Supplementary Information

Graphene electrochemical transistors decorated by Ag nanoparticles exhibiting high sensitivity for the detection of Paraquat over a wide concentration range

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Fig. S1. Raman spectrum of the graphene film before (a) and after (b) Ag deposition.



Fig. S2. Channel current response of the GECT functionalized by different thickness of Ag NPs measured in 0.1 M Na₂SO₄ solution with addition of 1 μ M PQ. (V_{GS} = 0.7 V, V_{DS} = 0.05 V).



Fig. S3. Channel current response of the GECT functionalized by Ag NPs measured in 0.1 M Na₂SO₄ solution with different pH after adding 1 μ M PQ. (V_{GS} = 0.7 V, V_{DS} = 0.05 V).



Fig. S4. Transfer curve (I_{DS} vs. V_{GS} , $V_{DS} = 0.05$ V) of the GECT after storage for different time.



Fig. S5. Channel current response of Ag NPs-modified GECT after storage for different time (at 0.1 M Na₂SO₄ solution with presence of 1 μ M PQ).

Electrode or matrix Detection materials used in Detection limit Linear range Ref. methods detection CCDs/GCE DPV $6.4 \times 10^{-8} \text{ M}$ $1.0{\times}10^{-7} \sim 1.0{\times}10^{-5}\,M$ [S1] Ag-CPE DPV $2.0 \times 10^{-8} \text{ M}$ $1.0{\times}10^{-7} \sim 1.0{\times}10^{-3}\,M$ [S2] $1.4 \times 10^{-8} \mathrm{M}$ WP6@Ag@COF DPV [S3] $0.01 \sim 50 \times 10^{-6} \,\mathrm{M}$ $4 \times \! 10^{-8} \, M$ $5\sim 50 \times 10^{-9}\,M$ PyBTA/PSS Fluorescent sensor [S4] Biological CP[5]A-binding αHL $2 \times 10^{-9} \,\mathrm{M}$ nanopore-based [S5] \ nanopore techniques SERS 1×10⁻¹⁰ M [S6] Fe₃O₄@Ag \ H-COF-SO₃H SALDI-TOF MS $2.68\,\,10^{-9}\,M$ $1.07{\times}10^{-8}{\sim}1.61{\times}10^{-6}~M$ [S7] $1 \times 10^{-10} \,\mathrm{M}$ $1 \times 10^{-10} \, M \sim 5 \times 10^{-3} \, M$ Ag NPs GECT This work

Table S1. Comparison of properties between the sensor prepared in this work and those prepared by traditional methods.

Added PQ amounts	Measured PQ amounts	Recovery	Average recovery	RSD
(µM)	(µM)	(%)	(%)	(%)
	1.031	103.1		
1	0.954	95.4	102.867	7.148
	1.101	110.1		
	9.871	98.71		
10	8.994	89.94	94.566	4.658
	9.505	95.05		
	101.657	101.657		
100	105.167	105.167	101.339	3.944
	97.192	97.192		

 Table S2. Recovery tests of Chinese cabbages samples with different PQ concentrations.

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