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# Comparison of ZnMgO/ZnO Coaxial Core-shell Structures with ZnO Nanorods for detection and Gas Sensors

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# ZnO Properties & Applications

Property	Value
Lattice parameters at 300 K (nm)	$a_0$ : 0.32495 $c_0$ : 0.52069
Density (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	5.606
Stable phase at 300 K	Wurtzite
Melting point (°C)	1975
Thermal conductivity	0.6, 1-1.2
Linear thermal expansion coefficient	$a_0$ : $6.5 \times 10^{-6}$ $c_0$ : $3.0 \times 10^{-6}$
Static dielectric constant	8.656
Refractive index	2.008, 2.029
Energy bandgap (eV)	Direct, 3.37
Exciton binding energy (meV)	60
Electron effective mass	0.24
Electron Hall mobility, n-type at 300 K (cm <sup>2</sup> V <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	200
Hole effective mass	0.59
Hole Hall mobility, p-type at 300 K (cm <sup>2</sup> V <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )	5 - 50

## Applications

UV-Diode<sup>1</sup>

Gas Sensor<sup>2</sup>

Bio-Sensors<sup>3</sup>

Solar Cells<sup>4</sup>

Nano-generators<sup>5</sup>

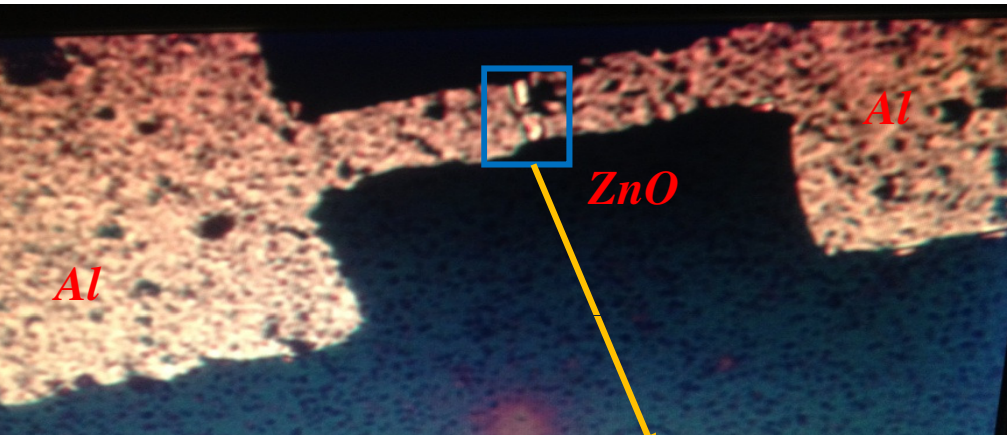
FETs<sup>6</sup>

Thermoelectric Applications<sup>7</sup>

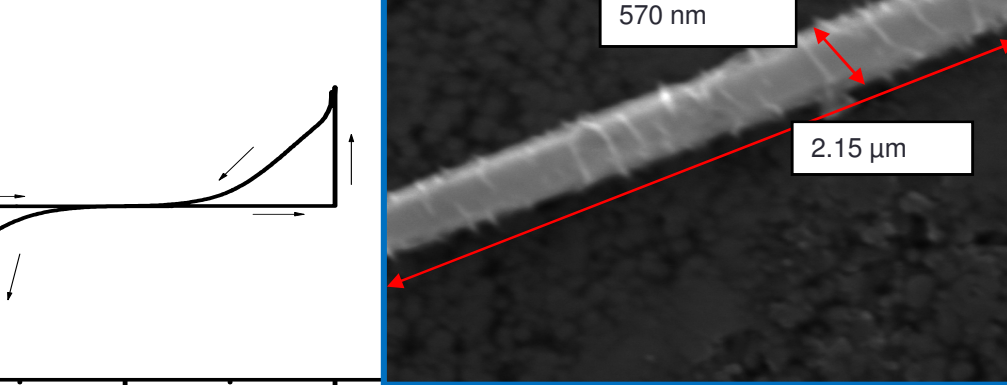
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# Applications Demonstrated by our group

## Memory Device

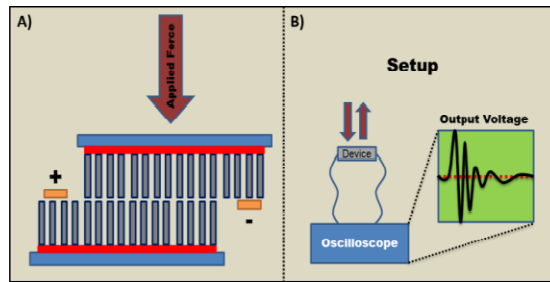
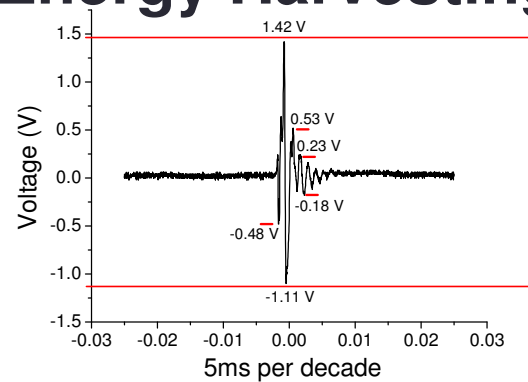


## Microscope

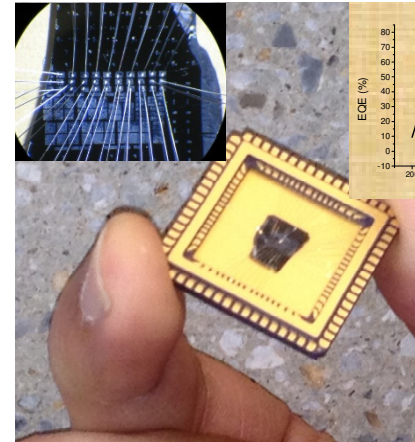


SEM Image of ZnO horizontal NW

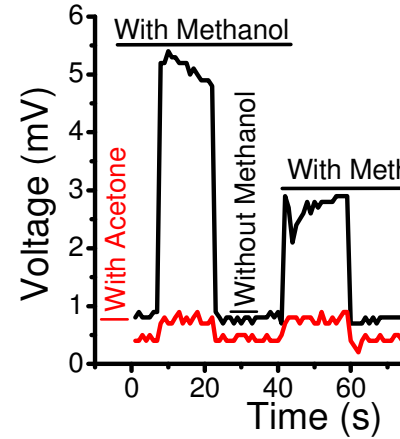
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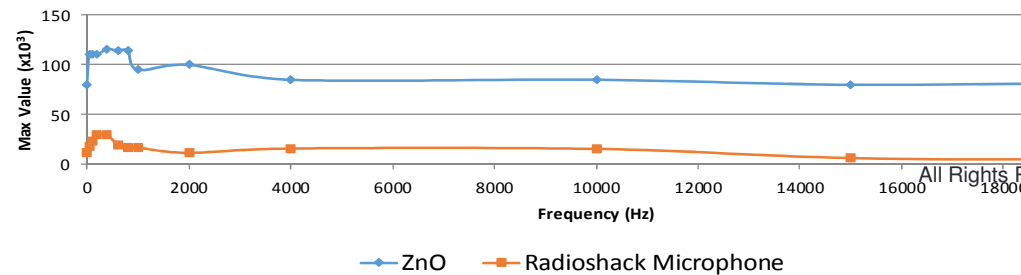
## Deep UV Det



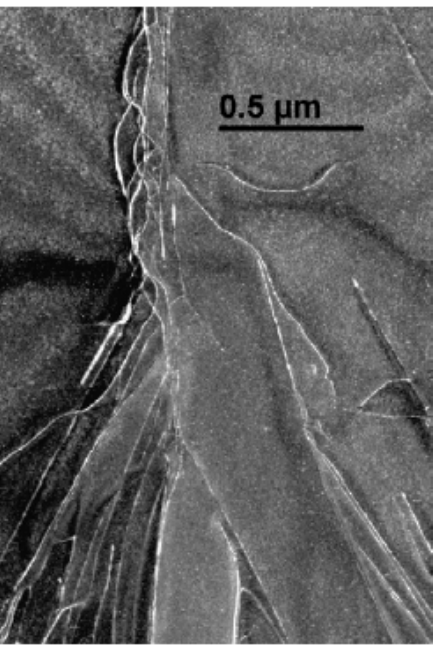
## Gas Sensi



## Acoustics

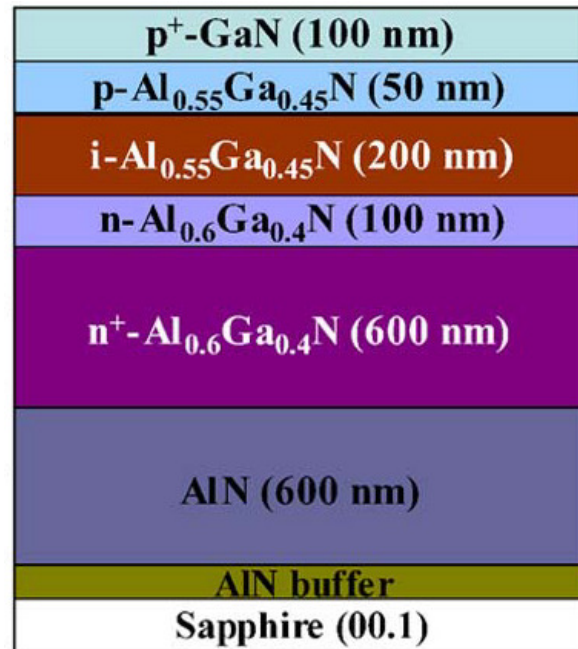


# Material Choice



Micrograph showing dislocations in AlGaIn  
Cicek *et al.*, J. Crystal Growth 310 (2008)

Using  $\text{Al}_x\text{Ga}_{1-x}\text{N}$ -based  
materials generate **dislocations** and  
due to lattice and thermal



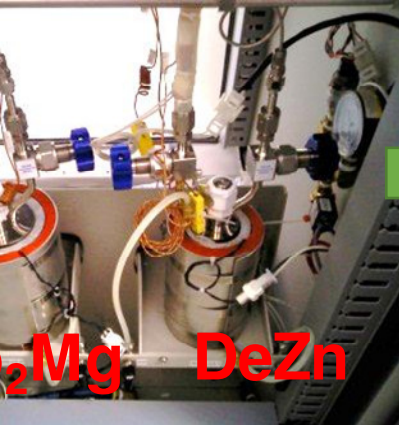
Device cross section of a AlGaIn-based uv  
detector Cicek *et al.* (Razeghi's group)  
[Optics Lett. Vol. 37, No. 5, Mar 1, 2012])

- Lack of free standing substrates for III-N films
- Layered structure introduces added complexity to the growth process

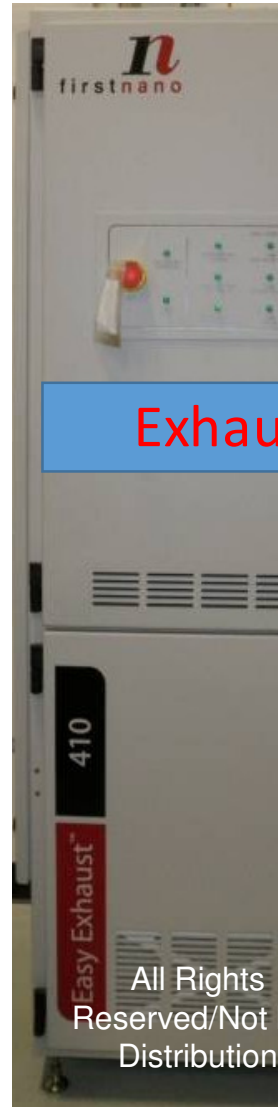
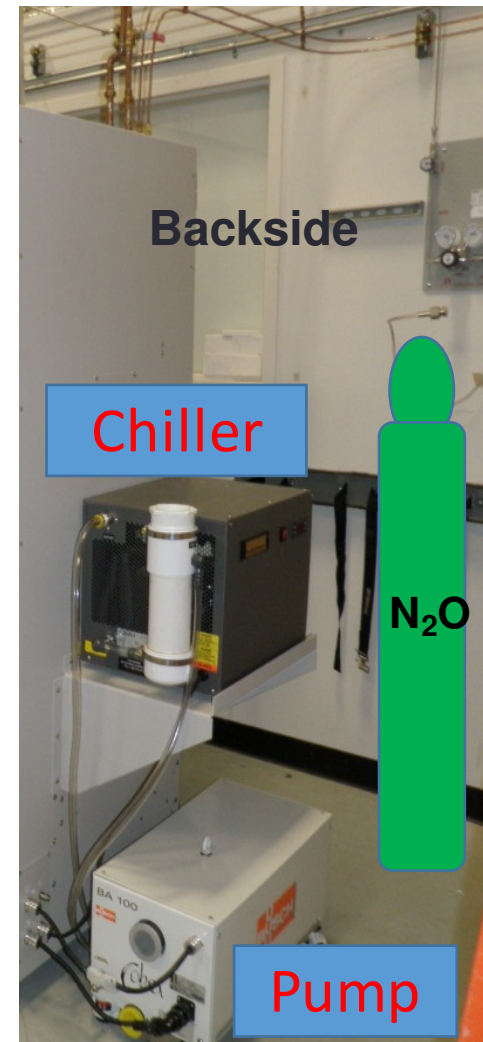
## ZnO Features

- Large direct bandgap energy  $\sim 3.37$  eV
- The direct bandgap of ZnO can be engineered to large values by doping with Mn
- Capability to be grown on cheap Si substrates
- Piezoelectric property and biocompatibility

# MOCVD Growth



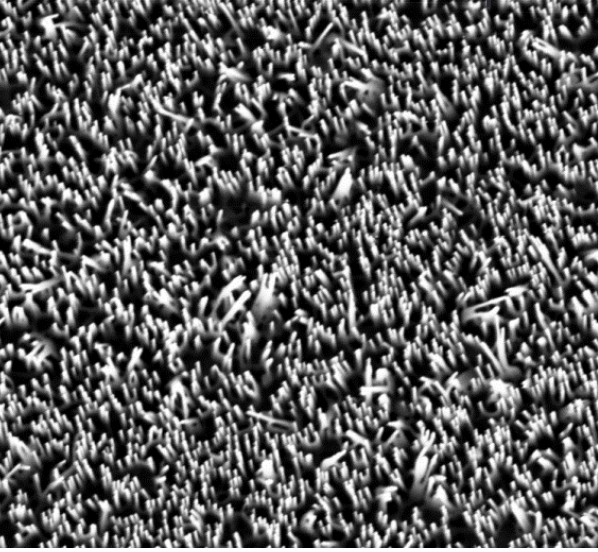
- First Nano EasyTube 3000
- 3 zone resistance furnace for temperature upto 1100 °C
- 5" quartz reaction chamber
- Base pressure <50 mTorr



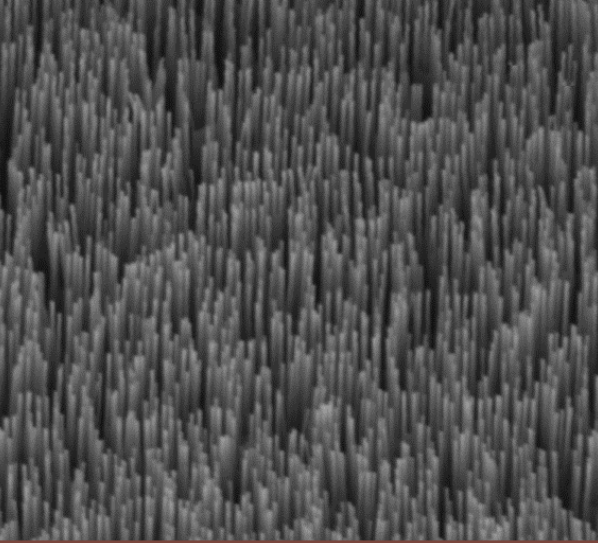
aN

- Diameter: 20 – 40 nm
- Length: 0.70 – 1.00  $\mu\text{m}$

Top View



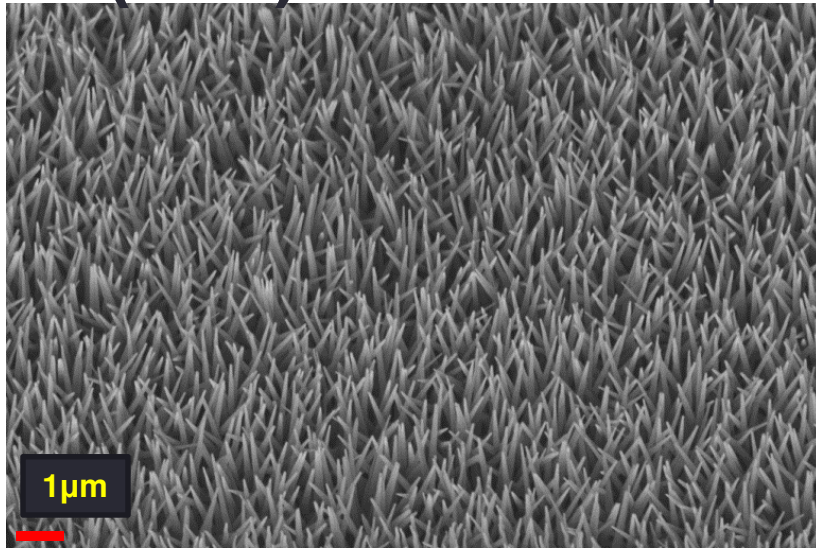
with respect to Electron Beam



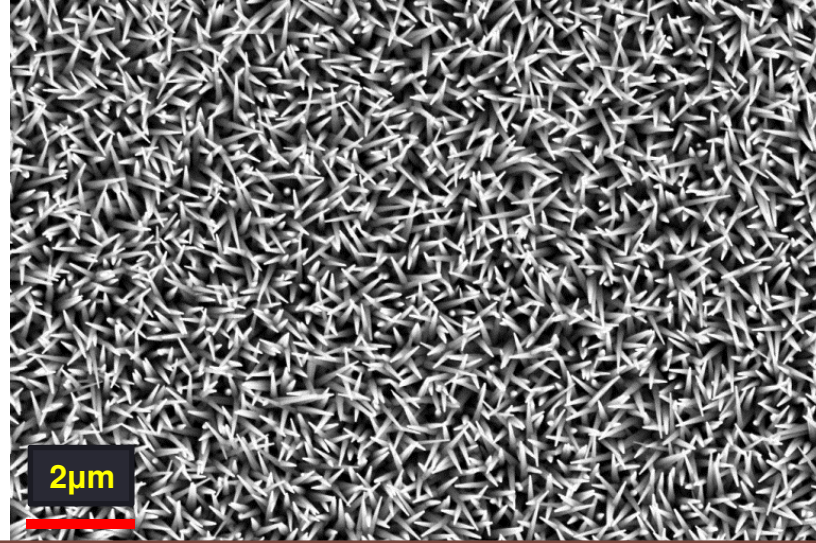
p-Si  
(100)

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- Diameter: 100 – 200 nm
- Length: 1.00 – 1.50  $\mu\text{m}$

Top View



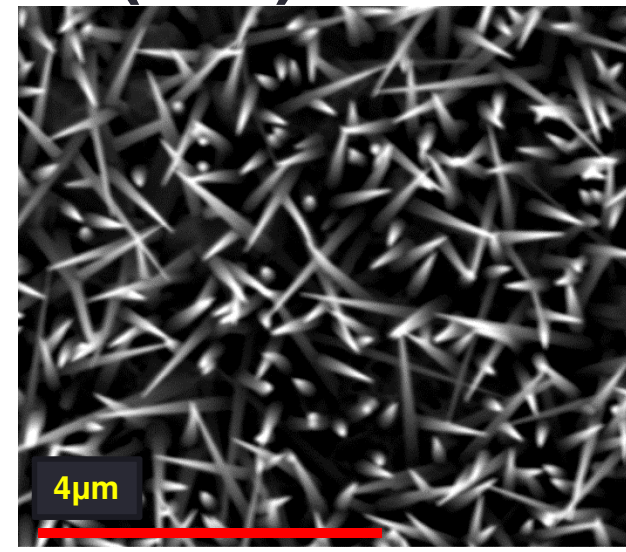
45° Shift with respect to Electron Beam



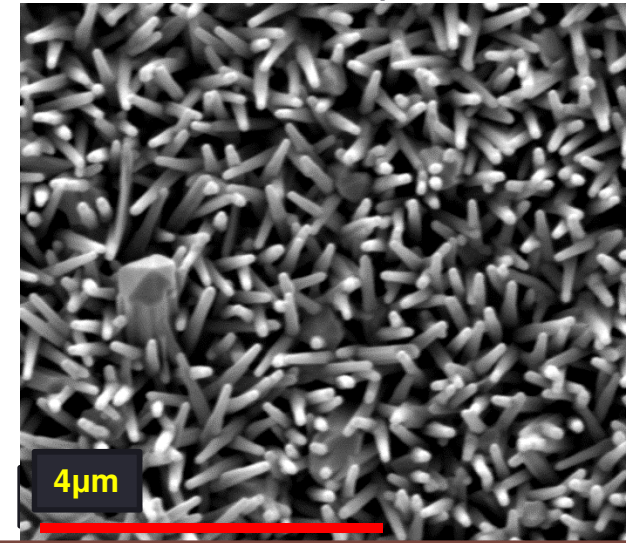
p-Si  
(111)

- Diameter: 90 – 100 nm
- Length: 1 – 1.5  $\mu\text{m}$

Top View



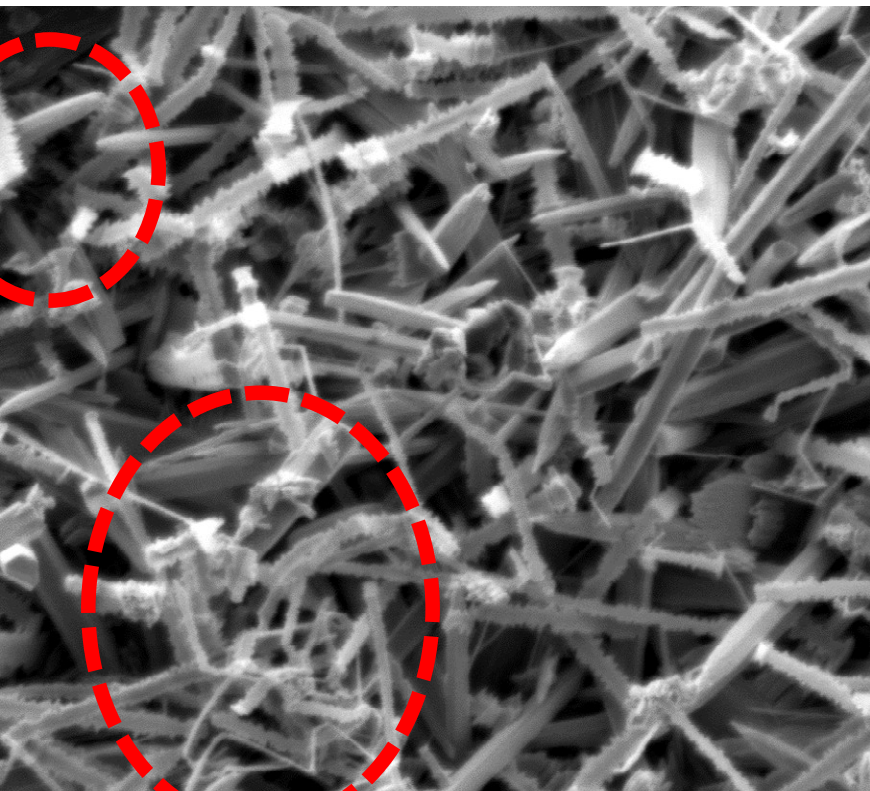
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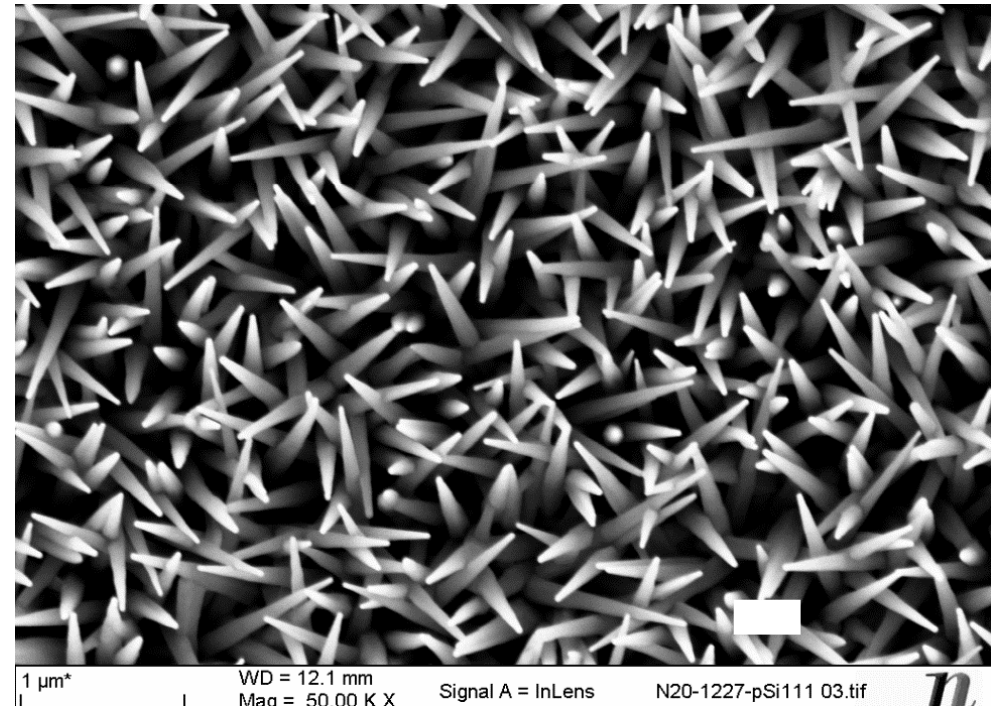


# Comparison of Au Catalyst assisted/No Catalyst Growth: Growth Direction and Alignment

**Catalyst assisted growth**

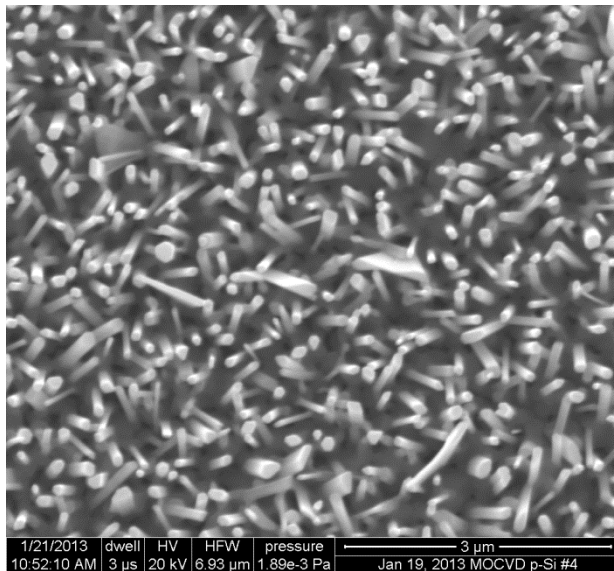


**Growth using MOCVD without catalyst**



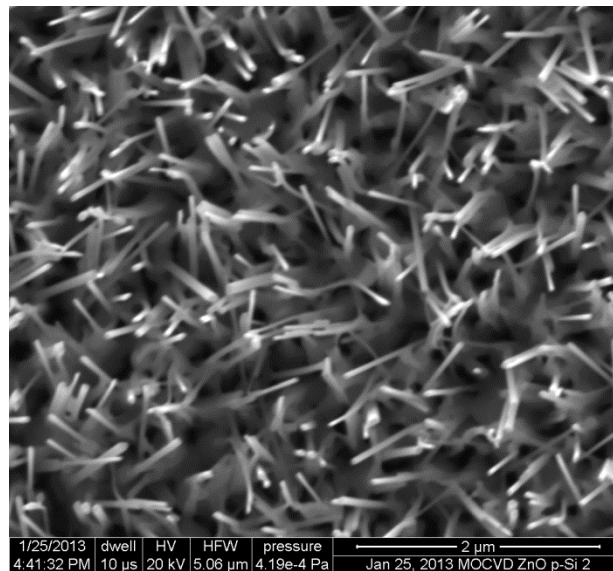
**Differences: Size (length & diameter), Orientation, Gold Particles, Tip Shape.**

# Structural Quality Vs. Annealing



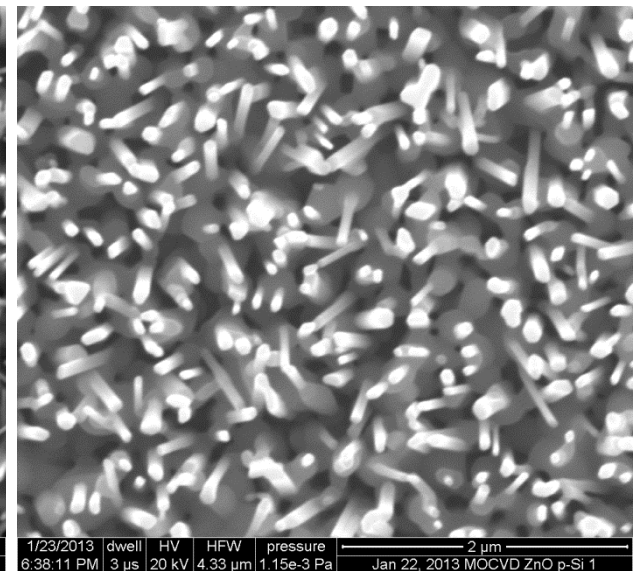
ETA 635

- ZnO epitaxy annealed at 635C
- NWs are NOT annealed



ETA 800

- ZnO epitaxy annealed at 800C
- NWs are NOT annealed



ENTA 800

- ZnO epitaxy annealed at 800C
- NWs are annealed at 800C

- Annealing the epitaxy does not affect the ZnO NWs morphology because the NWs are already lattice matched with the ZnO epitaxy
- Annealing the NWs decreases the surface area to volume ratio which may be related to the decrease in c-lattice constant of the NWs

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# ZnO Nanorods via Hydrothermal Synthesis

