophilization (D)

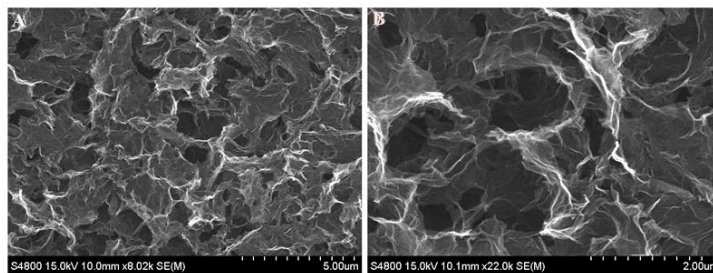


Fig. 2 SEM images of cellular structure of 3D rGO-DA shown in (A) and (B)

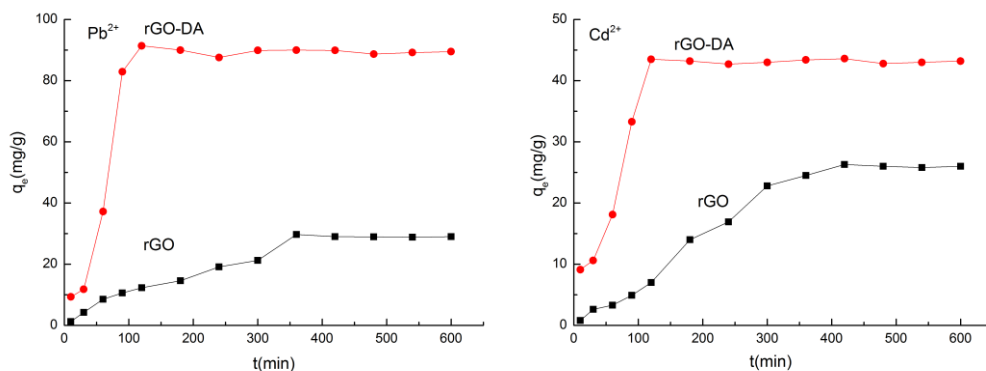


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**Online multichannel ultrasonic extraction for high throughput
determination of arsenic in soil by hydride generation atomic
fluorescence spectrometry**

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Hydride generation (HG) is a widely used sample introduction methodology for the determination of traditional hydride forming elements and several transition and noble metals by coupling with atomic spectrometric methods. HG has advantages of high reaction yield and small matrix interference. However, when analyzing solid samples such as soil, a tedious and time-consuming procedure for digestion and/or extraction is frequently required, which usually needs harsh conditions such as the use of concentrated acids, high temperatures and high pressures. To overcome the disadvantages of conventional sample pre-treatment techniques, there is an urgent need to develop new methods and strategies. Online multi-channel ultrasonic extraction coupling with hydride generation can greatly reduce the consumption of the sample and analyte loss, shorten the analysis time, and improve the detection sensitivity and accuracy.

A new analytical method was developed to determine trace arsenic in soil by coupling sequential injection multichannel ultrasonic extraction and online pre-reduction with slurry hydride generation atomic fluorescence spectrometry. Significantly enhanced sampling throughput, reduced sample and reagent consumption, and minimized potential contamination and analyte loss were achieved. Slurry samples spiked with different concentrations of As(III) and hydrochloric acid were pumped into the ultrasonic extraction chamber for 20-minute irradiation to efficiently extract As(III), which were subsequently merged with a mixture of 1% (m/v) thiourea and 0.5% (m/v) ascorbic acid to pre-reduce As(V) species to As(III), followed by the generation of AsH₃ *via* using KBH₄. Upon optimization of experimental parameters, limits of detection (LODs) ranging from 0.03 to 0.07 mg kg⁻¹ were obtained, and the precisions (RSDs) of this method were better than 2.0%. The proposed method was used for the determination of trace arsenic in several Certified Reference Soil samples, with the obtained results in excellent agreement with

certified values based on a simple and fast standard addition method.

