

## **Supporting Information**

# **Nucleic Acid Functionalized Metal-Organic Frameworks-Based Homogeneous Electrochemical Biosensor for Simultaneous Detection of Multiple Tumor Biomarkers**

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## EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

**Chemical and Materials.** All DNA and RNA were purchased from Shanghai Sangon Biotechnology Co. Ltd. (Shanghai, China) and TaKaRa Biotechnology Co., Ltd. (Dalian, China), respectively, with their sequences exhibited in Table S1. Zirconium oxide chloride octahydrate ( $\text{ZrOCl}_2 \cdot 8\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ), 2-aminoterephthalic acid, 1-ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)carbodiimide (EDC), N-hydroxysulfosuccinimide (NHS), 3,3',5,5'-tetramethyl-benzidine (TMB), methylene blue (MB),  $\text{CH}_3\text{COOH}$ ,  $\text{Na}_2\text{HPO}_4$ ,  $\text{NaH}_2\text{PO}_4$  and other reagents were ordered from Sigma-Aldrich (St. Louis, MO, USA) and used without further treatment.

**Apparatus.** X-ray diffraction (XRD) patterns were obtained using a Bruker D8 Advance X-ray diffractometer (Bruker, Germany). Transmission electron microscopy (TEM) images were recorded on an HT7700 microscope (Hitachi, Japan). X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) was recorded on an ESCALAB 250Xi (Thermo Fisher Scientific, USA). Energy dispersive spectroscopy (EDS) mapping images and spectrum analysis were conducted using a HITACHI S4800 SEM (Hitachi, Japan). Zeta potential measurement was recorded with a Nano Zetasizer ZS90 (Malvern, U.K.). Differential pulse voltammetric (DPV) measurements were carried out on an Autolab electrochemical workstation (Metrohm, Netherlands) employing a three-electrochemical system. The fluorescence measurements were performed on an F-4600 fluorescence spectrometer (Hitachi, Japan). Fourier transform infrared spectra (FT-IR) were recorded using a NICOLET 380 FT-IR spectrometer (Nicolet Thermo, USA).

**Table S1.** Sequences of the oligonucleotides used in the experiments

<b>Probe Name</b>	<b>Sequence (5'-3')</b>
<b>C<sub>MB</sub></b>	COOH-TGA GGT AGT AGG TT
<b>P<sub>MB</sub></b>	AA CTA TAC AA CCT ACT ACC TCA
<b>let-7a</b>	UGA GGU AGU AGG UUG UAU AGU U
<b>let-7b</b>	UGA GGU AGU AGG UUG UGU GGU U
<b>let-7d</b>	AGA GGU AGU AGG UUG CAU AGU U
<b>C<sub>TMB</sub></b>	COOH-TAG CTT ATC AGA CT
<b>P<sub>TMB</sub></b>	TG AAC ATC AG TCT GAT AAG CTA
<b>miRNA-21</b>	UAG CUU AUC AGA CUG AUG UUG A
<b>miRNA-16</b>	UAG CAG CAC GUA AAU AUU GGC G
<b>miRNA-155</b>	UUA AUG CUA AUC GUG AUA GGG GU