## 2 Step Epi-Layer

### Solution:

50mL Methanol  
0.09g  $\text{Zn}(\text{CH}_3\text{COOH})_2$   
0.12g KOH

### Spin

500 rpm, 5 sec  
3000 rpm, 30 sec  
10min at  $60^\circ\text{C}$

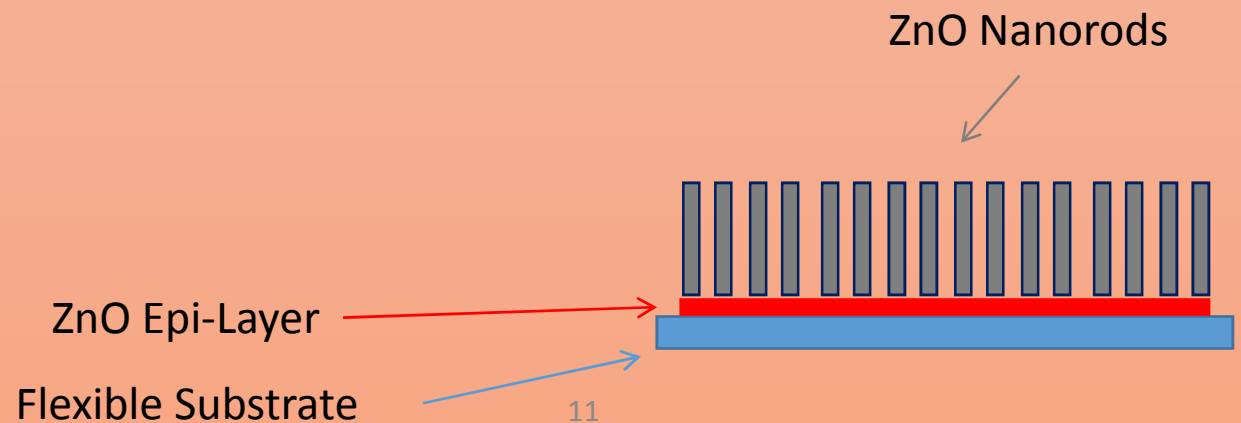
### Suspend sample in:

0.1M  $\text{Zn}(\text{NO}_3)_2$   
0.1M HMTA  
60min at  $90^\circ\text{C}$

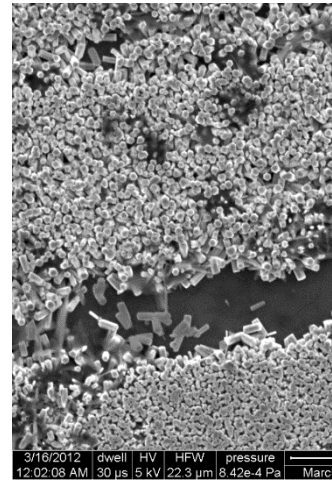
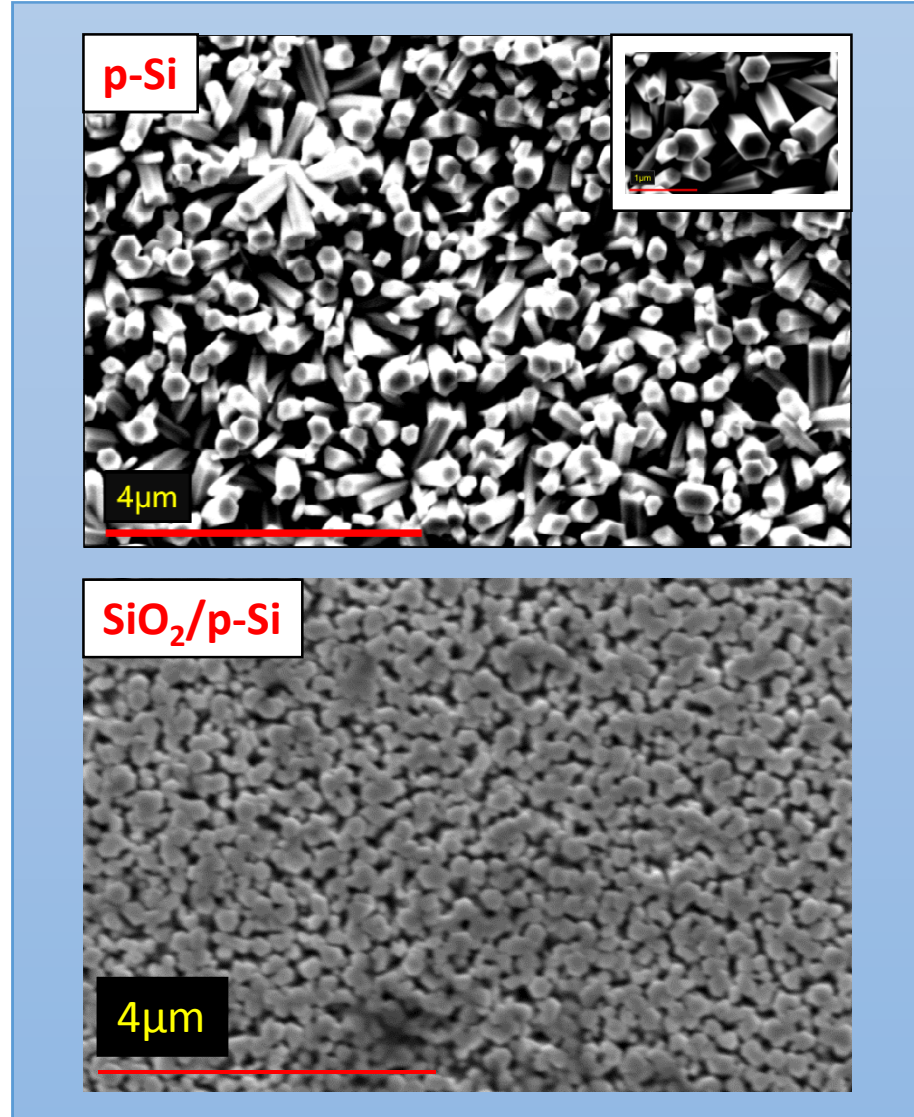
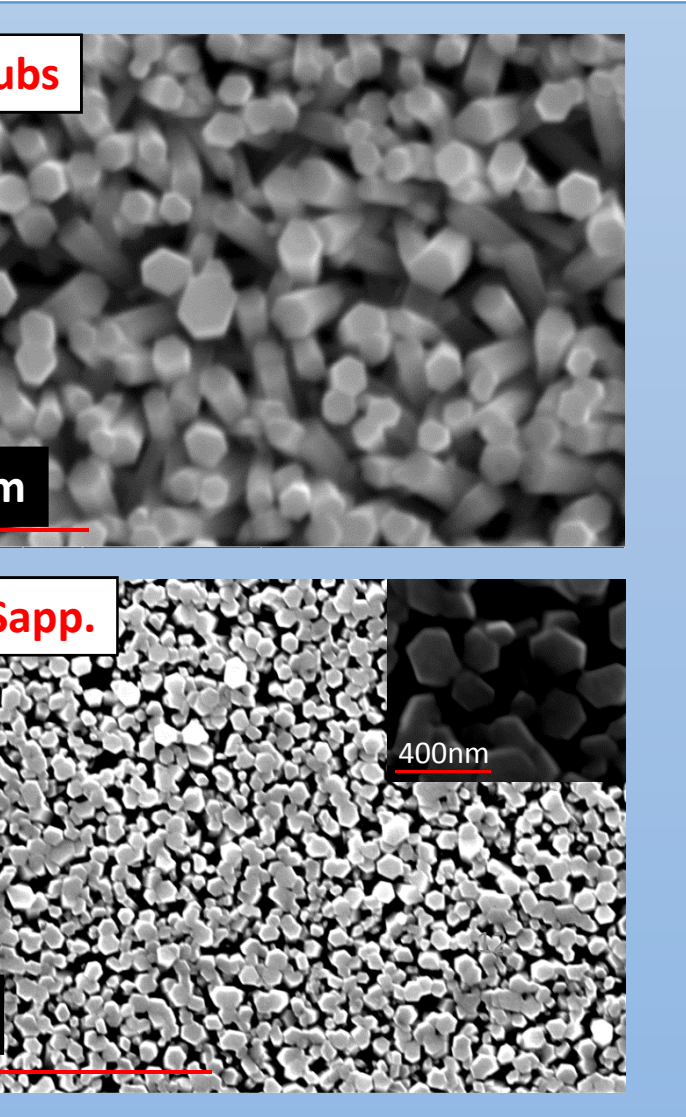
## Hydrothermal

### Suspend sample in:

0.1M  $\text{Zn}(\text{NO}_3)_2$   
0.1M HMTA  
7h at  $70^\circ\text{C}$



# M of ZnO Nanorods grown on Flexible Substrates p-Si, GaN and SiO<sub>2</sub>/p-Si

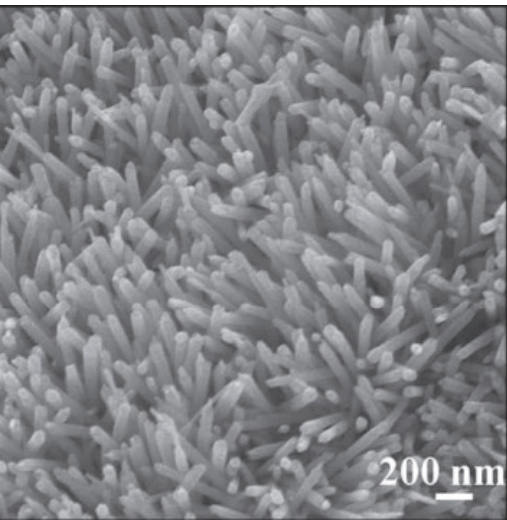


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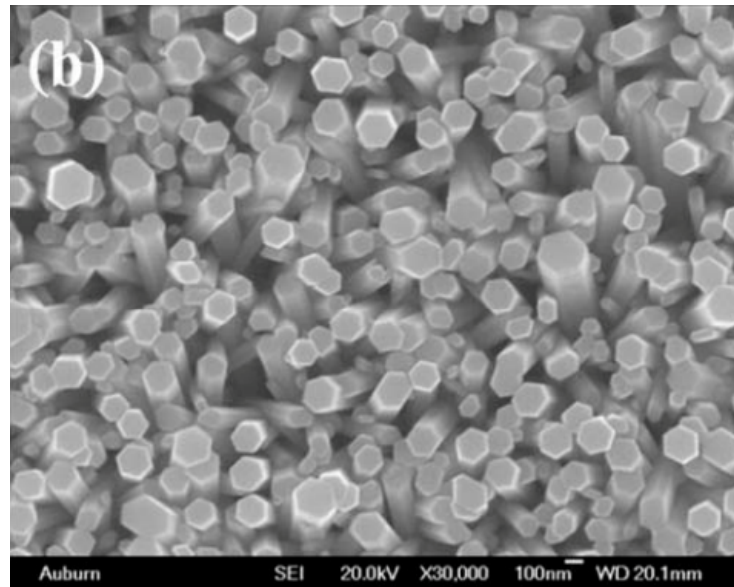
# Reported Work



ZnO grown on paper using thermal evaporation

Thickness: 60-70nm  
Length: 1.5um

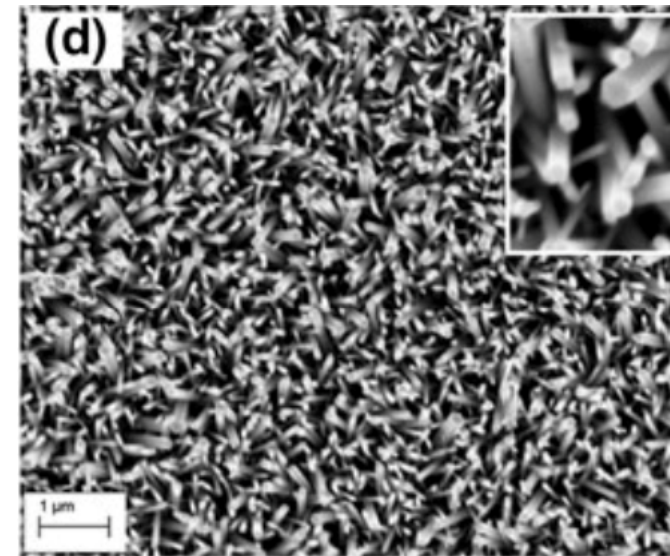
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Nirmal et al Adv. Mater. 22, (2010) 4059



ZnO grown on flexible polyimide film grown via chemical solution

Thickness: 100-250nm  
Length: 1.5um

H. Ahn et al Electrochemical and Solid-State Lett. 13, (11) (2010) J125



ZnO grown on flexible substrate using CBD, with seed layer deposited via RF sputtering

T.A. Nirmal et al J. Nanopart Res (2013)

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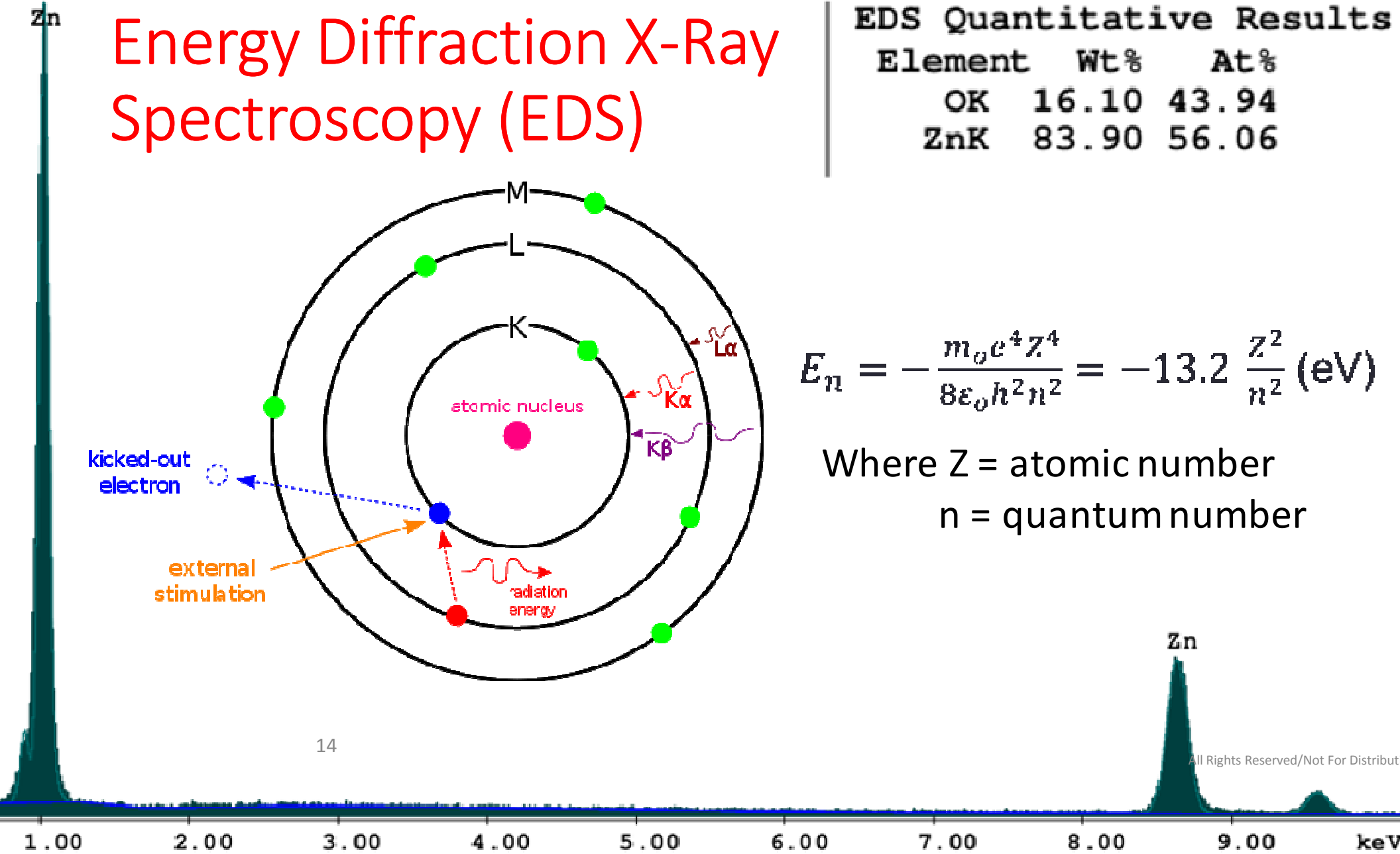
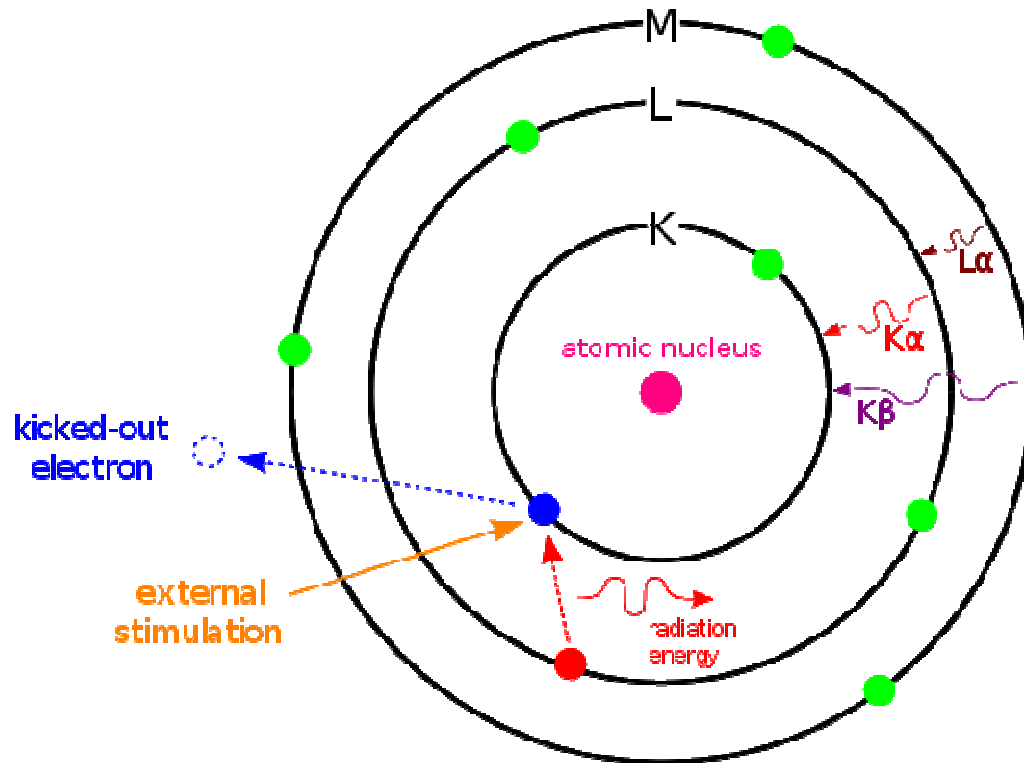
# Energy Dispersive X-Ray Spectroscopy (EDS)

## EDS Quantitative Results

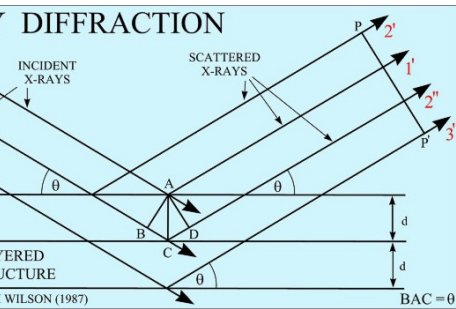
Element	Wt%	At%
OK	16.10	43.94
ZnK	83.90	56.06

$$E_n = -\frac{m_0 e^4 Z^4}{8 \epsilon_0 h^2 n^2} = -13.2 \frac{Z^2}{n^2} \text{ (eV)}$$

Where Z = atomic number  
n = quantum number



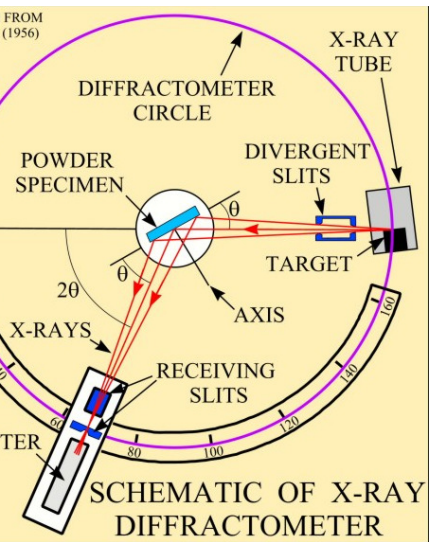
# X-ray Diffraction



BRAGG LAW

$$2d(\sin\theta) = \lambda_0$$

$d$  = interplanar spacing of the crystal  
 $\theta$  = x-ray incidence angle (Bragg angle)  
 $\lambda_0$  = wavelength of the characteristic x-rays



Calculate the  $c$  &  $a$ -lattice constant  
Wurtzite crystals

Eq from: "Elements of X-Rays  
Diffraction" by Cullity, page 310

$$\sin^2\theta = \frac{\lambda^2}{4} \left[ \frac{4}{3} \left( \frac{h^2 + hk + k^2}{a^2} \right) + \frac{l^2}{c^2} \right]$$

Calculation for<sup>1</sup>

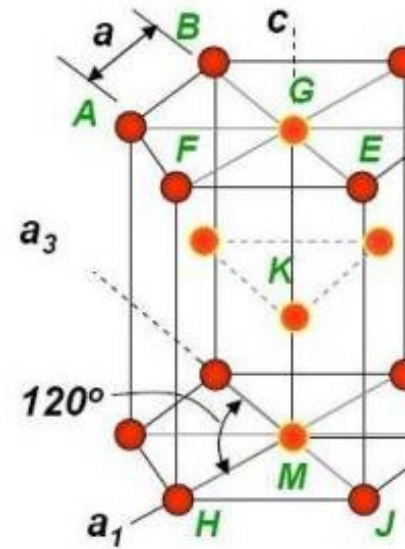
$$\theta_1 = \frac{34.38}{2} = 17.19; \theta_2 = \frac{34.34}{2} = 17.17$$

$$\lambda = 1.5427 \times 10^{-10}; h = k = 0; l = 2;$$

$\lambda$  correspond to  $CuK\alpha$

$$c_1 = 5.2199 \times 10^{-10};$$

$$c_2 = 5.2258 \times 10^{-10}$$

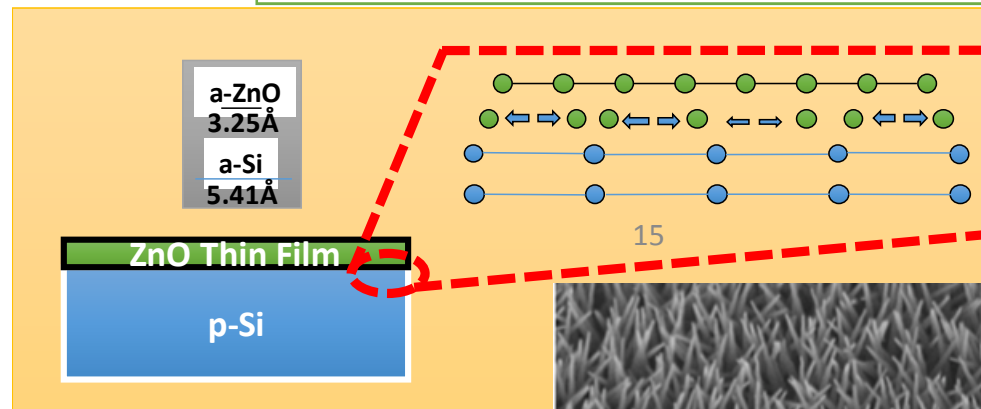


ZnO Wurtzite Atoms A

Stress-Strain Calculation

$$\epsilon_{\perp} = \frac{c_{grown} - c_0}{c_0}; \epsilon_{\parallel} = \frac{a_{grown} - a_0}{a_0}$$

Lattice Mismatch of seed layer with substrate



Lattice Mismatch

$$\frac{a_{ZnO} - a_{Si}}{a_{Si}} =$$

$$\frac{3.25 - 5.41}{5.41} = -0.386$$

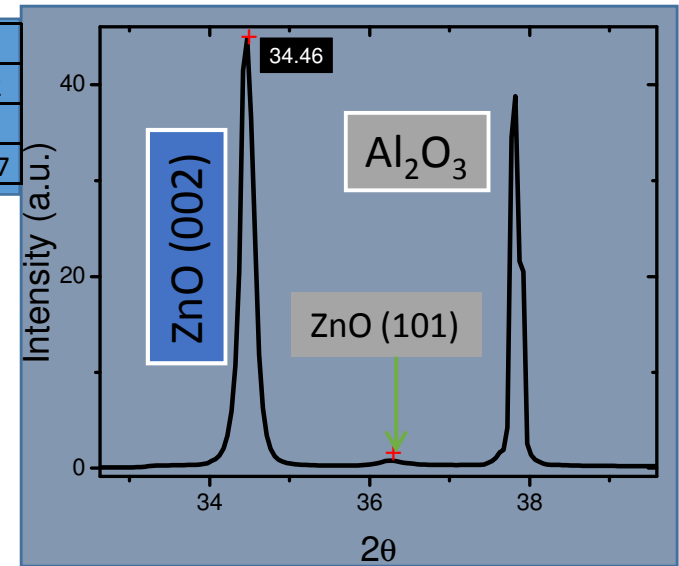
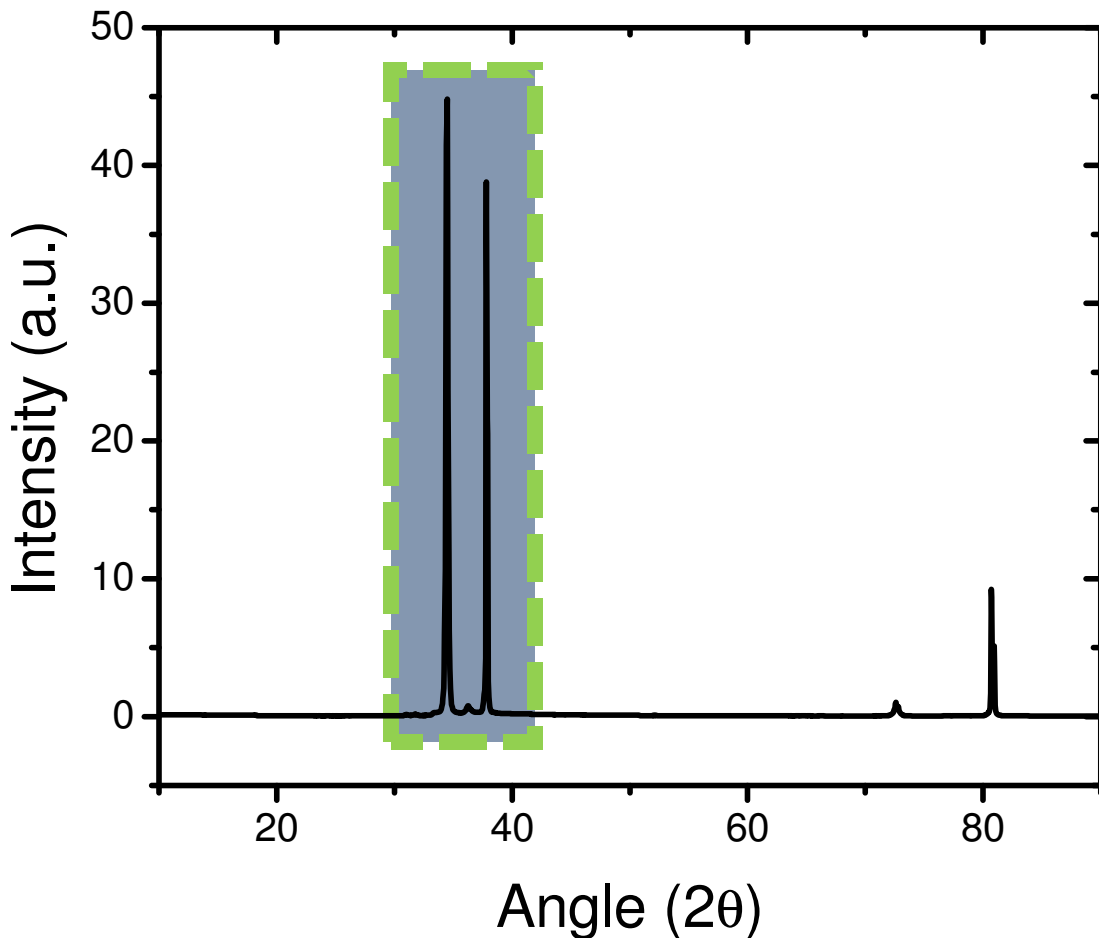
Tensile Strain

# X-Ray Diffraction – ZnO/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>

FWHM = 0.0830° (θ)  
c-lattice = 5.2011 Å

Substrate	Growth Method	c-lattice	FWHM	Reference
GaN	Electrodeposition	5.2031 Å	0.09° (θ)	Luan et al. Adv. Mater. 2010, 22, 3298–3302
GaN	CVD	5.2031 Å	0.09° (θ)	Lee et al. Adv. Mater. 2008, 20, 203110 (2008)
GaAs	MOCVD	5.216 Å	0.323° (θ)	Lee et al. Acta Materialia 52 (2004) 3949-3957

Taken using Bruker D8 Advance CuKα (λ = 1.54 Å) line at Room Temperature



By examining the intensity of  $P_{002} = 45.28$  vs.  $P_{101} = 1.0617$ , the ratio  $\frac{P_2}{P_1} = 0.0234$  or 2.34%.