Key words: multichannel, ultrasonic extraction, soil, arsenic

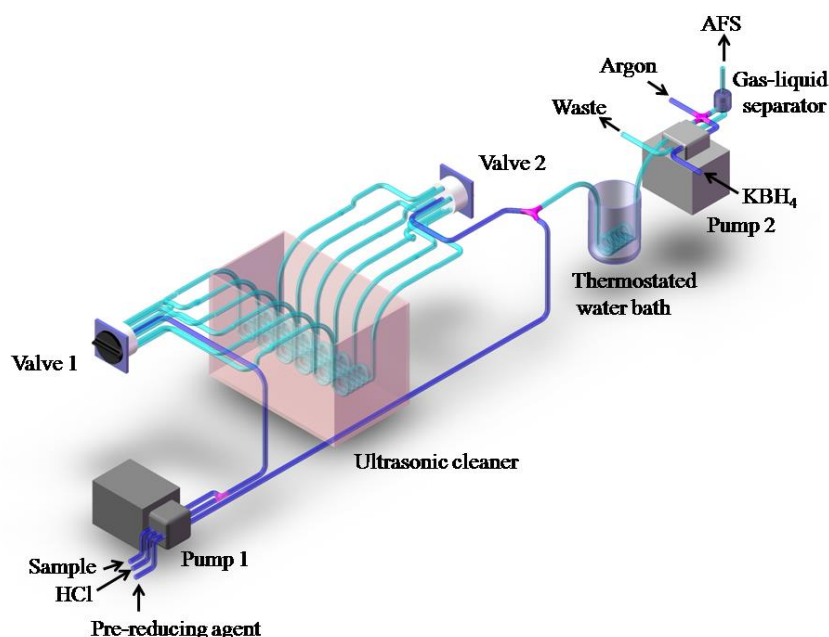


Figure 1. Schematic diagram of the experimental setup

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**Label-free detection of microRNA by Au nanoparticles decorated
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Abstract: A novel method of highly sensitive and selective detection of microRNA (miRNA) is always desirable. We have ever constructed a field effect transistor (FET) biosensor based on chemically reduced graphene oxide (R-GO) for ultrasensitive, label-free and specific detection of peptide nucleic acid (PNA)-DNA hybridization. In the present presentation, we report a Au nanoparticle decorated R-GO FET biosensor for label-free detection of miRNA via PNA-miRNA hybridization. R-GO was prepared by reduction of GO with 98% hydrazine, and the FET biosensor was fabricated by drop-casting the R-GO suspension onto the sensor surface, followed by exposing the R-GO-assembled sensor surface to HAuCl₄ solutions to achieve Au nanoparticle decoration. After that, PNA as the capture probe was immobilized on the Au nanoparticle surface, and label-free detection of microRNA was successfully performed through PNA-miRNA hybridization by the R-GO FET biosensor. The proposed graphene-based FET biosensor is expected to be a new strategy for miRNA detection.

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GC/MS analysis and sensory evaluation of odor compounds in environmental tobacco smoke (ETS)

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Abstract:

Background:

The details on how the various compounds of tobacco smoke contribute to tobacco odor are not yet clearly defined. Elucidation of those details may make it possible to evaluate the ETS exposure level from the point of view of tobacco odor levels. This study is focused on analyzing the elements of tobacco smoke at the detailed level with instrumental analysis and sensory evaluation and verifying the data by reproducing the tobacco odor using commercial reagents.

Methods:

1. GC/MS and quantitative analysis of tobacco smoke and tar and reproduction of tobacco odor with commercial reagents.
2. Preparation and sensory evaluation of imitation tobacco with *Hibiscus hamabo* leaves and nicotine solution.
3. Analysis of tobacco tar on wall surface and its change of properties with time
4. GC analysis and sensory evaluation of residual chemicals left on indoor surfaces by tobacco smoke (thirdhand smoke)

Result:

Compounds including nicotine, phenol and acetic acid were detected with GC/MS analysis from both tobacco smoke (Table 1) and tar. From the data obtained with sensory evaluation of imitation tobacco, nicotine was thought to be the constituent of tobacco odor; however, its behavior in the environment is fairly unstable. In the attempt to reproduce tobacco odor with commercial reagents, nicotine itself did not have any detectable smell.

Table 1 Concentration and odor intensity of secondhand smoke

Compounds	Concentration (v/vppm)	Threshold (ppm)	Odor intensity* (1~5)	Quality of odor
Ammonia	50	1.5	1.5	Irritant odor
Nicotine	0.5	0.011	1.7	Pyridine like odor
Acetaldehyde	8.9	0.0015	3.8	Irritant grassy odor
Acetic acid	0.5	0.0060	2.0	Irritant acidic odor
Phenol	0.5	0.0056	2.0	Chemical odor

*Odor intensity = $\log(\text{concentration}/\text{threshold})$

Conclusion:

According to the result of this study, not the nicotine but the pyrolysis products of nicotine may be contributing to the unpleasant quality of tobacco odor. The change of the properties of nicotine and third hand smoke with time are to be further examined.

Keywords: ETS, secondhand smoke, thirdhand smoke

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Application of HPLC by Using Mass Spectrometry Detector

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Abstract: Mass spectra data is quite informative for HPLC analysis. It can confirm compound identities, can clarify co-elutions of mixed compounds, and can detect compounds which do not have UV absorbance or fluorescence. Here we introduce a new compact mass detector equipped the atmospheric pressure ion filter technology. The atmospheric pressure ion filter is a new selective ion transfer technology, which provide selective ion detection and the robustness of routine operations. In this presentation, we introduce applications of the new mass detector combined with HPLC.

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Analytical method for arsenic speciation in foods using HPLC-ICP/MS

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Abstract: Chemical species of elements in biological and environmental samples are of importance to understand toxicity, metabolism and transport properties of elements. Therefore, speciation analysis becomes an increasing active-research field in recent years. Different atomic spectrometric methods were applied for As speciation in foods, such as high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) coupled with inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (ICP-MS). In this study, the analytical method to determine five kinds of arsenic speciation; the inorganic arsenic species As(III), As(V) and the organic species arsenobetaine (AsB), dimethyl arsiniate (DMA) and monomethyl arsenate (MMA) were determined in foods by HPLC-ICP/MS method. The ICP/MS operating conditions were 1500W RF power, 15 L/min plasma Ar gas flow, 0.95 L/min nebulizer gas flow, 1.2 L/min Aux. gas flow, 1.5 mL/min sample uptake rate and As ion measured were 75 *m/z*. The calibration curve showed linearity in the range between 0.9991~0.9995. Limits of detection (LOD) in As(III), As(V), AsB, DMA and MMA were measured 1.29, 0.19, 0.20, 0.15 and 0.36 ng/mL and limits of quantification (LOQ) were 4.31, 0.64, 0.66, 0.51 and 1.19 ng/mL, respectively. Intra-day for As(III), As(V), AsB, DMA and MMA were 2.74, 1.05, 1.52, 2.44 and 1.25 %, and inter-day were 6.87, 8.51, 6.10, 6.76 and 6.91 %, respectively.

