

Supporting Information

A Rapidly Stabilizing Water-Gated Field-Effect Transistor Based on Printed Single-Walled Carbon Nanotubes for Biosensing Applications

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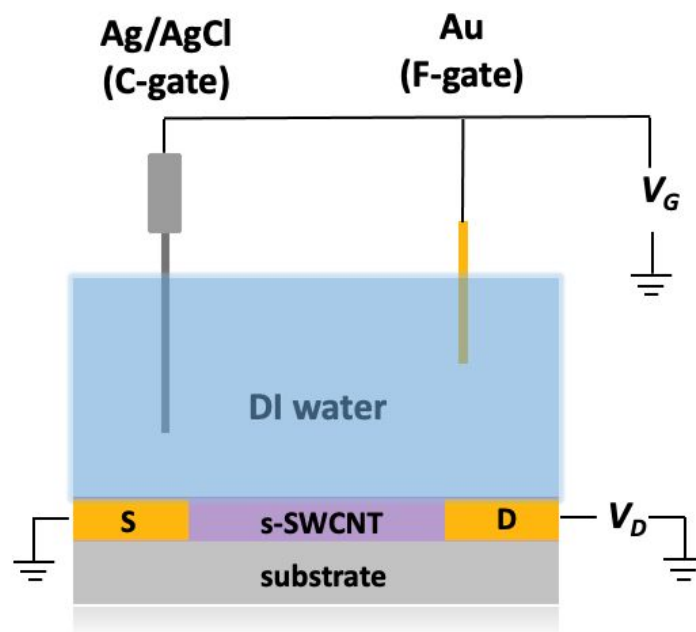


Figure S1. Schematic representation of the biosensor: it consists of an EG-CNTFET, a reference electrode (C-gate) made of Ag/AgCl to monitor the stability of the channel, and a gold gate (F-gate) for functionalization.

Fabrication of inkjet-printed P3HT based EGOFET

Poly(3-hexylthiophene) (P3HT; Sigma Aldrich, regio-regularity 99%, average MW = 20000 – 45000 g.mol⁻¹) was dissolved in 1,2-dichlorobenzene (ODCB) at a concentration of 2.6 mg.mL⁻¹ and then inkjet-printed by means of a Fujifilm Dimatix onto the active area of interdigitated source-drain electrodes with channel width (W) of 4.4 mm and length (L) of 3 μ m patterned on glass (the same electrodes used for EG-CNTFET). The ink was printed at a drop spacing of 45 mm. The device was annealed at 130 °C for 8 hours in an inert atmosphere.

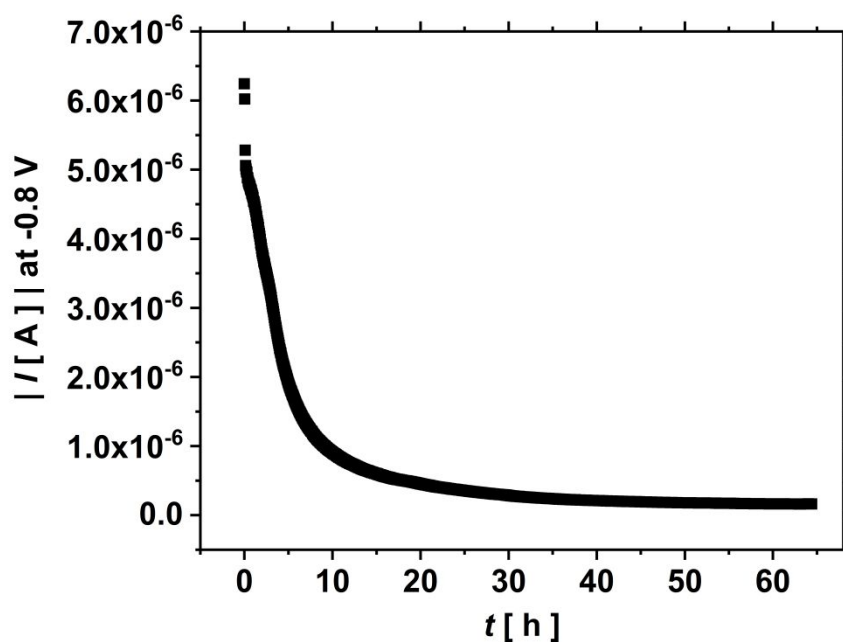


Figure S2. Current values extracted at -0.8 V from consecutive transfer curves acquired with 3 min interval for inkjet-printed P3HT based EGOFET.