Calculate c-lattice constant

$$\sin^2 \theta = \frac{\lambda^2}{4} \left[ \frac{4}{3} \left( \frac{h^2 + hk + k^2}{a^2} \right) + \frac{l^2}{c^2} \right]$$

$$\theta_1 = \frac{34.46^\circ}{2} = 17.23^\circ \quad \lambda = 1.5406 \times 10^{-10}$$

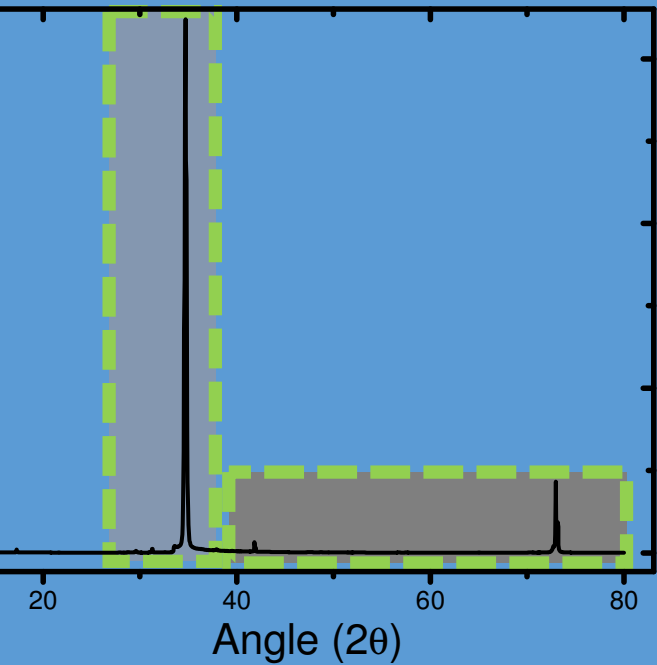
$$h = 1; k = 0; l = 2$$

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ZnO c-lattice = 5.206 Å  
(JCPDS card No. 361451)



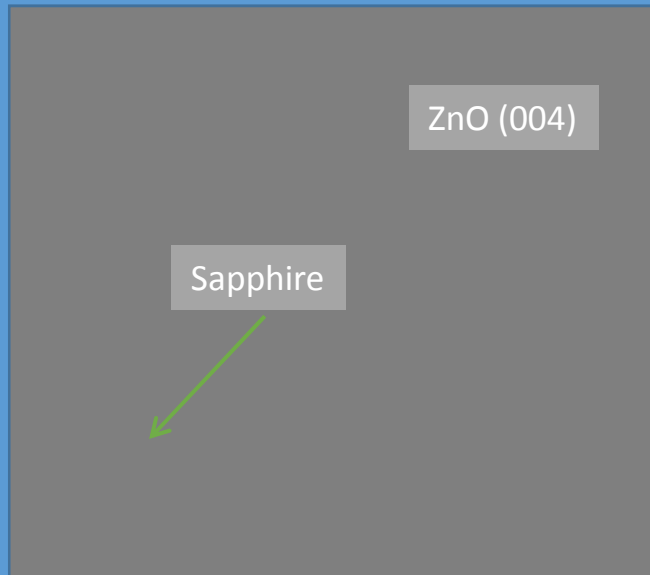
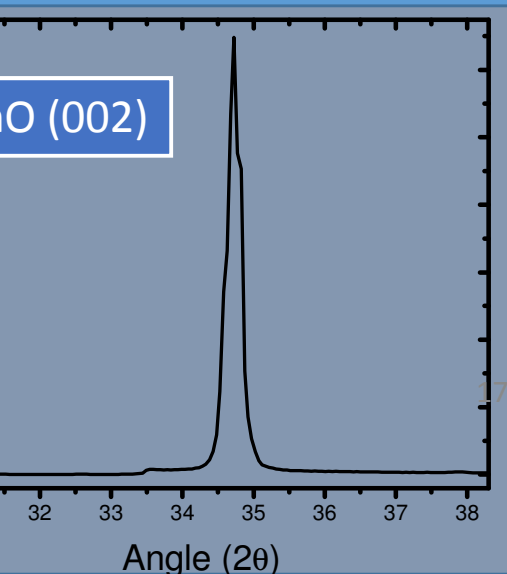
# Ray Diffraction



Diffraction Peak for ZnO (002)  
Confirming Vertical Alignment

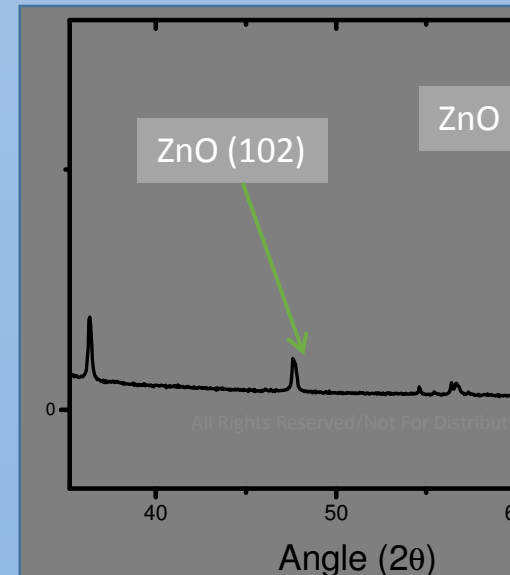
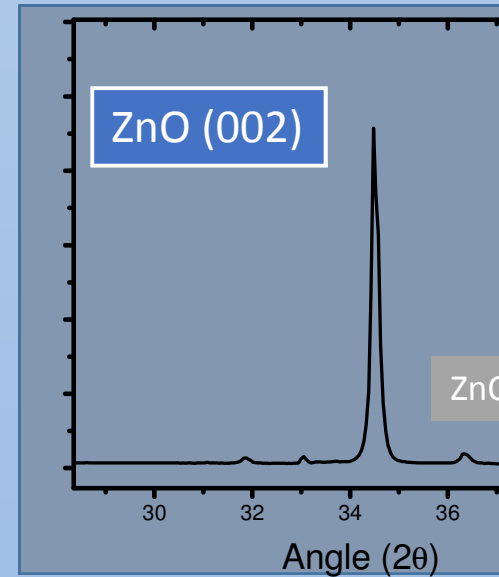
## ZnO/u-GaN

FWHM =  $0.0497^\circ(\theta)$   
c-lattice =  $5.1838 \text{ \AA}$

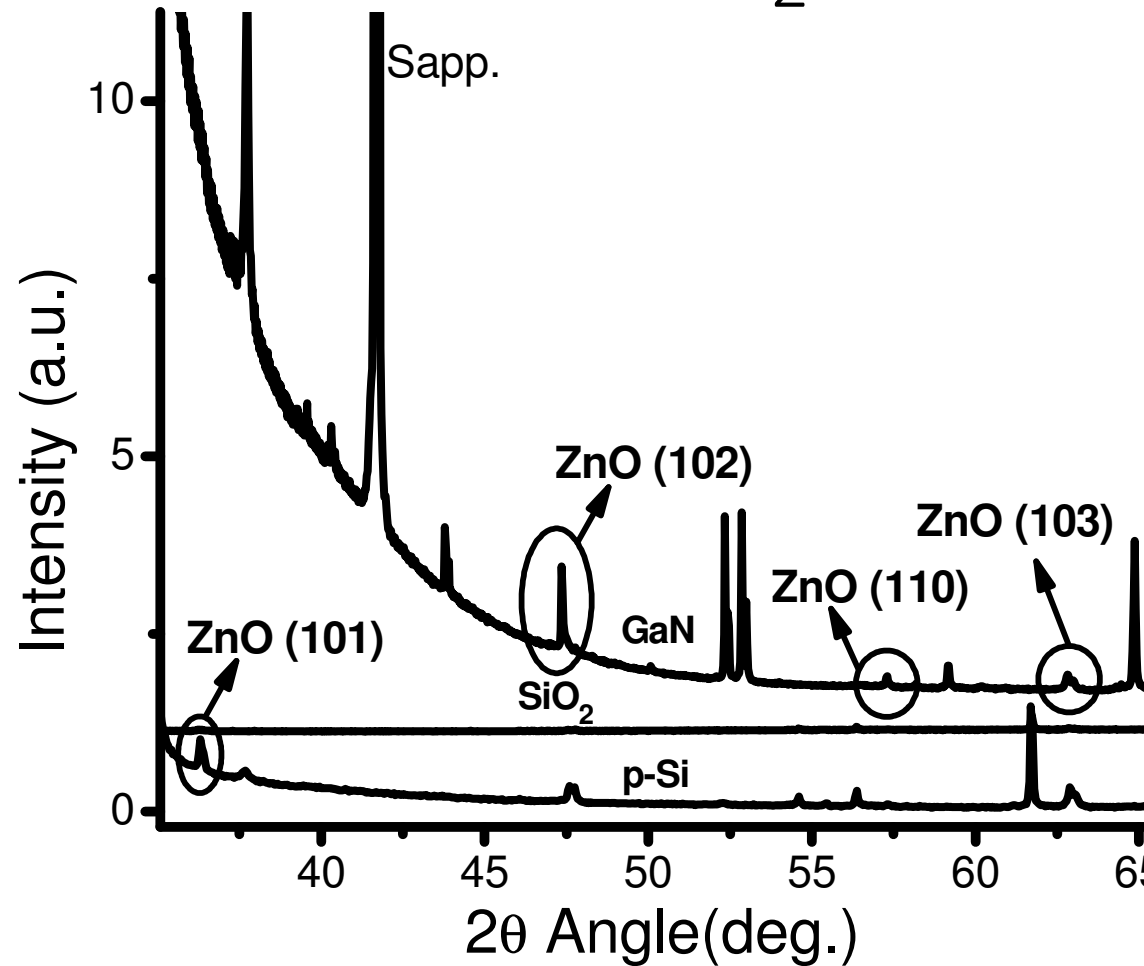
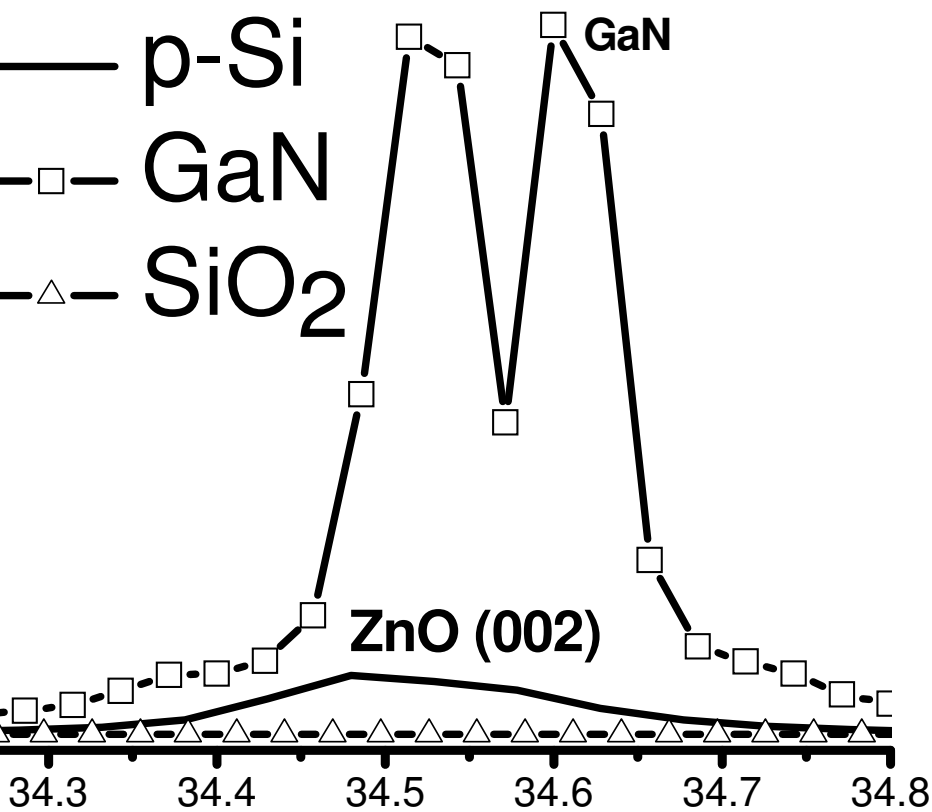


## p-Si (100)

FWHM =  $0.0497^\circ(\theta)$   
c-lattice =  $5.1838 \text{ \AA}$



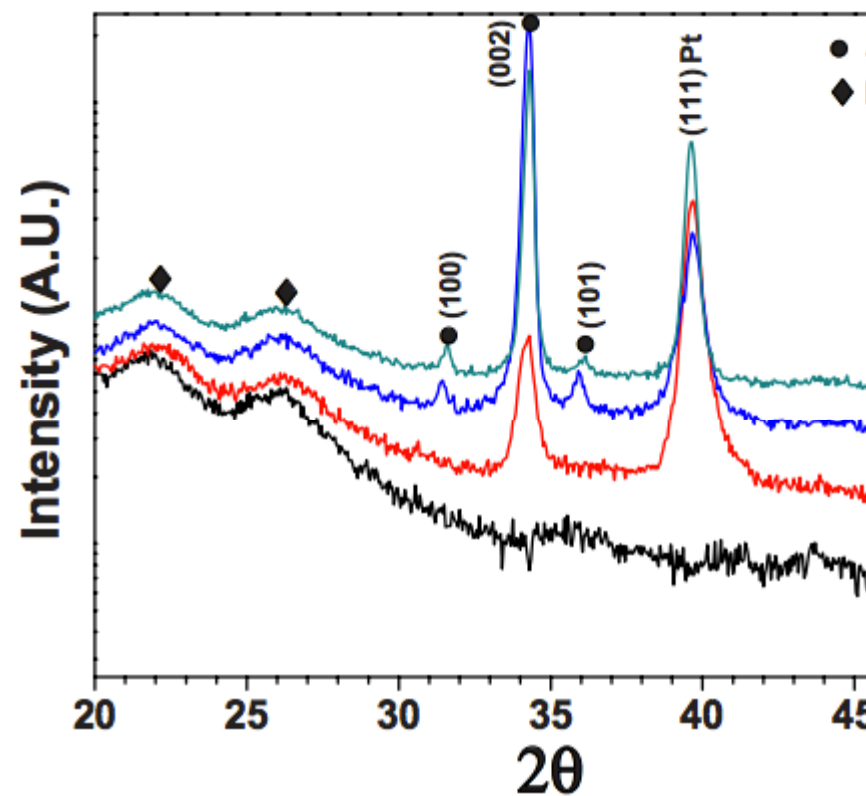
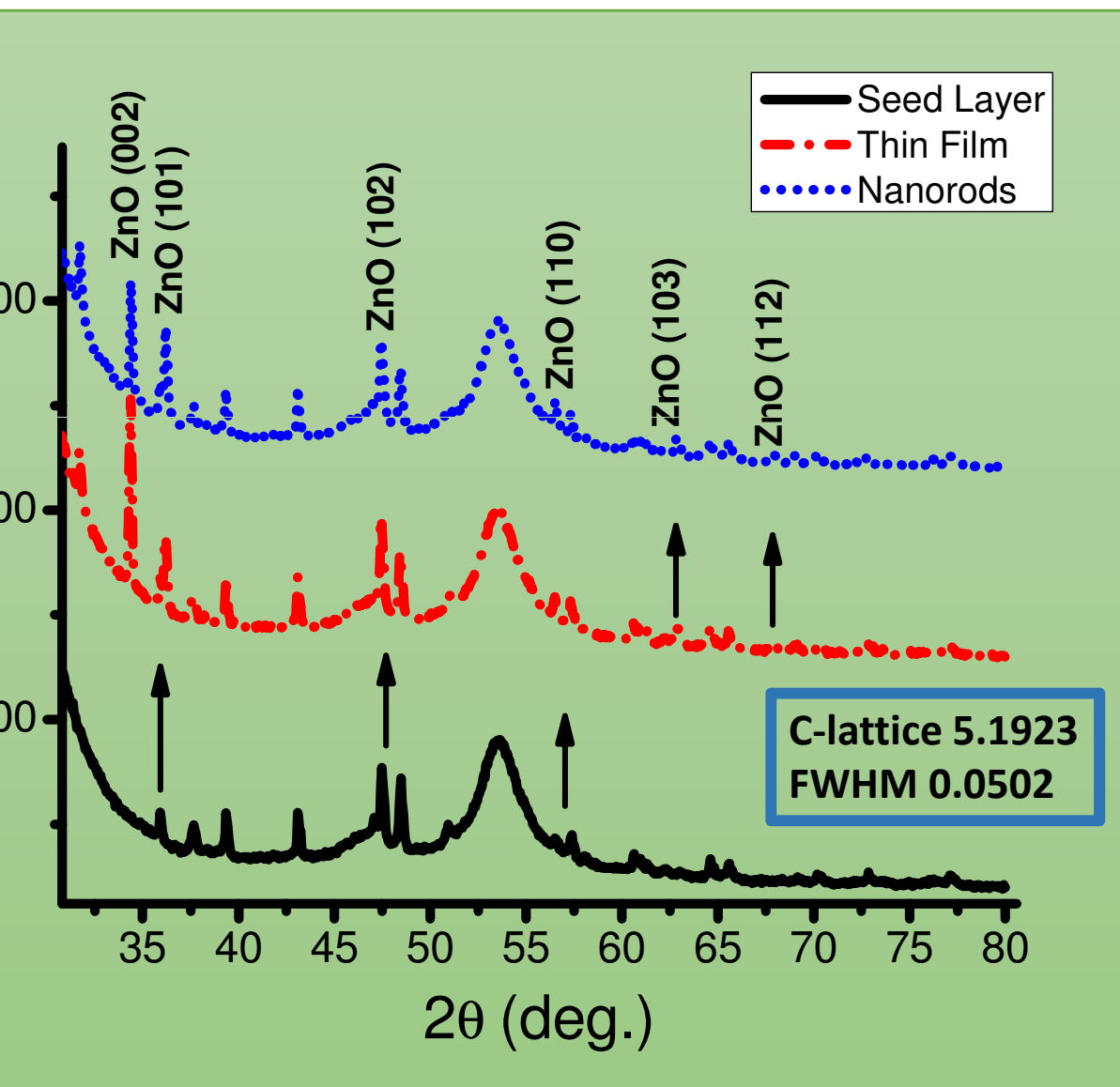
# XRD – ZnO NRs on p-Si, GaN and SiO<sub>2</sub>



	p-Si	GaN	SiO <sub>2</sub>
c-lattice (Å) <sup>18</sup>	5.1971	5.1942	5.19
FWHM 2θ (deg.)	0.0591	0.052	0.0776

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# XRD – ZnO NRs



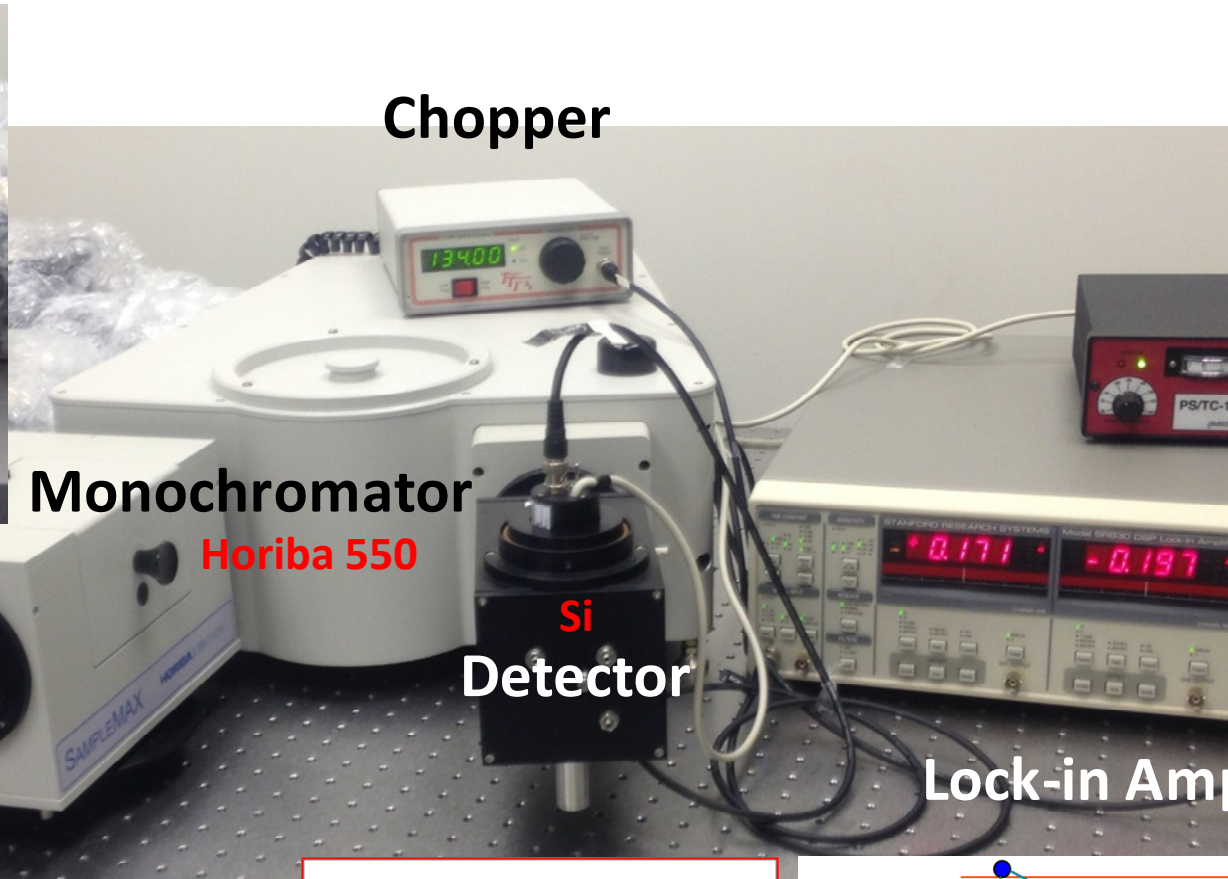
XRD of a) postannealed ZnO NRs, b) as-deposited ZnO NRs, c) ZnO seed layer on Pt electrode substrate

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# Photoluminescence (PL) Measurement Setup



Laser



Chopper

Monochromator

Horiba 550

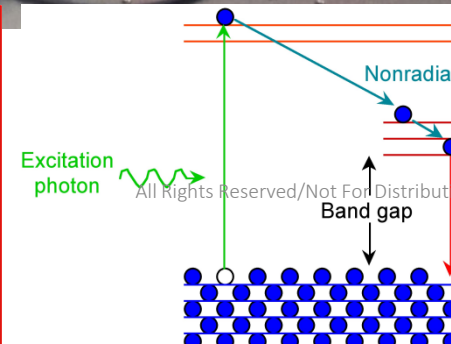
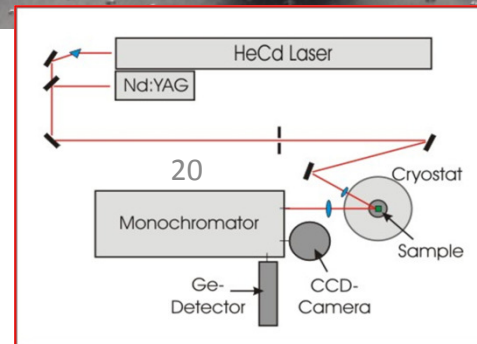
Si

Detector

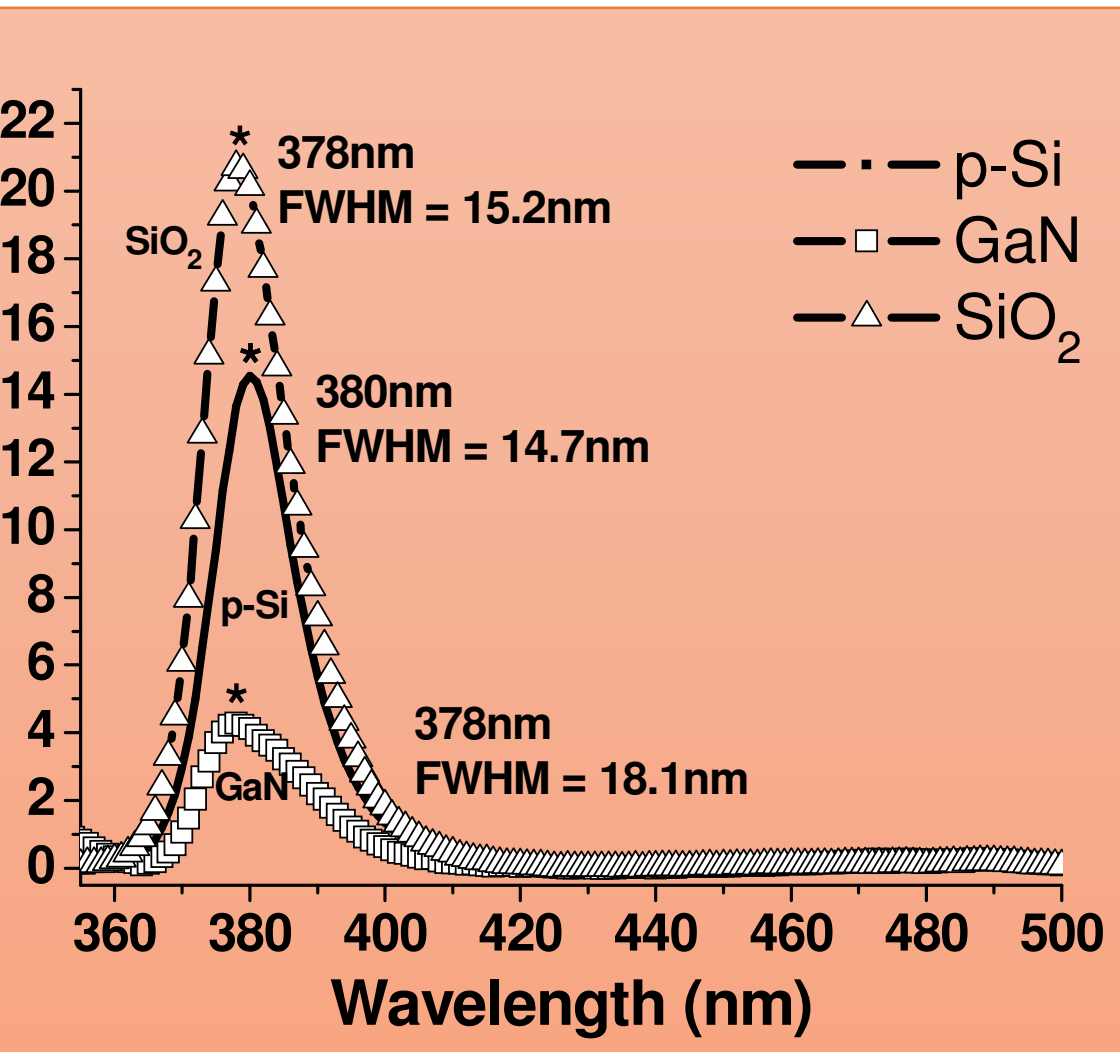
Lock-in Amplifier



Centralized Computer Control



# Photoluminescence (PL)



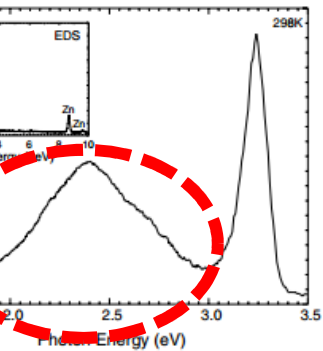
FWHM
SiO <sub>2</sub>
15.2286 nm
p-Si
14.6932 nm
GaN
18.1446 nm

**378 – 381nm**  
 Direct recombination of exciton  
 through exciton-exciton collision

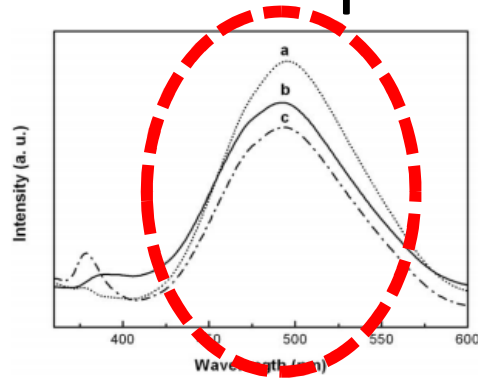
# Traps/Defects in the Visible Spectrum

## er Growth Techniques

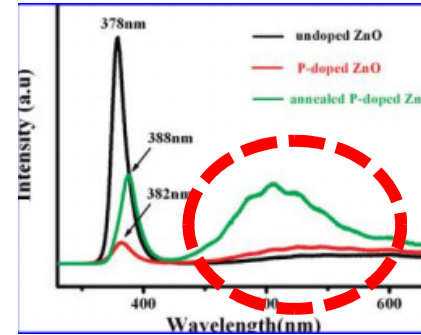
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[Quantum Electronics](#)  
 Volume 34, Issue 4, Jul  
 191–259



Acta Mater., Vol. 52, (2004) 3949-3957  
 ZnO NWs grown on GaAs using  
 Evaporation



Zeng *et al.* Acta Mater., Vol. 57, (2009) 1813-1820  
 ZnO NWs grown on TCO using CVD

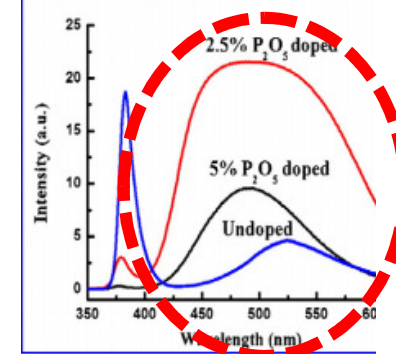


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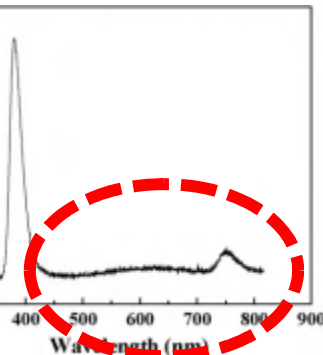
Positions and proposed origin of room temperature PL peaks in ZnO

Peak position (nm)	Proposed origin
373–390	Near-and-edge emission
~402 (77 K)	O <sub>Zn</sub>
~446	Shallow donor-oxygen vacancy transition
~459	Zinc interstitial
~495	Oxygen vacancy
~500/510	Cu <sup>+</sup> /Cu <sup>2+</sup>
~510	Surface defects/defect complexes
~510	Singly ionized oxygen vacancy
~520	Zinc vacancy
~520	O <sub>Zn</sub>
~520	Oxygen vacancies and zinc interstitials
~540	V <sub>Zn</sub> <sup>2+</sup>
~560	Surface defects
~566 (10 K)	Shallow donor–deep acceptor (zinc vacancy)
~580	Oxygen interstitials, Li impurities
~590	Hydroxyl groups
~626	Oxygen interstitials
~750	Oxygen-related defects, zinc interstitials

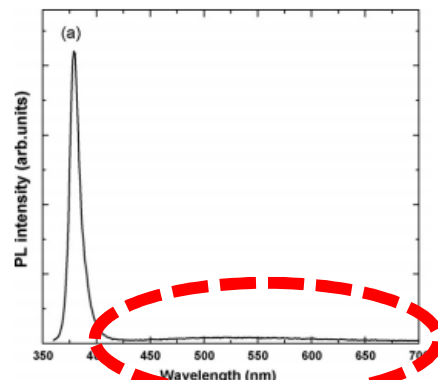
### ZnO NWs grown on Si using Hydrothermal Synthesis



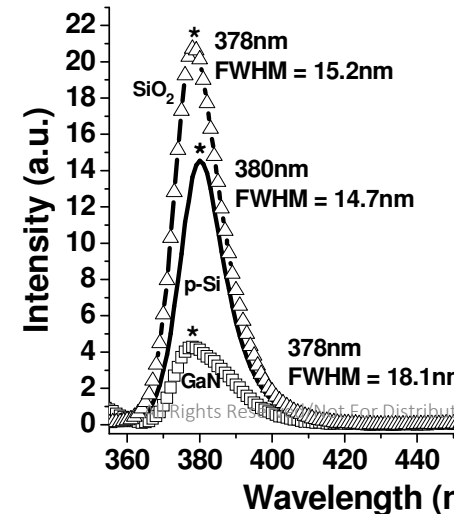
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 ZnO NWs grown on Sapp. Via catalyzed