Keywords: HPLC-ICP/MS, Inorganic arsenic species, Organic arsenic species, Foods

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**Nutritional composition of bamboo shoots (*Phyllostachys Bambusoides*
Sieb. et Zucc.) in Korea**

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Abstract: Bamboo shoots are of considerable nutritional value to human health since they are rich in functional nutrients like dietary fiber, protein, vitamins, bioactive compounds and low in fat and calories. Apart from the Asian countries such as China, Japan, and Korean, where it is frequently used as common food material, bamboo shoots have become very popular in many other countries where bamboo shoots are mostly imported. We assessed the quality of a bamboo shoots (*Phyllostachys Bambusoides Sieb. et Zucc.*) produced in Damyang-gun in terms of parameters that included fat, protein, carbohydrate, dietary fiber, mineral contents and fatty acids. The moisture, fat, protein, ash, carbohydrate and dietary fiber of the bamboo shoots were 92.1, 0.4, 2.4, 0.8, 4.3 and 1.8 g/100 g, respectively. Mineral contents of Ca, Fe, K, Mg, Na, P and Zn were 8.3, 0.9, 369.6, 13.1, 23.9, 53.6 and 0.8 mg/100g, respectively. Fatty acids composition (percentage results from 100g fat) of palmitic acid, stearic acid, oleic acid, linoleic acid and linolenic acid were 35.3, 1.5, 8.6, 38.9 and 9.5 %, respectively.

Keywords: Bamboo shoot, Nutritional composition, mineral content, fatty acid

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Comparison of Macro Mineral Contents following Kind of Vegetables produced in Korea

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Abstract:

Recently, macro minerals (Na, Ca, K Mg and P) have the excellent functions associated with prevention of disease. We estimated an amount of macro minerals in the vegetables produced in Korea in order to build the food nutritional ingredient table. A SRM 1849a purchased from NIST in USA was digested by the microwave and validation of macro minerals in SRM 1849a was carried out by inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometer (ICP-OES). Regression analysis of correlation coefficient (R^2) was higher than 0.999 which revealed good linearity. Based on this analysis, the raw vegetables contained 0.20 to 144.98 mg/100g of sodium, 7.81 to 266.57 mg/100g of calcium, 230.57 to 812.73 mg/100g of potassium, 12.16 to 76.28 mg/100g of magnesium and phosphorus ranged from 35.32 to 123.81 mg/100g. In addition, the contents of the minerals in the blanched vegetables were 1.40 to 134.75 mg/100g of sodium, 7.80 to 177.58 mg/100g of calcium, 150.32 to 651.71 mg/100g of potassium, 11.17 to 56.63 mg/100g of magnesium and 36.20 to 136.61 mg/100g of phosphorus. Hence, it would be expected that the mineral contents could be used to draw up the food nutritional ingredient table.

Keywords: ICP-OES, Mineral, Food composition table, vegetables

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Single molecule real-time imaging of intracellular Mg^{2+} signaling and wave propagation in single cell with subdiffraction-limit resolution

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Intercellular magnesium ion (Mg^{2+}) waves are believed to propagate through networks of human cells by the release of ATP, which functions as an extracellular messenger. However, the intracellular location of the Mg^{2+} signaling and dynamics of the wave propagation are not completely studied at the single cell level. To study the intracellular Mg^{2+} signaling with subdiffraction-limit resolution by *d*STORM, a photo-switchable intracellular magnesium fluorescent indicator dye is required. In this work, mag-fluo-4-AM an intracellular Mg^{2+} fluorescent indicator dye was photo-switched between fluorescent state and dark state by an activation and excitation laser. By localizing the centroid of the fluorophores, intracellular Mg^{2+} was located in intracellular region with subdiffraction-limit resolution. To investigate the intracellular Mg^{2+} wave propagation, Na^+ ATP was added alongside mag-fluo-4-AM with the above-mentioned photo-switching condition. Intracellular magnesium wave propagation was investigated at 0.2 s temporal resolution with 21 ± 1 nm spatial resolution. This study provides the proof-of-concept for the use of *d*STORM to investigate the changes in intracellular ions with subdiffraction limit spatial resolution and a lower temporal resolution than a conventional fluorescence microscope.

Keywords: intracellular Mg^{2+} , subdiffraction-limit resolution, real-time investigation

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Novel detecting method of synthetic organic dyes by dual non-aqueous capillary electrophoresis

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Abstract:

Many researchers have been conducted to use a variety of devices to detect the synthetic organic dyes. A novel dual non-aqueous capillary electrophoresis (d-NACE) with laser-induced fluorescence (LIF) system was developed for simultaneous analysis of synthetic organic dyes. NACE was provided faster analysis time, lower sample consumption, and higher solubility for synthetic organic dye analysis former conventional aqueous CE techniques. In addition to NACE, two lasers and detectors were used along with a single capillary. Dual-wavelength excitation light sources were used to excite different organic dyes [i.e., 543 nm for crystal violet (CV), methyl violet B (MVB), methyl violet B base (MBB), rhodamine 6G (R6G), and rhodamine B base (RBB); 635 nm for Nile blue A (NBA) and methylene blue (MB)]. The dyes were analyzed in 15 min with an excellent baseline separation (resolutions ≥ 2.6) under the electric field of 500 V/cm. The detection limits ($S/N = 3$) were 0.1 μM -40 fM, which were 10 - 10^5 times lower than the previous detection methods. Hence, d-NACE method was proved to be high-throughput and effectively rapid analysis technique for the highly sensitive detection of synthetic organic dyes.