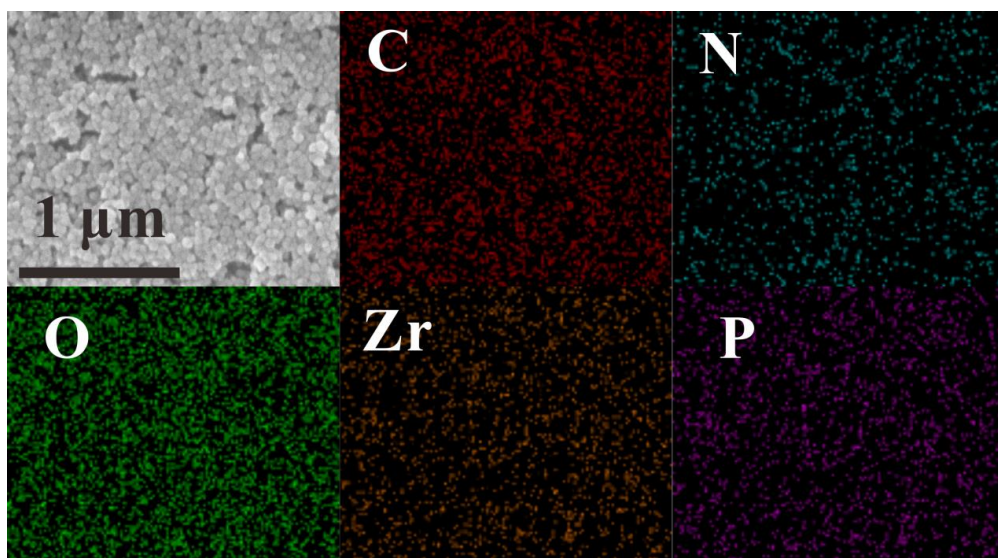
**Table S2.** miRNA assay performance of our strategy and other methods.

Method	Enzyme	Signal Molecule Labeling	Linear Range	Detection Limit	Ref.
Fluorescence	Yes	Yes	0.001~10000 pM	1 fM	1
Fluorescence	Yes	Yes	0.01~1000 pM	10 fM	2
Fluorescence	Yes	No	0.06~12.0 pM	10.8 fM	3
Chemiluminescence	Yes	No	0.01~50.0 pM	3.02 fM	4
Electroche- miluminescence	Yes	Yes	0.01~1000 fM	3.3 aM	5
Electrochemistry	No	Yes	0.005~500 pM	1.4 fM	6
Electrochemistry	Yes	Yes	0.01~5.0 fM	3.2 aM	7
Electrochemistry	Yes	No	0.01~1.0 pM	4.53 fM	8
electrochemistry	No	No	0.01~10.0 pM	3.6 fM	This
			0.02~10.0 pM	8.2 fM	work

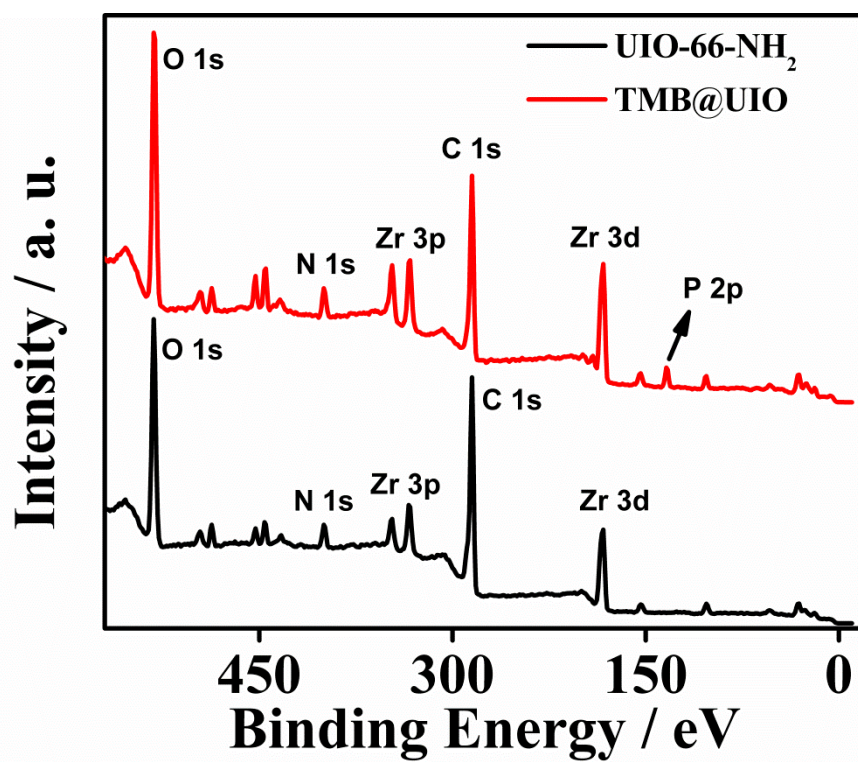
**Table S3.** Recoveries and RSDs of the MOFs-based biosensor for let-7a and miRNA-21 spiked in human serum samples.

