

"Improved charge-transfer resonance in graphene oxide/ZrO2 substrates for plasmonic-free SERS determination of methyl parathion in complex samples matrix"

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CONCLUSIONS

A novel SERS substrate was prepared by a layer-by-layer method with graphene oxide (GO) and quantum-sized ZrO_2 NPs and thus implemented for quantification of the organophosphate pesticide methyl parathion (MP) in irrigation water runoffs, strawberry and black tea extracts.

A detection limit of 0.12 μ M was achieved with an outstanding repeatability (variation $\leq 4.5\%$), and recovery percentages between 97.4 and 102.1%. The resulted sensitivity is enough to determine the maximal MP concentration permissible in drinking water according to international regulations. The reported platform offers a fast and sensitive detection of MP for food quality assessment and environmental monitoring.

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