Keywords: dual non-aqueous capillary electrophoresis, organic dyes, high-throughput detecting

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Biomolecular quantification in axial nanoscale of plasmonic particle on nanoisland

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Abstract: A spatial localization of biomolecule based on the plasmonic scattering of silver nanoparticle on the gold nanoisland was investigated by using polarization-sensitive total internal reflection scattering (TIRS) imaging. Immunoassay through TIRS technique based on reconstructing the three dimension (3D), indeed provides the best possible accuracy by using z-stage controller in the spatial range up to 10 nm in the z-direction. By measuring the scattering of the silver nanoparticle through sandwich immunoreaction on gold nanoisland, we verified 3D resolution (spatial localization) of single biomolecule with high accuracy. In addition, it offers a good platform for sensitive quantitation with the limit of detection of 800 zeptomolar (zM, $\times 10^{-21}$ M) level of protein maker.

Keywords: total internal reflection scattering, zeptomolar concentration, axial nanoscale

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Time-Series Variation of Atmospheric Radon-222 Concentrations at Gosan Site in Jeju Island of Korea during 2012-2014

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Abstract: Radon-222, a radioactive noble gas, is released into the atmosphere from soils over the continents and has a half-life of 3.8 days. Because radon fluxes from soils are typically 100 times compared to those from the ocean, radon is considered as a useful tracer for air masses which have passed over land recently. The measurement of atmospheric radon-222 concentrations at a background area is used to determine whether the air masses originate from over continents or oceans. Further, it is an excellent tracer for studying vertical mixing of greenhouse gases, boundary-layer development and dynamics, and also for validation of three-dimensional atmospheric transport models. In conjunction with other radionuclide measurements, such as ²¹⁰Pb, radon data provide a useful constraint for the evaluation of air transport models and the identification of global atmospheric conditions. In this study, the ambient background level of atmospheric radon at Gosan Site in Jeju Island of Korea was measured using a real-time monitoring system throughout 2012-2014, in order to evaluate the timely variation characteristics as well as background levels of atmospheric radon. The annual mean radon concentration was $2,254 \pm 1,127$ mBq/m³ during the studying period. In seasonal comparison, the order of the mean concentrations was as winter ($2,734 \pm 1,124$ mBq/m³) > fall ($2,686 \pm 1,026$ mBq/m³) > spring ($2,063 \pm 911$ mBq/m³) > summer ($1,639 \pm 1,116$ mBq/m³), showing relatively high in winter and low in summer season. The monthly mean concentrations were in the order of Nov > Jan > Oct > Dec > Sep > Feb > Mar > May > Jun > Apr > Aug > Jul, resulting the concentration on November ($2,839$ mBq/m³) was more than twice as that on July ($1,353$ mBq/m³). Meanwhile the hourly concentrations have increased during the nighttime ($2,617$ mBq/m³ at around 7am), and decreased relatively during the daytime ($1,874$ mBq/m³ at around 3pm). Compared to other foreign regions, the mean radon concentration at Gosan Site was 2.5 times lower than that at Hok Tsui of Hong Kong, but 22.1 times higher than that at Mauna Loa of Hawaii. Based on the back trajectory analysis, the frequencies of air mass moving from China continent, the Korean peninsula, the East Sea and the North Pacific Ocean were 50.4, 18.6, 18.9, 12.1%, respectively, and especially

the ambient radon concentration was quite high (2,587 mBq/m³) by the air masses moving from China continent. On the study of continental fetch analysis, the radon concentrations were high when the air masses moved from the Asia continent to Jeju Island, on the other hand, those values were low when they moved from the North Pacific Ocean.

Keywords: Radon-222, Atmospheric radon, Background level, Gosan Site

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Effect of Asian Dust Storms on Atmospheric Aerosol Compositions in Background Site of Korea during 2012-2014

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Abstract: The collection of atmospheric PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} aerosol samples has been made at Gosan Site of Jeju Island, which is one of the background sites of Korea, during 2012-2014. Their water-soluble ionic and elemental species were analyzed in order to examine the variable characteristics of aerosol composition and pollution in relation to the Asian dust storms. The average mass concentrations of PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} fine particulate matters were $128.9 \pm 49.0 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ and $41.5 \pm 17.1 \mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$, respectively, for the Asian dust days, showing about 3-4 times higher than those of non-Asian dust days. The concentrations of PM₁₀ ionic species were in the order of $\text{nss-SO}_4^{2-} > \text{NO}_3^- > \text{NH}_4^+ > \text{Cl}^- > \text{Na}^+ > \text{nss-Ca}^{2+} > \text{K}^+ > \text{Mg}^{2+}$, and those of PM_{2.5} were $\text{nss-SO}_4^{2-} > \text{NH}_4^+ > \text{NO}_3^- > \text{Na}^+ > \text{Cl}^- > \text{K}^+ > \text{nss-Ca}^{2+} > \text{Mg}^{2+}$ during the Asian dust days. Their concentrations were 1.4~8.4 times for PM₁₀ and 1.2~4.1 times for PM_{2.5}, during Asian dust periods, compared to those of non-Asian dust days. Especially, the concentrations of anthropogenic and soil originated species increased highly in both PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} aerosols during the periods of Asian dust storms. The composition ratio comparison resulted that the secondary pollutants (NH_4^+ , nss-SO_4^{2-} , NO_3^-) were 72.8%, but those of marine species (Na^+ , Cl^- , Mg^{2+}) and soil source (nss-Ca^{2+}) were 20.4% and 5.0%, respectively, for the PM₁₀ ionic species during the Asian dust periods. Meanwhile, the composition ratios of the secondary pollutants, marine species, and soil source were 93.4%, 3.9%, and 0.7%, respectively, for the PM_{2.5} ionic species. From the elemental analysis of atmospheric aerosols, the elemental concentrations of PM₁₀ were in the order of $\text{S} > \text{Al} > \text{Na} > \text{Ca} > \text{Fe} > \text{Mg} > \text{K} > \text{Ti} > \text{Zn} > \text{Mn} > \text{Pb} > \text{Ba} > \text{Ni} > \text{V} > \text{Sr} > \text{Cu} > \text{Cr} > \text{Cd} > \text{Co} > \text{Mo}$, and those of PM_{2.5} were $\text{S} > \text{Fe} > \text{Al} > \text{Na} > \text{K} > \text{Ca} > \text{Mg} > \text{Zn} > \text{Pb} > \text{Mn} > \text{Ti} > \text{V} > \text{Ni} > \text{Ba} > \text{Cu} > \text{Sr} > \text{Cr} > \text{Cd} > \text{Mo} > \text{Co}$. Therefore, the anthropogenic (S, Zn, Pb), Soil (Al, Fe, Ca) and Marine (Na, Mg) species occupied 23.4%, 44.9% and 24.0% in PM₁₀ and 47.9%, 28.5%, 14.2% in PM_{2.5}, respectively, for the Asian dust periods. The neutralization factors by NH_3 were 0.24 in PM₁₀ and 0.34 in PM_{2.5} aerosols, meanwhile those by CaCO_3 were 0.09 and 0.01, respectively. The back trajectory analysis showed that the concentrations of anthropogenic and soil species of both PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} aerosols were higher when the air mass moved from China continent to Jeju Island rather than when it came from the North Pacific Ocean.