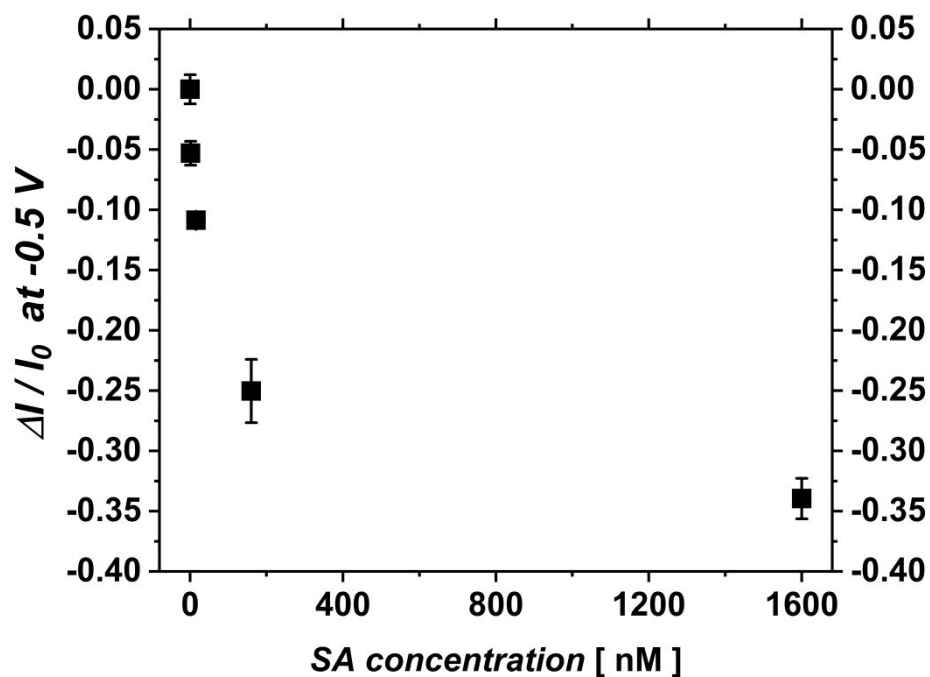


Figure S3. calibration curve based on normalized current change at -0.5 V extracted from transfer curves presented in Figure 3b.

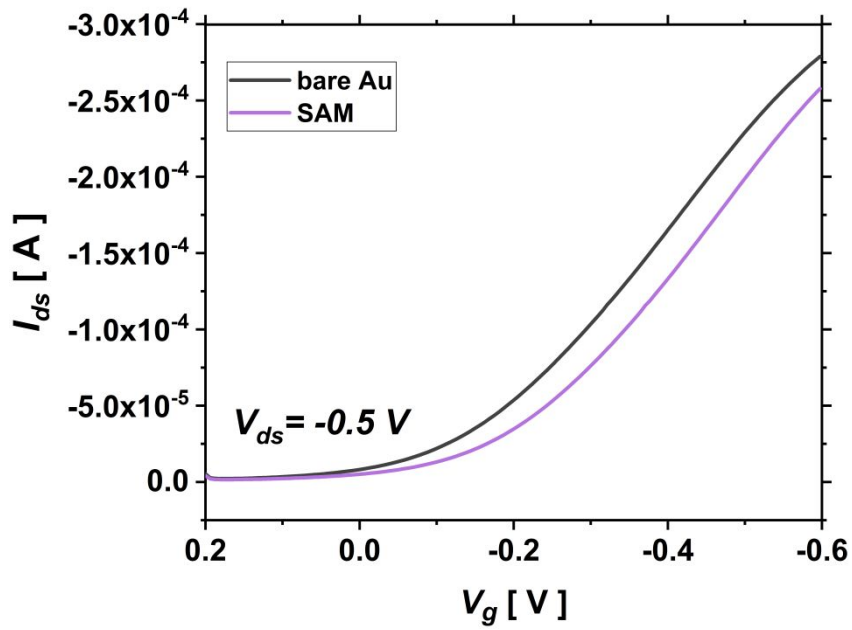


Figure S4. Typical transfer characteristic curves for a bare gold gate as well as Cys-SAM functionalized gold gate.

