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Dear Editor,

We kindly ask you to consider our manuscript entitled »Model electrochemical biosensor for the detection of methanol in aqueous solutions with yeast cells« by Zala Štukovnik, prof. dr. Urban Bren and Martin Rozman for publication in *Acta Chimica Slovenica – special issue for 26th Annual Meeting of the Slovenian Chemical Society*.

The manuscript is innovative and describes a new type of biosensor, that uses yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* as the active component on stainless steel surface, that can be optionally modified with WO₃ thin film. Developed biosensor device can detect presence of methanol which is due to reaction of yeast and detachment from electrode surface. Presented model of biosensor serves as a proof-of-concept for other biosensors that use live material such as human tissue cells and can be used in environment monitoring or clinical diagnostics. Different electrochemical and microscopical techniques were used to investigate behavior and operational parameters of assembled biosensor devices.

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Thank you for your careful reading. We await your response once the review process is complete.

Sincerely,
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