Effect of Seed Layer on Structural Properties of ZnO Nanorod Arrays Grown by Vapor-Phase Transport

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Supporting Information Available

| Deposition techniques | Base pressure (Pa) | O ₂ :Ar | Work pressure (Pa) | $T_{\rm sub}$ (°C) | Thickness (nm) |
|------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| DC sputtering with Zn | 4.1×10^{-4} | 0:1 | 1.0 | RT | 180 ^a |
| target | | | | | |
| Reactive DC sputtering | 5.0×10 ⁻⁴ | 1:4 | 5 | 300 | 200 |
| with Zn target | | | | | |
| Reactive RF sputtering | 6.5×10^{-4} | 1:4 | 0.5 | 300 | 250 |
| with ZnO target | | | | | |
| PLD with ZnO target | 1.0×10^{-3} | 1:0 | 0.02 | 300 | 240 |
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Table S1. Deposition conditions of ZnO seed layer films.

^a The thickness indicates the Zn film after thermal oxidation.

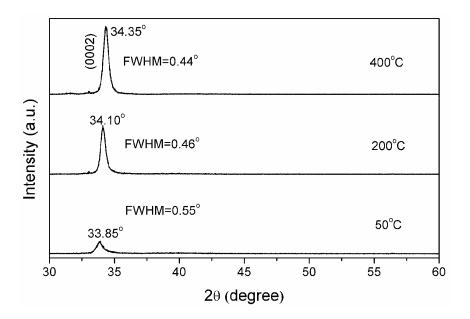
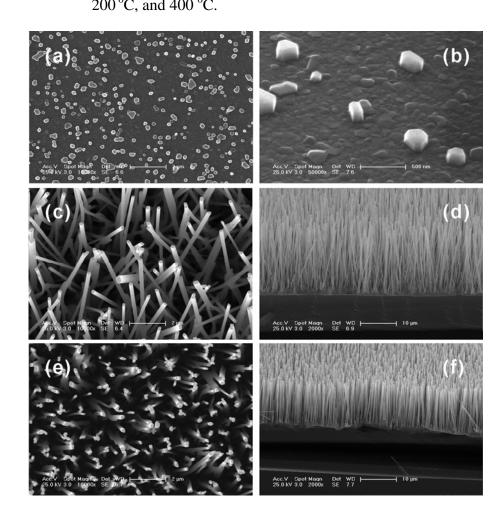


Figure S1. XRD patterns of ZnO seed layer deposited by rf sputtering at substrate temperatures of 50 °C,



200 $^{\circ}$ C, and 400 $^{\circ}$ C.

Figure S2. SEM images of ZnO nanorod arrays grown on rf sputtered seed layer deposited at (a), (b) 50 $^{\circ}$ C; (c),(d) 200 $^{\circ}$ C; and (e),(f) 400 $^{\circ}$ C with the same nanorod growth conditions.