

Supplementary Materials

***Asterias forbesi*-Inspired SERS Substrates for Wide-Range Detection of Uric Acid**

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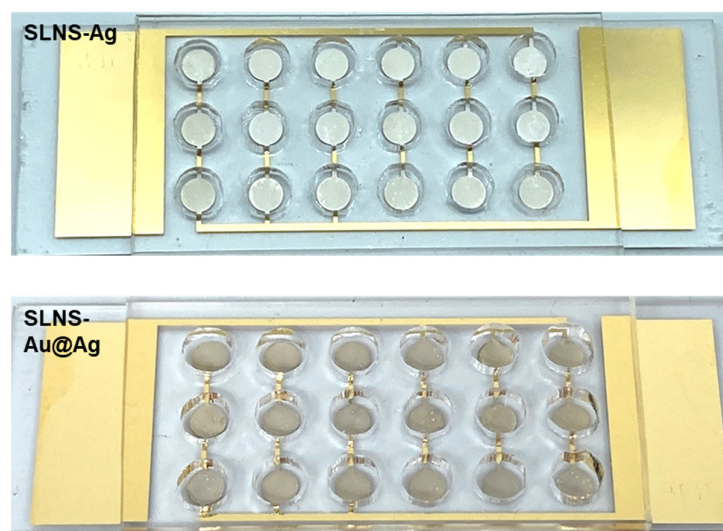


Figure S1. Optical images of (a) SLNS-Ag and (b) SLNS-Au@Ag substrates.

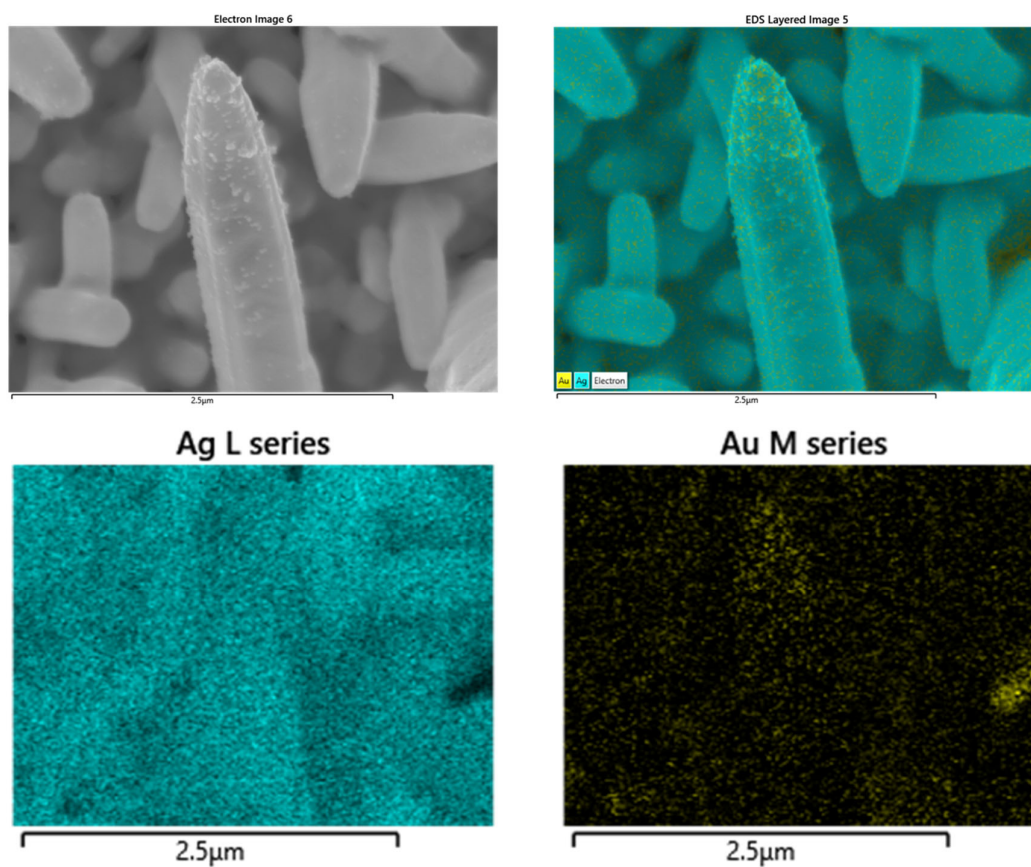


Figure S2. SEM-EDS data for AF-SERS substrate.

