Electronic supplementary information (ESI)

Fabrication, characterization and application of grafting based gold nanoparticles electrode for the selective determination of important neurotransmitter

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Figure S1. UV–visible spectrum of colloidal Glu-AuNPs. Inset: Photograph of Glu-AuNPs.



Figure S2. CVs for grafting of ITO electrode at a scan rate of 20 mV s⁻¹ using 2 mM each DAB and NaNO₂ in 0.5 M HCl.



Figure S3. CVs obtained for 1 mM K_3 [Fe(CN)₆] containing 0.2 M PB solution (pH 7) for Glu-AuNPs grafted GC electrode immersed at (a) 3, (b) 6 and (c) 12 h in a colloidal solution of Glu-AuNPs at a scan rate of 50 mV s⁻¹.



Figure S4. (A) Nyquist **(B)** Bode-phase angle and **(C)** Bode amplitude plots for (a) bare GC, (b) grafted GC and (c) Glu-AuNPs electrodes in 5 mM [Ru(NH₃)₆]Cl₃ containing 0.2 M PB solution (pH 3) at scanning frequencies from 0.01 to 100000 Hz. **Insets (A): (1)** Bode-angle plot for grafted GC electrode and **(2)** Equivalent electrical circuit used for fitting the impedance spectra.



Figure S5. UV-visible spectra for (a) bare ITO, (b) grafted ITO and (c) Glu-AuNPs modified ITO substrates.



Figure S6. SEM image obtained for Bare ITO substrate.



Figure S7. CVs for 0.5 mM (A) NEP and (B) UA at scan rates of (a) 50, (b) 100, (c) 200, (d) 300, (e) 400 and (f) 500 mV s⁻¹ at Glu-AuNPs electrode in 0.2 M PB solution (pH 7.2). Insets (a) and (b): Plot of the anodic peak current vs. square root of scan rate.



Figure S8. CVs obtained for a mixture of 0.5 mM NEP and UA at (a) bare GC, (b) grafted GC and (c) Glu-AuNPs electrodes in 0.2 M PB solution at a scan rate of 50 mV s⁻¹.



Figure S9. (a) FT-IR spectrum obtained for β -D-glucose and (b) ATR spectrum obtained for Glu-AuNPs ITO substrate.



Figure S10. (A) Amperometric *i-t* curve for the determination of UA at Glu-AuNPs electrode in 0.2 M PB solution (pH 7.2). Each addition increases the concentration of 30 nM of UA at regular interval of 50 s. $E_{app} = +0.65$ V. **Inset (a):** Plot of concentration of UA vs. current. (B) Amperometric *i-t* curve for the determination of UA at Glu-AuNPs electrode in 0.2 M PB solution (pH 7.2). Each addition increases the concentrations of (a) 0.03 (b) 0.1 (c) 0.2 (d) 0.4 (e) 0.8 (f) 2 (g) 4 (h) 8 (i) 25 (j) 50 (k) 100 µM and (l) 200 µM UA at Glu-AuNPs electrode in 0.2 M PB solution (pH 7.2) at a regular interval of 50 s. $E_{app} = +0.65$ V. **Inset (b):** Plot of concentration of UA vs. current.

Table S1

parameter	Bare GC	Grafted electrode	Glu-AuNPs electrode
R_s (KW)	0.107	0.115	0.119
CPE (C)	2.499×10^{-4}	3.866×10^{-6}	2.273×10^{-4}
R_{ct} (KQ)	13.34	4500	10.05
$K_{et} \ (\text{cm s}^{\text{-1}})$	5.64 ×10 ⁻⁴	1.67×10^{-6}	7.49×10^{-4}

Table for impedance data