

A Single Nanoparticle-based Sensor for Hydrogen Peroxide (H₂O₂) Detection in Biological and Environmental Fields

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Hydrogen peroxide (H₂O₂) is one of the strongest oxidants, which have increasingly drawn attentions in both biological and environmental fields. Although a variety of H₂O₂ detection methods including enzymatic and electrochemical techniques have been developed, they have still some problems: poor sensitivity, reproducibility, selectivity, stability and in vivo applicability. Here, we present a novel method for hydrogen peroxide (H₂O₂) based on single plasmonic nanoprobe and redox-active cytochrome c (Cyt c) -mediated plasmon resonance energy transfer (PRET). Using this sensor, H₂O₂ was detected in a wide concentration range from 100 mM to 10 nM including physiologically relevant micromolar and nanomolar concentrations. Furthermore, we successfully detected the H₂O₂ generated from *Caenorhabditis elegans* (*C. elegans*) under an exposing condition of graphene oxide (GO). We believe that our approach could provide an avenue for achieving dynamic, high spatial resolution monitoring of reactive oxygen species (ROS) in toxicological, biological and environmental fields in the future.