

Supplementary Materials:

Redesigning an Electrochemical MIP Sensor for PFOS: Practicalities and Pitfalls

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Figure S1. Effect of methanol content on the performances of Au-SPE.

With 50% methanol the first CV cycle of the electropolymerization presents a broad oxidation peak with a relative low current intensity (about 200 μ A) and the working electrode (WE) appears darker at the end of the process. With 25% methanol the WE is slightly darker and the electropolymerization pattern presents a more defined oxidation peak. Only reducing the methanol concentration to 10%, the expected electropolymerization pattern with a first CV cycle characterized by multiple oxidation peaks was recorded. This was also the minimal concentration applicable to assure the complete dissolution of the PFOS, the target-template.

Figure S2. Comparison of the electropolymerization pattern of imprinted (A) and non-imprinted (B) polymers on Au-SPE.

Table S1. Charge transfer resistances (R_{ct}-o-PD) for the MIP and NIP: AEp after electropolymerization, AEx, after extraction, AR, after rebinding.

Figure S3. Calibration plot of PFOS at bare Au-SPE.

Figure S4. Example of surface scan recorded by the stylus profiler.

Figure S5. SEM image of the bare working electrode surface of an Au-SPE and EDS spectra of the point 1 and 2 in the image. These analysis are representative of the whole working electrode surface.

Figure S6. EDS spectra of the point 1 (A-1) and 2 (A-2) in Figure 4A.

Figure S7. EDS spectra of the point 1 (B-1) and 2 (B-2) in Figure 5B.