Zinc Oxide Nanostructures: From Chestnut Husk-Like Structures to Hollow Nanocages, Synthesis and Structure

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Supplementary Materials

Table 1ZnO synthesis parameters.

| | Sample | | | |
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| | Α | В | С | D |
| Temperature of the substrate (°C) | 700 | 700 | 800 | 900 |
| Time of reaction (hours) | 3 | 22 | 4 | 3 |
| Distance from the substrate (cm) | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 |
| He gas flow (heating time) [ml/min] | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| He/air gas synthesis mixtures [ml/min] | 100 + 25 | 100 + 25 | 100 + 25 | 100 + 25 |



Figure S1. SEM image of ZnO spherical micro-and nanocages grown on Au thin film at 700°C for 22h a). In figures b) hollow microcages with smooth and thick walls of a selected area of a) are reported. Back scattered electron c) and secondary electron d) images of ZnO spherical microcages.



Figure S2. SEM images of ZnO microcages grown on Au thin film at 900°C for 3 h (a). Back scattered electron (b) and secondary electron (c) images of a ZnO spherical microcage.