Sample No.	Added (pM)		Mean measured (pM)		Mean recovery <sup>a</sup> (%)		RSD (%)	
	let-7a	miRNA-21	let-7a	miRNA-21	let-7a	miRNA-21	let-7a	miRNA-21
1	0.1	0.1	0.0947	0.0963	94.7	96.3	4.75	4.07
2	1.0	1.0	1.0324	0.9736	103.0	97.4	3.89	3.20
3	3.0	3.0	3.1586	3.1267	105.0	104.0	4.16	4.38

<sup>a</sup>Recovery (%) =  $100 \times (c_{\text{mean measured}} / c_{\text{added}})$

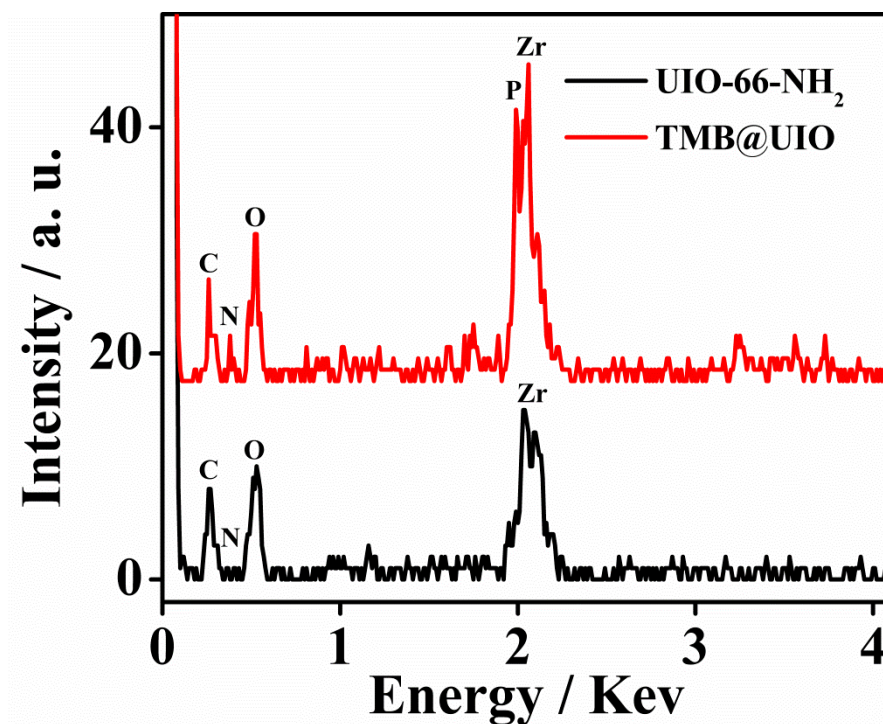


**Figure S1.** SEM and EDS mapping images of TMB@UIO and the corresponding distribution of C, N, O, Zr, and P elements.

