

Development of a novel voltamperometric sensor based on carbon nanofibers and cobalt phthalocyanine for the detection of p-coumaric acid



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Introduction

p-Cumaric acid (PCA) has a large number of important applications in the nutraceutical, pharmaceutical, materials and chemical industry, due to its antioxidant, antibacterial and antiinflammatory properties.

Experimental setup, materials and methods

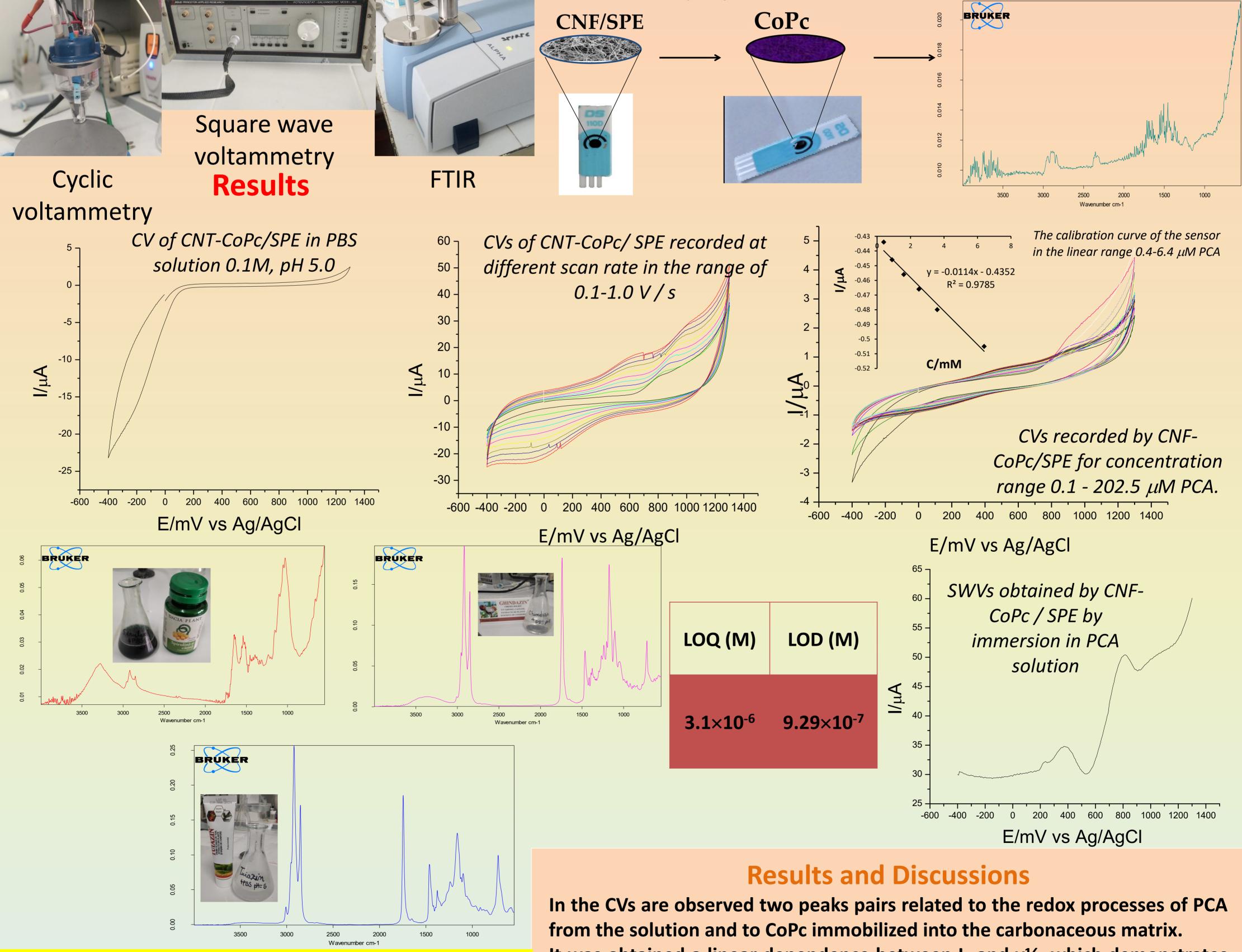


Objectives

- **Development of new sensor based on screen-printed electrodes from** carbon nanofibers modified with cobalt phthalocyanine (CNF-CoPc/SPE)
- Study of the electrochemical properties of the sensor towards PBS 0.1 M and PCA 10⁻³M solution.
- Study of the influence of the scanning rate on the electrochemical behavior of the biosensors in the solution of PCA 10⁻³M.
- Performing a calibration curve using solutions with different PCA concentrations.
 - **Cuantification of PCA from fitoproducts using CNF-CoPc/SPE.**

Sensor preparation

FTIR analysis of the sensor



Conclusion

- The sensor has been shown to have good sensitivity, selectivity and reproducibility for the detection of PCA.
- The sensor developed in this study could be used in the fitoproduct quality control.

It was obtained a linear dependence between I_a and v¹/₂, which demonstrates that the redox process of PCA is controlled by the diffusion process. The PCA from three fitoproducts was qualitatively and quantitatively determined using CNF-CoPc/SPE sensor with good sensitivity. The results were validated by FTIR method and compared with the values provided by the producers obtaining good correlations.