## Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)

# Simple, rapid, sensitive, selective and label-free lincomycin detection by using HAuCl<sub>4</sub> and NaOH

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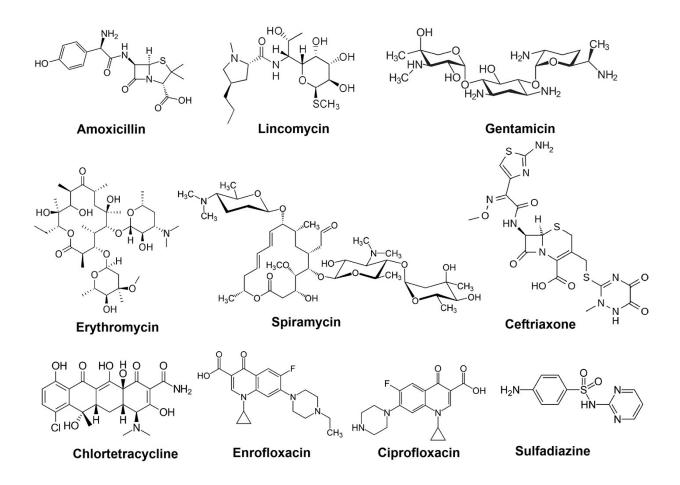
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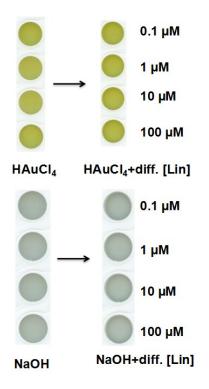
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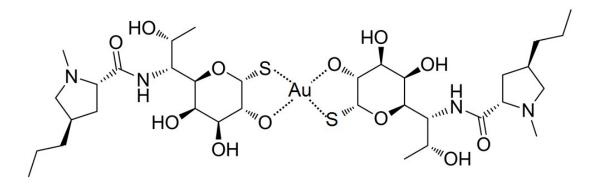
### **Supplementary Figures**



**Fig. S1.** Structures of 10 common antibiotics (amoxicillin, lincomycin, gentamycin, erythromycin, spiramycin, ceftriaxone, chlortetracycline, enrofloxacin, ciprofloxacin, and sulfadiazine).



**Fig. S2.** Color images of the HAuCl<sub>4</sub> and NaOH solution exposure to different concentrations of Lin, respectively.



**Fig. S3.** Schematic representation of the sensing procedure for colorimetric detection of Lin based on chelation interaction between Au and Lin.

#### **Supplementary Table**

Table S1. The equation and parameters for limit of detection (LOD) calculation.

$Y = A + S \times X$						
Parameter	А	S	R	SD	N	Р
Lin in double distilled water	55.65	3.88	0.998	1.26	6	<0.0001
Lin in real sample	6.99	11.07	0.997	3.46	5	<0.0001

A = Y-intercept, S = slope, R = correlation, SD = standard deviation, N = number of data points, P = probability value.

The limit of detection (LOD) could be obtained by the above equation and parameters.

 $LOD_{water} = 3 \times SD/S = 3 \times 1.26/3.88 \ \mu M = 0.97 \ \mu M$ 

 $LOD_{sample} = 3 \times SD/S = 3 \times 3.46/11.07 \ \mu M = 0.94 \ \mu M$