## **Supporting Information**

## A Non-enzymatic Electrochemical Biosensor Based on SiO<sub>2</sub>-Au

## Nanoparticles for Hemoglobin Detection

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**Fig. S1** The plot for the relationship of (A) the pH value, (B) the concentration of  $HAuCl_4$  and (C) temperature with electrochemical signal of Hb in 0.1 M PBS (pH=7.0) containing 5 mM [Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>3-/4-</sup> (1:1) solution and 0.1 M KCl.



Fig. S2 CVs of SiO<sub>2</sub>-Au/GCE in 0.1 M PBS (pH=7.0) containing 5 mM  $[Fe(CN)_6]^{3-/4-}$  (1:1) solution and 0.1 M KCl at different scan rates. Scan rate (from a to j): 0.04, 0.06, 0.08, 0.1, 0.12, 0.14, 0.16, 0.18, 0.2, 0.22 V/s. (B) Plots of peak current vs. scan rate.



**Fig. S3** (A) CVs of SiO<sub>2</sub>-Au/GCE in 0.1 M PBS (pH = 7.0) containing 5 mM  $[Fe(CN)_6]^{3-/4-}$  (1:1) solution and 0.1 M KCl with no Hb (a) and with 0.1 mg/mL Hb (b). Scan rate: 0.1 V/s.

Samples	Found before	Added	Found after		RSD (%,
	adding	(mg/mL)	adding	Recovery	<i>n</i> =3)
	(mg/mL)		(mg/mL)	(%)	
Sample 1	0.0139	0.3	0.314	100.7	0.72
Sample 2	0.0139	0.1	0.113	93.5	0.29
Sample 3	0.0139	0.04	0.0533	95.7	0.89

Table S1 The recovery of Hb at different concentrations

**Table S2.** Comparison of analytical performance of biosensor and other

 determination methods

Determination methods	Linear Range	Detection limit	R	Slope	Ref.
Pencil lead electrode	0.0102-0.146 mg/mL	7.48×10 <sup>3</sup> ng/mL	0.9955	0.2701	43
Bromide-modified silver electrode	0.34-4.76 mg/mL	1.36 ×10 <sup>5</sup> ng/mL	/	/	44
PVP/PB NPs modified electrode	0.0068-0.816 mg/mL	2.72×10 <sup>3</sup> ng/mL	0.9993	0.7330	45
Photothermal angular light scattering	3.5-179 mg/mL	<1.2×10 <sup>6</sup> ng/mL	/	/	46
Liquid-liquid microinterface array	0.00068-0.034 mg/mL	326.4 ng/mL	0.9960	7.46	47
SiO <sub>2</sub> -Au/GCE	0.005-0.5 mg/mL	204.46 ng/mL	R <sup>2</sup> =0.9979	83.1411	This work

/ represents relevant data which were not provided in these references.