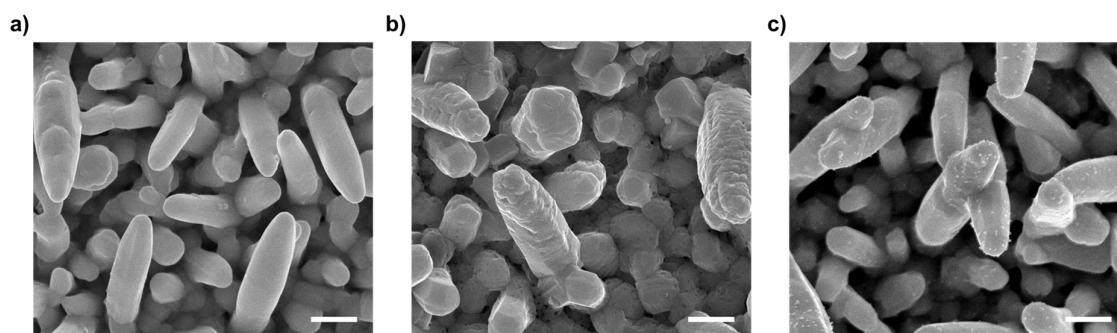


Figure S3. a) Raman spectrum of 100 μM R6G on GNP-only and AF-SERS substrate, respectively. b) Raman intensity graph at 1508 cm⁻¹, the specific Raman peak of R6G (Scale bar: 500 nm).

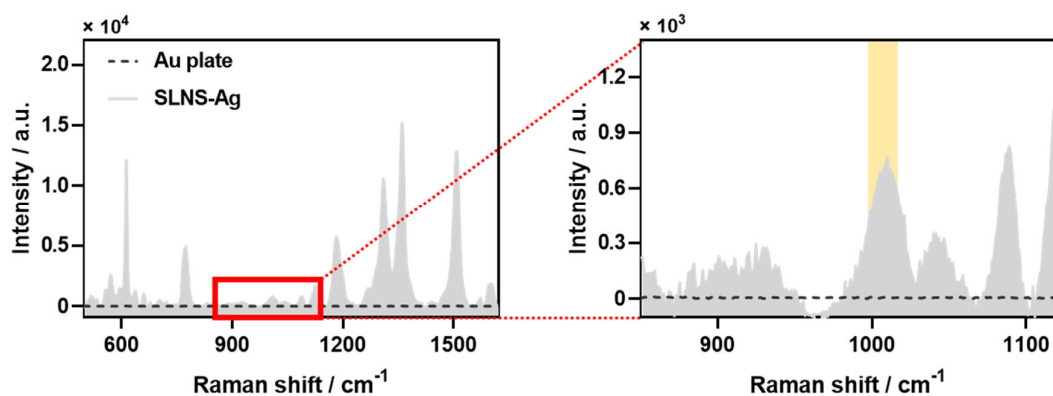


Figure S4. Raman spectral data of Au plate and SLNS-Ag substrate for R6G 100 μM . Upon reducing the Y-axis scale in a specific region, the Raman signal of silver was identified at around 1000 cm^{-1} (indicated by the red square).

