

Supplementary Material

Simultaneous Determination of Four DNA bases at Graphene Oxide/Multi-walled Carbon Nanotube Nanocomposite-modified Electrode

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Table S1. A summary of calculated diffusion coefficients, catalytic rate constants and heterogeneous kinetic rate constant (K_h) for UA, G, A, T and C using the designated electrode.

Analyte	E_p (V)	$E_{p1/2}$ (V)	D_0 (cm \cdot s $^{-1}$)	K_s (mol 2 s $^{-1}$)	K_h (M $^{-1}$ s $^{-1}$)
UA	0.291	0.252	1.27×10^{-6}	2.00×10^{-3}	1.45×10^3
G	0.689	0.284	6.91×10^{-5}	4.58×10^{-3}	3.31×10^4
A	0.975	0.298	7.40×10^{-6}	1.16×10^{-3}	7.24×10^4
T	1.148	0.701	4.57×10^{-4}	1.12×10^{-2}	1.39×10^2
C	1.314	1.045	1.49×10^{-5}	2.61×10^{-3}	1.11×10^2

Table S2. Comparison table of classical methods for DNA detection and the proposed electrochemical method.

Method	Linear range (μ M)	LOD (μ M)	Conditions	Time	Ref
GC-FID	A 0.5-50	0.08	Carrier gas: He; initial column temperature set 100 °C for 1 min, followed by rising to 280 °C at 30 °C min $^{-1}$ up to 280 °C	9 min	[44]
	G 0.5-50	0.09			
	T 0.5-50	0.10			
	C 0.5-50	0.10			
HPLC-DAD	G 0.728-72.79	0.220	mobile phase: acetonitrile (A) and water (B)	50 min	[45]
	T 4.758-475.76	0.260			
HPLC - UV	A 1.11-111.0	0.903	mobile phase: 0.01 mol/L potassium dihydrogen phosphate aqueous solution (A) and methanol (B)	60 min	[46]
	G 0.993-101.3	0.820			
	T 1.19-119.6	0.484			
	C 1.35-136.4	0.270			
Electrochemical Sensor	A 2-119.5	0.430	Electrolyte: Phosphate buffer (pH =7.0), Method: DPV	4 min	This work
	G 1-78	0.110			
	T 12.5-227.5	1.710			
	C 5-132.5	0.800			

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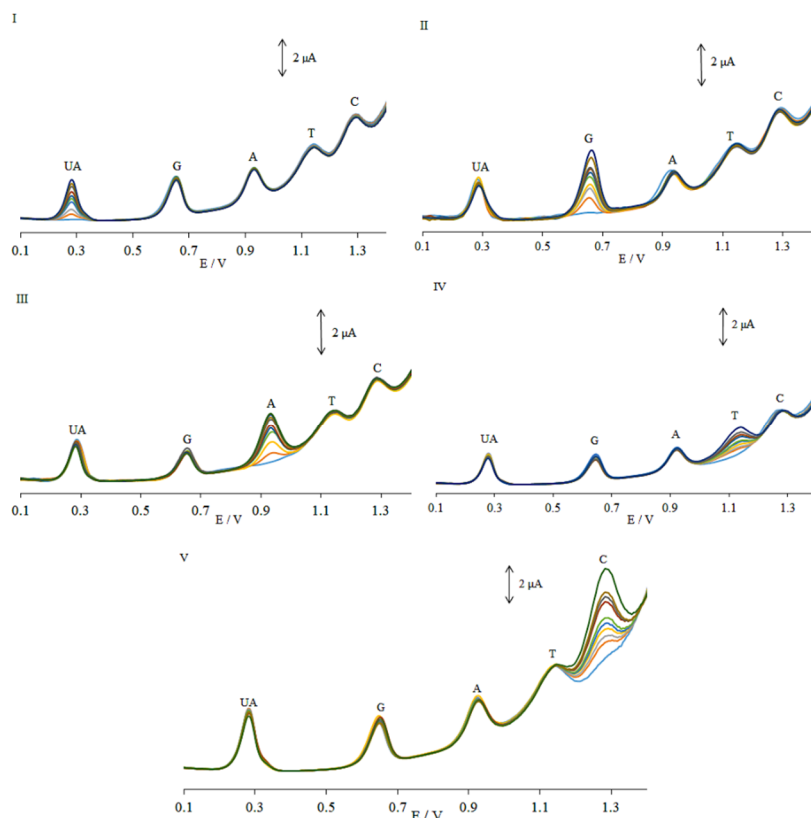


