

Supporting Information for:

Turn-On Fluorescence Detection of Carbon Monoxide in Plant Tissues Based on Cu²⁺ Modulated Polydihydroxyphenylalanine Nanosensors

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Preparation of PDOA nanoparticles

Firstly, 19.9 mL dihydroxyphenylalanine solution (1 mmol/L) was mixed with 0.1 mL NaOH solution (1 mol/L). The above solution was stirred for 3 h at room temperature (25 °C). Then, an HCl solution (1 mol/L) was applied to terminate the polymerization reaction. The pH of the final solution was adjusted to about 7.0. Subsequently, the solution was dialyzed

for 24 h to obtain the purified PDOAs nanoparticles. After dialysis, the as-prepared PDOAs solution (20 mL) was concentrated and freeze-dried to afford the desired PDOAs as a solid powder (0.068 g). Thus, the concentration of the PDOAs matrix solution was determined to be 3.4 mg/mL. In the following experiments, the PDOAs solution was diluted 10 times to 0.34 mg/mL for all the spectrometric analysis and CO detection.

XPS spectrum of the PDOAs

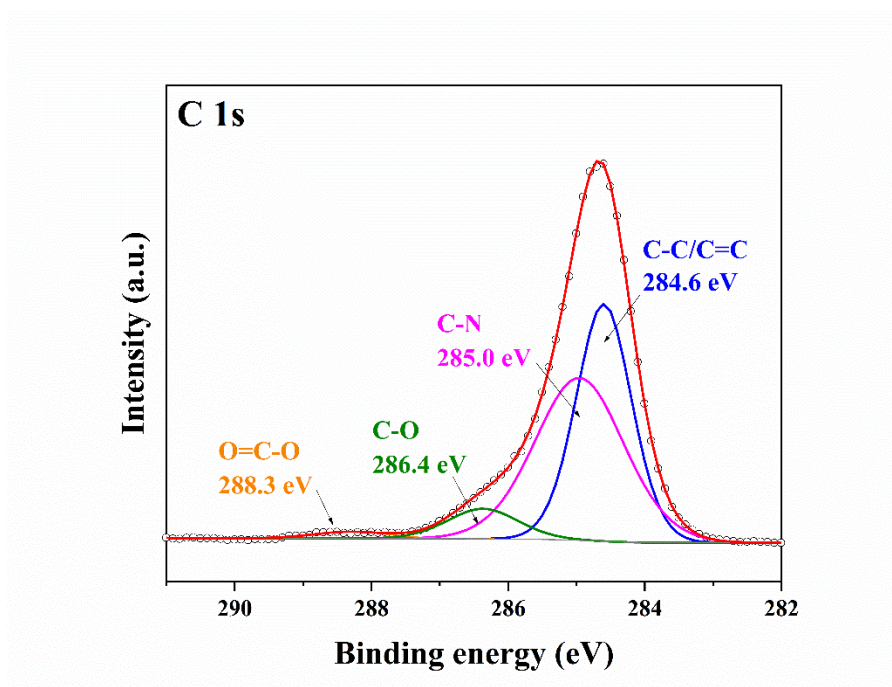


Figure S1. The high-resolution C1s spectrum of PDOAs.

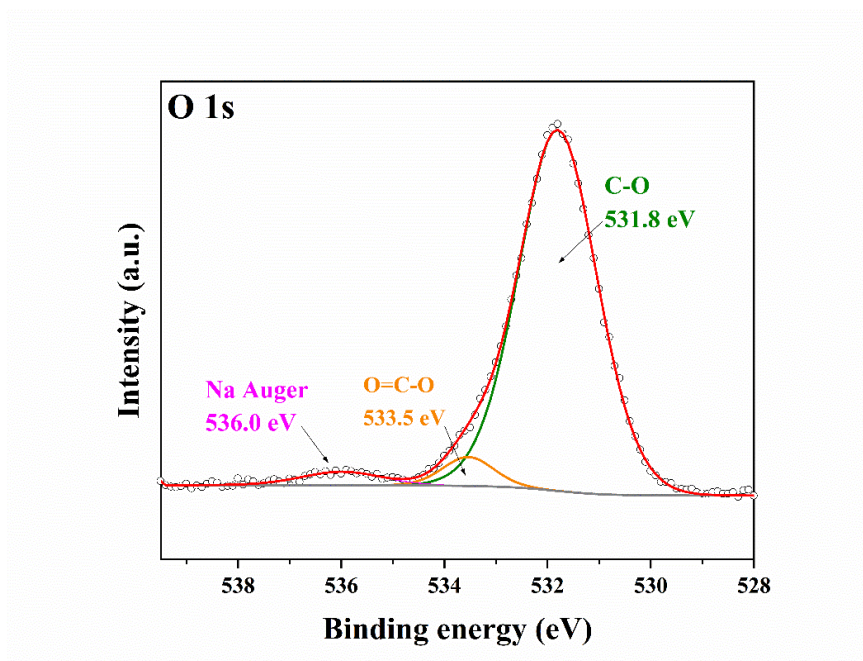


Figure S2. The high-resolution O1s spectrum of PDOAs.