ZnO NWs grown on Si using CVD



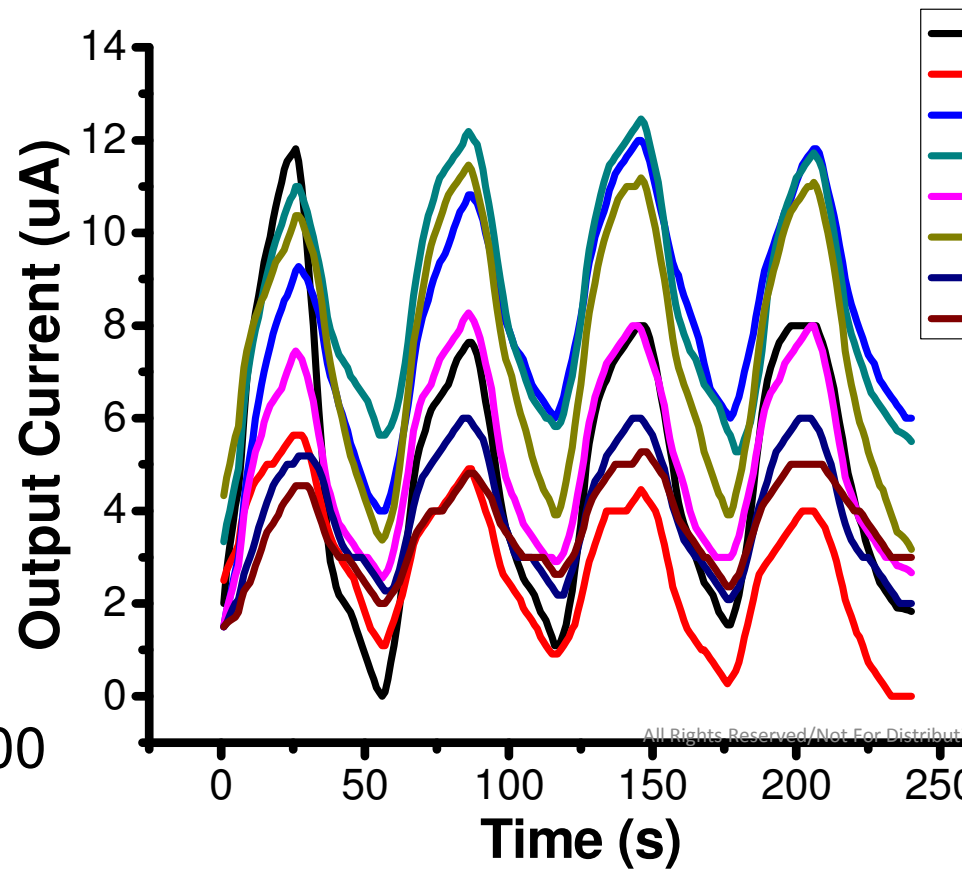
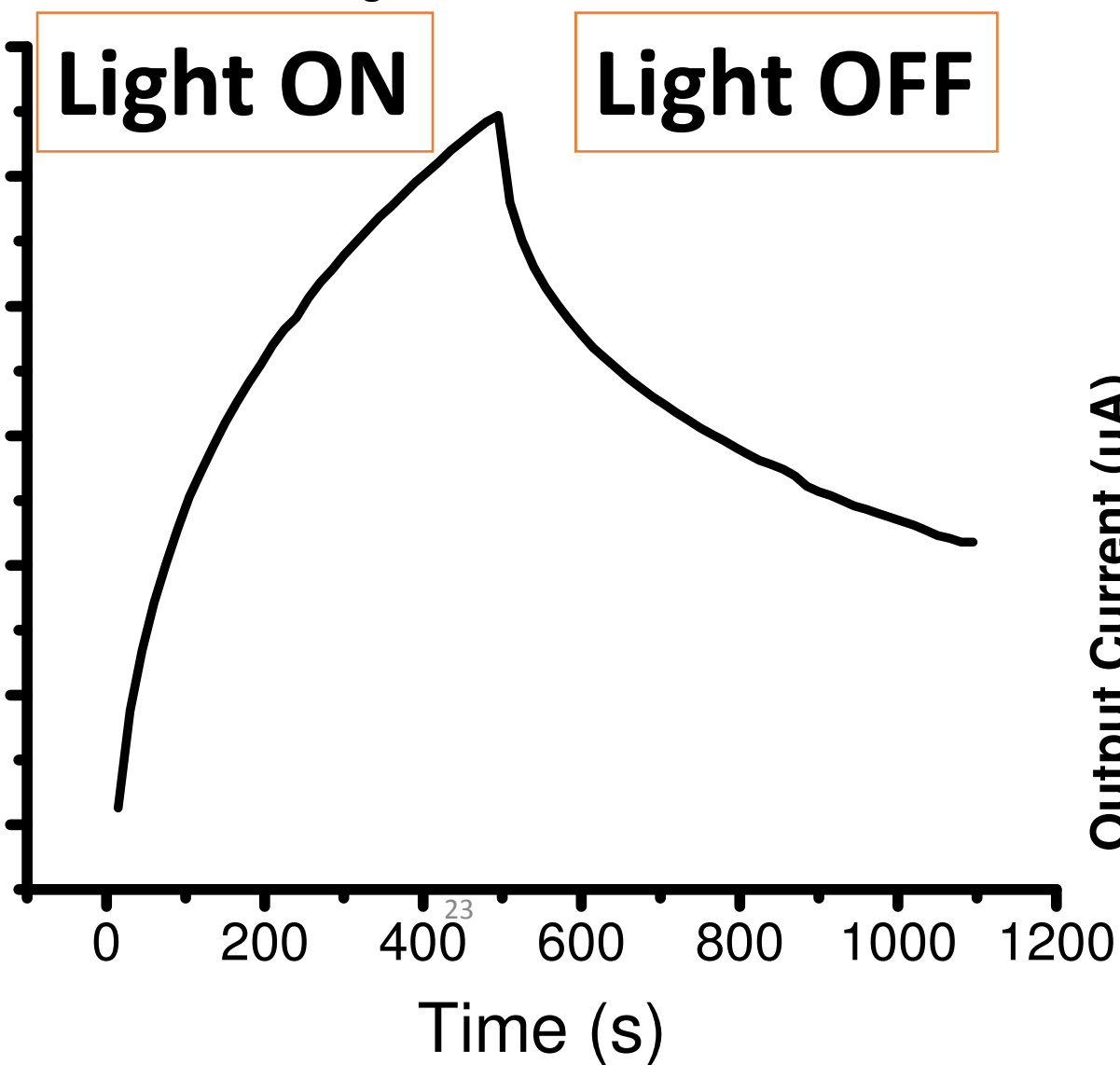
ZnO NWs grown on Sapp using Au film using CVTC

# UV of ZnMgO NWs Based Sensor

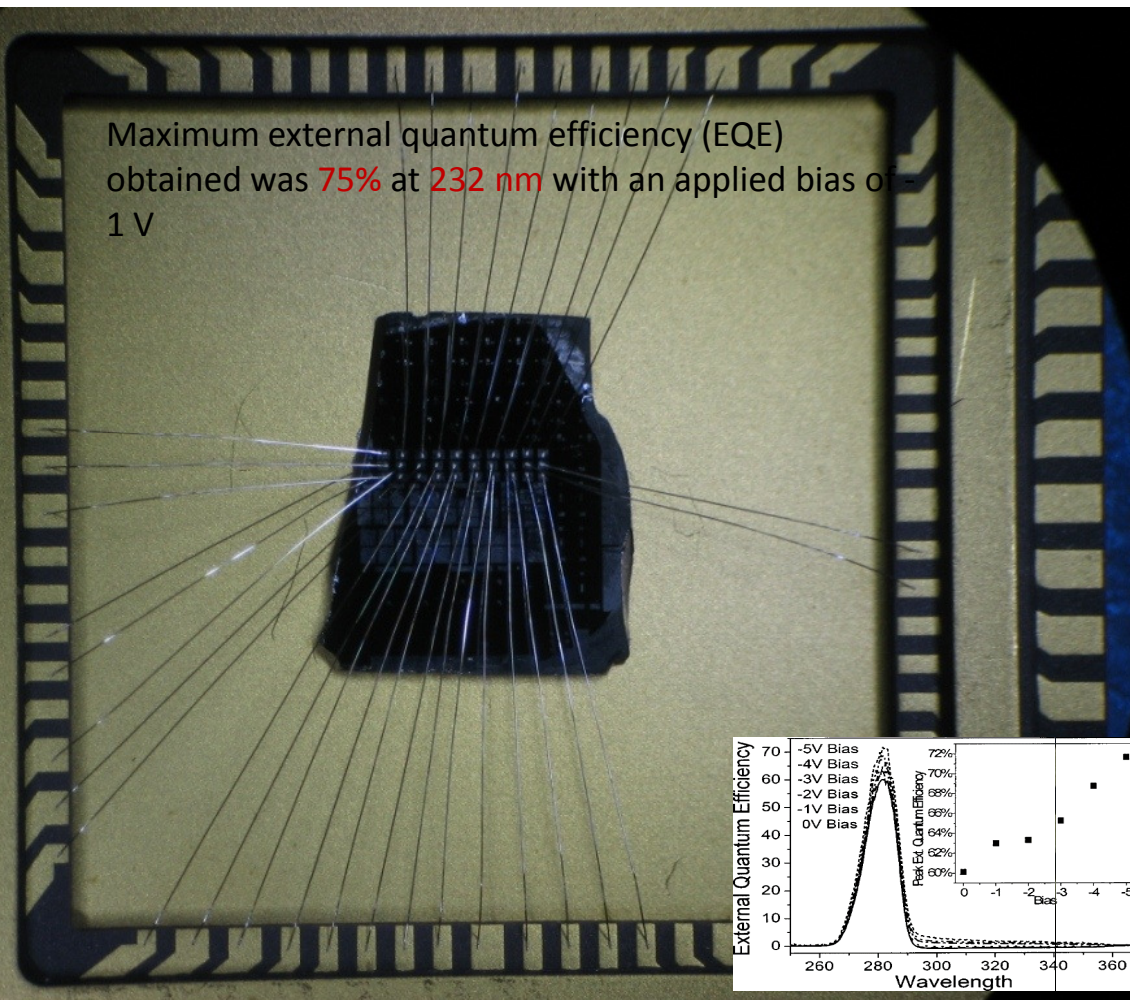
UV Light 355nm with 3V DC Bias

**Light ON**

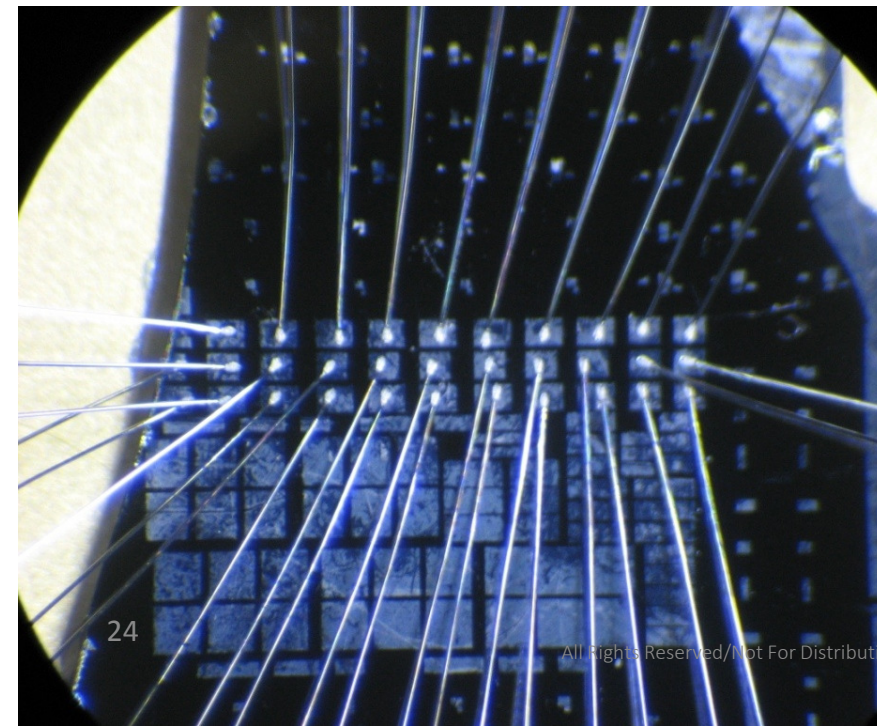
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# Bonded 9x3 Array of ZnMgO NW-Based Solar Blind Detector

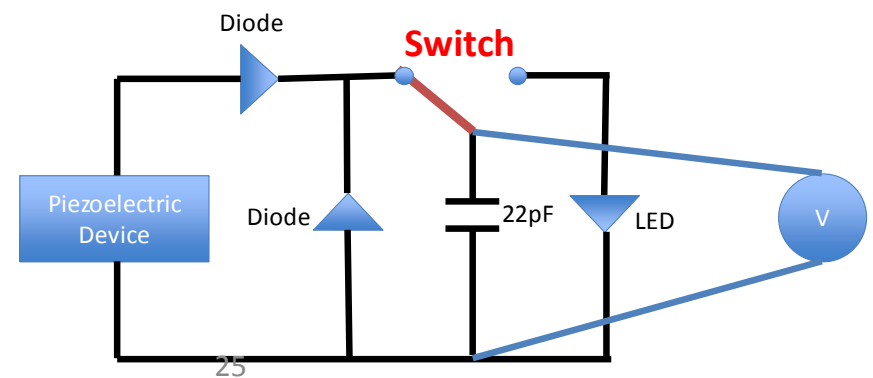
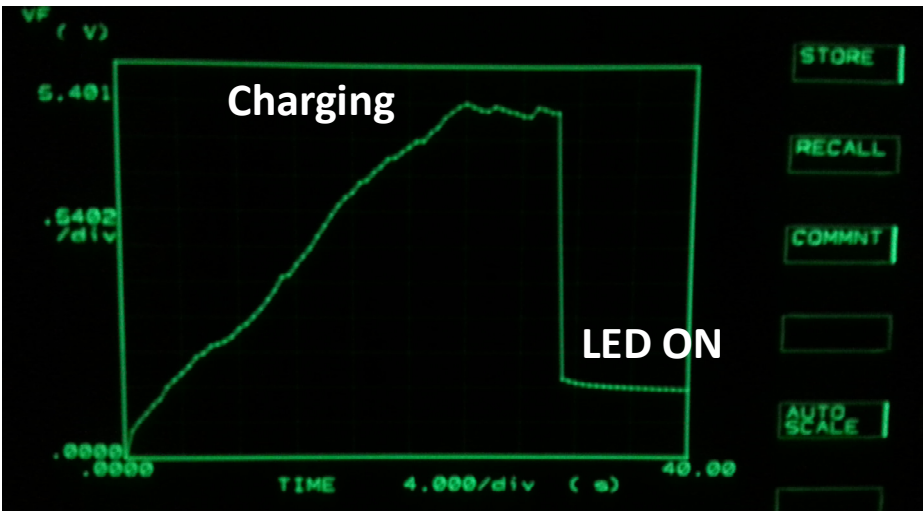
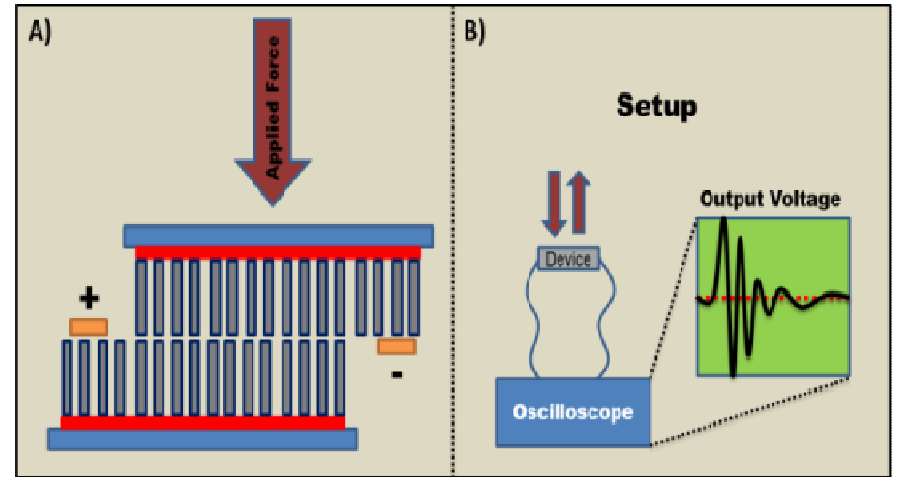
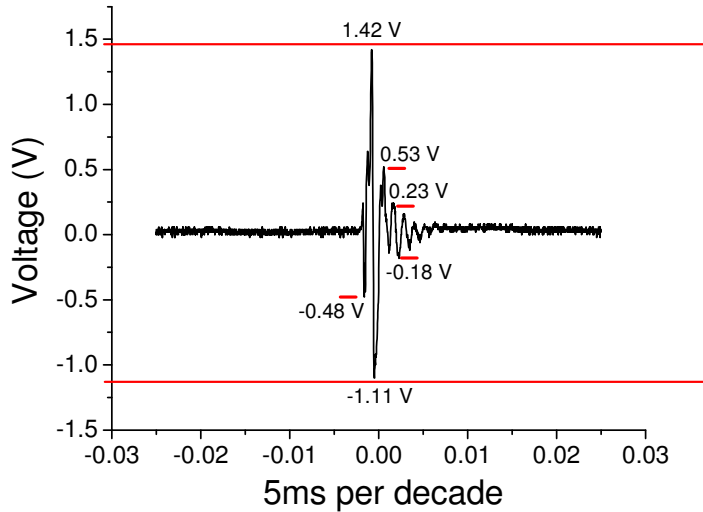


The **9x3 array** of solar blind detectors provides **resolution upto 1<sup>0</sup>** in the deep uv range (200-300 nm)



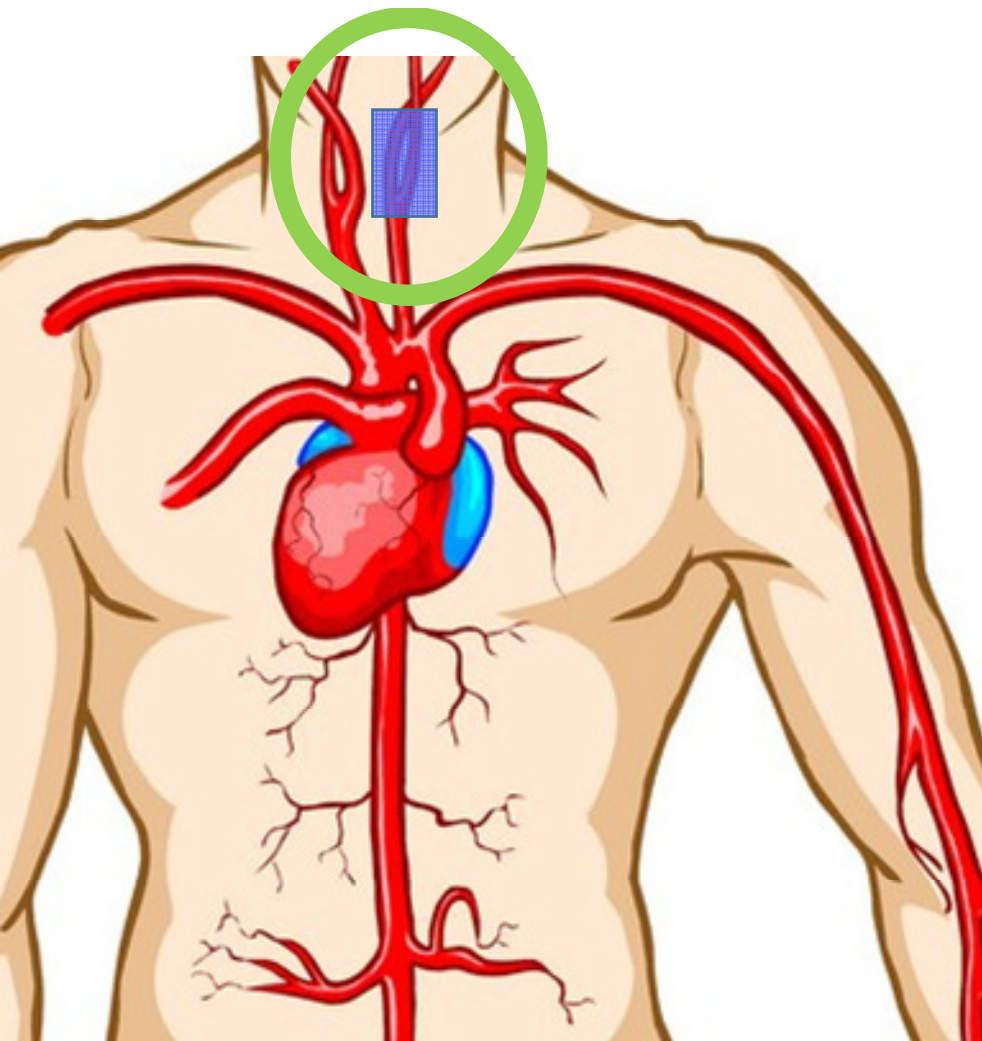


# Application – Energy Harvesting



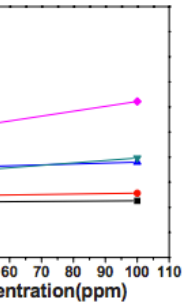
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# Application – Pulse Monitoring

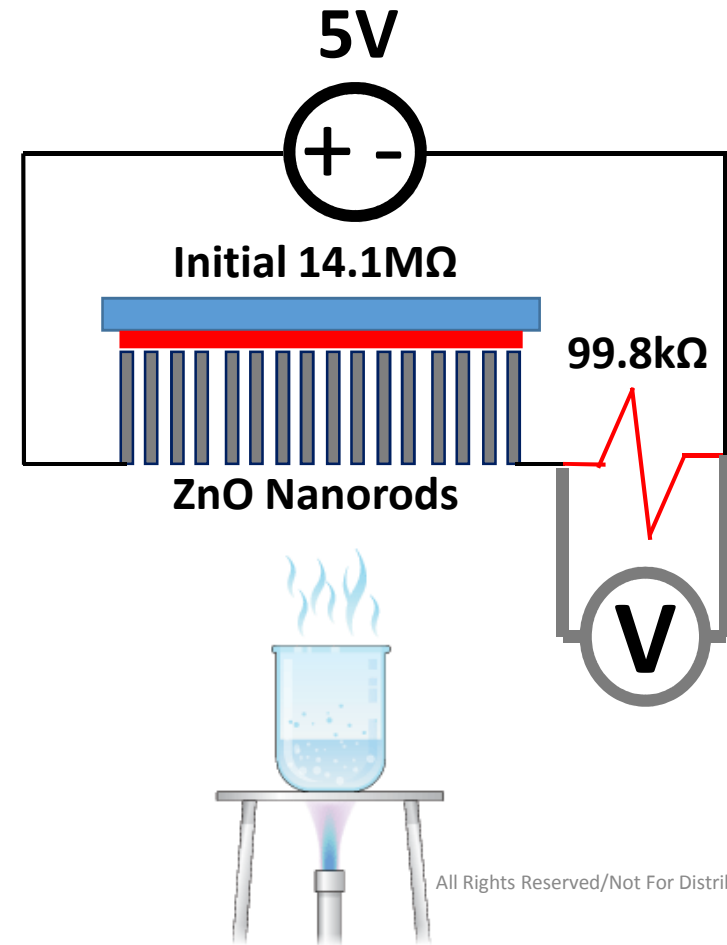
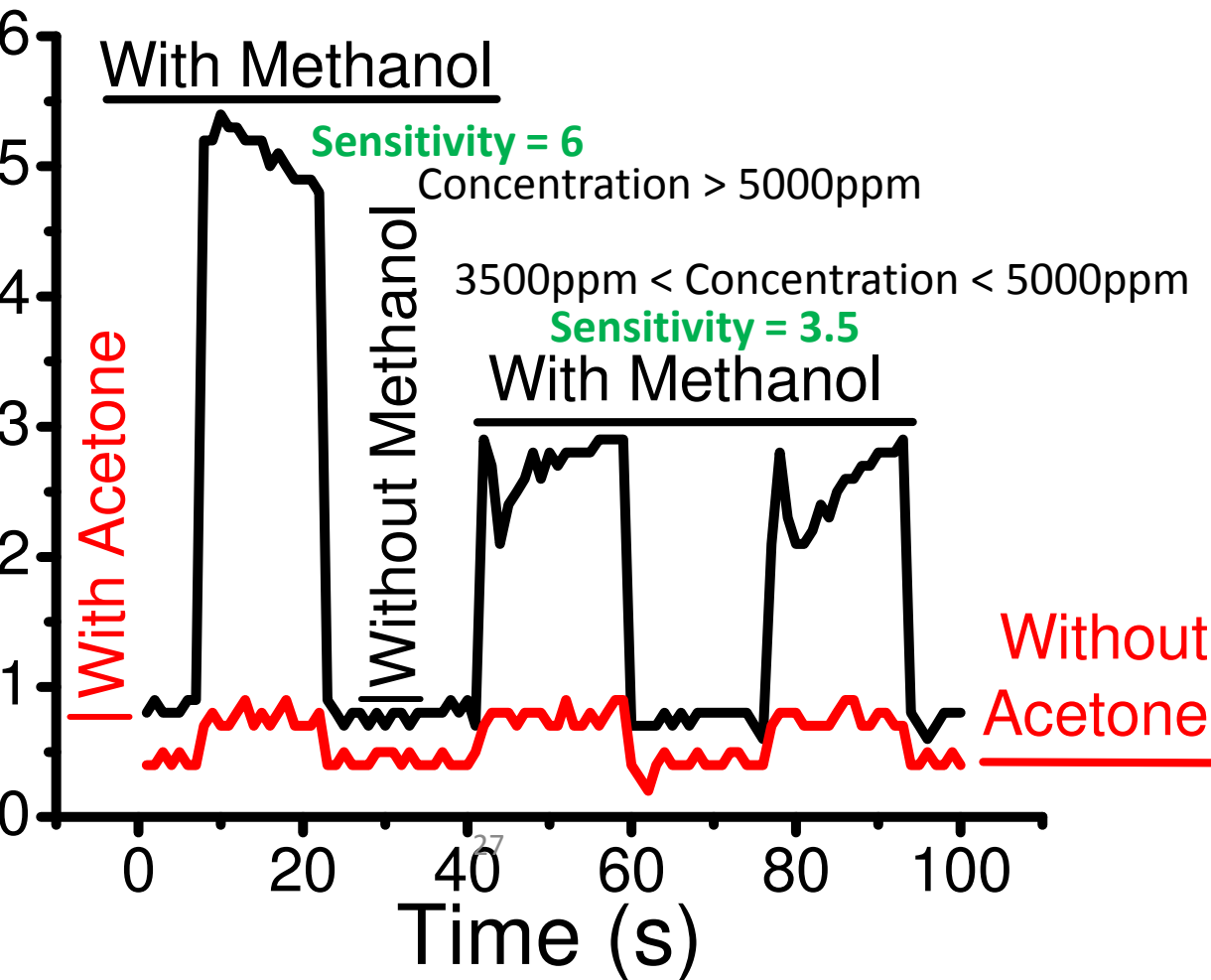


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# ZnO NRs on Flex. Substrate Gas Sensor



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# ZnO Horizontal Nanowires

## 2 Step Epi-Layer

Solution:

50mL Methanol  
0.09g  $\text{Zn}(\text{CH}_3\text{COOH})_2$   
0.12g KOH

Spin

500 rpm, 5 sec  
3000 rpm, 30 sec  
10min at 60°C

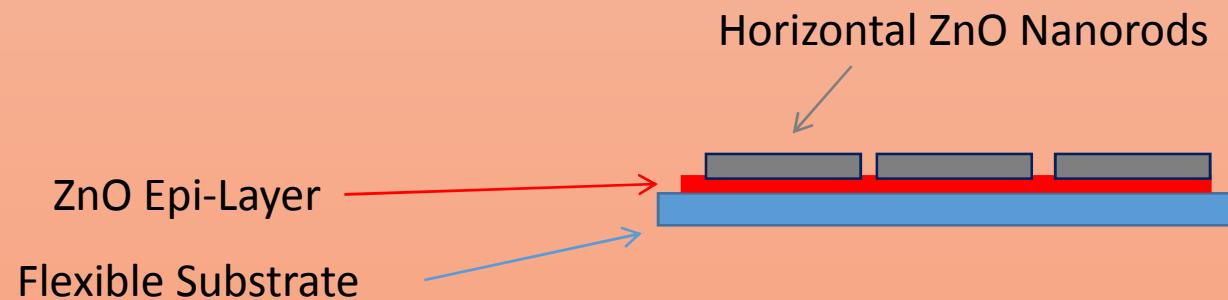
Suspend sample in:

0.1M  $\text{Zn}(\text{NO}_3)_2$   
0.1M HMTA  
60min at 90°C

## Hydrothermal

Suspend sample in:

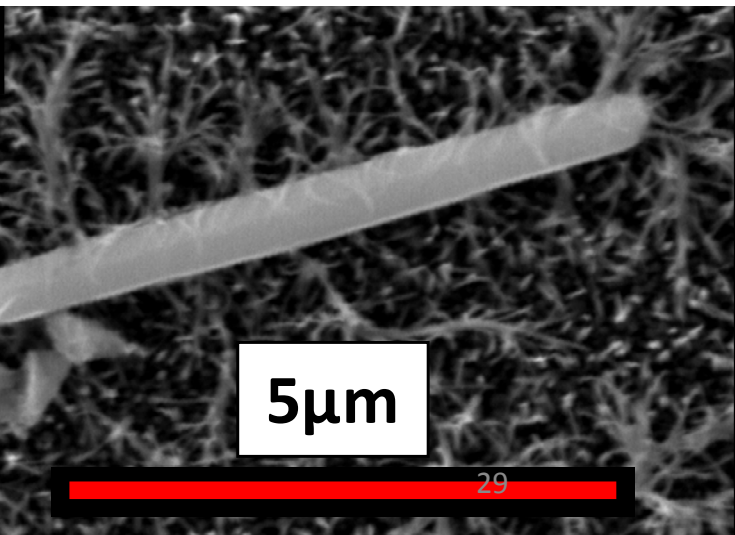
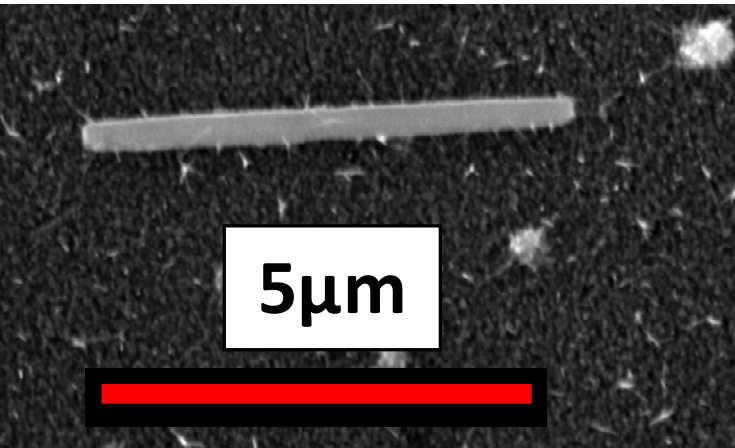
5mM  $\text{Zn}(\text{NO}_3)_2$   
25mM HMTA  
18h at 90°C