Figure S1. Differential pulse voltammograms of GCE/MWCNT-GO-CHT for interference studies: **I)** The concentrations of G, A, T and C were kept constant at 10.5 μM , 12.5 μM , 147.5 μM and 97.5 μM , respectively, while varying the concentrations of UA from 0 to 37.5 μM ; **II)** The concentrations of UA, A, T and C were kept constant at 30 μM , 32.5 μM , 147.5 μM and 97.5 μM , respectively, while varying the concentrations of G from 0 to 28 μM ; **III)** The concentrations of UA, G, T and C were kept constant at 30 μM , 10.5 μM , 147.5 μM and 97.5 μM , respectively, while varying the concentrations of A from 0 to 32.5 μM ; **IV)** The concentrations of UA, G, A and C were kept constant at 30 μM , 10.5 μM , 12.5 μM and 97.5 μM , respectively, while varying the concentrations of T from 0 to 247.5 μM ; **V)** The concentrations of UA, G, A and T were kept constant at 30 μM , 32.5 μM , 147.5 μM and 97.5 μM , respectively, while varying the concentrations of C from 0 to 28 μM .

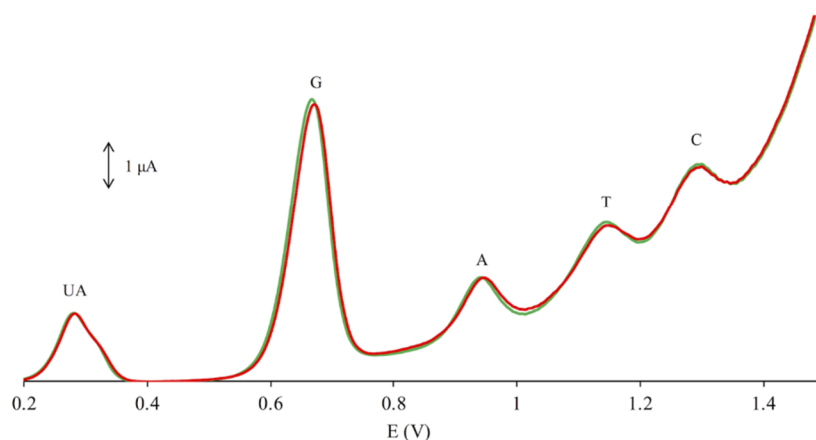


Figure S2. DPV of simultaneous detection of 30, 57.5, 12.5, 147.5 and 97.5 μM of UA, G, A, T and C, respectively, using freshly prepared (0 days) electrode (red line) and stored (14 days at room temperature) electrode (green line).