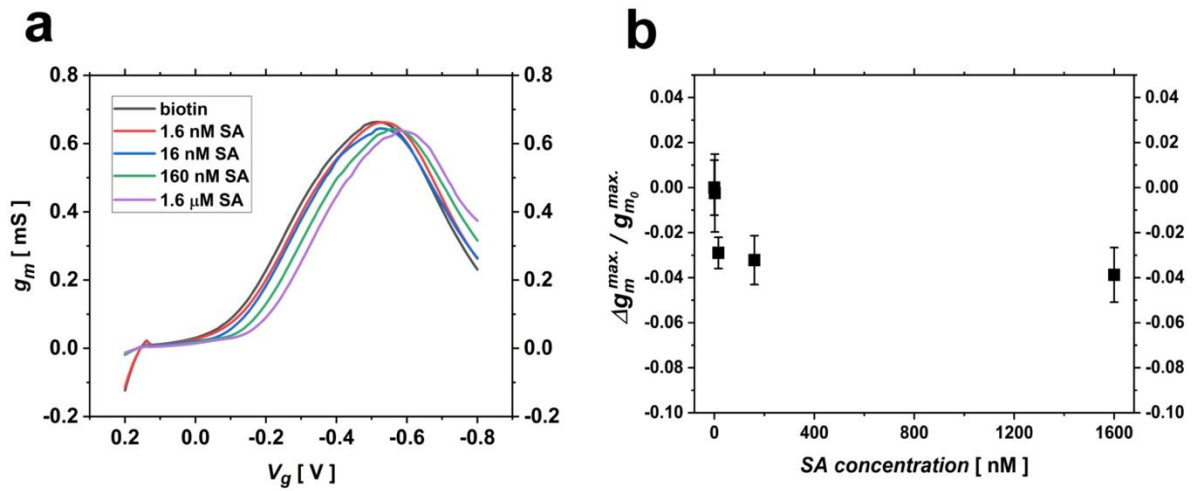
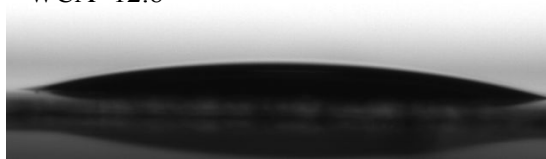
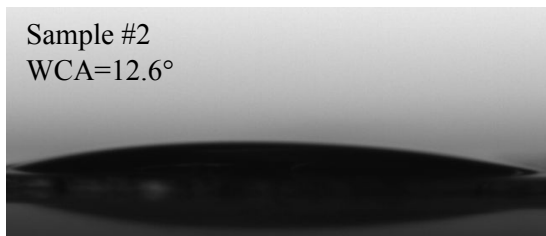


Figure S5. (a) transconductance curves for different concentrations of streptavidin extracted from transfer curves presented in Figure 3b; F-gate not exposed to streptavidin is denoted as “biotin”. (b) titration curve for normalized maximum transconductance extracted from curves in (a).

Sample #1
WCA=12.8°



Sample #2
WCA=12.6°



Sample #3
WCA=12.9°

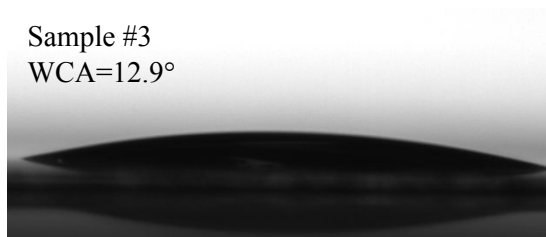


Figure S6. Water contact angle measurements on three physically different biotin functionalized F-gates in order to confirm the reproducibility of the functionalization procedure. The droplet volume is 10 μL .