# ZnO Horizontal Nanowires

Diameter: 200 – 500nm  
Lengths: 1 – 7  $\mu\text{m}$

Depending upon:  
-growth time  
-Zn/OH ratio



## Our Method is:

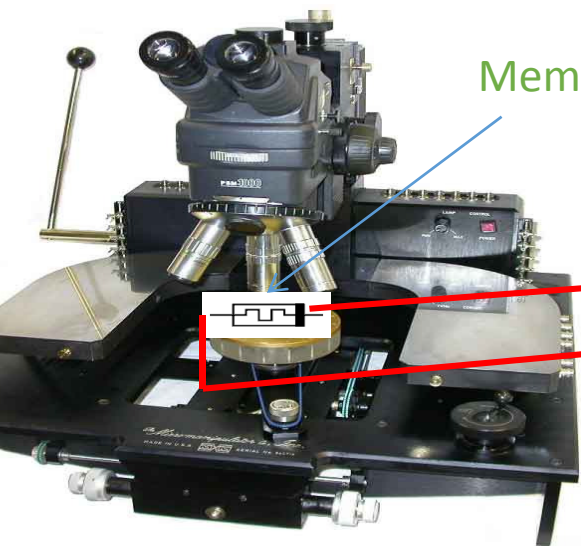
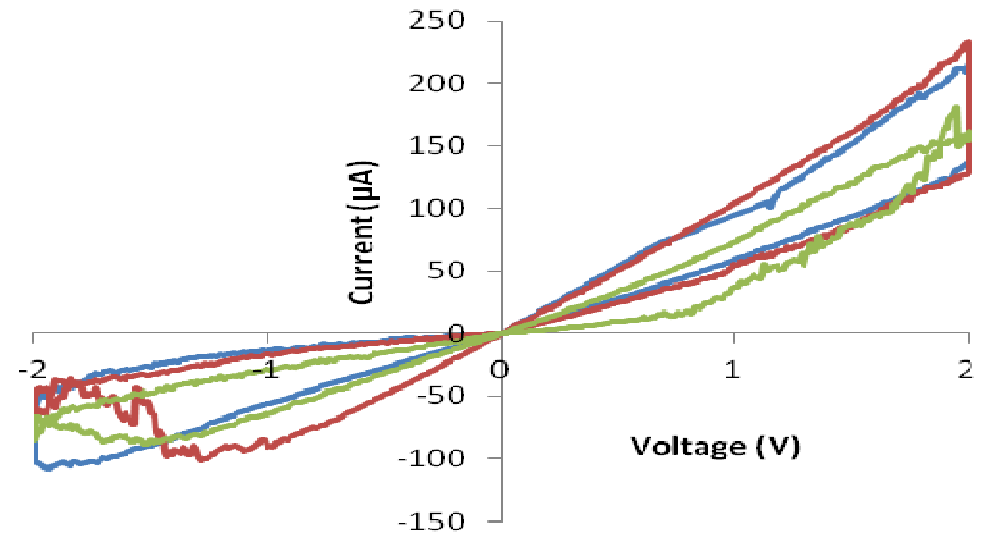
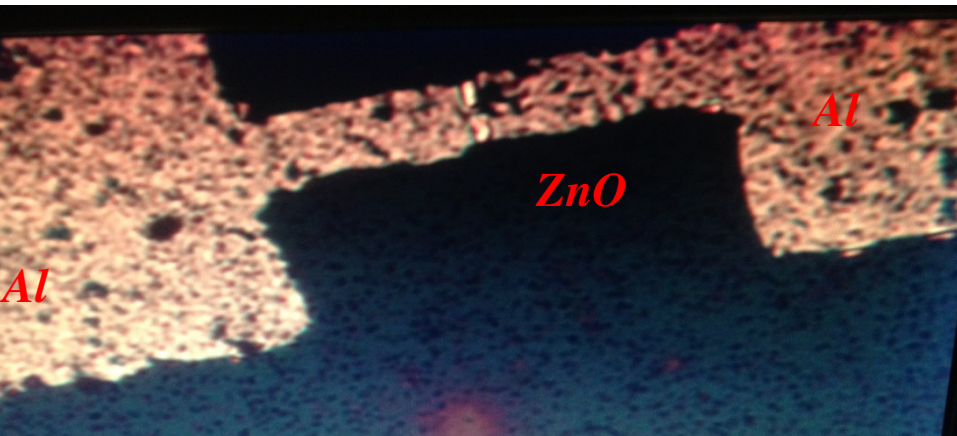
- ✓ Simple
- ✓ Fast
- ✓ Provides TRULY horizontal NRs

## Other Methods Require:

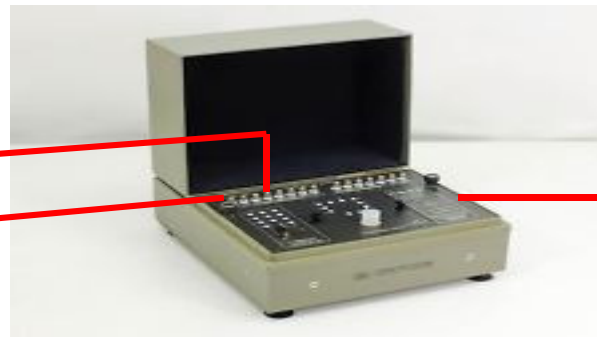
- ✗ Pre-treatment of surface
- ✗ Patterned and etched seed layer
- ✗ Layer to inhibit the nucleation of NR
- ✗ AND Don't provide HORIZONTAL NR



# ZnO Memristor



Memristor



16058A Test Fixture



HP4145B Parameter Analyzer

Manipulator 6200 Probe Station

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# Mg-Incorporation in $\text{Zn}_{1-x}\text{Mg}_x\text{O}$ via Hydrothermal

ZnO seed layer spin coated 5 times and annealed for 1hr at 150°C

The NWs was grown at 70C for 7hr using

- 25mM of  $\text{Zn}(\text{NO}_3)_2$
- 25mM of HMTA

The NWs was grown at 70C for 7hr using

- 25mM of  $\text{Zn}(\text{NO}_3)_2$
- 25mM of HMTA
- 100mM of Mg

**Attention: ZnO-MgO Low Solubility**

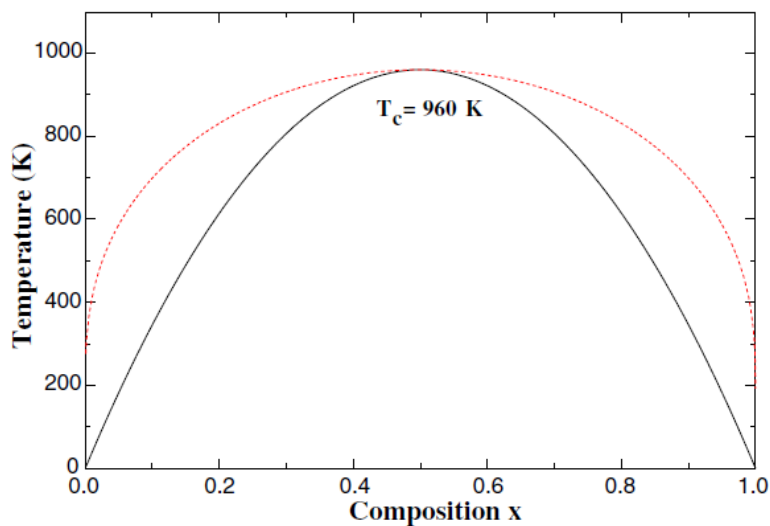
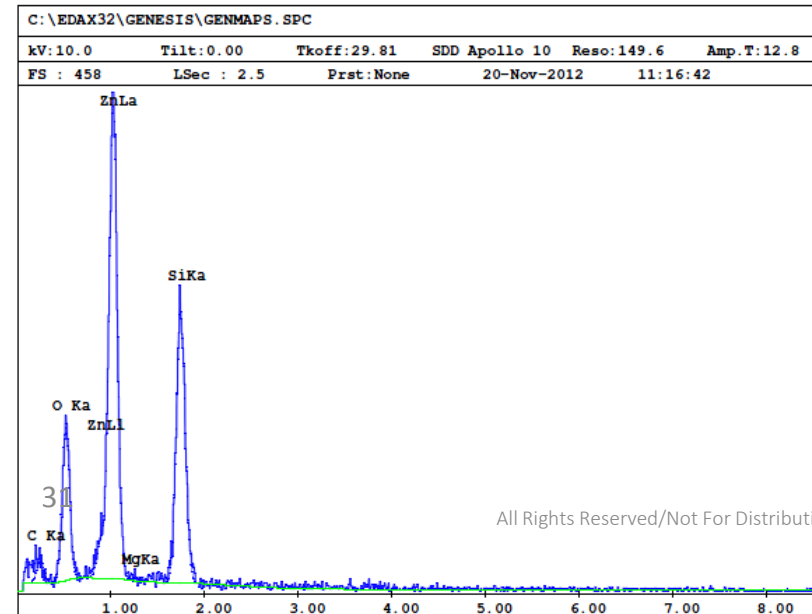
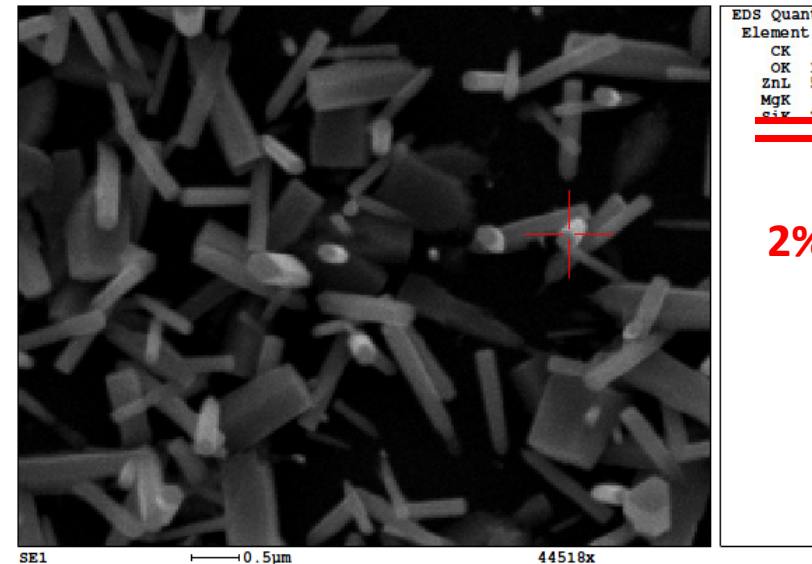


Fig. 9.  $T-x$  phase diagram of  $\text{Mg}_x\text{Zn}_{1-x}\text{O}$  ternary alloy. Solid line: binodal curve; dashed line: spinodal curve.

B. Amrani et al., *Computational Materials Science* 40 (2007) 66–72

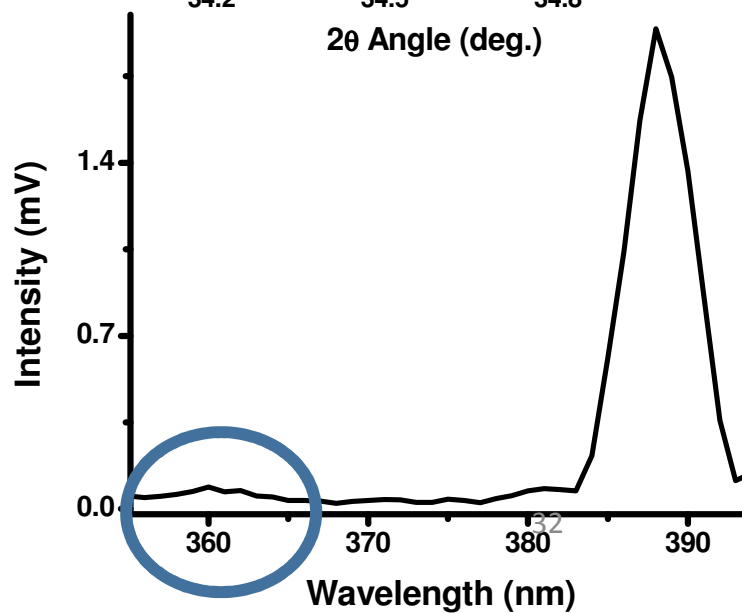
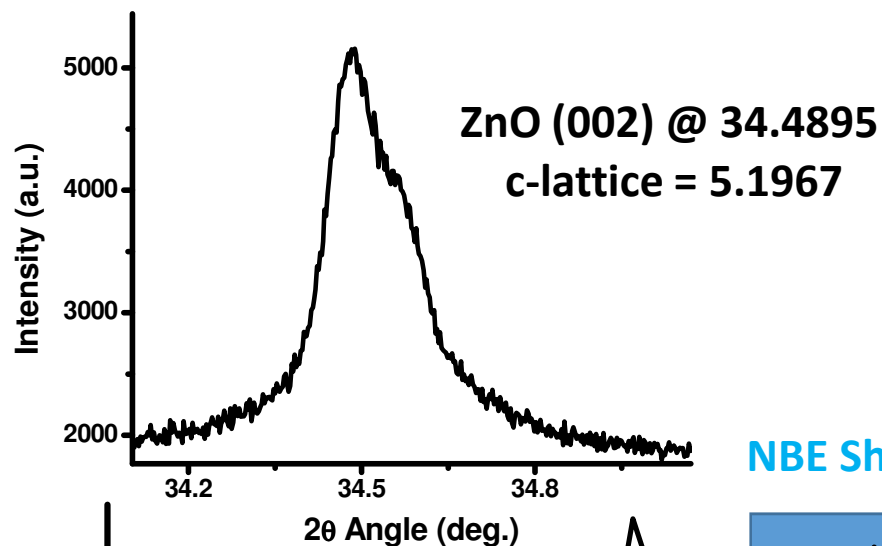
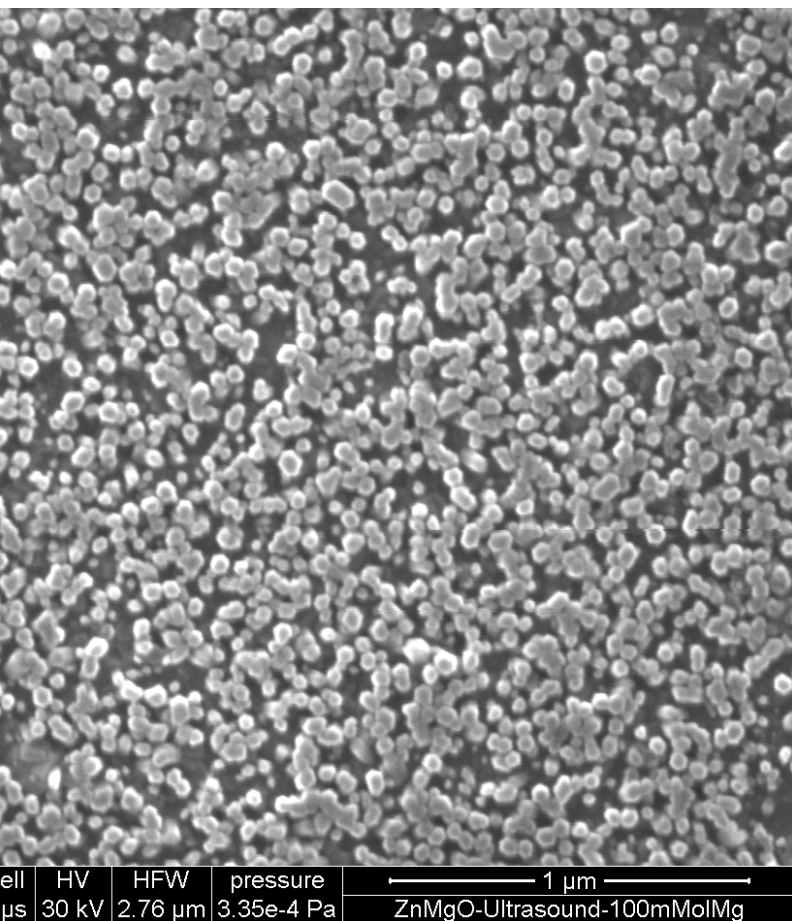


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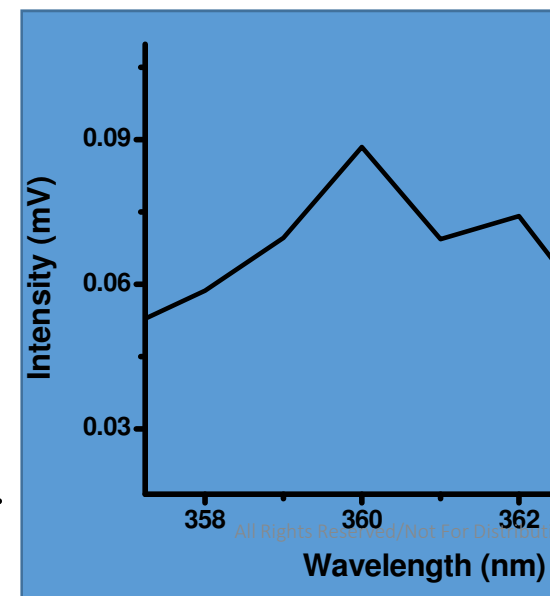
# Overcoming 4% Mg-Incorporation in $Zn_{1-x}Mg_xO$ via Sonochemical

Particle Size: 30 – 60 nm

EDS = 5-7.5% Mg



NBE Shifted from 389nm to





# Core-Shell Photovoltaic Applications

is Absorbed along the NW (**axial**)  
 direction of  $e^-$  depends **radially**  
 , less recombination  
 Absorption Coeff. due to size of

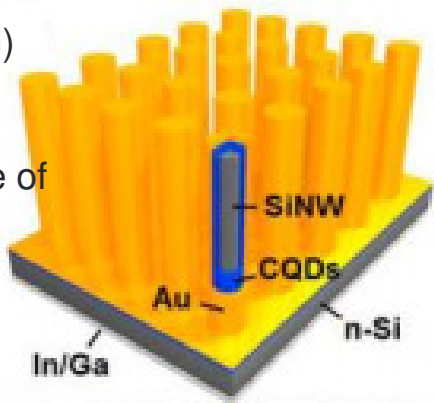
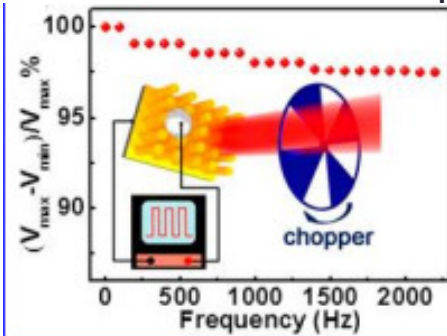
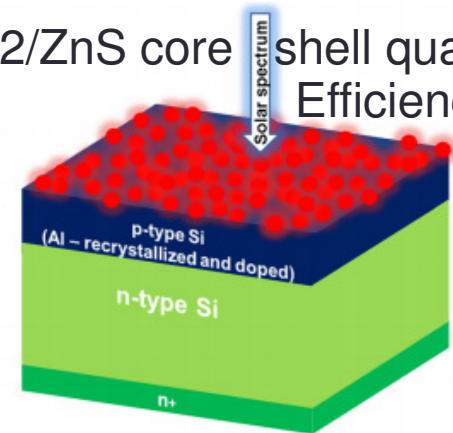


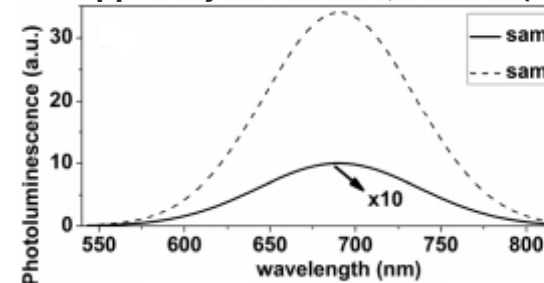
Photo-detector Setup



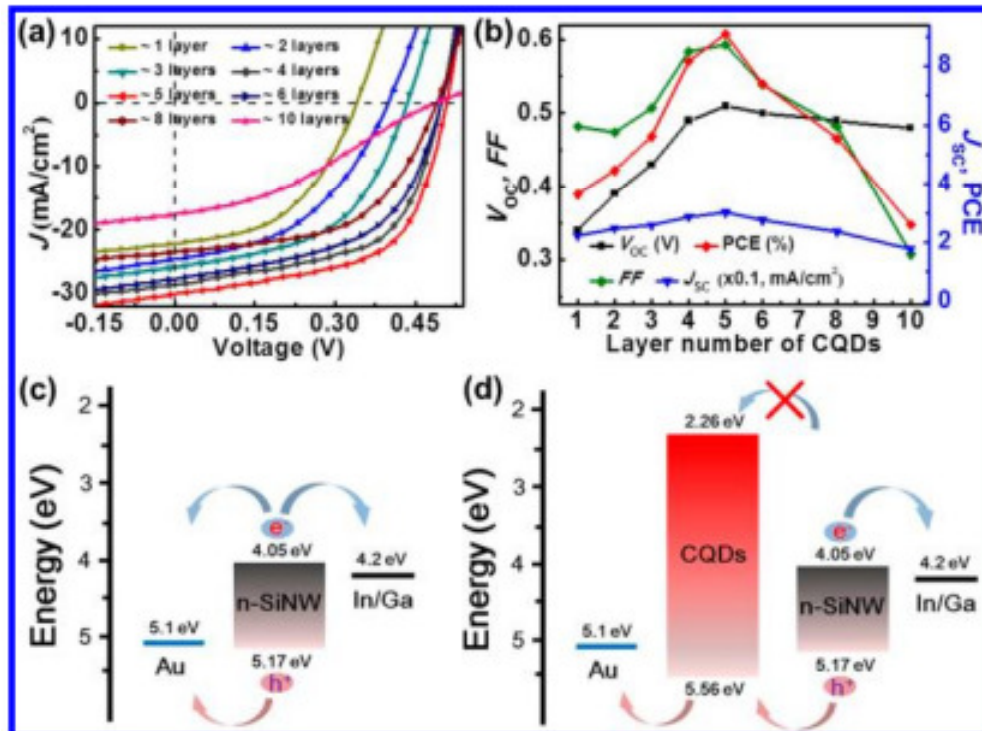
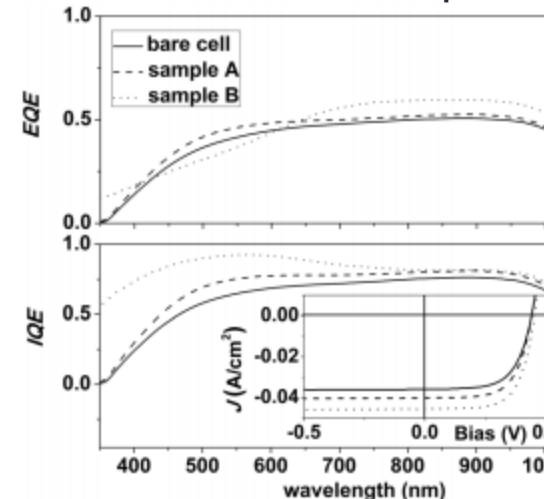
CuInS<sub>2</sub>/ZnS core shell quantum dot  
 Efficiency



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Relative intensities RT PL of quantum dots



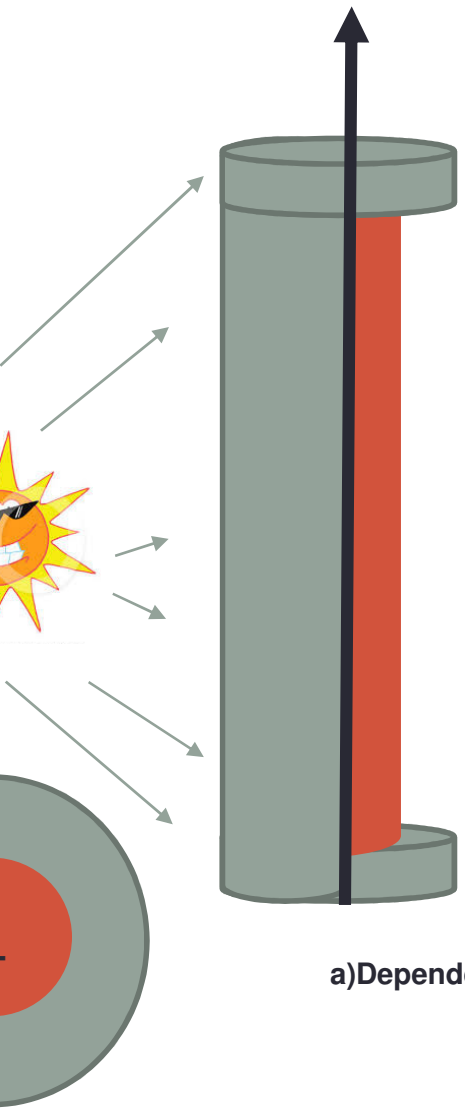
a) Dependence of Photovoltaic Characteristics of SiNW array/CQD heterojunction device

b) Plot of Voc, Jsc, FF and PCE as function of CQD layer number

c) Energy band diagram of Au/SiNW Schottky junction

d) SiNW/CQD heterojunction

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# ZnMgO/ZnO Coaxial Core-Shell

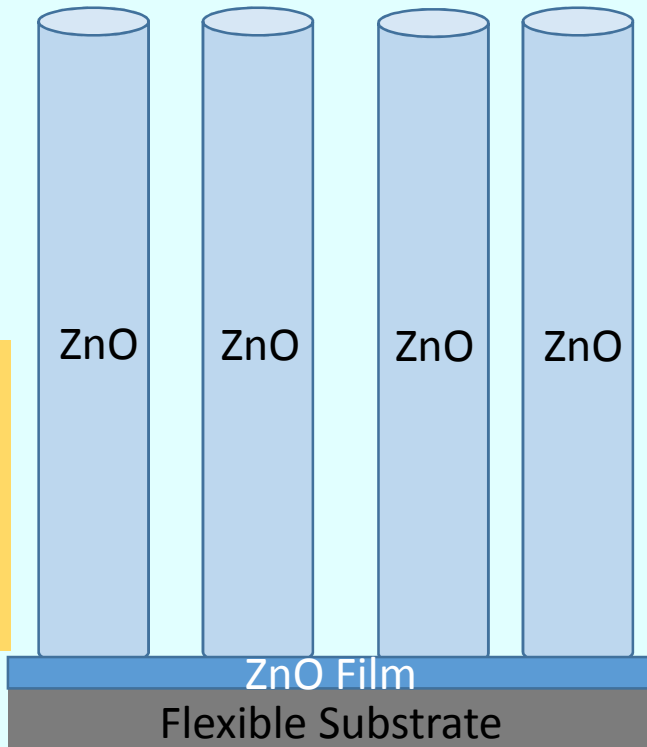
## Growth ZnO NRs:

Spin  
500 rpm, 5 sec  
3000 rpm, 30 sec  
10min at 60°C

seed layer  
L Methanol  
g Zn(CH<sub>3</sub>COOH)<sub>2</sub>  
g KOH

n film using  
ermal  
l sample in:  
(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>  
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using Hydrothermal:  
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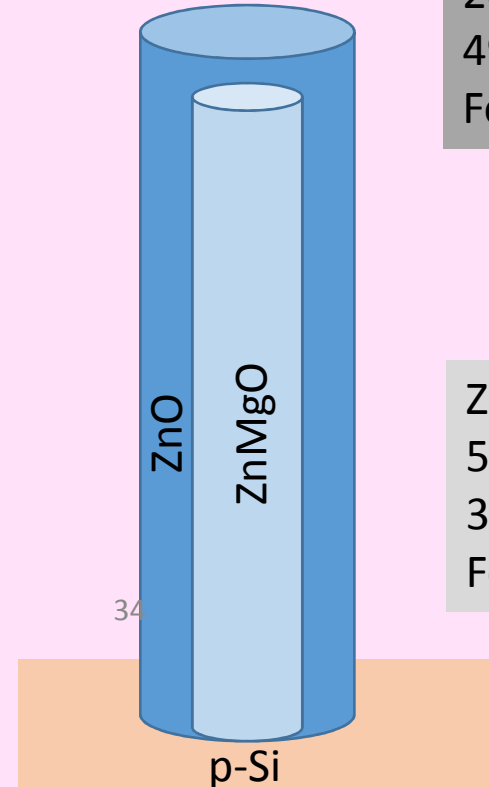


ZnO seed using MOCVD:  
50sccm DEZn @ 300Torr  
35sccm N<sub>2</sub>O + 0.5slpm N<sub>2</sub>  
For 20 min, 70 Torr, 300°C