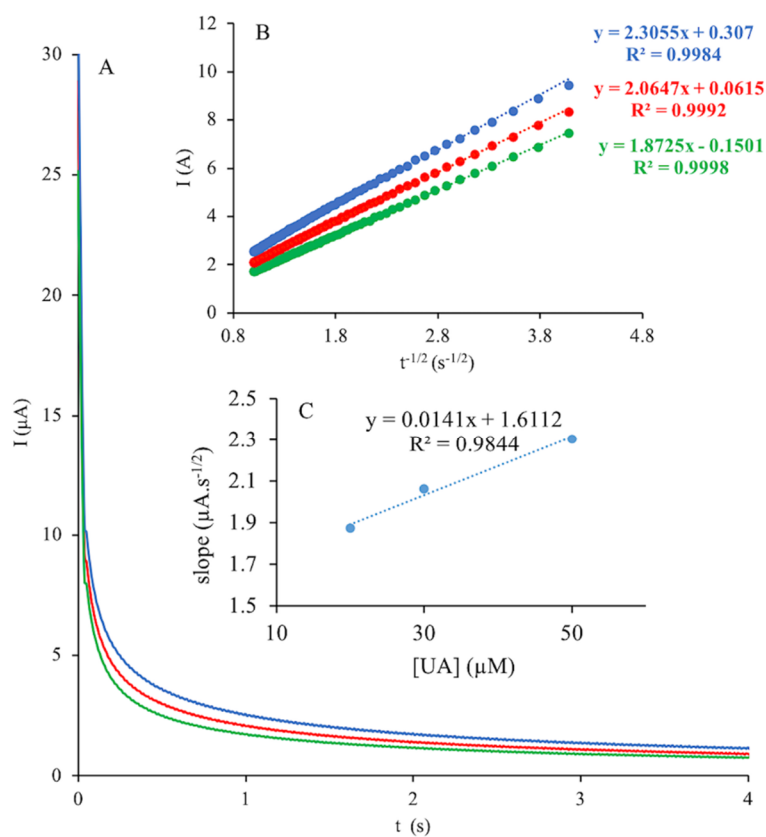


Figure S3. (A) Chronoamperograms of GCE/GO-MWCNT-CHT for varying concentrations of UA: 20, 30, 50 μM in 0.2 M PBS (pH 7.0); (B) Plots of anodic peak currents (I_{pa}) vs. $t^{-1/2}$; (C) Plot of the slope of straight line vs. UA concentration.

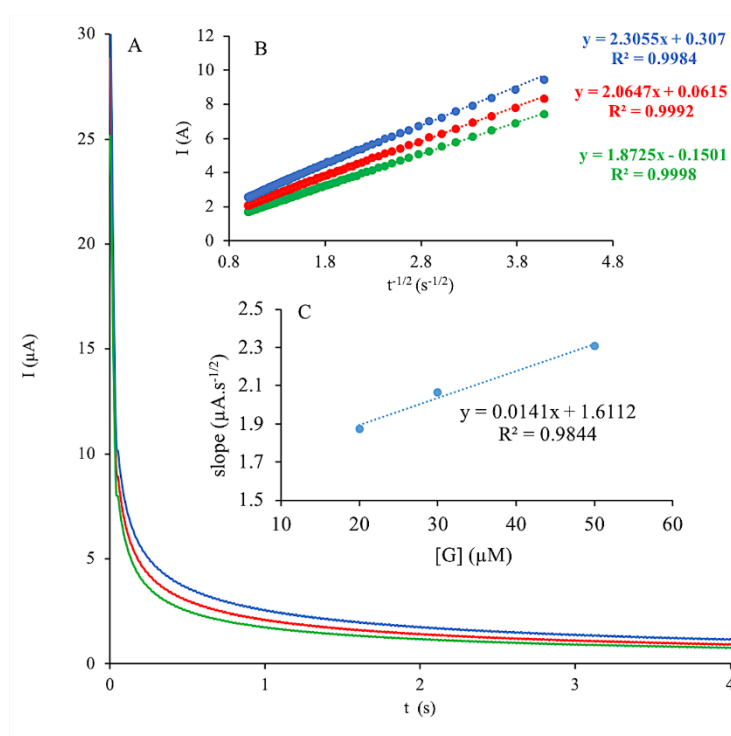


Figure S4. (A) Chronoamperograms of GCE/GO-MWCNT-CHT for varying concentrations of G: 10, 20, 30 μM in 0.2 M PBS (pH 7.0); (B) Plots of anodic peak currents (I_{pa}) vs. $t^{-1/2}$; (C) Plot of the slope of straight line vs. G concentration.