Keywords: Asian dust, Atmospheric aerosol, Gosan Site of Jeju Island

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Steroids, a group of cyclic organic compounds whose most common characteristic is an arrangement of seventeen carbon atoms in a four-ring structure, are allowed to be only used as a doctor's prescription to a patient for therapeutic purposes. But, the incidents of the illegal distribution of food products contained steroid have been reported continuously in recent years. A developed quantitative method using liquid chromatography–tandem mass spectrometry (LC–MS–MS) by the advanced analysis team in National Institute of Food and Drug Safety Evaluation was evaluated for the applicability of 30 steroids in food products including health supplements using inter-laboratory verification method. In this study, we verified by using the positive ionization mode for the analysis of steroids. The evaluation of parameters such as specificity, linearity, precision, accuracy, and adequate sensitivity like as a limit of detection led us to establish a sensitive new electrospray LC/MS method for steroid analysis. LC/MS technique, together with the combined knowledge of the LC retention behavior, the relative sensitivity, and the fragmentation pattern generated by electrospray mass spectrometry, will be extremely useful for the identification and detection of steroids.

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Method development for determination of heavy metals in turmeric powder using ICP-MS

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Turmeric, commonly known as a yellow spice, is widely consumed as curry by Korean and less frequently consumed as a beverage in itself or added in tea or dessert soup. Turmeric can also be contaminated some harmful matter, e.g. micotoxin and heavy metals. In this study, the analytical method to determine heavy metals; Arsenic (As), Cadmium (Cd), Lead (Pb) and Mercury (Hg) in turmeric powder was developed using ultra-microwave and inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry. Limits of quantification in samples for As, Cd, Pb and Hg were measured 2.58, 0.08, 0.43, and 0.01 ug/kg, respectively. The calibration curve showed linearity in the range between 0.998~0.999. Recovery for As, Cd, Pb and Hg were 111, 91, 94, and 98%, respectively

Effect of Different Biomass on Value-added Products in Bio-liquid of Food Waste via Hydrothermal Carbonization

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Abstract: Hydrothermal carbonization (HTC) of food biomass produced bio-liquid as a by-product. During HTC reaction, various compounds were generated by hydrolysis, condensation, decarboxylation, polymerization and other reactions. From our previous experiments, a few value-added compounds from bio-liquid of food waste were characterized; butylated hydroxytoluene (BHT) and 5-(hydroxymethyl)-2-furaldehyde (HMF). BHT shows the antioxidant activity even though it also possess the toxicity and potential health hazard. HMF was treated as a renewable material to play an important role in a bio-fuel production. In this study, the quantitative information of these two compounds produced by different biomass was obtained. Liquid liquid extraction (LLE) method was applied using various solvents including dichloromethane mixed with ethyl ether and methanol, respectively. The bio-liquid sample dissolved in methanol was filtrated using a 0.2 μm syringe filter and injected into GC/FID (Hewlett Packard 5890 series II, HP-5 capillary column, 30 m \times 0.25 mm \times 0.25 μm). To obtain qualitative information, one point standard addition method was chosen to correct matrix effect. The results are expected to show the effect of complexity occurred by different biomass on the amount of value-added products.

Keywords: Biomass, Hydrothermal carbonization, Bio-liquid, Value-added product, Antioxidant

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Analysis of Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons in Water by Polyaniline Coated In-needle Microextraction

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Abstract:

Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) can exist various forms with two or more fused rings. They are formed naturally or by human beings and mostly generated by the incomplete burning of coal, oil or organic substances. The concerns for PAHs are their hazardous characters being potential possibility of causing tumors and reproductive problems. PAHs are widely present in soil, surface water, ground water, drinking water and industrial products. To analyze PAHs in aqueous solution, they need to be extracted by various techniques including liquid-liquid extraction (LLE) and solid-phase microextraction (SPME). LLE method has some limits such as using a large amount of organic solvents and requiring labor-intensive work. In our study, PAHs in aqueous solution were determined based on head space in-needle microextraction (HS-INME) followed by gas chromatography-flame ionization detector (GC-FID). The INME adsorbent was polyaniline (PANI) that was electrochemically synthesized in our lab. Among various PAHs, our target compounds were naphthalene, acenaphthylene, acenaphthene, fluorene, anthracene and fluoranthene. The parameters such as adsorbent length, adsorbent thickness, extraction temperature, extraction time and desorption time were optimized. The lengths of PANI layer were varied at 0.5 cm, 1.0 cm, 1.5 cm, and 2.0 cm. CV cycles that might control the adsorbent thickness were varied at 10 cycles, 30 cycles, and 50 cycles. Extraction temperature and time were evaluated at 25°C, 40°C, 60°C and 10 min, 30 min, 60 min, 90 min, respectively. In addition, desorption time was evaluated by varying 15 s, 30 s, 60 s, 90 s, and 120 s. In conclusion, HS-INME with PANI as an adsorbent for PAH analysis can be efficiently performed to shorten analysis time and develop the solventless extraction method.