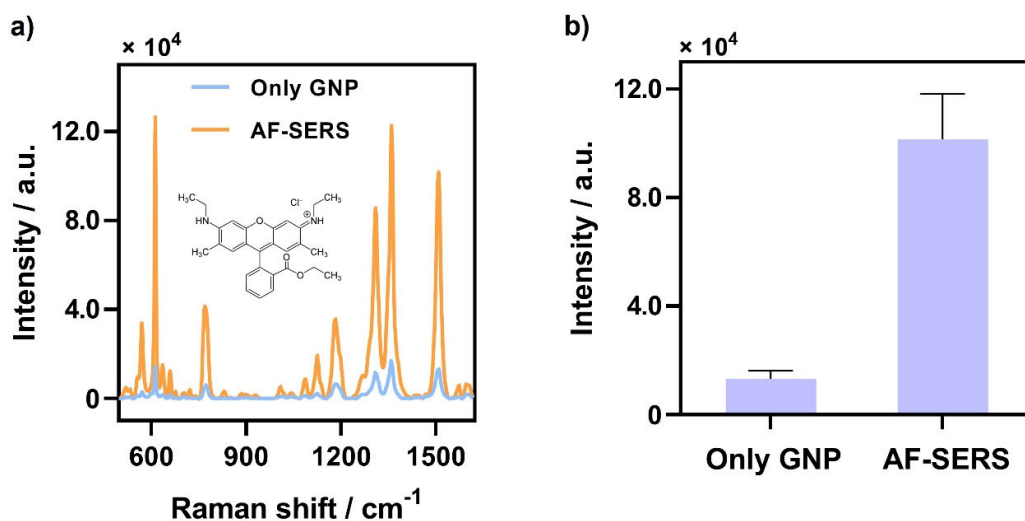


Figure S5. a) Raman spectrum of 100 μM R6G on GNP-only and AF-SERS substrate, respectively. b) Raman intensity graph at 1508 cm^{-1} , the specific Raman peak of R6G.

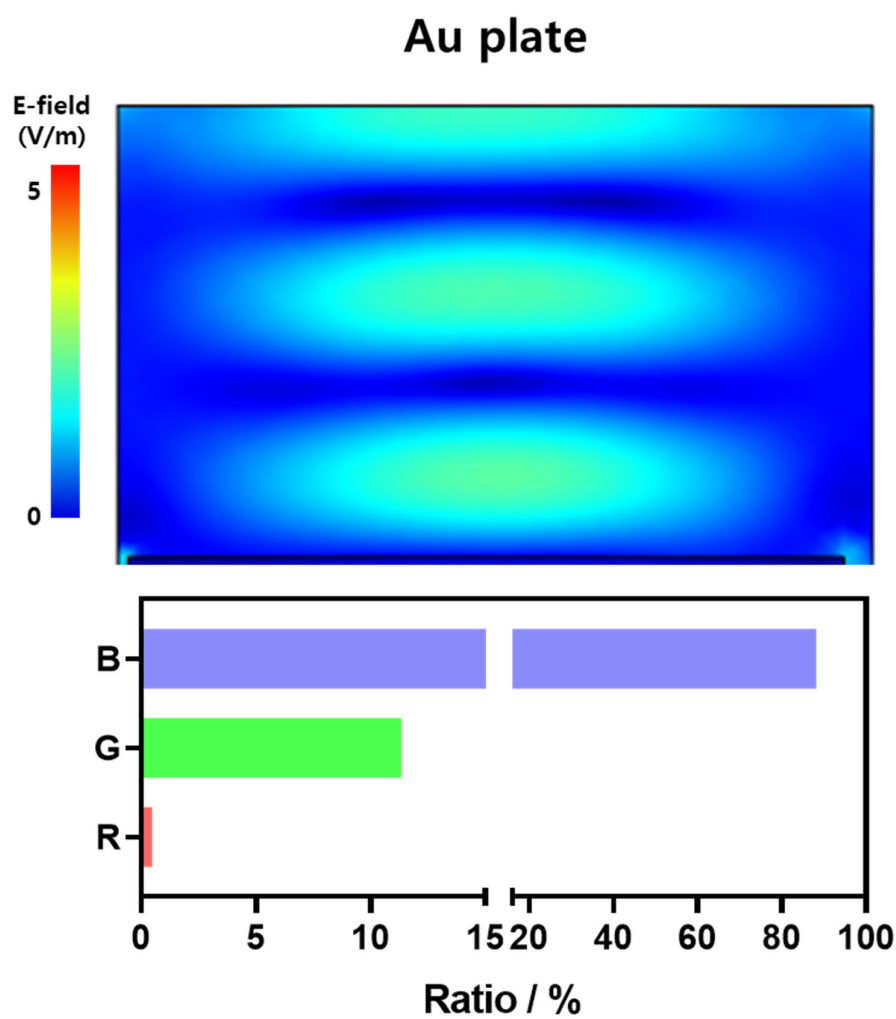


Figure S6. FEM-based electromagnetic simulation results for Au plate and RGB ratio spectrum of each area.