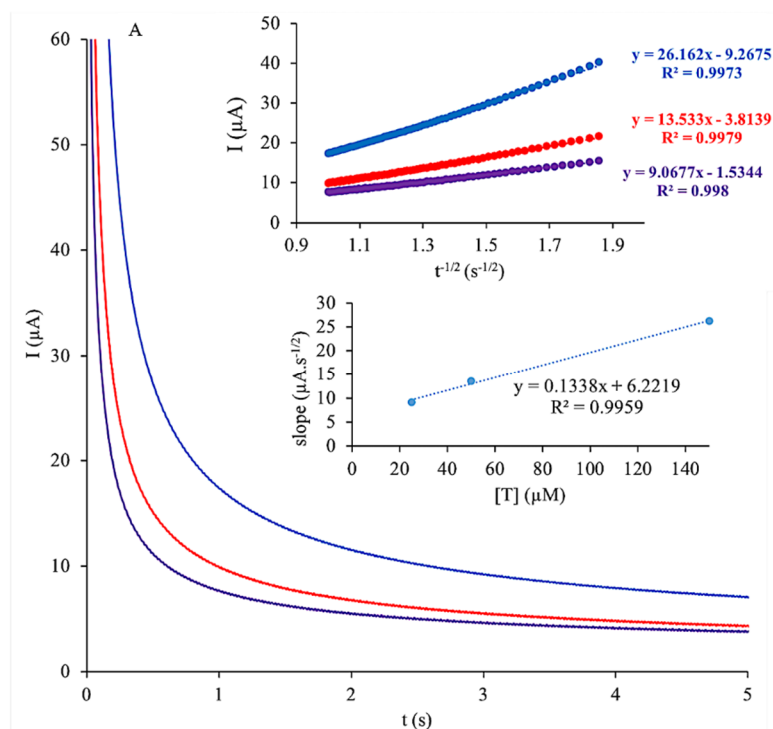


Figure S5. (A) Chronoamperograms of GCE/GO-MWCNT-CHT for varying concentrations of T: 25, 50, 150 μM in 0.2 M PBS (pH 7.0); (B) Plots of anodic peak currents (I_{pa}) vs. $t^{-1/2}$; (C) Plot of the slope of straight line vs. T concentration.

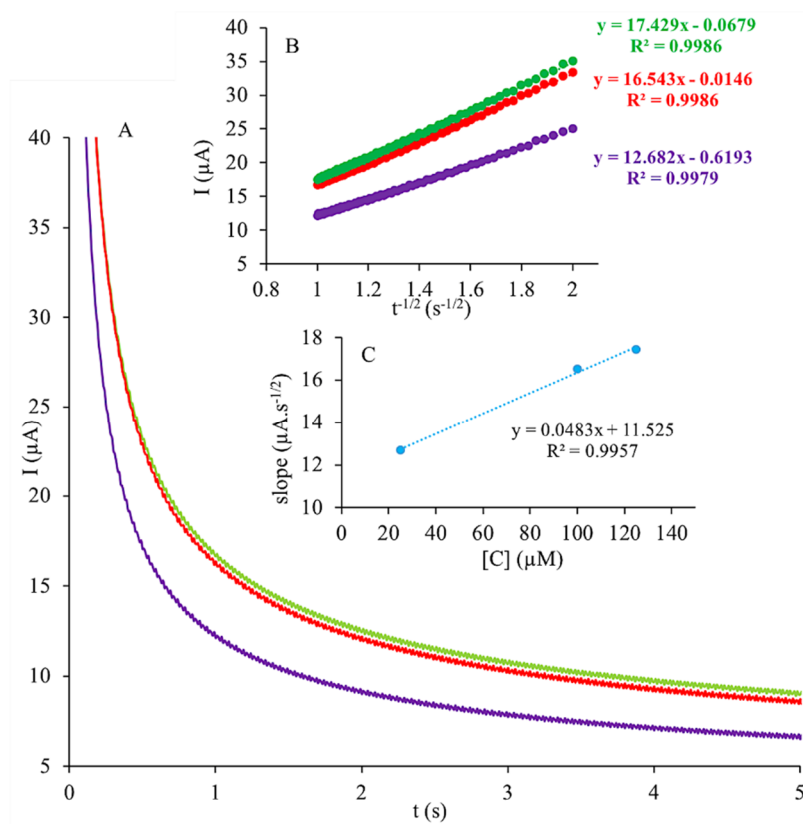


Figure S6. (A) Chronoamperograms of GCE/GO-MWCNT-CHT for varying concentrations of C: 25, 100, 125 μM in 0.2 M PBS (pH 7.0); (B) Plots of anodic peak currents (I_{pa}) vs. $t^{-1/2}$; (C) Plot of the slope of straight line vs. C concentration.