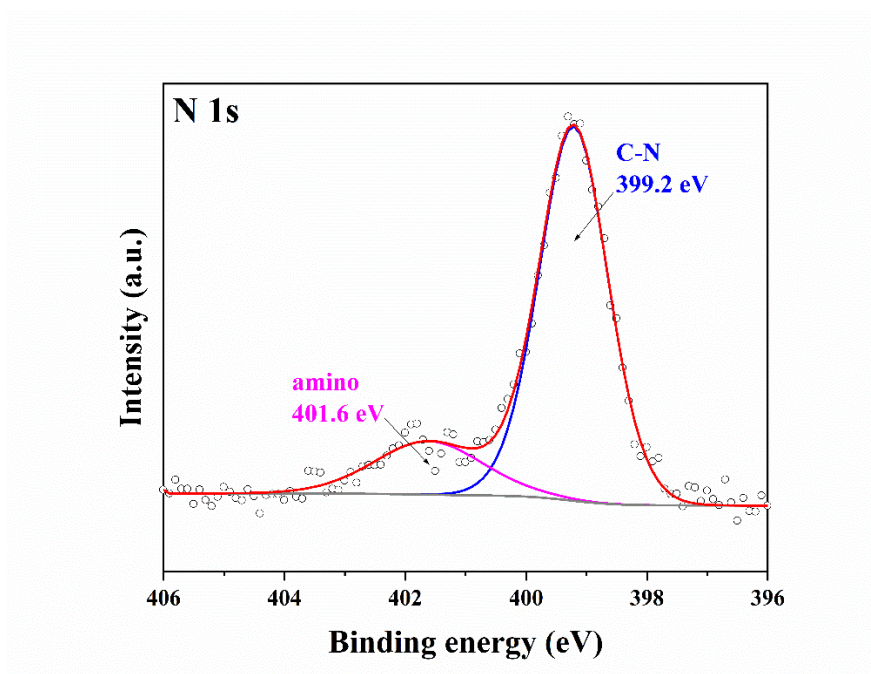


Figure S3. The high-resolution N1s spectrum of PDOAs.

Excitation-dependent fluorescence of PDOAs

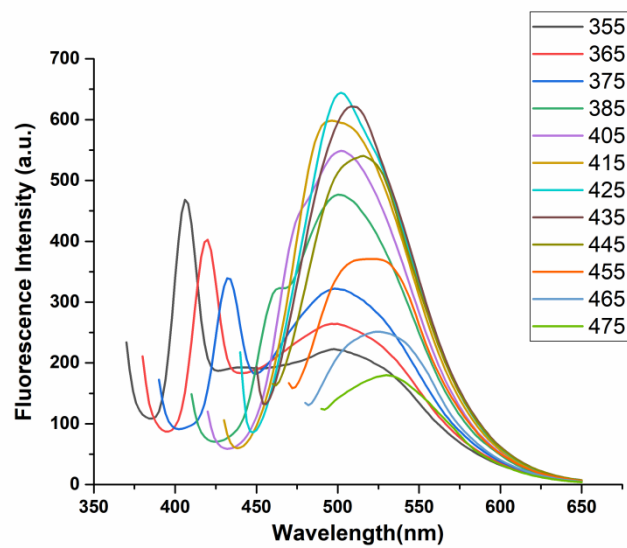


Figure S4. The fluorescence emission spectra of 0.34 mg/mL PDOAs with different excitation wavelength.

Effects of interfering species and pH

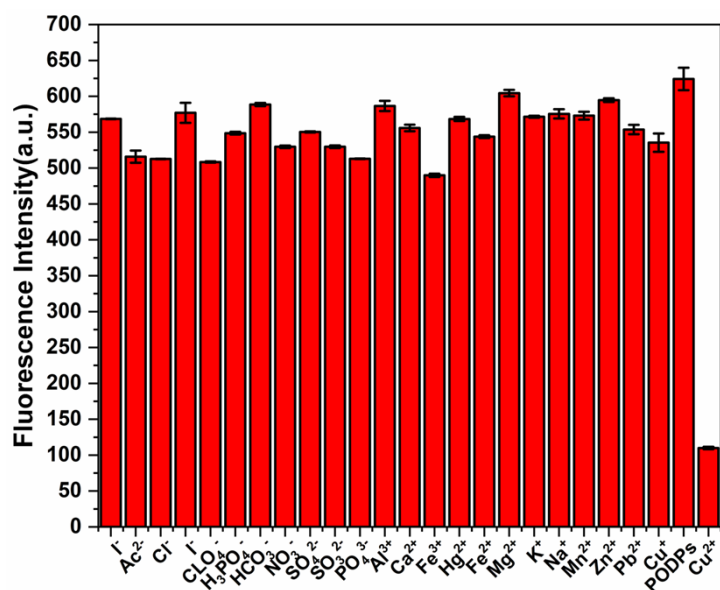


Figure S5. Fluorescence intensity response of the PDOAs toward 5.0 μM Cu²⁺ and other interferents.