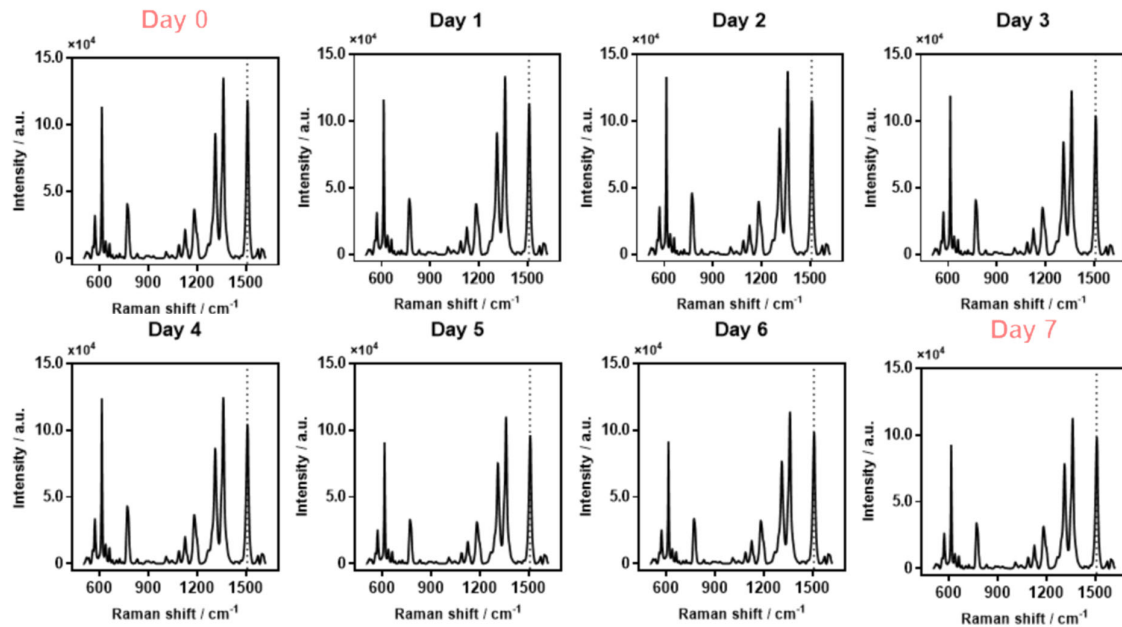


Figure S7. Raman spectra of R6G for each day on AF-SERS substrate when exposed to harsh conditions (PBS buffer solution) for 7 days.

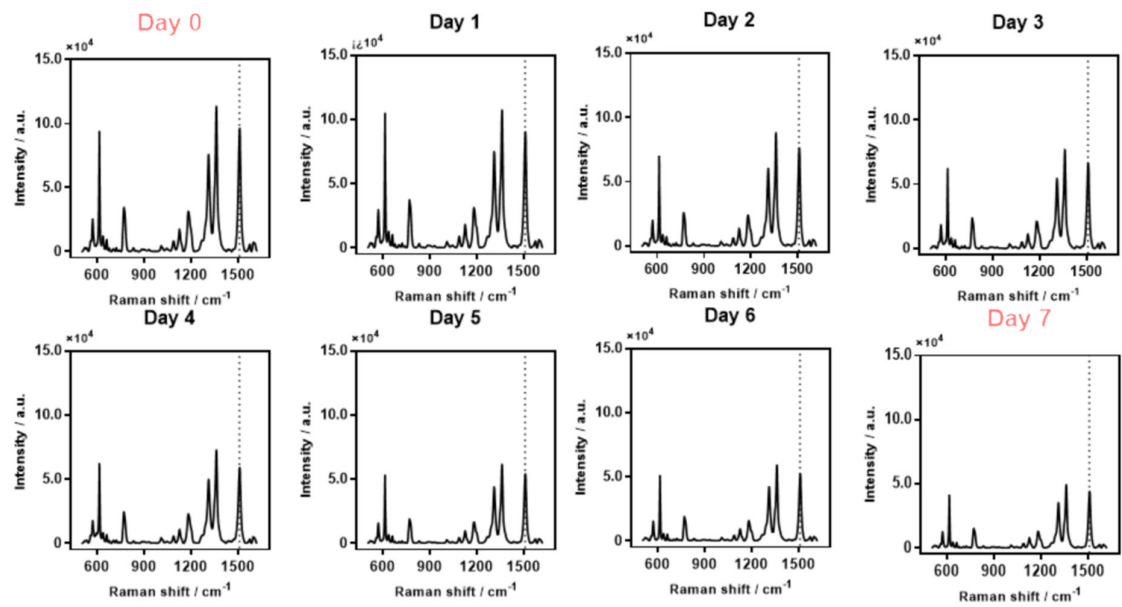


Figure S8. Raman spectra of R6G for each day on GNP + SLNS-Ag substrate when exposed to harsh conditions (PBS buffer solution) for 7 days.