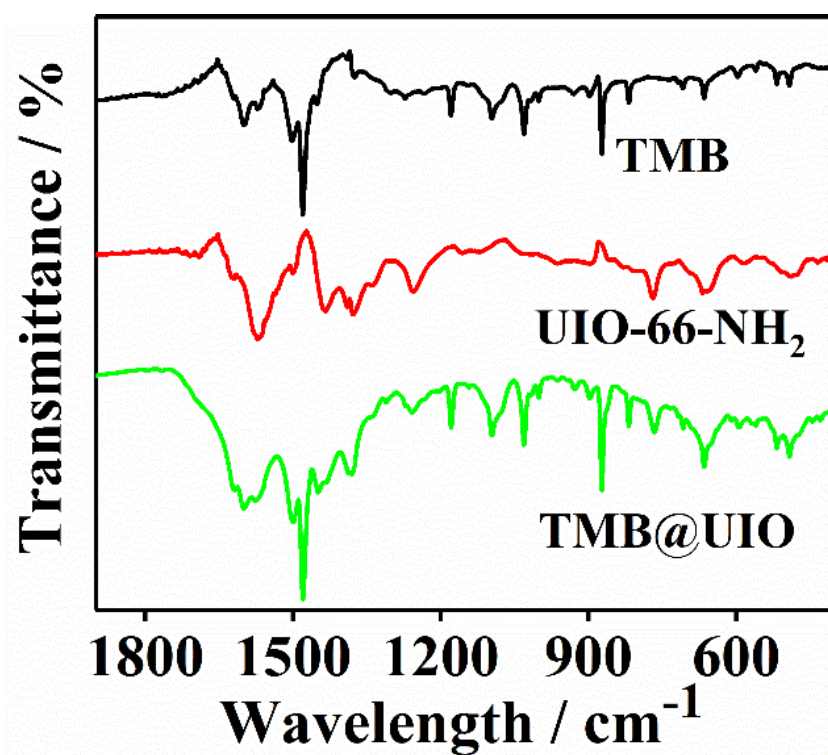


**Figure S2.** XPS curves of UIO-66-NH<sub>2</sub> and TMB@UIO.

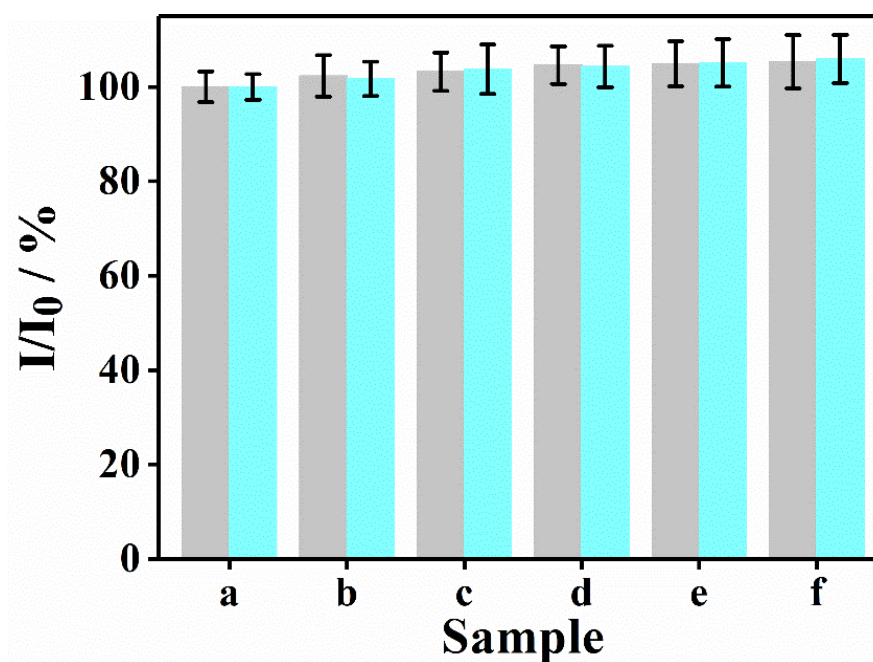




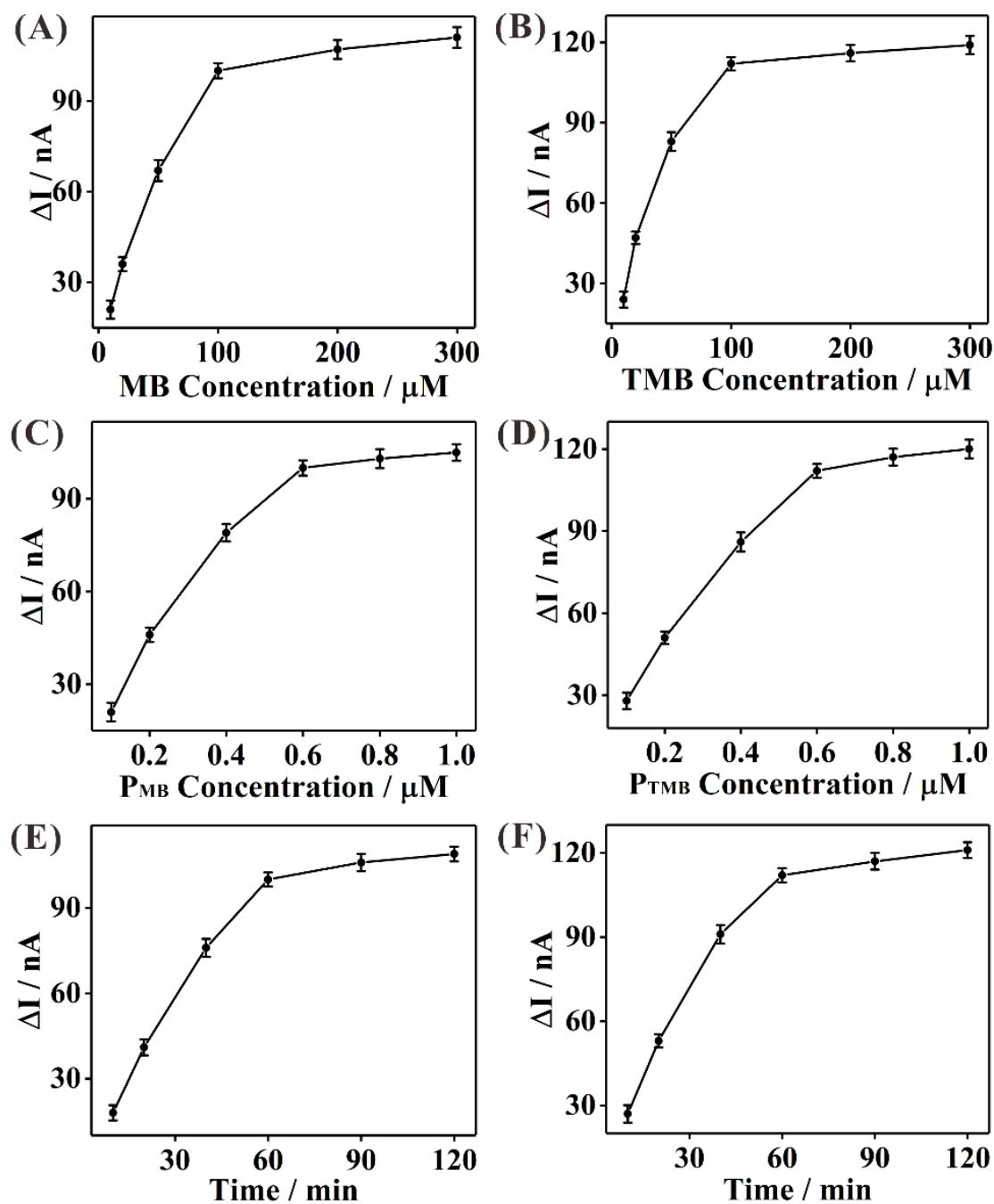
**Figure S3.** EDX spectra of UIO-66-NH<sub>2</sub> and TMB@UIO.



