Label-free Immunoanalysis with GAO(galactose oxidase) Bioelectrocatalysis by Using Virtual Beaker Array

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We developed a convenient and simple method for the determination of glycoproteins using galactose oxidase on the basis of the contents of galactosyl and N-acetylgalactosaminyl residues in carbohydrate chains of glycoproteins, such as antibodies. (1,2) Galactose oxidase converts galactose residues to their corresponding aldehydes and hydrogen peroxide, the latter being electroactive and quantifiable by DC amperometric i-t curve. (3) We patterned the surface of the poly(dimethylsiloxane) (PDMS) substrate by microcontact printing (μ CP) with a dendrimer ink. Then, we immobilized the anti-DNP (dinitrophenyl) drimer-associated surface and constructed the virtual beaker array. (4) As the concentration of antibody decreased in the solution, which caused less binding of antigens to the antibodies, a good correlation in amperometric signal with antibody concentration was registered. The total assay time was about 20 minute. For amperometric signaling, a bundle of three electrode, which was composed of miniaturized working, counter, and Ag/AgCl pseudo-reference electrodes, was employed. By using this technique, a multiplex immunosensing would be possible by using an array-type electrodes.

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