Keywords: Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, head space in-needle microextraction, polyaniline, GC-FID

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TNF- α -induced insulin resistance mechanism study based on cell lysis-free quantum dot multicolor cellular imaging-based

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TNF- α , an inflammatory cytokine, plays an important role in insulin resistance as observed in cases of obesity and chronic inflammation. TNF- α is known to inhibit many cellular components involved in the insulin signaling cascade. Insulin receptor substrate (IRS)-1 is one of the major targets in TNF- α -induced insulin resistance and serine phosphorylation of IRS-1 enables the inhibition of insulin signaling. The mechanism of TNF- α -induced insulin resistance has been thoroughly investigated based on Western blot. Intracellular protein kinase crosstalk is commonly encountered in inflammation-associated insulin resistance. This crosstalk among the signaling molecules obscures the precise role of kinases in insulin resistance. Thus, a cell lysis-free quantum dot (QDot) multicolor cellular imaging was developed to identify the biochemical role of multiple kinases (p38, JNK, IKK β , IRS1ser, IRS1tyr, GSK3 β , and FOXO1) in inflammation-associated insulin resistance pathway with a single assay in a single run. QDot-antibody conjugates were used as nanoprobe to simultaneously monitor the activation/deactivation of the seven intracellular kinases in HepG2 cells. The effects of the test compounds on the suppression of TNF- α -induced insulin resistance were validated through kinase monitoring. Aspirin, indomethacin, cinnamic acid, and amygdalin were tested and the regulatory functions of multiple kinases were monitored simultaneously at the cellular level. The developed cellular imaging assay provides a unique platform to understand the inflammation and insulin resistance signaling pathways in type II diabetes mellitus and how they regulate each other. Amygdalin and cinnamic acid were found to inhibit serine phosphorylation of IRS-1 through targeting JNK serine kinase and enhance insulin sensitivity.

Keywords: Multicolor cellular imaging, Insulin resistance, Quantum dot, Inflammation

Real time high-content cellular monitoring of the cytotoxic action of cationic polymer carriers polyethylenimine and poly-L-lysine on HepG2 cells

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Polyethylenimine (PEI) and poly-L-lysine (PLL) are cationic polymers that are commonly used as non-viral gene/drug delivery vehicles. The two polymers are highly cytotoxic, but the molecular mechanism regarding their cytotoxicity is poorly understood. Therefore, the toxicity pathway triggered by PEI and PLL were investigated through a high-content cellular imaging technique. PEI induced apoptosis via an intrinsic pathway, whereas PLL showed cytotoxicity through both intrinsic and extrinsic caspase cascades. The apoptotic activities against HepG2 cells of both PEI and PLL were dependent on the polymeric molecular weight. The structure of the PEI was also found to affect the polymer's ability to cause apoptosis. The branched PEI exhibited greater cytotoxicity than that of the linear PEI. This observation was verified through Annexin V-FITC/PI assay and real-time high-content monitoring of cytosolic calcium, mitochondrial membrane disruption, and caspase-3 activation.

Multifunctional Composite of an Antibacterial Silver and a Potent Wound Healing Polypeptide as a Bimodal Wound Treatment

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The Hst-1-silver (II) chlorhexidine (Hst-1-[Ag(II)CHX]), a multifunctional composite containing antibacterial bi-valent silver polydiguamide and a potent wound healing polypeptide, histatin-1, for the treatment of infected wounds. The silver (II) chlorhexidine was prepared by the oxidation of Ag (I) and followed by the complexation of the oxidized metal with chlorhexidine (CHX), whereas the metal complex conjugate of the solid phase-synthesized histatin polypeptide (Hst-1), Hst-1-[Ag(II)CHX], was realized by mixing the starting materials in aqueous solution. The structural change for Hst-1 binding with silver complex was confirmed by circular dichroism spectroscopy. The cell-spreading assay was performed by using the Hst-1 and synthesized Hst-1-[Ag (II) CHX] complex on 3T3-L1 preadipocytes. The silver complex and its Hst-1 conjugates antibacterial activity was tested against several gram +ve and gram -ve bacteria, including Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) and Methicillin-resistant coagulase negative staphylococcus (MRCNS) by a broth micro dilution method. The experimental results revealed that the polypeptide and silver (II) polydiguamide complex retained their individual wound healing and antimicrobial activity even in their conjugate. The conjugate of higher-valent antibacterial [Ag(II)CHX] with a potent wound healing polypeptide (Hst-1) showed promise as a new multifunctional therapeutic wherein the killing and healing functions of the constituent materials are preserved together for the development of new-generation wound-care agents.