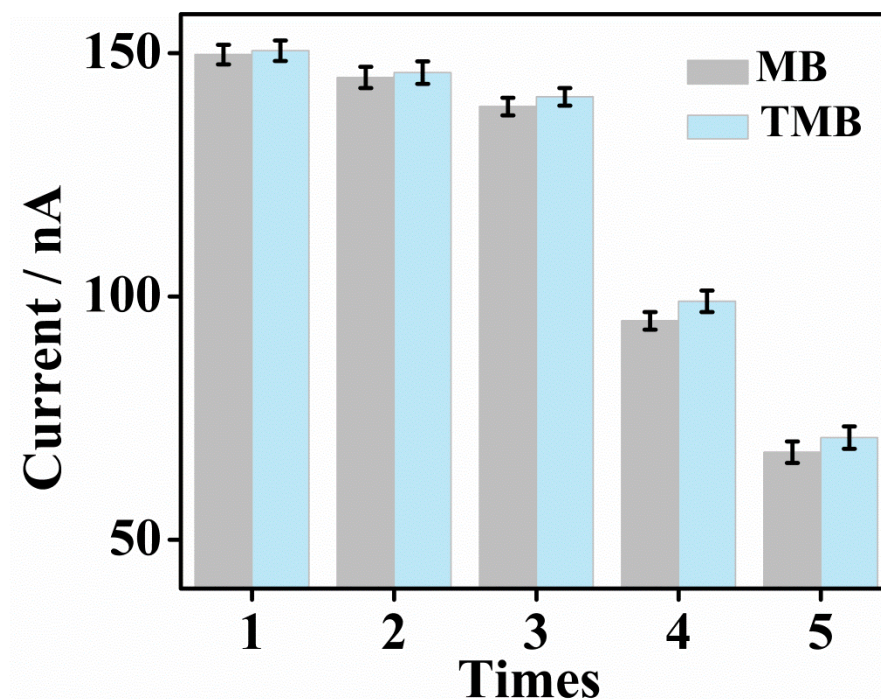
**Figure S4.** FT-IR spectra of TMB, UIO-66-NH<sub>2</sub>, and TMB@UIO.



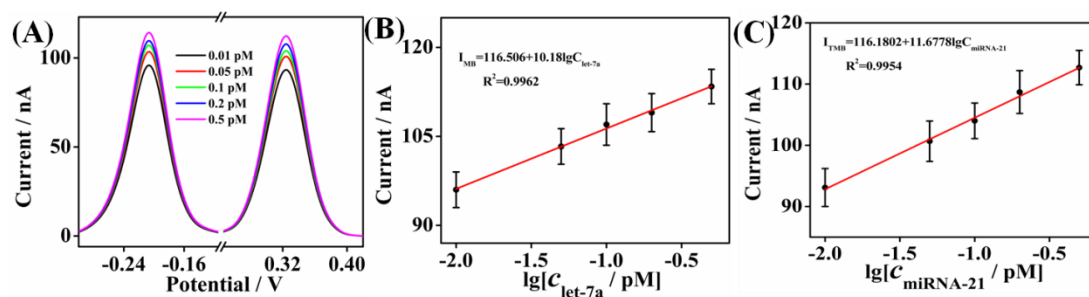
**Figure S5.** The stability of MB@UIO and TMB@UIO in PBS for different incubation times: a: 0 h, b: 1 h, c: 3 h, d: 5 h, e: 7 h, and f :in diluted human serum sample for 7 h.



**Figure S6.** The DPV current changes ( $\Delta I$ ) of the proposed biosensor upon the addition of let-7a with different MB concentrations (A),  $P_{\text{MB}}$  concentrations (C), and the hybridization time between let-7a and MB@UIO (E). The DPV current changes ( $\Delta I$ ) of the proposed biosensor upon the addition of miRNA-21 with different TMB concentrations (B),  $P_{\text{TMB}}$  concentrations (D), and the hybridization time between miRNA-21 and TMB@UIO (F).



**Figure S7.** The reusability of C<sub>x</sub> modified UIO-66-NH<sub>2</sub> in development of MB@UIO and TMB@UIO biosensors.



**Figure S8.** (A) The DPV curves of the proposed biosensor in the serum sample from breast cancer patient with different concentrations of let-7a and miRNA-21. (B) The linear relationship between the DPV current of MB and the logarithm of let-7a concentrations. (C) The linear relationship between the DPV current of TMB and the logarithm of miRNA-21 concentrations.

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