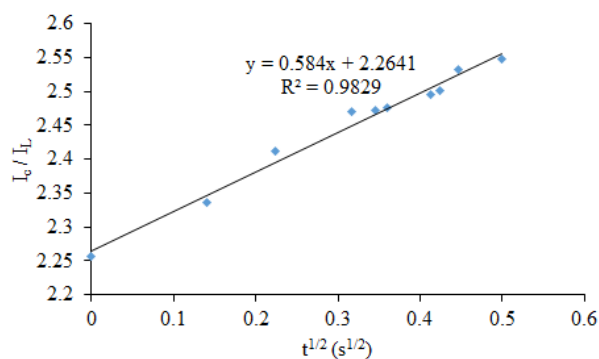


Figure S7. Linear dependence of square root of time on I_c/I_L for UA detection using chronoamperometry.

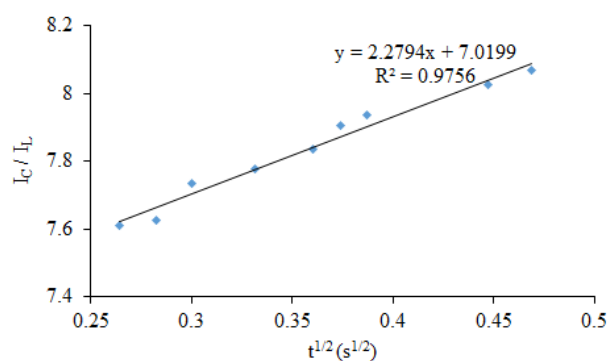


Figure S8. Linear dependence of square root of time on I_c/I_L for G detection using chronoamperometry.

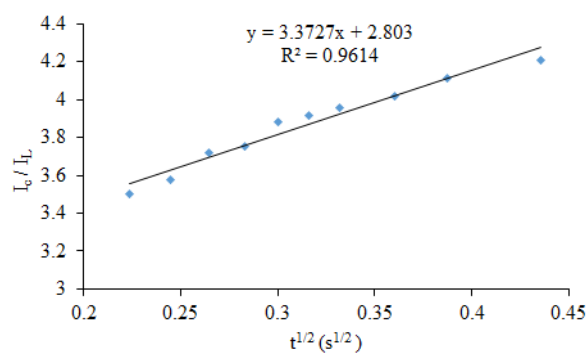


Figure S9. Linear dependence of square root of time on I_c/I_L for A detection using chronoamperometry.

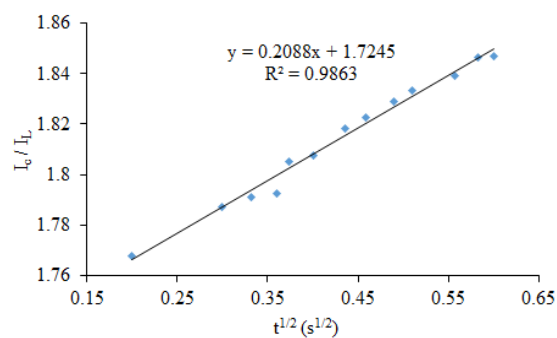


Figure S10. Linear dependence of square root of time on I_c/I_L for T detection using chronoamperometry.

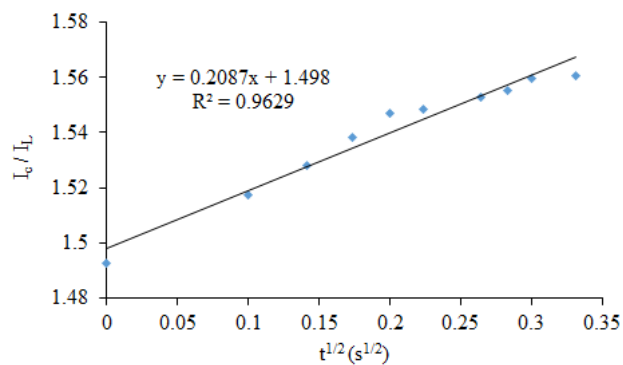


Figure S11. Linear dependence of square root of time on I_c/I_a for C detection using chronoamperometry.

