## **Supporting Information**

A high-fidelity electrochemical platform based on Au-Se interface for biological detection

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Figure S1. HPLC of the P1: Acp-Gly-Pro-Leu-Gly-Val-Arg-Gly-{Se-Cys}.



Figure S2. HPLC of the P2: Acp-Gly-Pro-Leu-Gly-Val-Arg-Gly-Cys.



**Figure S3.** Tracking the assembly of Au-S electrochemical detection platform: (A) CVs of bare Au electrode (a), P2 modified Au electrode (b), ssDNA-P2 modified Au electrode (c) and ssDNA-P2 modified Au electrode incubated with 3.0 nmol/L MMP-2 (d), in 5.0 mmol/L [Fe (CN)<sub>6</sub>]<sup>3-/4-</sup> solution. (B) SWV of bare Au electrode (a), P2 modified Au electrode (b), ssDNA-P2 modified Au electrode (c) and ssDNA-P2

modified Au electrode incubated with 3.0 nmol/L MMP-2 (d), in 0.5 mol/L  $H_2SO_4$  solution containing 5.0 mmol/L  $Na_2Mo_2O_3$ .

**Table S1**. Bonding energy and Fermi energy of Au (111) when Au-Se bonds or Au-S bonds are formed with different selenols and thiols compounds. The results are calculated by density functional theory (DFT) with DMol3.

Molecule	E <sub>B</sub>	E <sub>F</sub>	$\Delta \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{B}} = \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{Au}\mathbf{-Se}) - \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{B}}(\mathbf{Au}\mathbf{-S})$	$\Delta \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{F}} = \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{F}}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_{-\mathbf{S}\mathbf{e}}) - \mathbf{E}_{\mathbf{F}}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{u}_{-\mathbf{S}})$
Au-Se-Hydrogen	0.5470 Ha	-0.1811 Ha	0.0155 Ha	0.0029 Ha
Au-S-Hydrogen	0.5316 Ha	-0.1840 Ha		
Au-Se-Alkane	0.5852 Ha	-0.1795 Ha	0.0159 Ha	0.0023 Ha
Au-S-Alkane	0.5693 Ha	-0.1818 Ha	0.0137 114	
Au-Se-Aromatics	0.5185 Ha	-0.1207 Ha	0.0284 Ha	0.0023 Ha
Au-S-Aromatics	0.4800 Ha	-0.1230 Ha	0.0384 11a	
Au-Se-Peptide	0.5697 Ha	-0.1728 Ha	0.0422 Hz	0.0025 11-
Au-S-Peptide	0.5264 Ha	-0.1753 Ha	0.0433 na	0.0025 11a

 $E_B$ , the bonding energy of Au (111) with different selenols and thiols compounds.  $E_F$ , the Fermi energy of Au (111) connected with different selenols and thiols compounds.  $E_B$  (Au-Se), the bonding energy of Au (111) with different selenols compounds.  $E_B$  (Au-S), the bonding energy of Au (111) with different thiols compounds.  $E_F$  (Au-Se), the Fermi energy of Au (111) connected with different selenols compounds.  $E_F$  (Au-Se), the Fermi energy of Au (111) connected with different thiols compounds.  $E_F$  (Au-Se), the Fermi energy of Au (111) connected with different thiols compounds.



**Figure S4**. The spatial structures of sulfhydryl group (a), selenyl group (b), alkanethiolate (c), alkaneselenolate (d), benzenethiol (e), benzeneselenol (f), Cys (g), Se-Cys (h) on the Au (111) surface. The results are calculated by density functional theory (DFT) with DMol3.