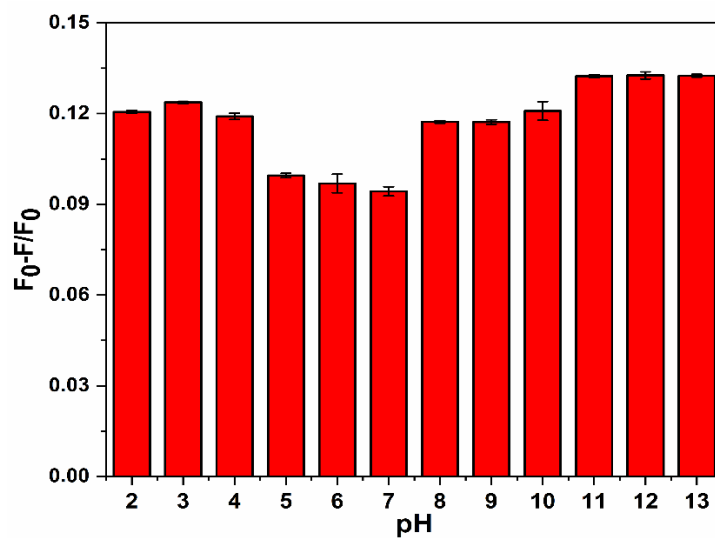


Figure S6. The fluorescence intensity ratio histogram of 0.34 mg/mL PDOAs in the presence of 3.6 μM Cu²⁺ with different pH values.

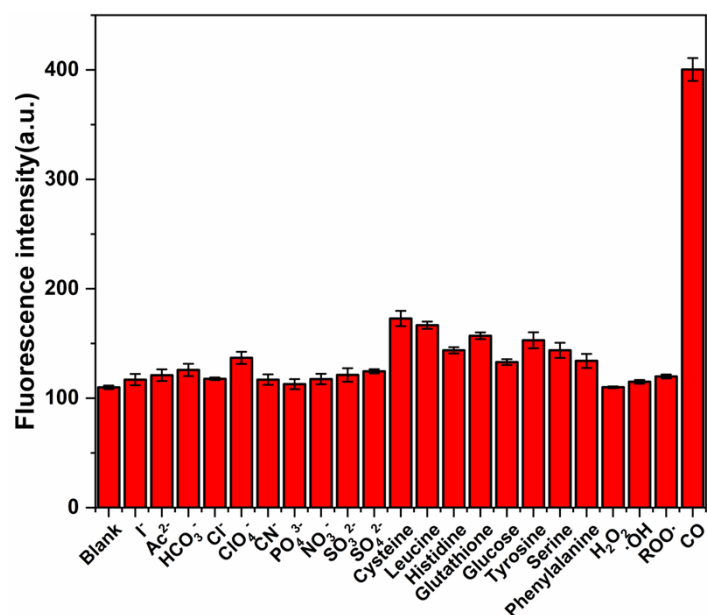


Figure S7. Fluorescence intensity response of the PDOAs-Cu²⁺ toward 10 μ M CO and other interfering species.

Table S1

Comparison of various CO probes.

Method/ probe	Response time (min)	Detection limit (μ M)	Reference
Fluorescein derivative/Pd ²⁺	15	0.037	<i>Anal. Chem.</i> 2016, 88, 10648.
Borondipyromethene/Pd ²⁺	20	0.72	<i>Anal. Chem.</i> 2016, 88, 11154.
3-nitro naphthalimide	45	0.60	<i>Anal. Chem.</i> 2018, 90, 2933.
Nitronaphthalimide derivative	45	0.18	<i>Chem. Res. Toxicol.</i> 2020, 33, 651.
CORM3-NIR	20	0.07	<i>ACS Sens.</i> 2021, 6, 1312.
BODIPY/Pd ²⁺	60	0.5	<i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> 2012, 134, 15668.
Nitro-quinazolinone derivative	30	0.73	<i>Molecules.</i> 2023, 28, 3654.
Salicylaldehyde/Cu ²⁺	2	0.86	<i>Anal. Chem.</i> 2022, 94, 11298.
Benzoxadiazole derivative	30	0.026	<i>Tetrahedron. Lett.</i> 2016, 57, 2927.
PDOAs/Cu ²⁺	5	0.072	this work

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