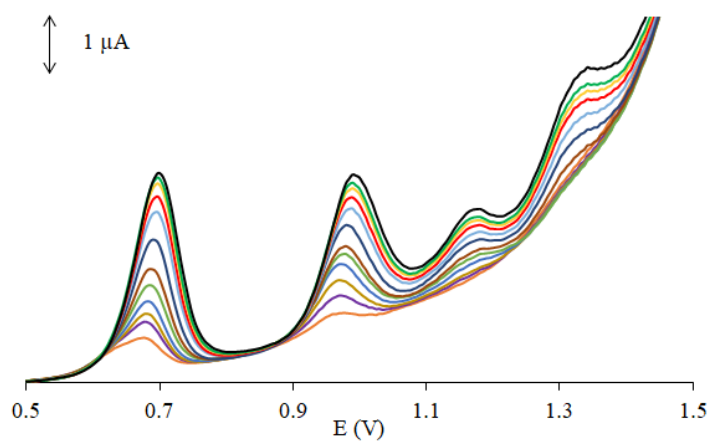


Figure S12. DPV for standard addition in human serum sample that was diluted 10-fold in 0.2 M PBS (pH 7.0).

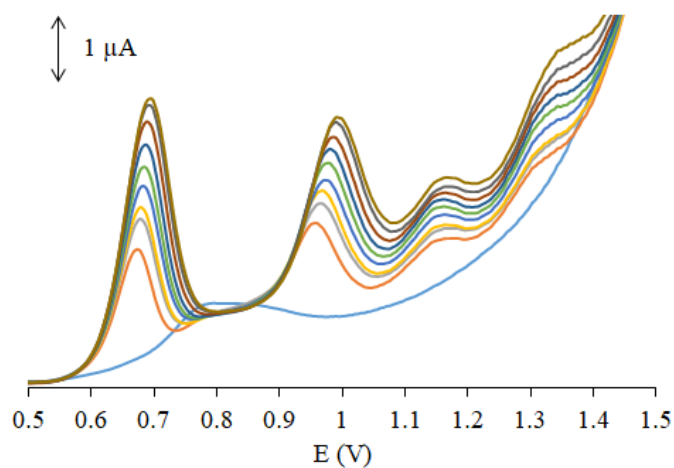


Figure S13. DPV for standard addition in human saliva sample that was diluted 5-fold in 0.2 M PBS (pH 7.0).

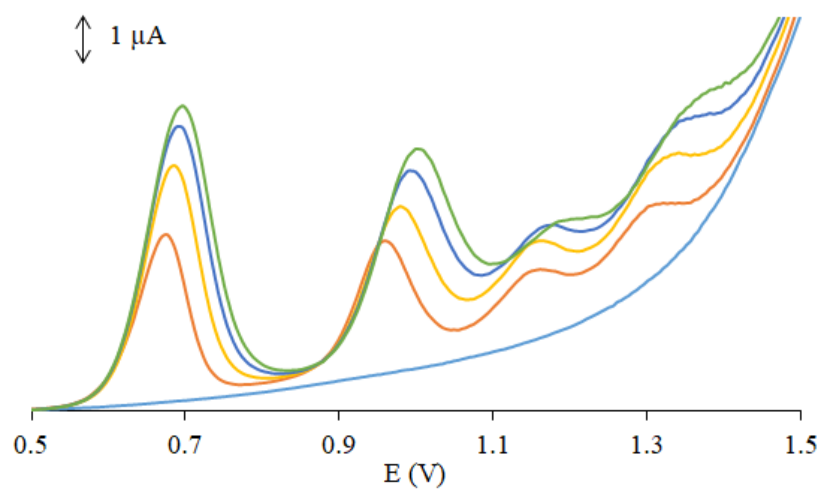


Figure S14. DPV for standard addition in artificial saliva sample that was diluted 5-fold in 0.2 M PBS (pH 7.0).