

Supporting Information

An Impedimetric Biosensor for Detection of Volatile Organic Compounds in Food

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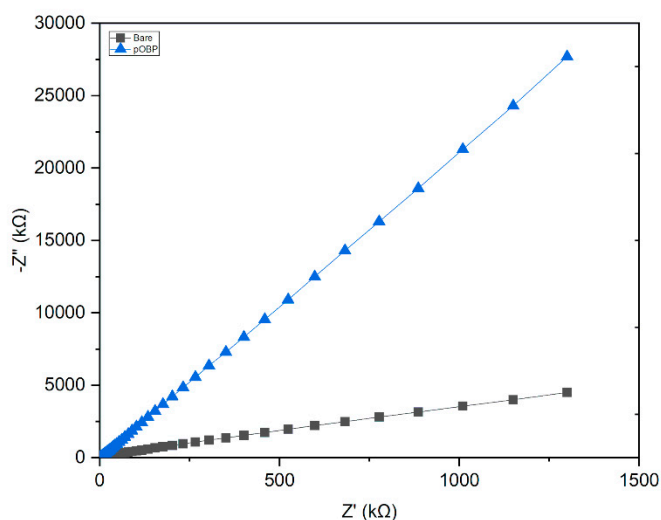


Figure S1. Electrode EIS response before (in gray) and after (in blue) the functionalization procedure. As a consequence of the covalent immobilization of pOBP on the electrode, the impedance of the electrochemical system increases. This variation is ascribable to the increasing thickness of the surface after the assembly procedure.

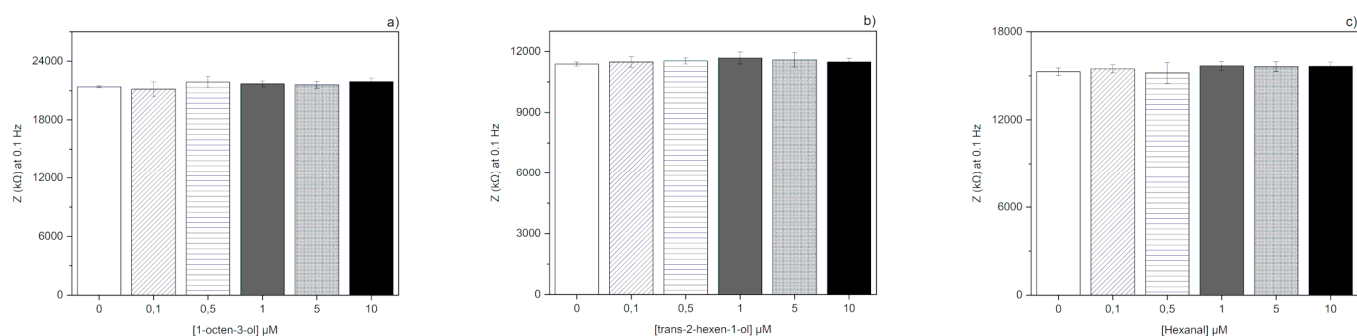


Figure S2. Impedance responses of GlnBP-functionalized electrodes to increasing concentrations of 1-octen-3-ol (a), trans-2-hexen-1-ol (b) and hexanal (c). The GlnBP-functionalized electrode showed no significant impedance variation at 0.1 Hz in the presence of the selected VOCs in the range of 0.1-10 μ M.

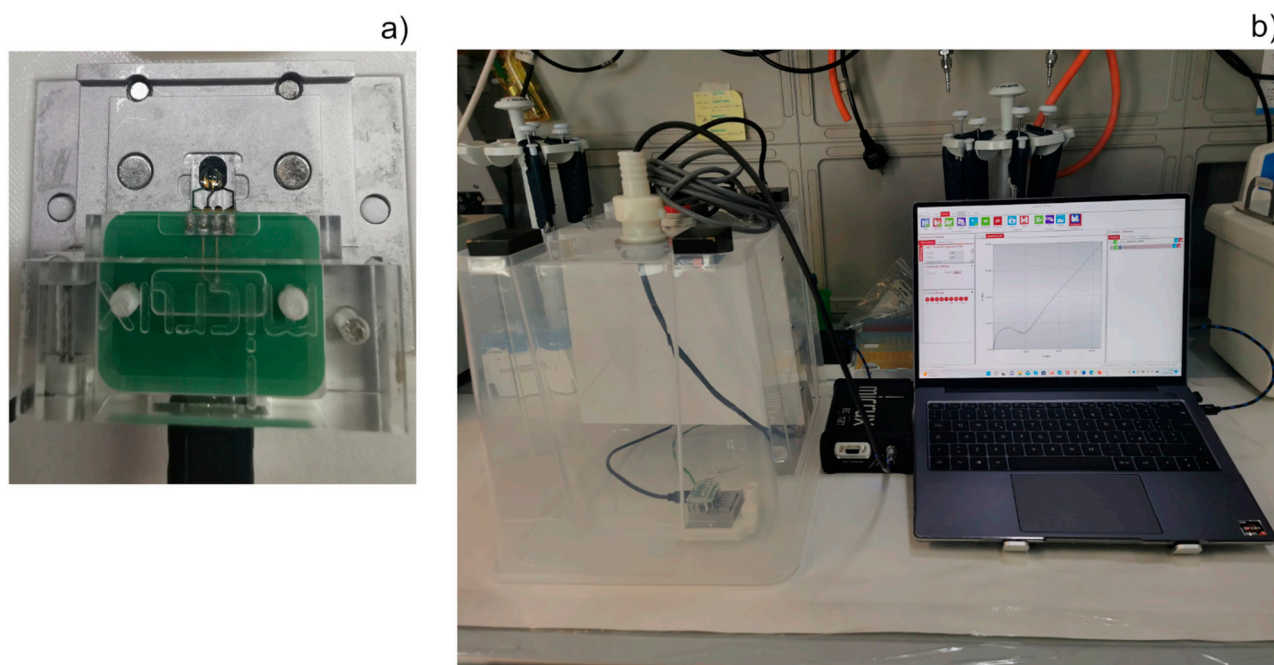


Figure S3. System used for impedimetric measurements in gas. The thin-film gold-based electrode is housed in the electrochemical cell (a) and inserted in a saturation chamber. The pure VOC is placed in a Petri dish below the gas chamber. The electrochemical workstation connects the cell to a computer that controls the instrument via the MicruX® EC Manager graphical user interface (b).