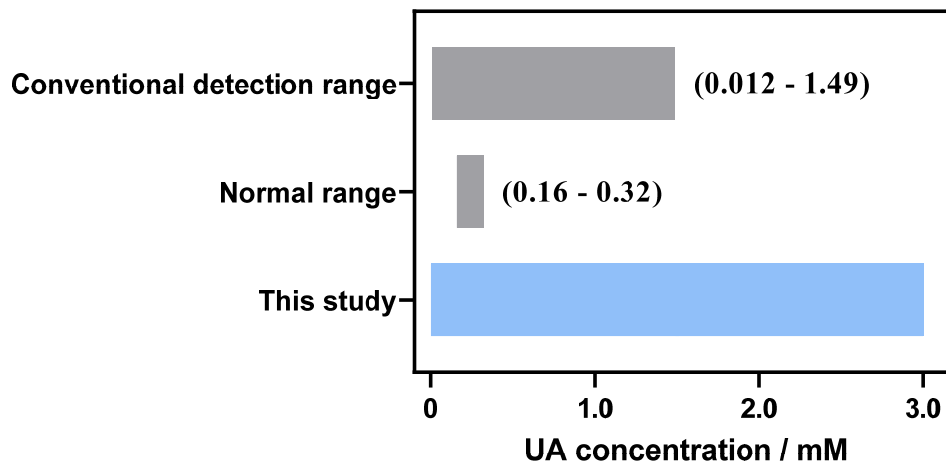


Figure S9. A graph comparing the excretion concentration range of uric acid in the body using conventional technology, the normal range of uric acid, and the detection range of uric acid using AF-SERS substrate.

Table S1. Comparison of enhancement factor performance of SERS substrates using various nano-materials.

Year	Substrate	Enhancement Factor	Reference
2020	Au nanocone	8.5×10^6	[1]
2021	Au@Ag hollow nanocubes	7.52×10^9	[2]
2022	Opal structure	4.22×10^4	[3]
2023	Octahedral oxygen vacancy MnCo ₂ O ₄ /Ag (VO-MnCo ₂ O ₄ /Ag)	2.7×10^6	[4]
2023	CdSe quantum dot	5.05×10^6	[5]
2024	3D nanosilver trees/sea-urchin-like gold	1.9×10^7	[6]
2023	AF-SERS	3.658×10^{11}	This work

Table S2. Vibrational SERS band assignments for uric acid.

Raman Shift / cm ⁻¹	Vibrational Band Assignment ^[7,8]
508 (vwsh)	C-N-C ring vibrations
534 (vw)	
592 (vw)	Ring breathing mode
640 (s)	Skeletal ring deformation
730 (w)	N-H bending
812 (m)	Ring vibration
889 (m)	N-H bending
1017 (w)	Ring vibration
1134 (vs)	C-N
1206 (m)	N-C-C stretching and bending
1554 (m)	C-N stretching

Table S3. Comparison of SERS sensing performances of our AF-SERS and various other sensing platforms for UA.

Detection Method	Detection Range	Detection Limit	Reference
Electrochemical	800 pM–241 μM	300 pM	[9]
Electrochemical	100 nM–30 μM	23 nM	[10]
Electrochemical	4–200 μM	1.36 μM	[11]
Fluorescence	10–100 μM	1.2 μM	[12]
Fluorescence	0.2–150 μM	0.05 μM	[13]

Fluorescence	10–100 μ M	1.214 μ M	[14]
SERS	5 μ M–1 mM	1.7 μ M	[15]
SERS	0.2–1000 μ M	0.1 μ M	[16]
SERS	20–100 μ M	20 μ M	[17]
SERS	10 nM–1 mM	1.18 nM	This work

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