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A successful class of selective microelectrodes is the microelectrodes realized by covering conducting wires with selective membranes, being simple and without requiring internal reference electrode. Depending on their dimension, form and configuration, the microsensors could be also used as portable tools for medical diagnosis.

Statistical parameters

[Ca ²⁺], mol/L	Mean Potential (mV)	Standard deviation	Standard deviation of the mean
10 ⁻²	268.02	0.98	0.20
10 ⁻³	246.06	0.43	0.09
10 ⁻⁴	222.86	0.38	0.08

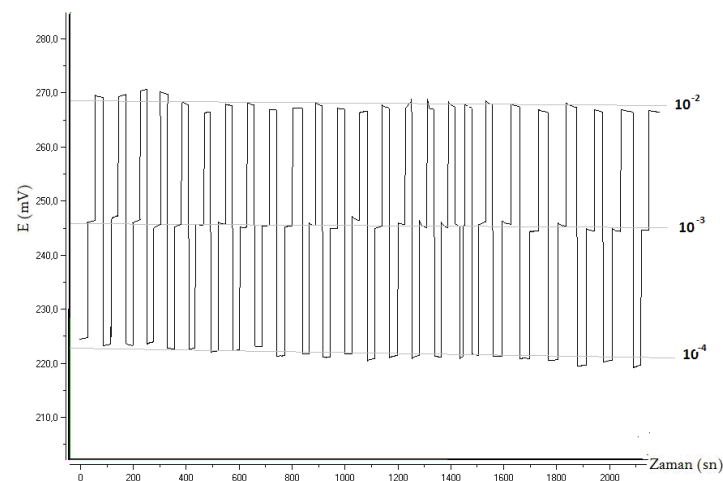
Electrochemical measurements have been performed on a multichannel potentiometer with associated software (ISEMS-4, Medisen). As reference electrode it has been used a homemade micro-sized solid-state Ag/AgCl reference electrode.

The prepared microelectrode exhibited **fast, selective and reproducible response** against Ca²⁺ ion in the presence of interfering ions.

The lower value of the standard deviation of the mean indicates a higher reliability of the results.

Selectivity constants calculated for PVC-matrix Ca²⁺ - selective microelectrode.

Interfering ion, <i>i</i>	K _{Ca,i}	log K _{Ca,i}
Mg ²⁺	2.39x10 ⁻⁴	-3.62
Na ⁺	1.09x10 ⁻⁴	-3.96
K ⁺	7.38x10 ⁻⁵	-4.13
Li ⁺	1.47x10 ⁻⁴	-3.83
NH ₄ ⁺	3.06x10 ⁻⁵	-4.51
Sr ²⁺	9.43x10 ⁻²	-1.02
Ba ²⁺	1.70x10 ⁻³	-2.77



The electrochemical dynamic characteristics of the calcium microsensor: Nernstian response, 6s for response time, detection limit of 3.26x10⁻⁶ mol/L allow its usage for assessing the calcium level from complex biological matrices.

Repeatability of the obtained Ca²⁺ - selective microelectrode

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