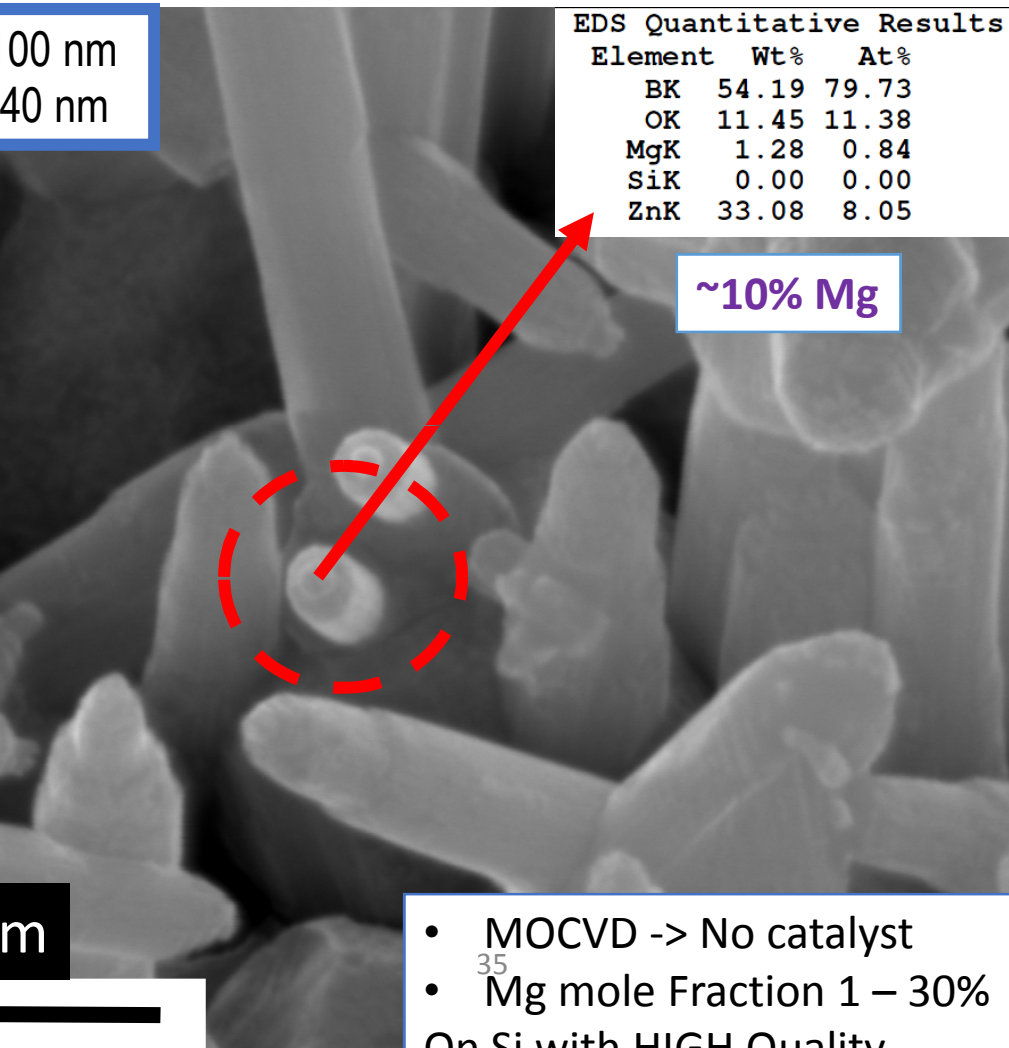
## Growth ZnMgO Core-Shell

ZnMgO NWs (Shell) using  
MOCVD:  
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For 15 min, 0.5 Torr, 6

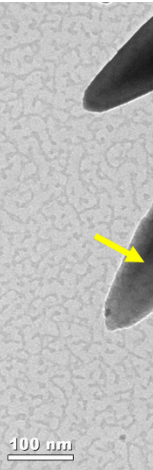
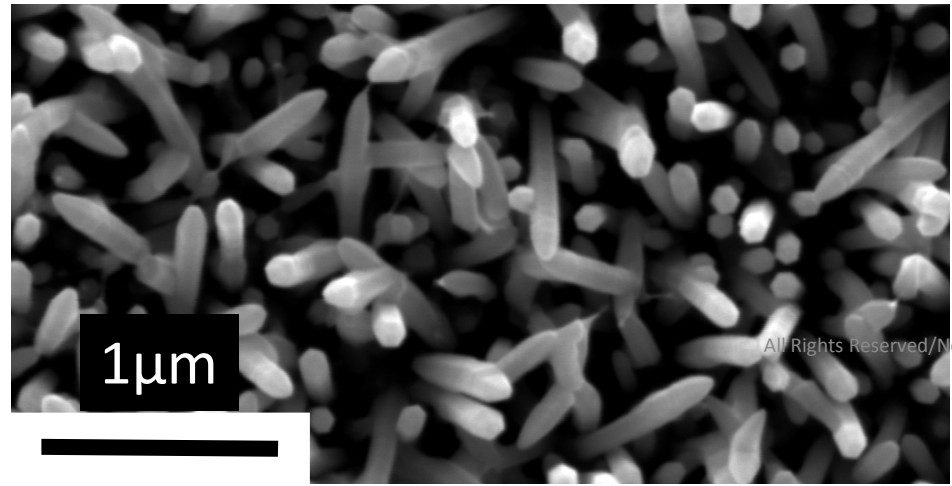
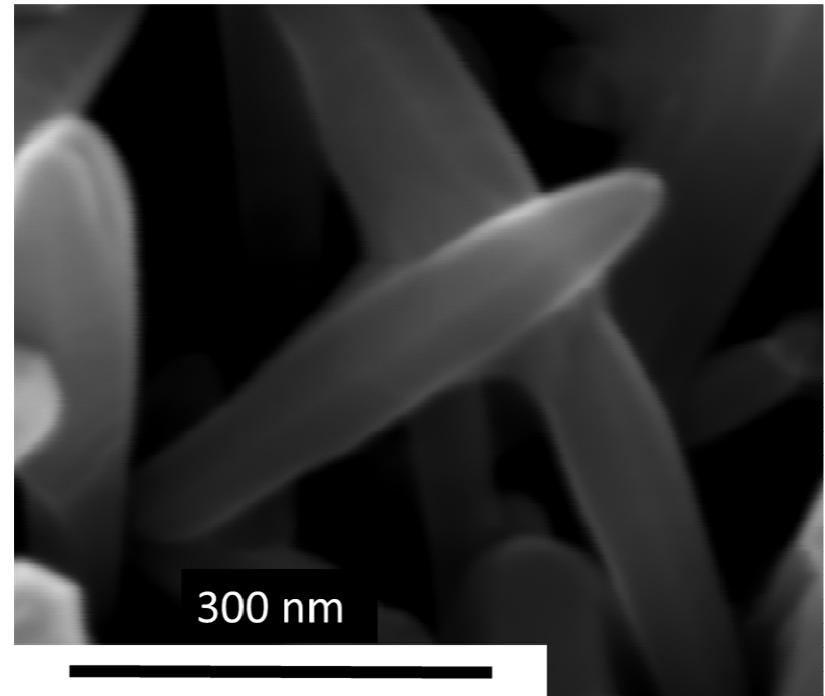
ZnO (Shell) using MOCVD:  
50sccm DEZn @ 300Torr  
35sccm N<sub>2</sub>O + 0.5slpm  
For 20 min, 70 Torr, 30



# ZnMgO/ZnO Coaxial Core-Shell



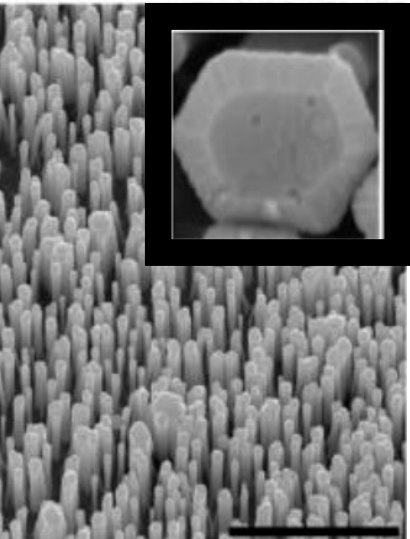
- MOCVD -> No catalyst
- Mg mole Fraction 1 – 30%
- On Si with HIGH Quality
- Vertically aligned



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# Reported Work

ZnO 10 – 25nm  
ZnMgO 70 – 150nm

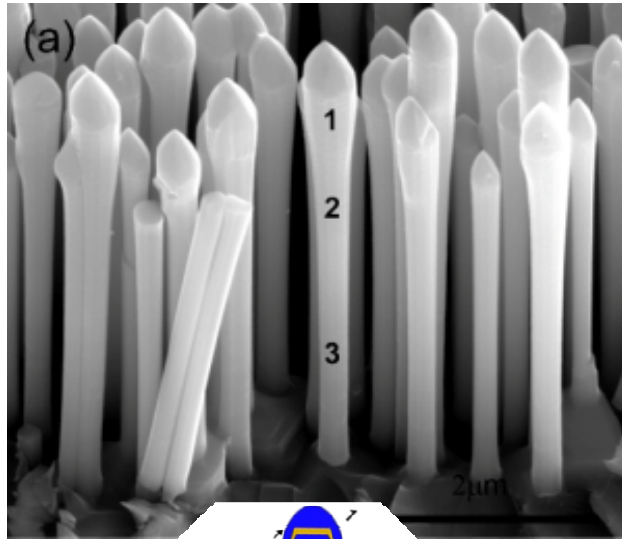


ZnMgO Core-Shell  
Using Hydrothermal  
and Laser Deposition



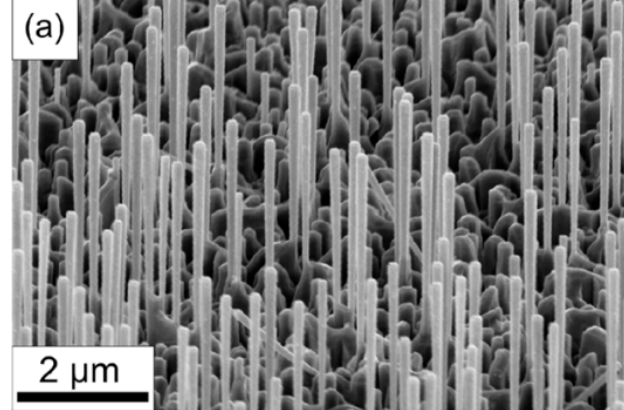
Defects at  
450 – 800nm

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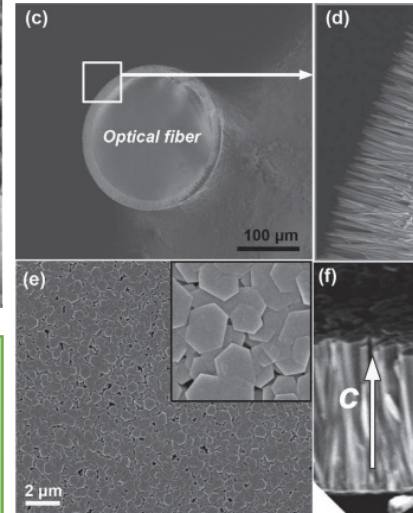
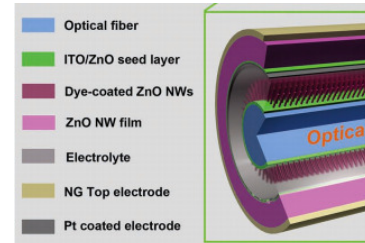
Multiples ZnO/ZnMgO Core-Shell layers grown Using Pulsed Laser Deposition

B.Q. Cao et al Nanotechnology 20 (2009)  
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Multiples ZnO/ZnMgO Core-Shell layers grown Using Metal Organic Vapor Phase Epitaxy

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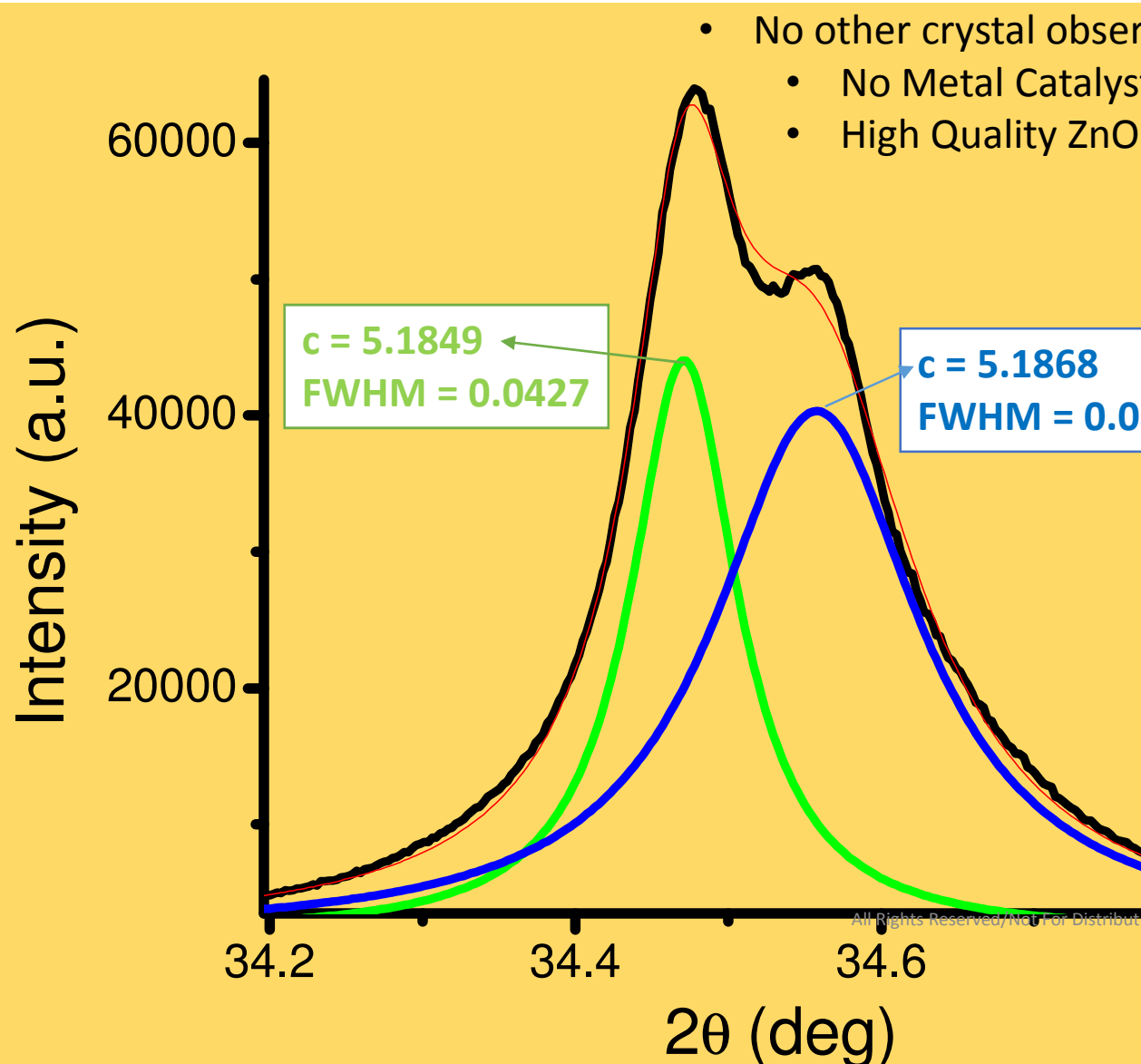
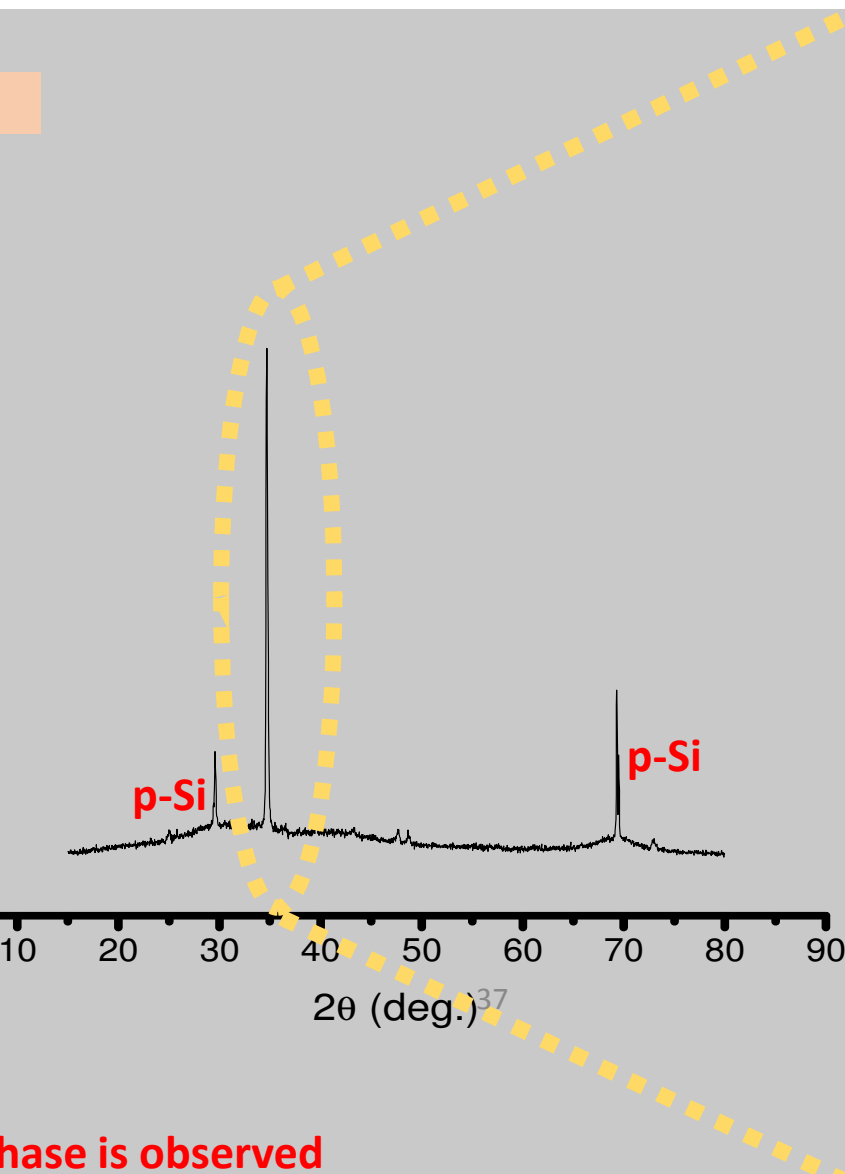


NWs arrays are grown radially around optical fiber with tips pointing outward

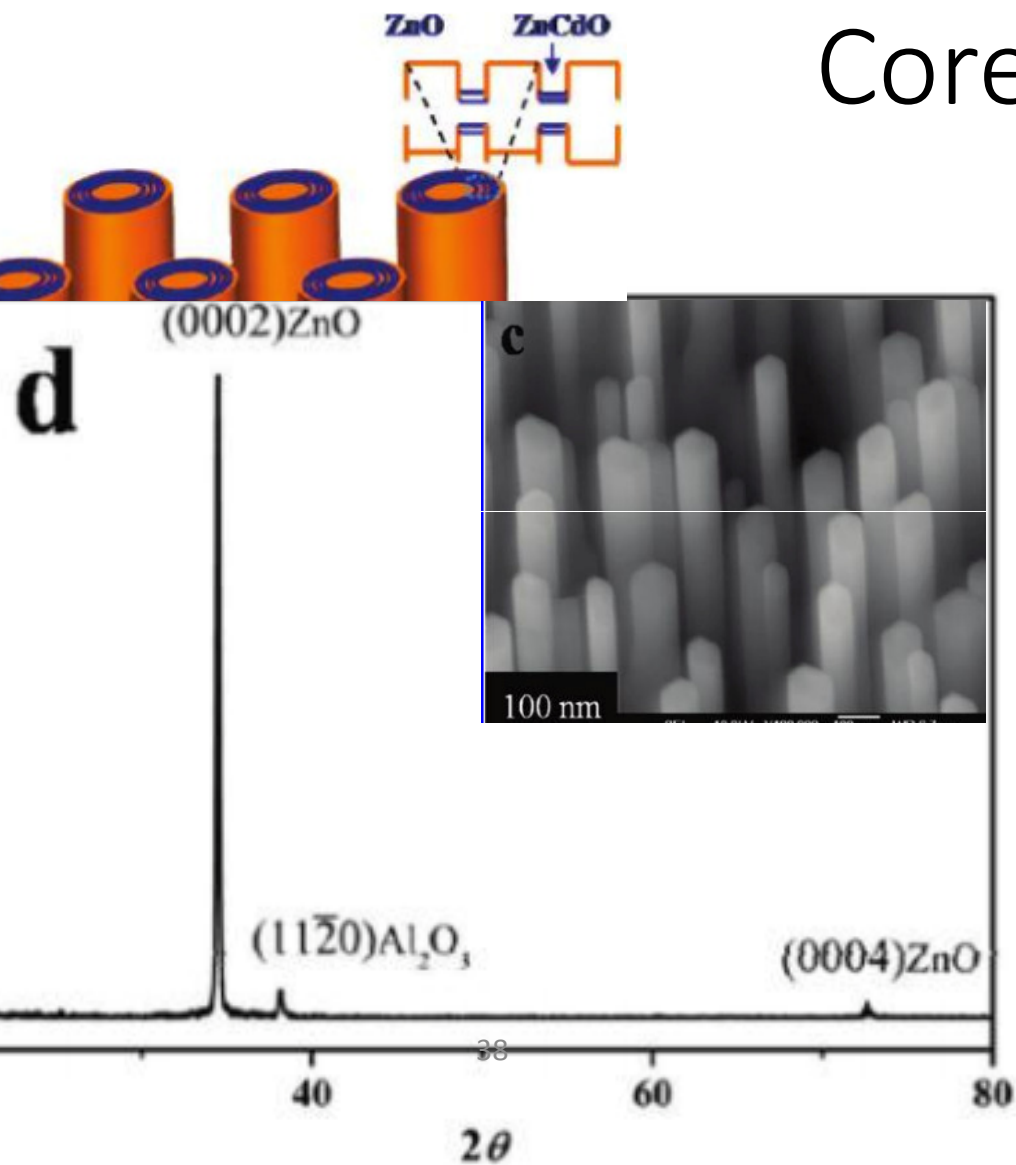
C. Pan, Adv. Mater. 24 (2012) 10000

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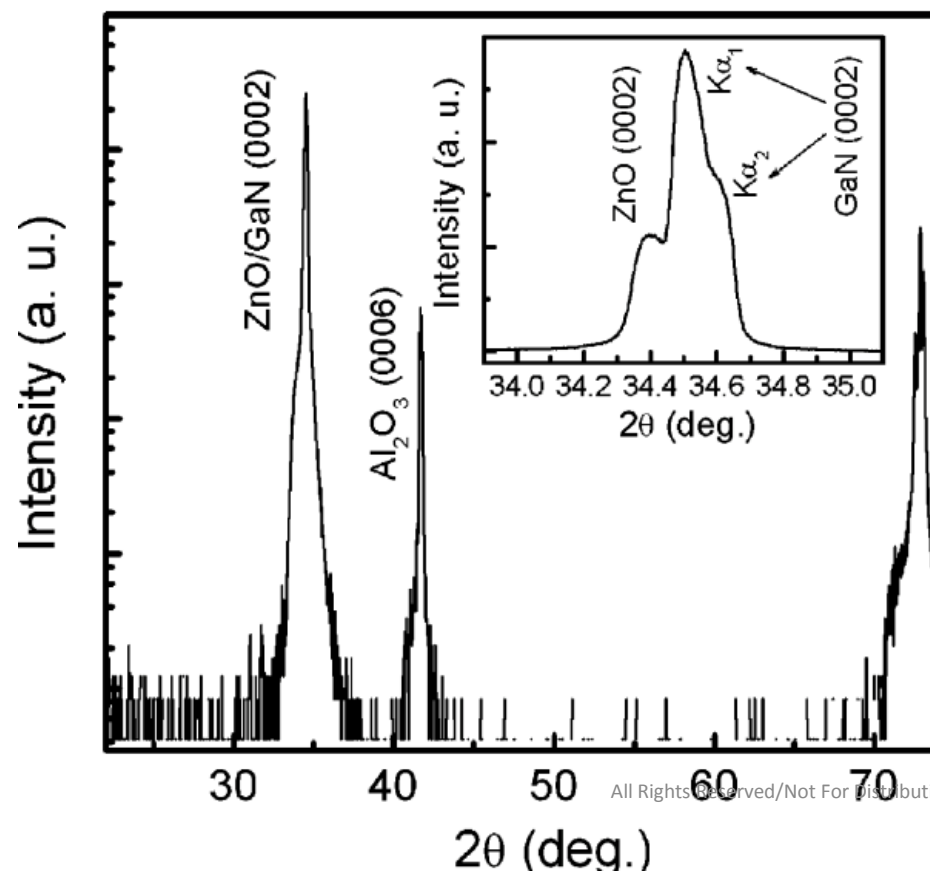
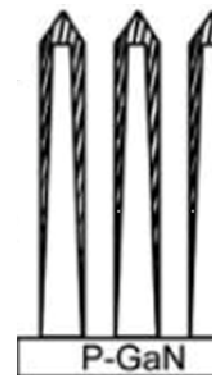
# XRD – ZnMgO/ZnO Coaxial Core-Shell



# Reported Work Core-Shell

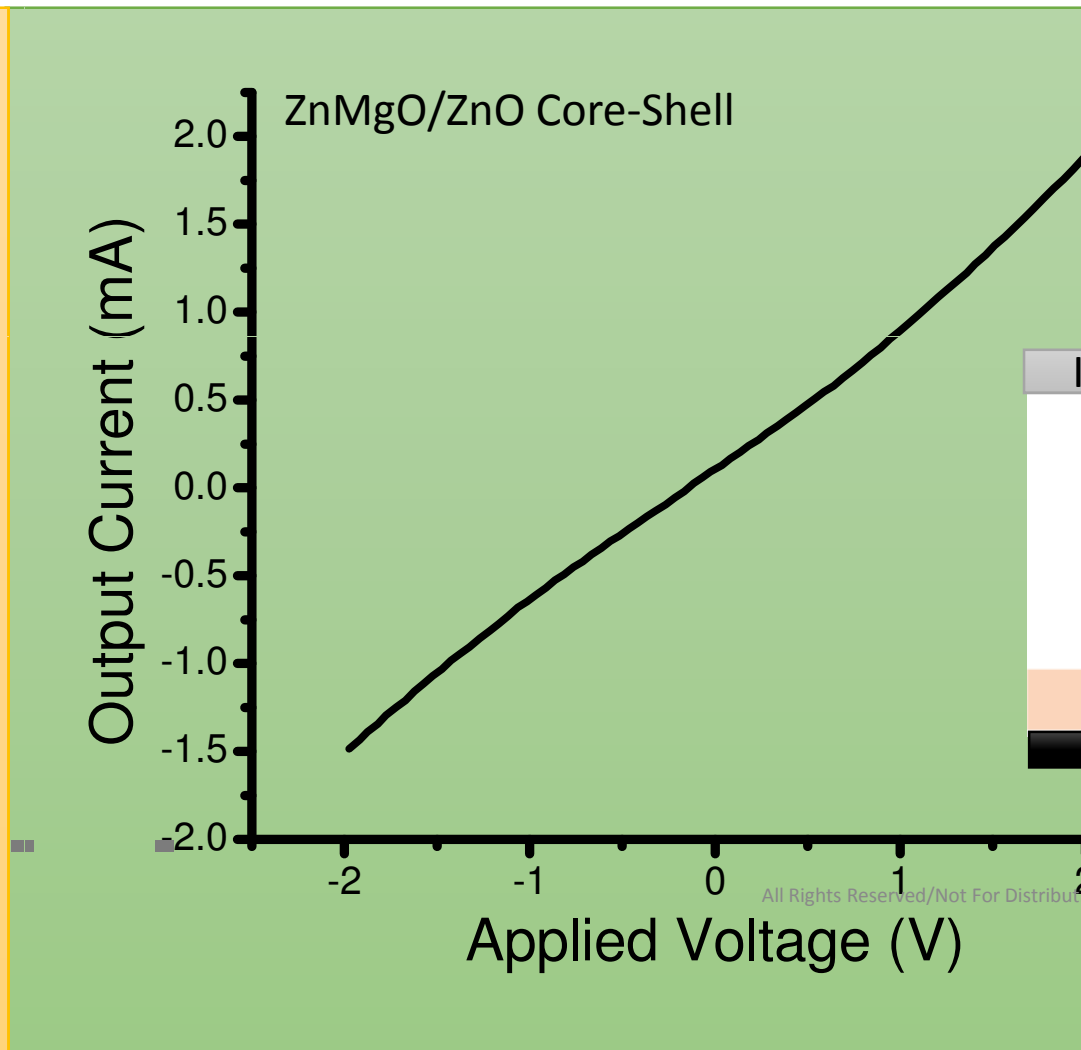
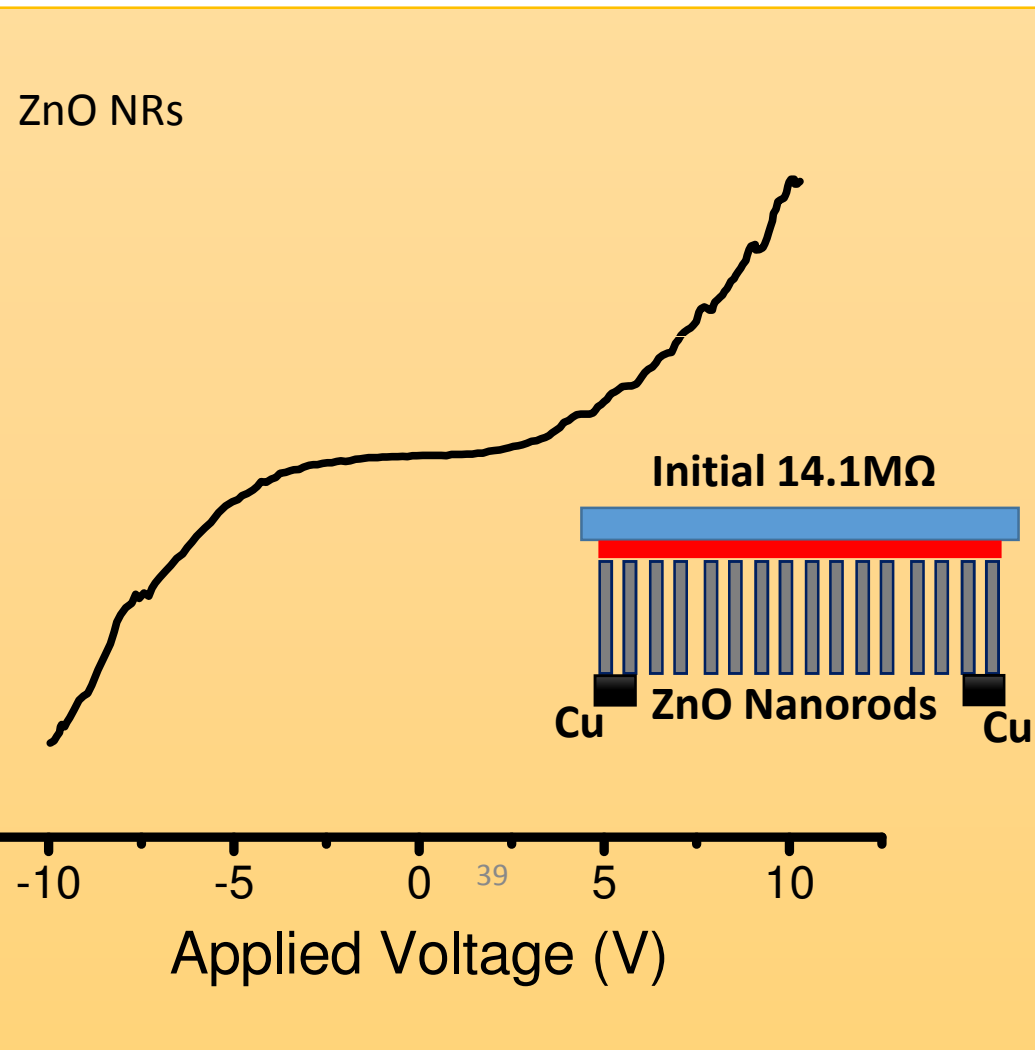