Concurrent monitoring of CD31, CD34, CD45 and CD146 endothelial progenitor cell markers for acute myocardial Infarction

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The endothelial progenitor cells (EPCs) in blood of acute myocardial infarction (AMI) patient have been observed in many previous studies. The number of circulating EPC increases in the blood of patients at the beginning of the AMI. EPC is originated from bone marrow. It executes vessel regeneration. There are many markers used for detecting EPC. Four of these markers, CD31, CD34, CD45, and CD146, were concurrently detected at the single cell level for the identification of EPC in the present preliminary study. The CD45 negative cell sorting was performed to peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) acquired from four AMI patients with a magnetic bead sorter, since, EPCs expressed CD45 negative or dim. The resultant PBMC eluents were treated with quantum-antibody conjugates for the probing four different markers of EPCs and then applied to a high-content single cell imaging cytometer using acousto-optical tunable filter (AOTF). The use of quantum dot, with narrow emission wavelength range and AOTF enabling cellular image at a particular single wavelength, is very advantageous for accurate high-content AMI diagnosis based on simultaneous monitoring of many markers. In this work, a high-content cellular diagnostic assay using quantum dot-antibody probing material and AOTF is newly suggested to accurately identify EPCs in peripheral blood acquired from CVD patients. The number of EPC increased as compared with control in three of four AMI patients. In this approach, two EPC subtypes were found, CD31(+), CD34(+), CD45(-/dim), CD146(-) as early outgrowth EPCs and CD31(+), CD34(+), CD45(-/dim), CD146(+) as late outgrowth EPCs. Patient 1 had CD31(+), CD34(+), CD45(-/dim), CD146(+) cells whose percentage was 4.21% of cells. Patient 2 had 2.38% of CD31(+), CD34(+), CD45(-/dim), CD146(-) cells and patient 3 had 4.28% of CD31(+), CD34(+), CD45(-/dim), CD146(+) cells. This system was proved to be very appropriate for the EPC monitoring based on its potential to detect large number of molecular markers concurrently. In addition it was verified that this system provided little spectral interference and led to more accurate EPC diagnosis.

Keywords: Acute myocardial infarction, Circulating endothelial progenitor cells, Quantum dot, High content single cell cytometer, Acousto-optical tunable filter (AOTF)

Optimization of Chlorophenols Detection in Water Samples using Stir bar Sorptive Extraction Coupled with Thermal Desorption-GC-MS

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Abstract: The rapid, accurate, and simple analytical method for the determination of trace amounts of chlorinated phenols, such as chlorophenol, 2,4-dichlorophenol (2,4-DCP), 2,4,6-trichlorophenol (2,4,6-TrCP), 2,3,4,6-tetrachlorophenol (2,3,4,6-TeCP) and pentachlorophenol (PCP), in water using stir bar sorptive extraction (SBSE)-thermal desorption unit(TDU)-gas chromatography-mass spectrometry (GC-MS) with in-situ derivatization are described. The optimization of SBSE conditions such as, extraction time, affection of salt and stirring speed are investigated. The detection limits and quantification limits of the chlorophenols in water are ranged 0.1~0.6 and 0.4~1.8 ng/mL, respectively. The average recoveries and precision of the chlorophenols in all the samples are ranged 98~109%, 2.0~6.6%, respectively. This level of detection observed based on hazard quotient a remarkable improvement over the conventional method. Moreover, the sufficient sensitivity of detection limits and quantitative limits for chlorophenols in water was estimated based on risk assessment in this work.

Keywords: Chlorophenols; Water; SBSE; Thermal desorption unit (TDU)-GC/MS

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Validation of Analytical Method for Propylene Glycol and Ethylene Glycol in Foods

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Abstract

A simple method was developed for the simultaneous determination of propylene glycol (PG) and ethylene glycol (EG) in foods using gas chromatography with flame ionization detector (GC-FID). PG (authorized additive used as humectant and emulsifier) and EG (unauthorized additive having a sweet taste) in foods were extracted with water:acetone (30:70), followed by the treatment of Carrez solutions and centrifugation. The resulting solution was filtered using 0.45 μm membrane syringe filter and injected into GC. The separation of PG and EG was carried out on HP-INNOWAX capillary column (30 m \times 0.25 mm, 0.25 μm). The calibration curves of PG and EG were linear in the range of 1.0 to 100 $\mu\text{g/ml}$, with good correlation coefficients ($r^2 > 0.999$). The recoveries ranged from 90% to 98% for PG, from 90% to 104% for EG at spiking levels of 10, 50, and 100 mg/kg in three samples (dumpling, coffee, candy and chocolate). The limit of detections (LOD) and limit of quantifications (LOQ) for PG and EG were 0.4 $\mu\text{g/ml}$ and 1.3 $\mu\text{g/ml}$, 0.3 $\mu\text{g/ml}$ and 1.0 $\mu\text{g/ml}$, respectively. For four food matrix studied, expanded uncertainties (U) expressed as percent were below 20% for PG and EG. Uncertainty associated with food matrix contributed mostly to the expanded uncertainty. This study is the first report for direct simultaneous determination of PG and EG in foods by GC-FID.

Dielectric Barrier Discharge Molecular Emission Spectrometer as Gas Chromatographic Detector for Amines

