# Sensory polymeric foams as a tool for improving sensing performance of sensory polymers

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#### S1. Colorimetric detection of Hg(II)



S1.1 Green (G) and Blue (B) parameters variation of images of sensory discs and the reference material

**Figure S1**. Evolution of the green parameter (G) of images of sensory films along time upon entering into contact with a water solution of Hg(II) (913 ppm).



**Figure S2**. Evolution of the blue parameter (B) of images of sensory films along time upon entering into contact with a water solution of Hg(II) (913 ppm).

## *S1.2 Titration of Hg(II) examining the analysis of the RGB parameters of both foamed and solid discs using a digital picture*

### S1.2.1 Foamed discs

**Table S1.** Hg(II) concentrations, RGB parameters and **PC1** of each foamed disk. Values in red were neglected for plotting the titration curves.

| Hg(II), ppb | Log [Hg(II), ppb] | R   | G   | В   | PC1 (R&G) |
|-------------|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----------|
| 0           | n/a               | 215 | 215 | 191 | Not used  |
| 1,00E-07    | -7                | 16  | 28  | 32  | -0,5770   |
| 5,00E-07    | -6,3010           | 14  | 31  | 32  | -0,5666   |
| 1,00E-06    | -6                | 18  | 28  | 35  | -0,5596   |
| 2,00E-06    | -5,6989           | 13  | 22  | 27  | Not used  |
| 3,00E-06    | -5,5228           | 18  | 32  | 33  | -0,5226   |



**Figure S3.** Variation of the **PC1** *vs* the logarithm of the Hg(II) concentration. Upon fitting with a two-degree polynomial, the mercury concentration in the test sample was calculated.

### S1.2.2 Solid discs

| Hg(II), ppb | Log [Hg(II), ppb] | R  | G   | В  | PC1 (R&G) |
|-------------|-------------------|----|-----|----|-----------|
| 0           | n/a               | 39 | 113 | 98 | Not used  |
| 1,00E-07    | -7                | 20 | 100 | 73 | -0,7688   |
| 5,00E-07    | -6,3010           | 28 | 95  | 80 | -0,2183   |
| 1,00E-06    | -6                | 28 | 97  | 80 | -0,3501   |
| 2,00E-06    | -5,6989           | 22 | 83  | 66 | Not used  |
| 3,00E-06    | -5,5228           | 88 | 86  | 91 | 2,0352    |

**Table S2.** Hg(II) concentrations, RGB parameters and **PC1** of each solid disk. Values in red wereneglected for plotting the titration curves.



**Figure S4.** Variation of the **PC1** *vs* the logarithm of the Hg(II) concentration. Upon fitting with a two-degree polynomial, the mercury concentration in the test sample was calculated.