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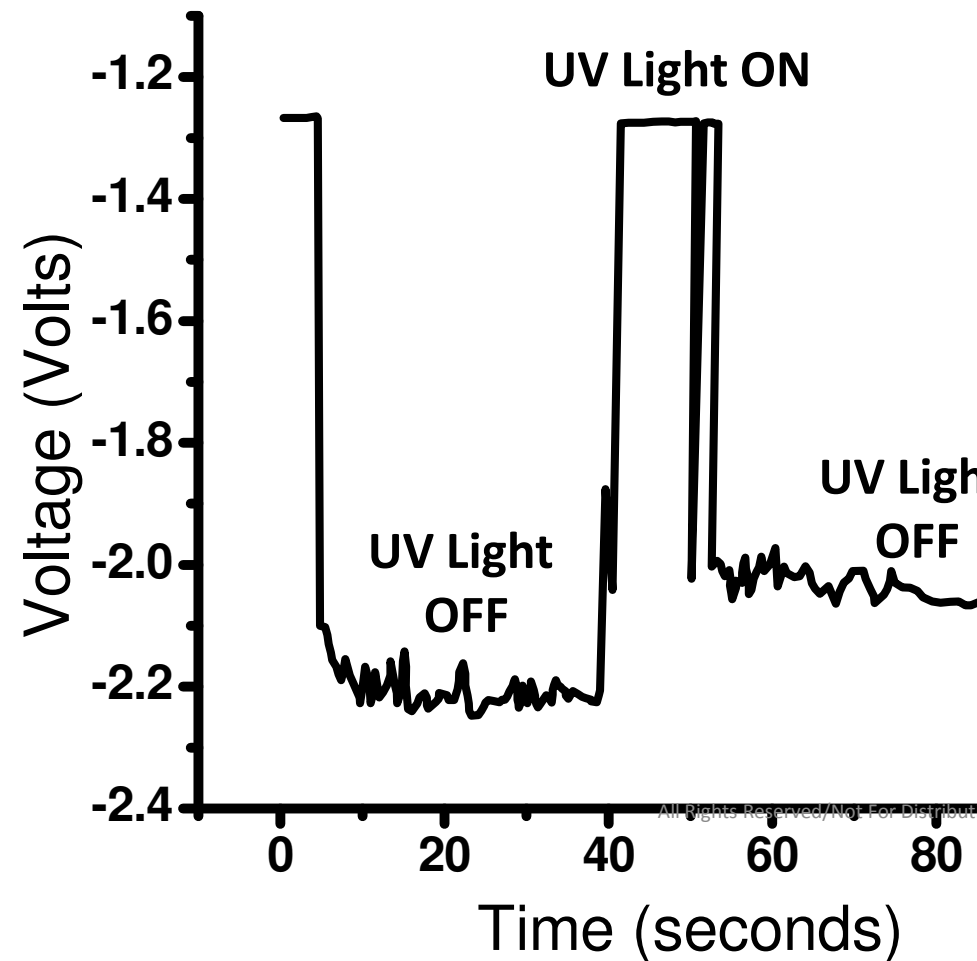
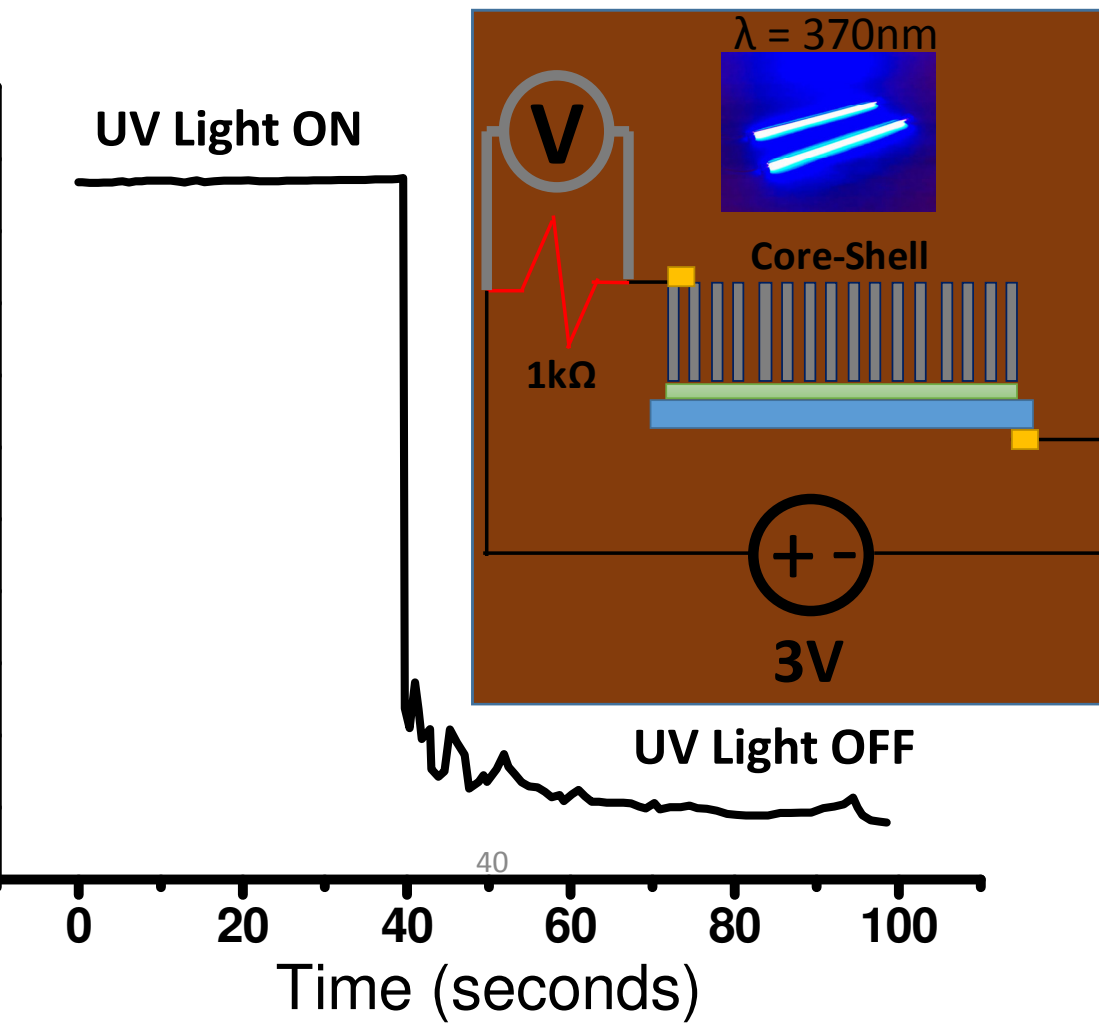


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# DEVICES I-V Characterization



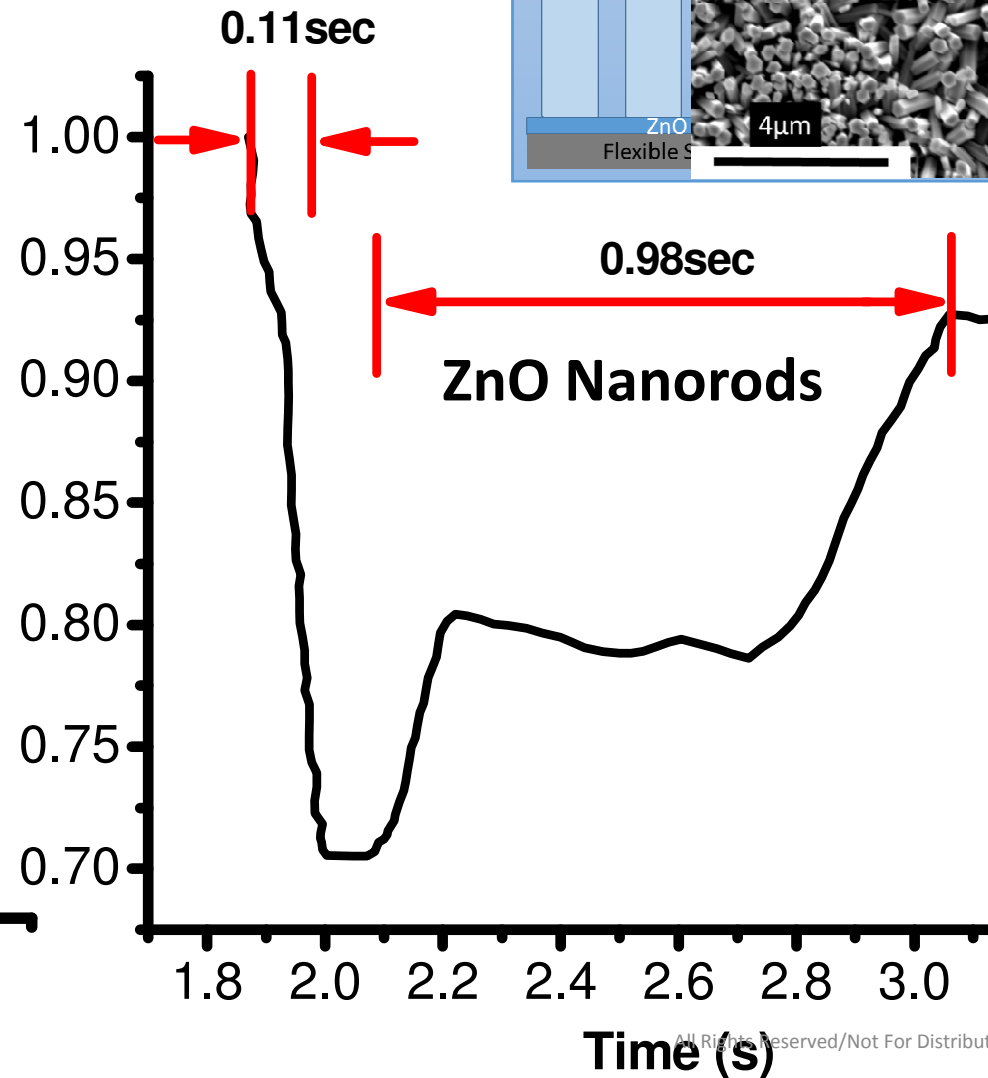
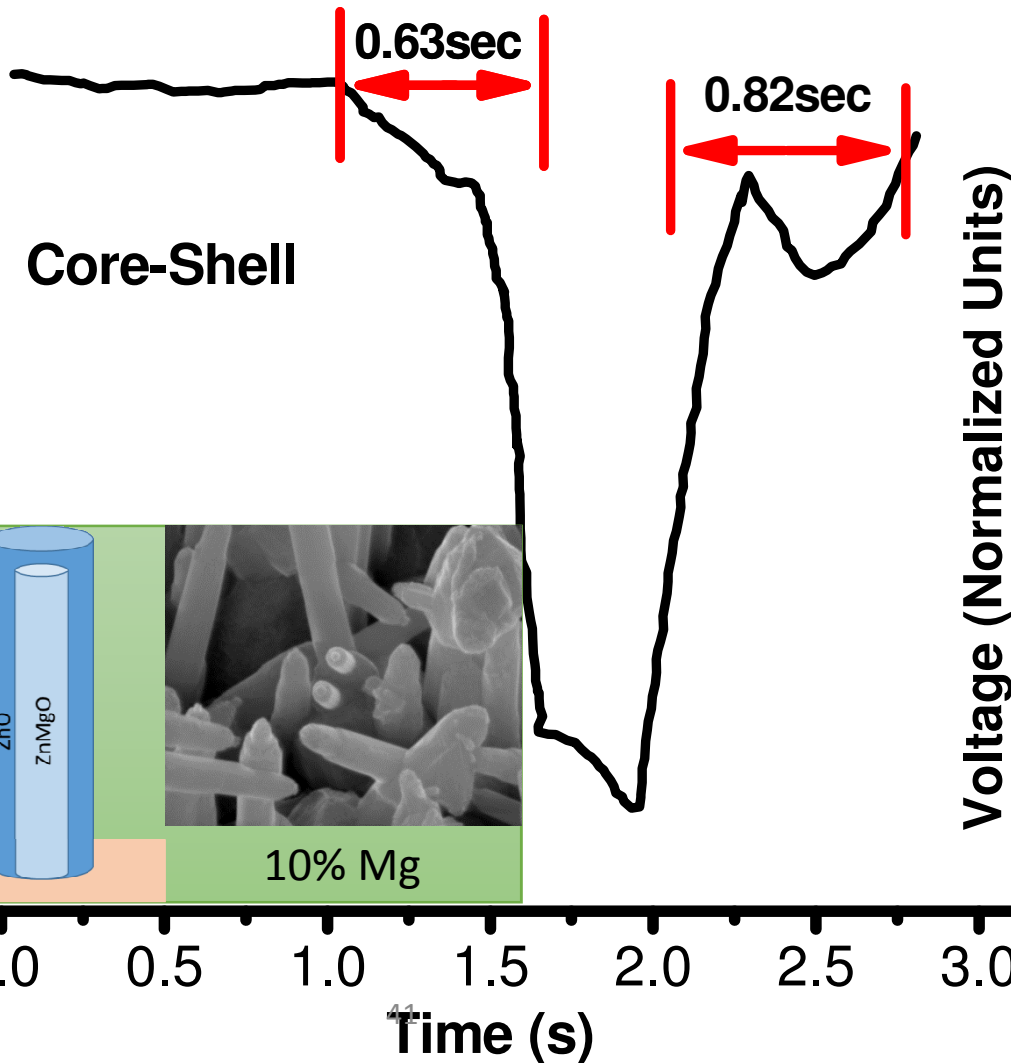
# Response of ZnMgO/ZnO Core-Shell Structure





# Gas Sensing

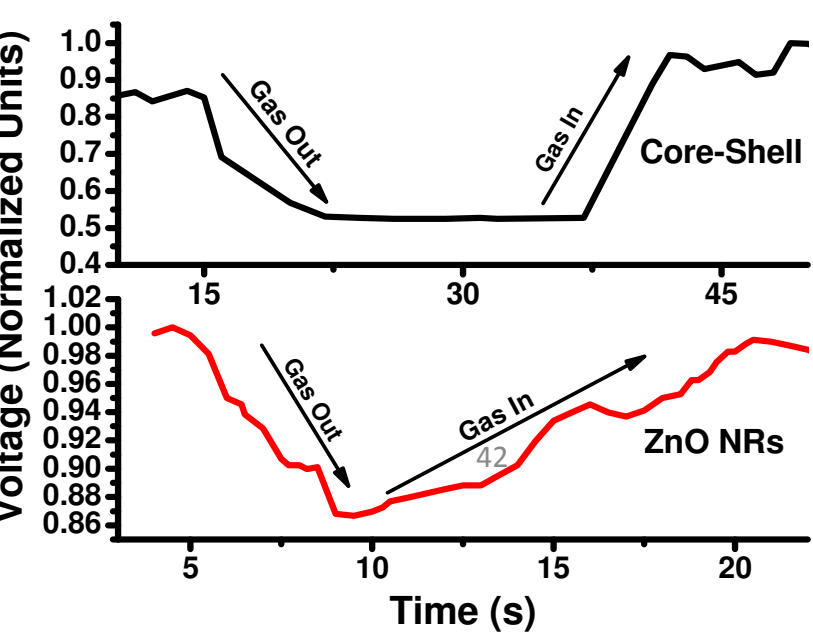
ZnMgO/ZnO Core-Shell



# Activation Energy of Traps From Methanol Adsorption

$$t_d = \frac{1}{\sigma_n v_{th} N_C e^{-(E_c - E_T)/kT}}$$

1.130 s for CS and, 3.3 and 5 s for NRs) is the detrapping  
 $6 \times 10^{-13} \text{ cm}^2$  [41]) is the electron capture cross section,  
 thermal velocity ( $\sqrt{3kT/m_e^*}$ ),  
 $1 \times 10^{18} \text{ cm}^{-3}$  is the effective density of states,  
 $E_T$  are the conduction and trap energy levels, and  $m_e^*$  (= 0.26 for CS and 0.138 for NR) is the electron effective mass.



## Activation Energy:

**Core-Shell = 1.16eV**

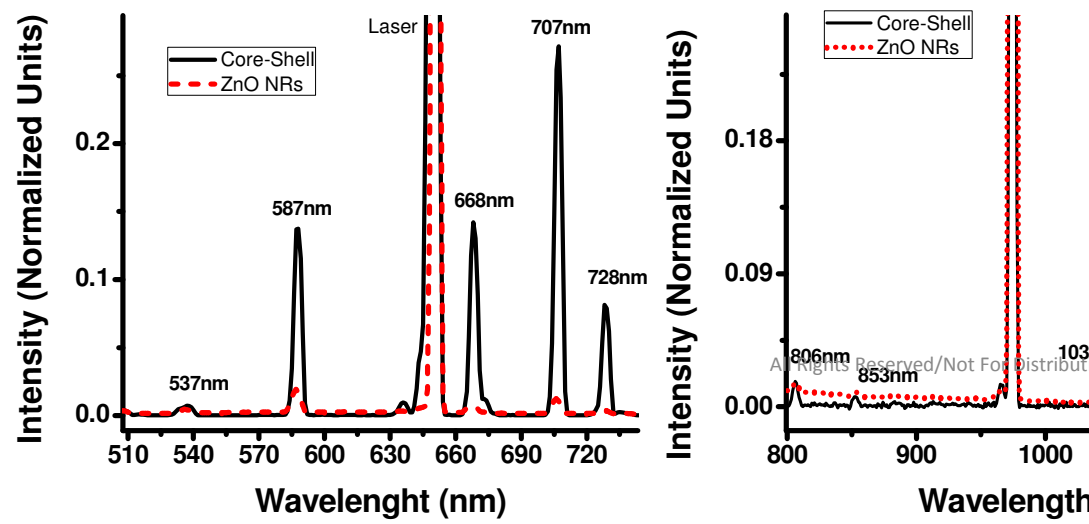
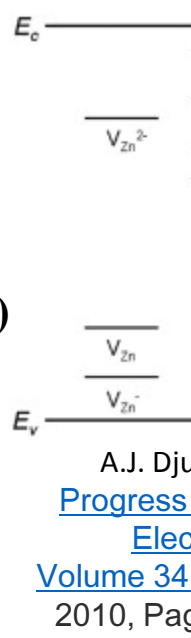
Energy Trap with  $E_g = 3.48\text{eV}$

↳  **$V_o$**  (neutral oxygen vacancies)

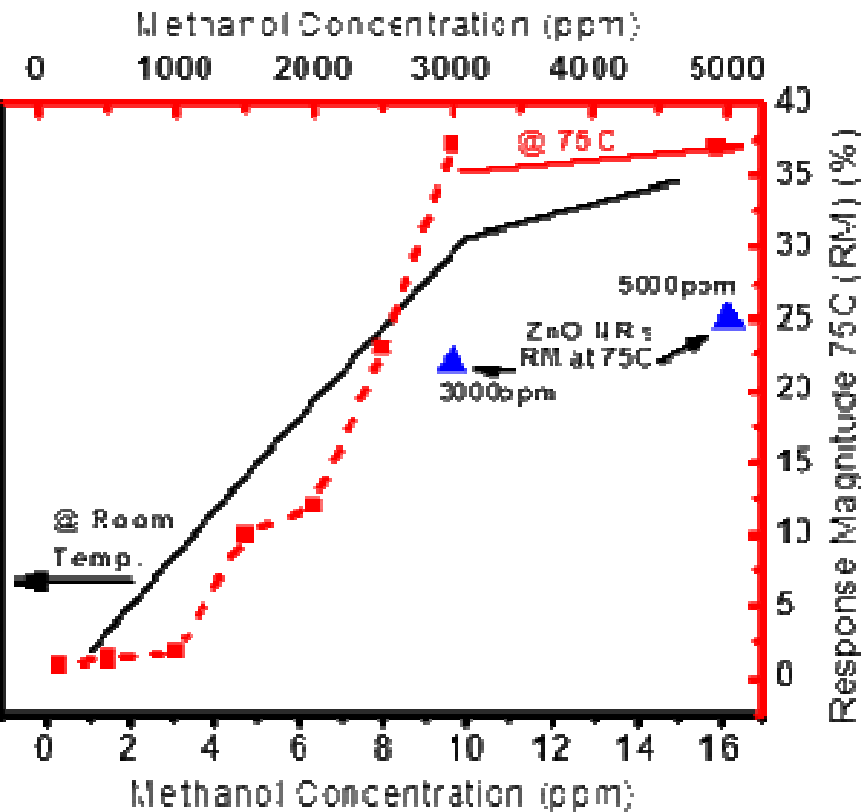
**Nanorods = 1.25-1.26eV**

Energy Trap with  $E_g = 3.27\text{eV}$

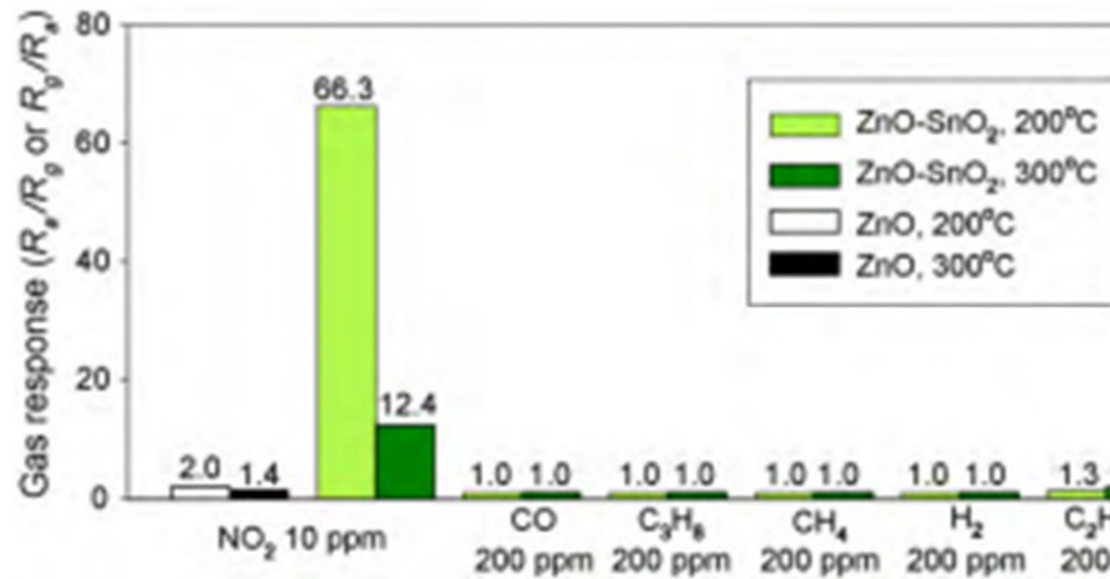
↳  **$V^+o$**  (single charged oxygen vacancy)



# Response Magnitude Core-Shell vs ZnO Nanorods



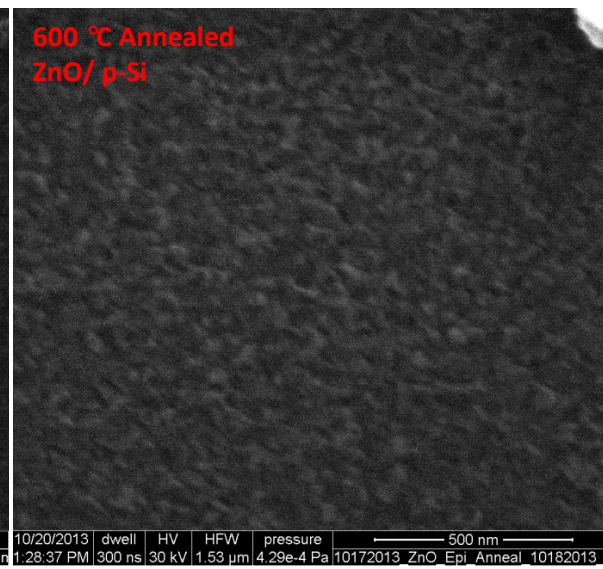
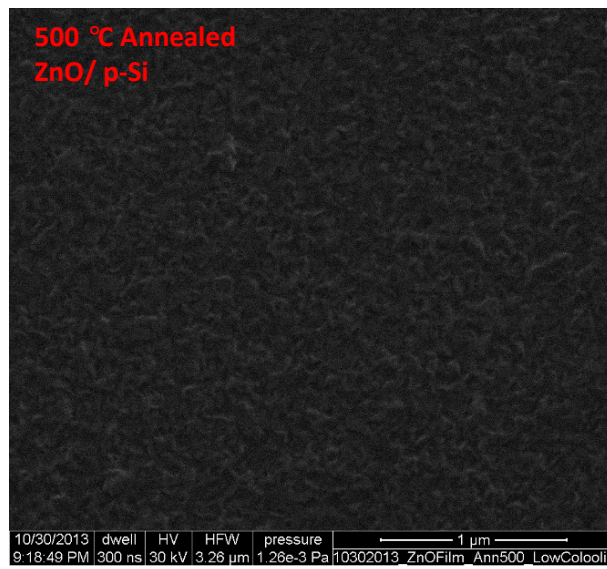
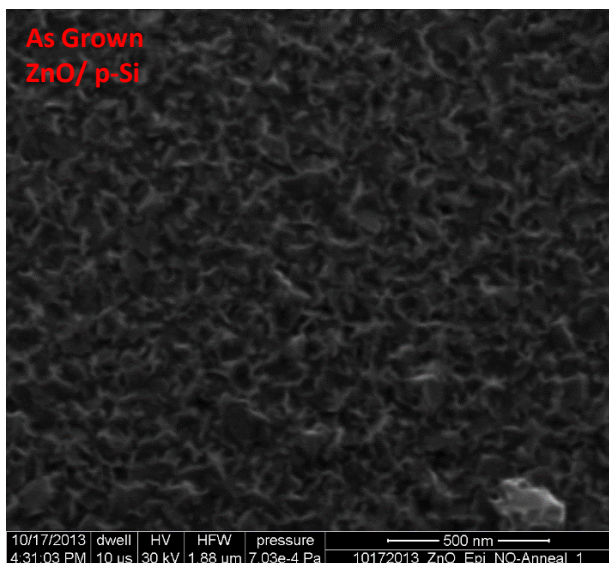
Response magnitude (RM) of ZnMgO/ZnO core-shell structure at low methanol concentration (solid black line with left y-axis and bottom x-axis) carried out at room temperature. The red-dash line-square shows the RM of the CS at low methanol concentration carried at 75 °C. The blue triangles are the RM for ZnO NRs recorded at 75 °C with methanol concentration of 3000 and 5000ppm.



Gas responses ( $R_x/R_0$  or  $R_0/R_x$ ,  $R_0$ : resistance in air and  $R_x$ : resistance to 10 ppm NO<sub>2</sub> and 200 ppm of CO, C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, H<sub>2</sub> and C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>OH at 200 and 300 °C ( $R_x/R_0$  for NO<sub>2</sub> and  $R_0/R_x$  for other reducing gases).