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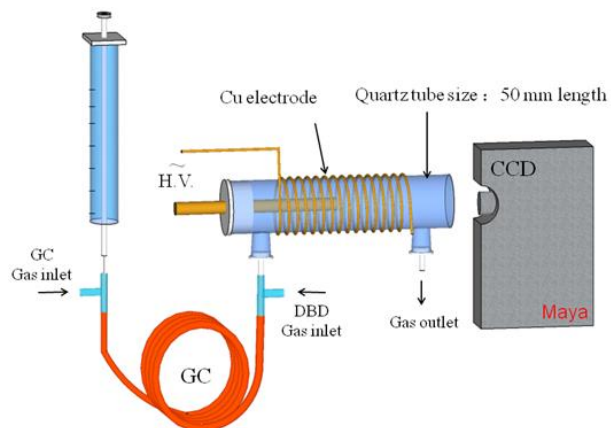
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ABSTRACT: Nano-SiO₂ was immobilized on the inner wall of a dielectric barrier discharge (DBD) tube, and it was coupled to a conventional gas chromatographer to investigate its performance as a molecular emission spectrometric detector for the determination of five volatile aliphatic amines. A charge coupled device (CCD) was applied to observe the nano-SiO₂-enhanced molecular emission spectra. The characteristic molecular emission bands of volatile aliphatic amines at 326.5 nm, 336.0 nm and 388.3 nm can be clearly resolved from the background emission spectra of carrier gas argon. The emission band of CN at 388.3 nm was used for quantitative detection of volatile aliphatic amines due to its high sensitivity. Nanomaterial catalysts including TiO₂, MnO₂, SiO₂ and ZnO were tested to enhance the emission signal of amines, and SiO₂ shows the best performance. The factors that influence the emission signal, such as discharge voltage, inner electrode length and carrier gas flow rate, were investigated in detail. The analytical performance of this method was evaluated by separation and detection of the mixture of five volatile aliphatic amines. Under the optimal experimental conditions, the limits of detection were found to be 4.4, 2.5, 2.2, 1.8 and 2.4 µg for dimethylamine, trimethylamine, n-butylamine, cyclohexylamine and ethylenediamine, respectively. This GC detector is not only sensitive but also fast in response to volatile aliphatic amines with good stability. Trimethylamine in a carp fish sample was monitored with storage time by the proposed method.

KEY WORDS: dielectric barrier discharge; molecular emission spectrometry; amine; GC; SiO₂



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**Aptamer-bound magnetic beads and antibiotics functionalized
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Abstract: Infectious diseases and food poisoning caused by pathogenic bacteria such as *Staphylococcus aureus* (SA) have been bringing to serious public health concerns^{1, 2}, which makes the specific, sensitive and rapid detection of bacterial is essential and important. The common used strategies for SA including traditional microbiological method, polymerase chain reaction (PCR)-based method and antibody-based immunoassay method are limited due to the disadvantages of time-consuming, not suitable for quantification, false-positive, expensive respectively³⁻⁵. Thus, it is essential to develop an accurate, simple, rapid and cost-effective strategy for SA assay. Besides antibodies, nucleic acid aptamer, antibiotics are also important recognition molecules for bacteria, which have been employed for developing detection strategy of SA^{6,7}.

This study presents a strategy by combining the aptamer and antibiotic-based dual recognition units with magnetic enrichment and fluorescent detection together to achieve specific and sensitive assay of SA in authentic specimen (Figure 1). Aptamer-bound magnetic beads (Apt-MB) prepared based on the interaction between biotinylated-aptamer and streptavidin-magnetic beads were employed for specific capture and enriching the target SA. And the antibiotic of vancomycin stabilized fluorescent gold nanoclusters (AuNCs@Van) synthesized facilely in one step were used for sensitive quantification of SA. Using this strategy, the determination limit of SA from complex samples containing other contaminated bacteria could achieve to the level of ppm. Compared with similar job, our work not only simplifies the preparation procedure of fluorescent detecting probes of AuNCs@Van, but also detects the added SA in milk directly with good accuracy. And moreover, aptamer and Van are cheap and widely available, making the strategy for assay of SA cost effective. Such aptamer and antibiotics based dual recognition strategy combined with magnetic enrichment and fluorescent detection of trace bacteria show

promising potential application in the bacteria-related infectious diseases and food contamination.

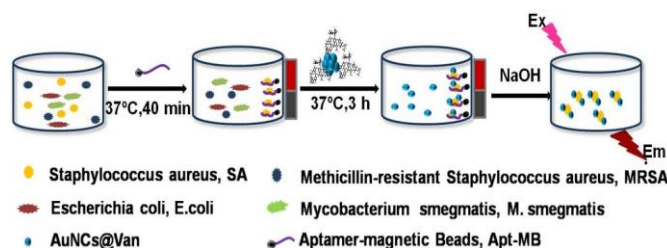


Figure 1 Illustration of Apt-MB and AuNCs@Van based dual recognition strategy for SA assay.

Keywords: aptamer, antibiotic, gold nanocluster, bacteria, dual recognition

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**Determination of the fatty acid compositions offal meat of sheep
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Abstract: The fatty acid compositions of offal meat produced in Mongolian sheep (*Ovis Aries*) was analyzed using GC and GC-MS. The present study showed the result that fatty acid composition in mucous offal meat was higher than the internal organs. Among the internal organs, liver had most high value of fatty acid. Saturated and unsaturated fatty acid ratio varied differently depending on the type of animals, such as cow was 1.2: 1, and sheep 1: 1 while the horse was 1: 1.6. Thereby, fatty acid composition of offal include the palmitic acid C16 and stearic acid C18 from saturated fatty acid branch, oleic acid C18:1 of monoene, linoleic acid C18:2 of polyene from unsaturated fatty acid branch, and other acids such as C12, C14, C20, C22, C14:1, C16:1, C20:1, C18:3, C20:2, C20:3, C20:4 were found in small quantities. These results show the significant proof of similarity with the carcass meat of grazing livestock. Thus, we can consider that Mongolian grazing livestock meat has great beneficiary effect in human health regarding to the fact that the indication of eicosapentaenoic and docosahexaenoic acids were expressed in the analysis of dried offal meat, while it is not expressed in indoor farming livestock meat. Likewise, “essential fatty acids” which has positive effect in human health make out the 60-80% of total fatty acid composition in offal meat.

Keywords: saturated, unsaturated, polyenoic, monoenoic fatty acid, sheep, cow, horse, dried sample

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