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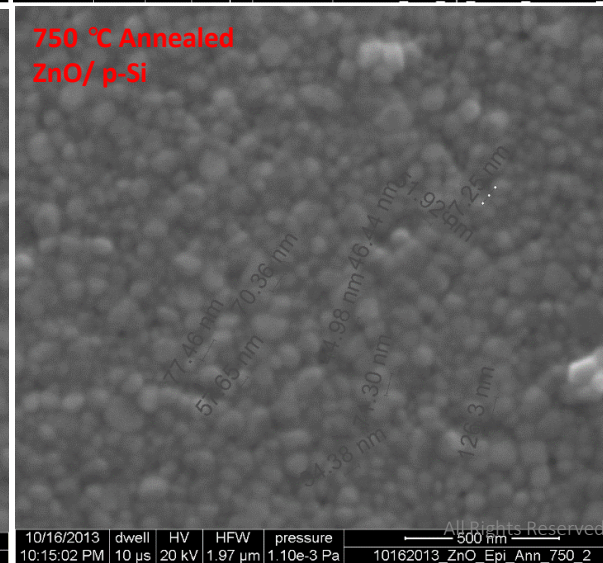
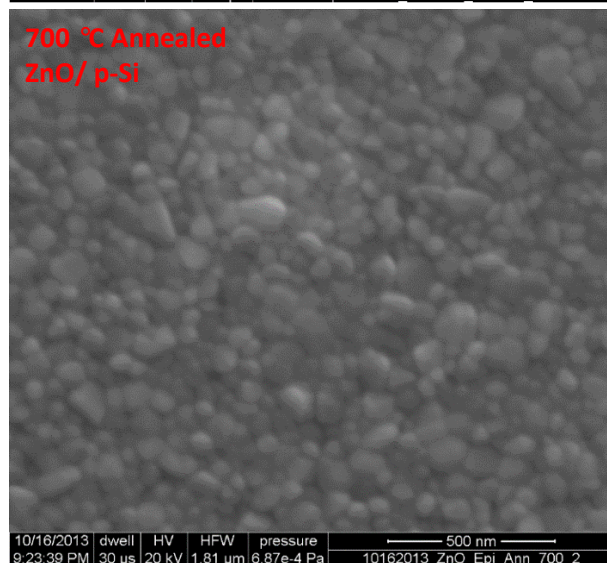
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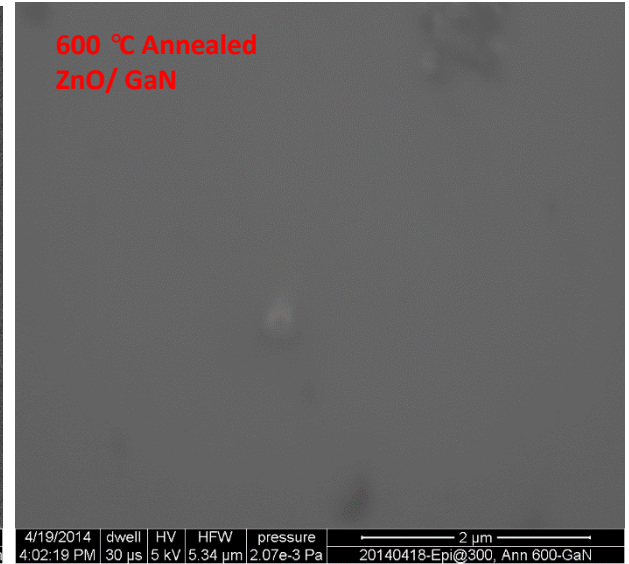
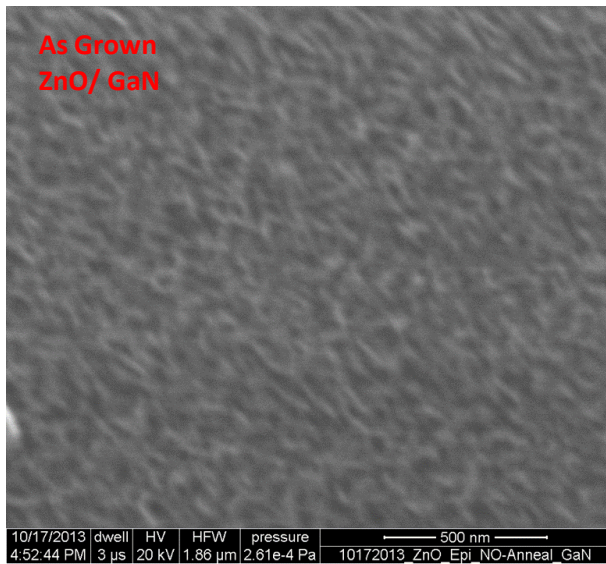
In the 500 – 600 C window,  
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smoother

## Recipe

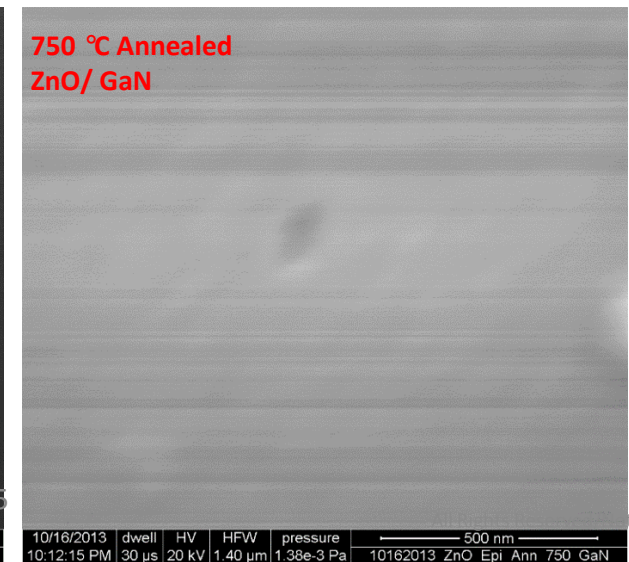
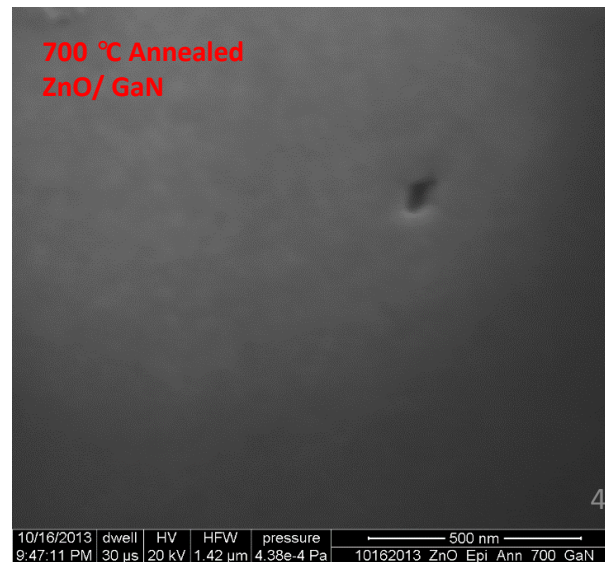
- 50sccm of DEZn
- 35sccm of N<sub>2</sub>O
- 300 C and 70 Torrs
- 20 mins



# SEM Images of ZnO (thin film)/GaN

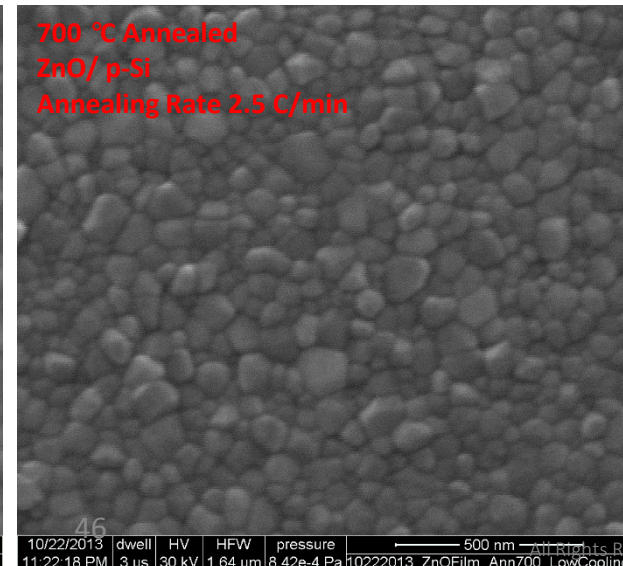
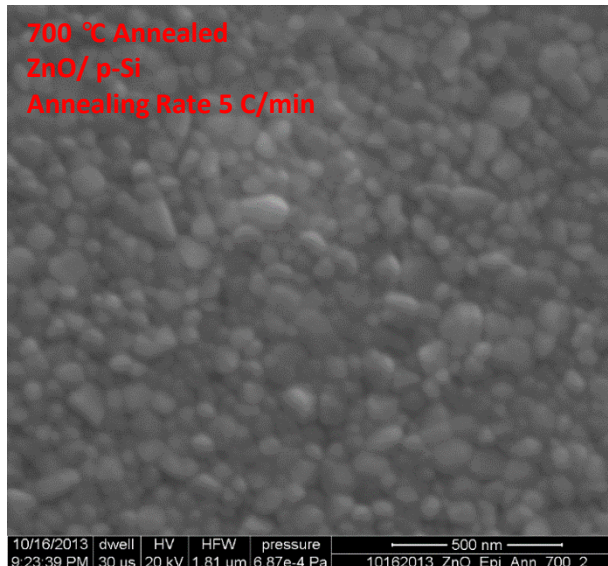
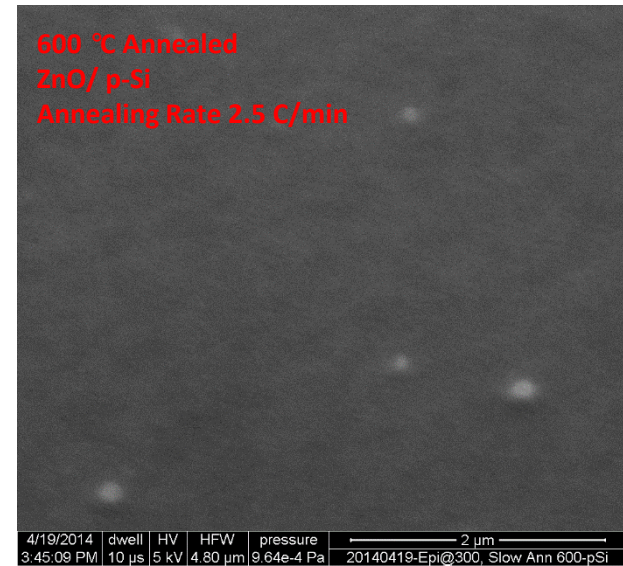
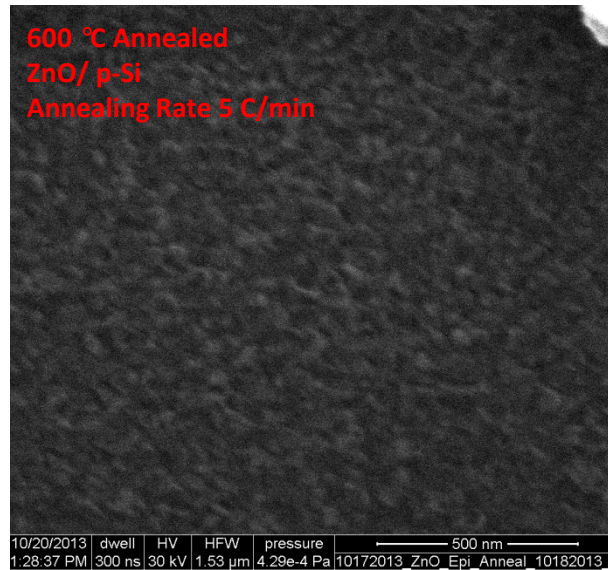


- At high annealing temperature of 700 – 750 C, the ZnO thin film is smoother (smaller RMS roughness)
- Smoother film is obtained on GaN substrates than p-Si due to smaller lattice mismatch



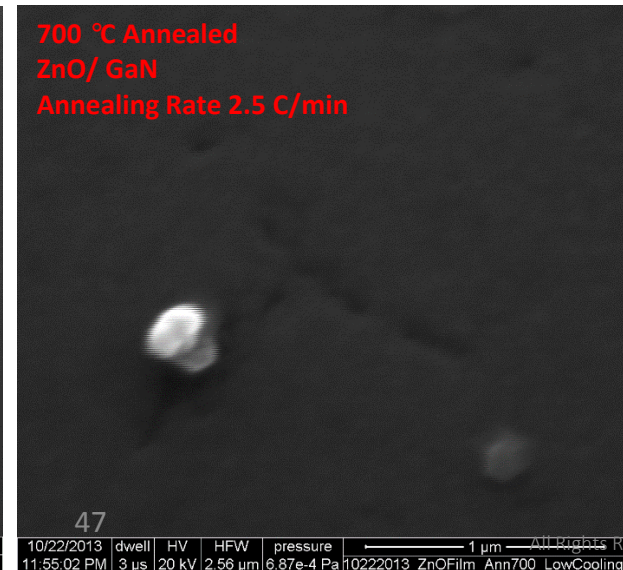
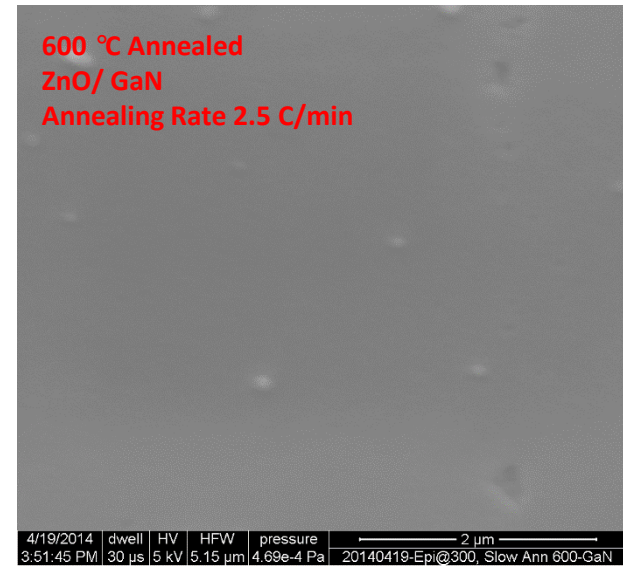
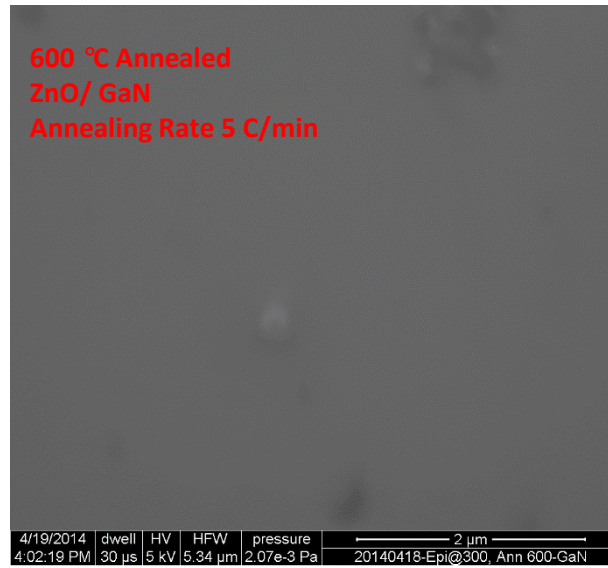
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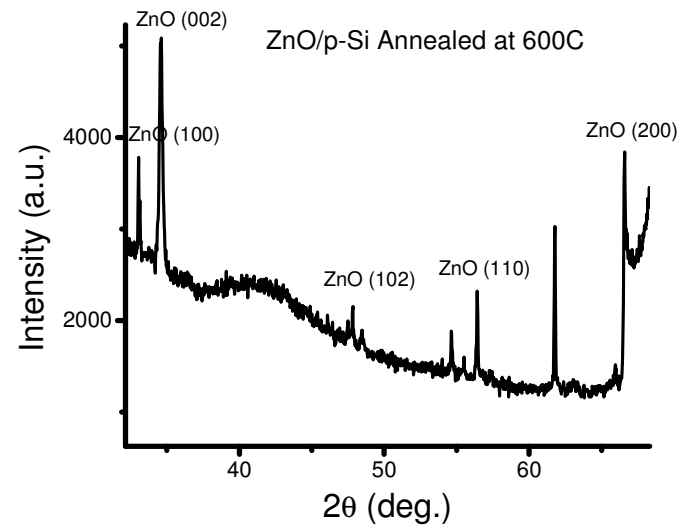
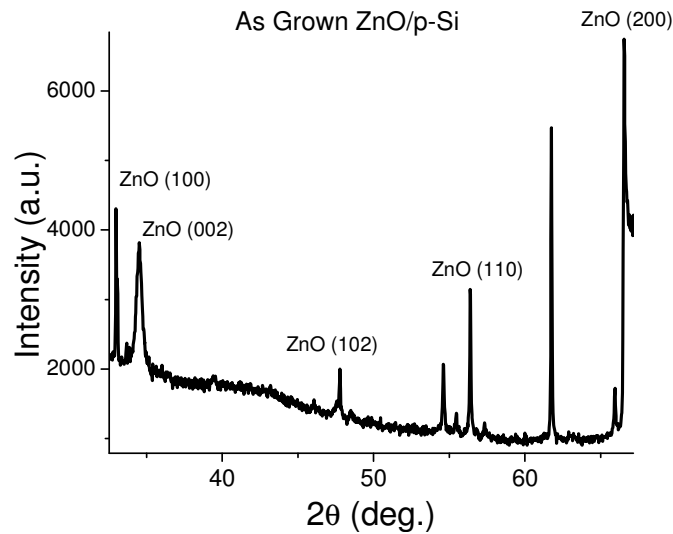


# Surface Roughness Vs. Annealing Temperature

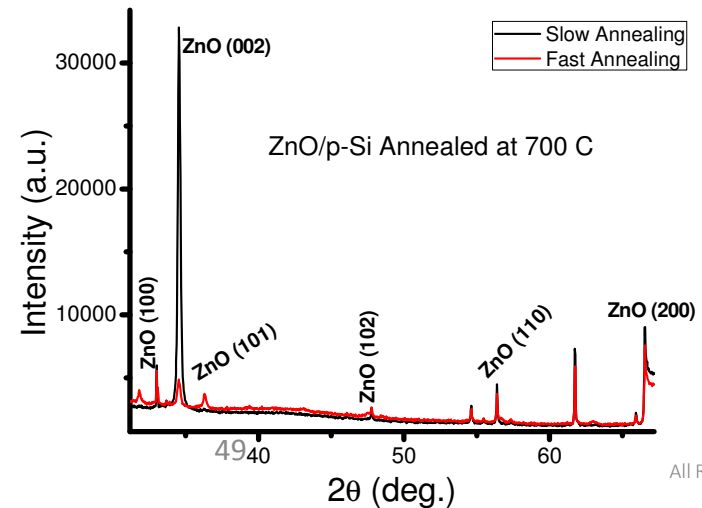
Substrate	Annealing	Surface Roughness
p-Si	As grown	Fine grains
p-Si	600 °C	Smooth surface
p-Si	700 °C	Grain size: 36-154 nm
p-Si	700 °C (slower ramp)	Grain size: 40-153 nm
p-Si	750 °C	Grain size: 34-140 nm
GaN	As grown	Fine grains
GaN	700 °C	Very smooth
GaN	700 °C (slower ramp)	Very smooth
GaN	750 °C	Very smooth



# Crystalline Structure of ZnO (thin film)/p-Si



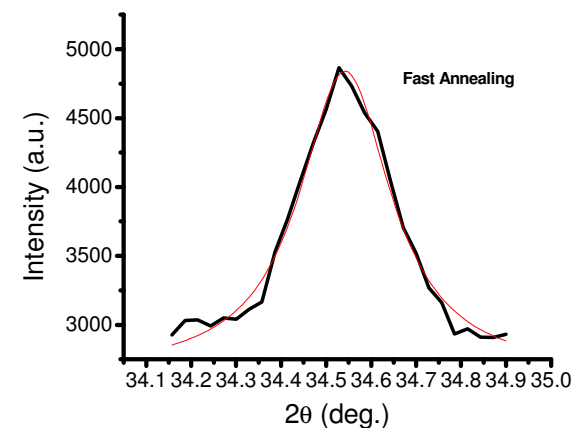
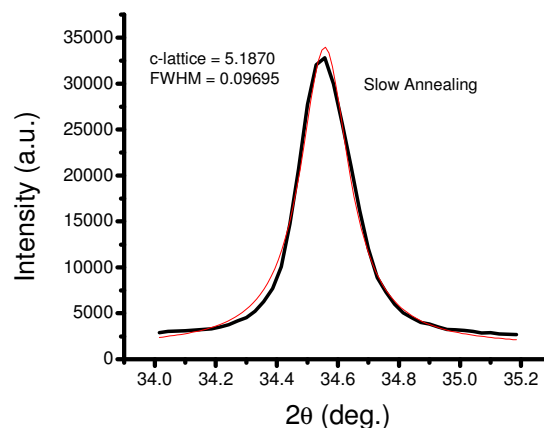
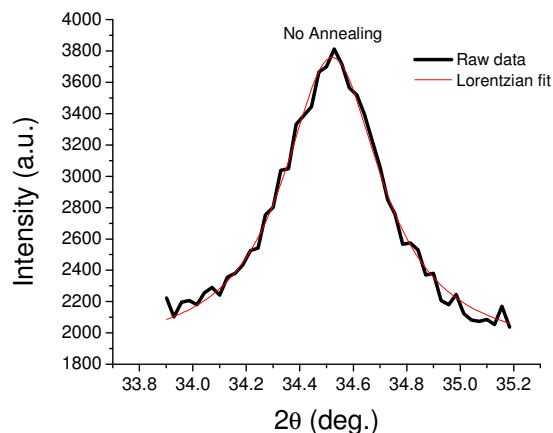
- ZnO becomes more single crystalline for higher temperature annealing at a slower rate
- High temperature causes migration of grain boundaries and coalescence of grains [Lee et al., J. of Luminescence, 129 (2009) 148-152]



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# Crystal Quality of ZnO (thin film)/p-Si

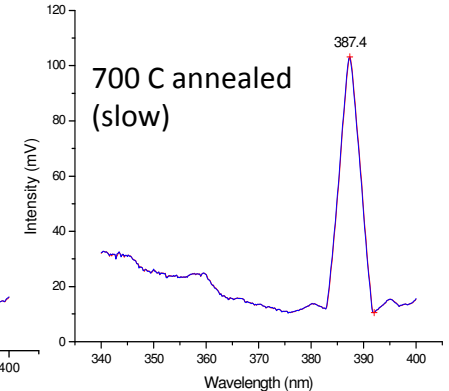
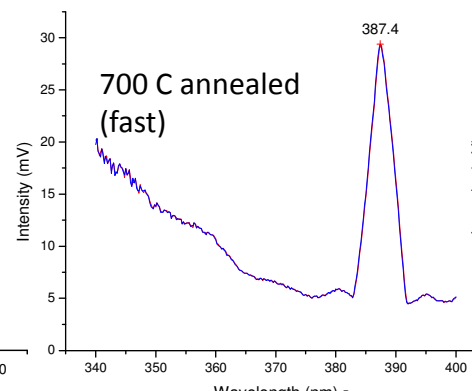
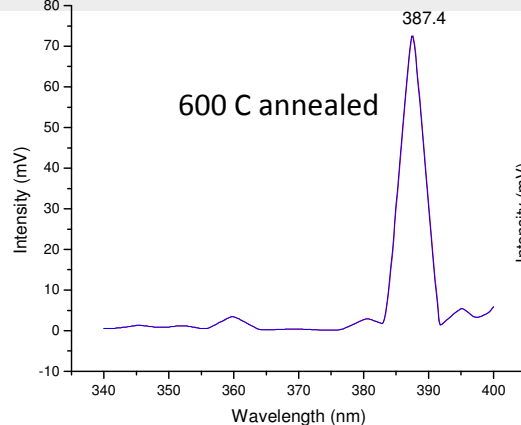
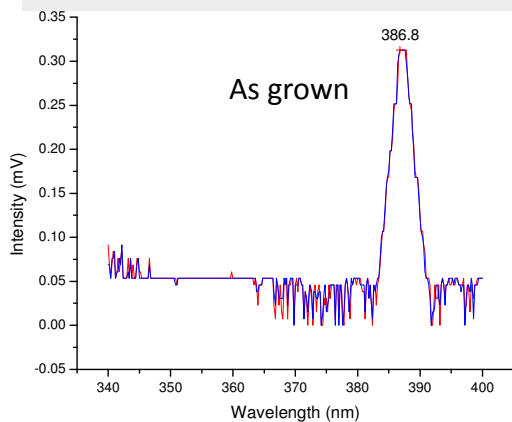
ZnO/ p-Si	As-Grown	500C Annealed	600C Annealed	700C Slow Annealed	700C Fast Annealed
c-lattice (Å)	5.1921	5.1906	5.1820	5.1870	5.1891
a-lattice (Å)	3.2430	3.2430	3.2406	3.1792	3.2417
Misfit Strain	67.47%	67.47%	67.59%	70.83%	67.53%
FWHM (deg)	0.2225	0.1279	0.1280	0.09695	0.1239



- The FWHM decreases with increasing annealing temperature
- Crystal quality can be improved by slowing down the annealing rate

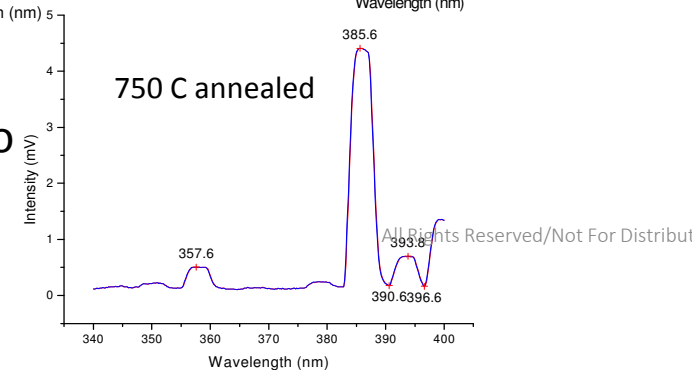
# Optical Quality of ZnO (thin film)/p-Si

Anneal	Peak Position (nm)	Relative Peak Intensity	Other peaks	FWHM (nm)
none	386.8	0.31		5.2108
600 °C	387.4	72.54		4.377
700 °C	387.4	29.36	Broad peak at lower wavelengths	5.2107
700 °C (slow)	387.4	103.12	Small peak at 359.4 nm	4.79
750 °C	385.6	4.41	Peaks at 357.6, 393.8 nm	4.377



- Near band-edge (NBE) energy (~387 nm) is the dominant peak
- The peak at ~358 nm (3.45 eV) corresponds to electronic band to band transition [G.H. Lee et al., *Thin Solid Films* 386 (2001) 117-120]
- Samples annealed at 600 C has minimum defects/ impurity
- Slower annealing rate results in better optical quality

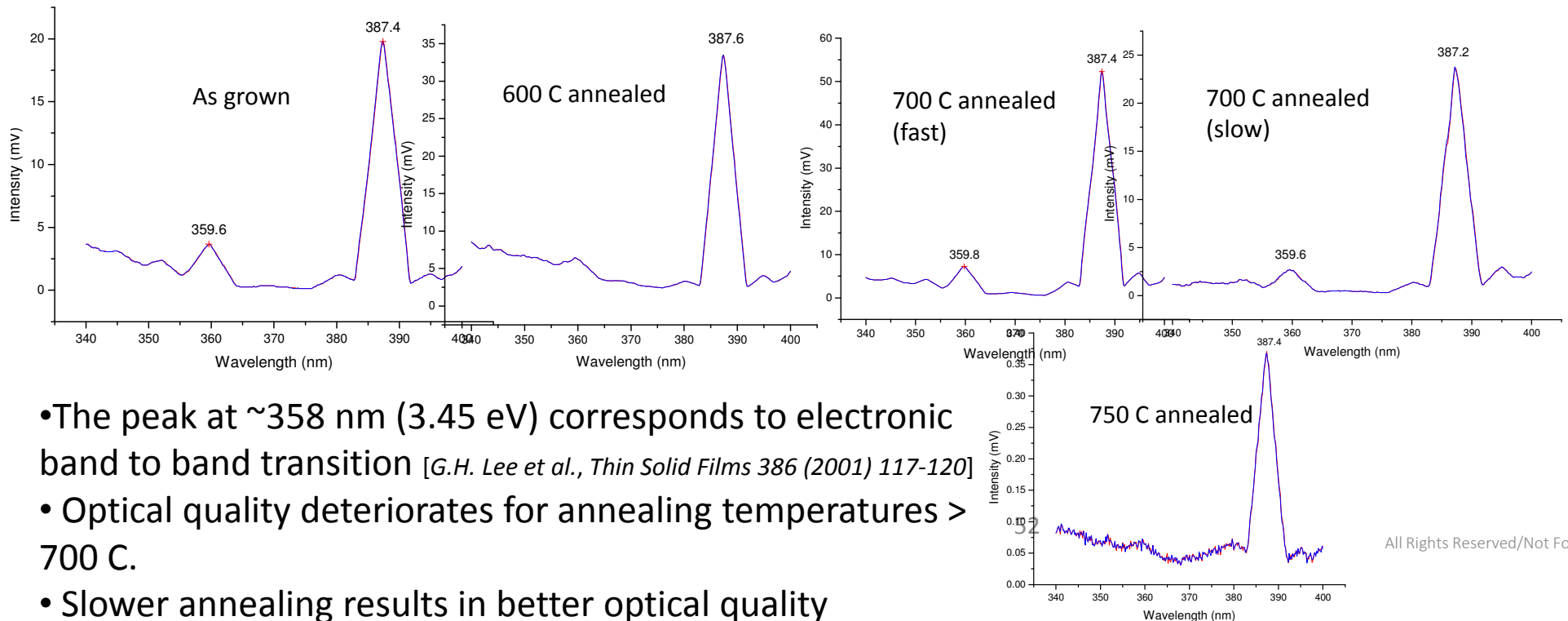
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# Optical Quality of ZnO (thin film)/GaN

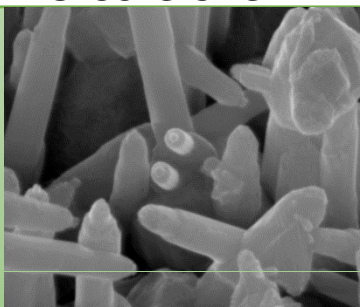
Anneal	Peak Position (nm)	Relative Peak Intensity	Other peaks	FWHM (nm)
none	387.4	19.84	359.6 nm	4.5854
600 °C	387.6	33.478	359.6 nm	4.585
700 °C	387.4	52.44	359.8 nm	4.7938
700 °C (slow)	387.2	23.77	359.6 nm	4.5854
750 °C	387.4	0.37		4.7939



- The peak at ~358 nm (3.45 eV) corresponds to electronic band to band transition [G.H. Lee et al., *Thin Solid Films* 386 (2001) 117-120]
- Optical quality deteriorates for annealing temperatures > 700 C.
- Slower annealing results in better optical quality

# Summary

MgO/ZnO Core-Shell



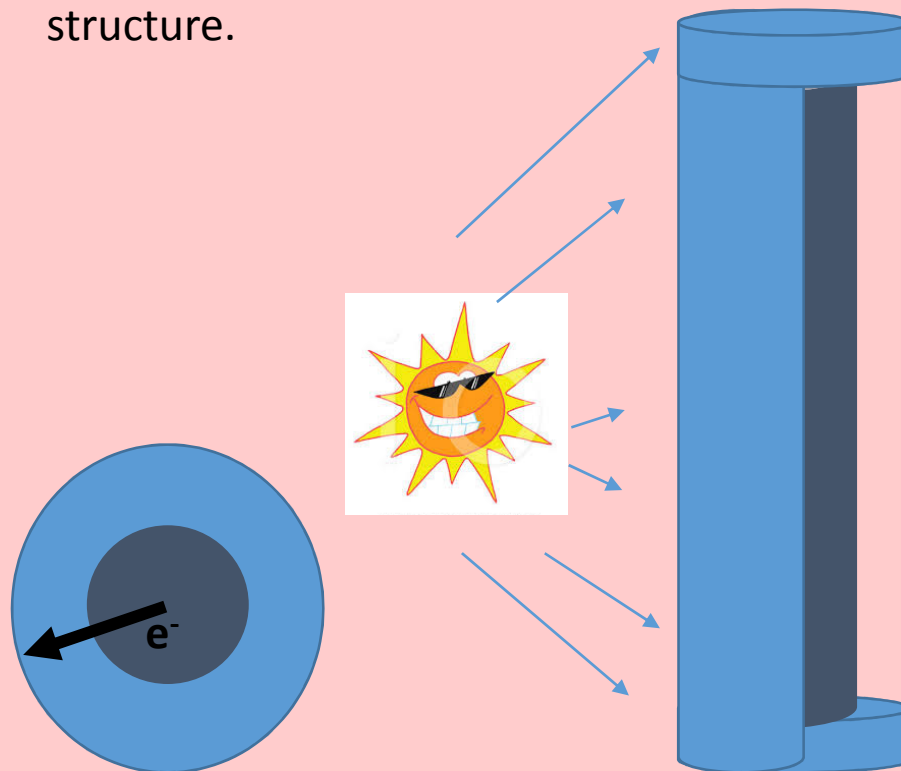
10% Mg

Core)	ZnO (Shell)
5.1868	C-lattice 5.1849
0.0823	FWHM 0.0427

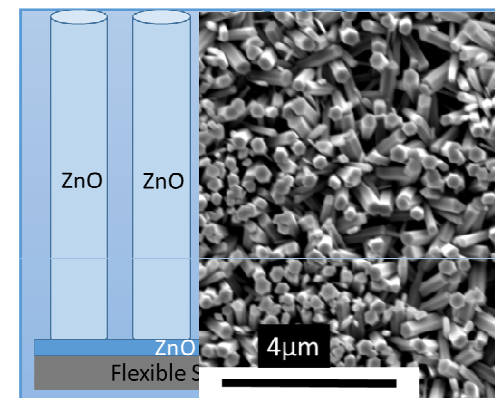
Magnitude of 1 – 37%  
Methanol Concentration of  
100 ppm

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- Sun Light is Absorbed along the NW (**axial**)
- While collection of  $e^-$  depends **radially**
- Therefore, **less recombination**
- And **Higher Absorption Coeff.** due to size of structure.



ZnO Nanorods



ZnO NRs  
C-lattice 5.192  
FWHM 0.0552

Sensitivity of 5 - 6 at Room  
Temperature For Methanol  
Concentration of XX

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