

Supporting Information

Sol-gel Processed TiO₂ Nanotube Photoelectrodes for Dye-Sensitized Solar Cells with Enhanced Photovoltaic Performance

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Section S1. Characterization of Nb-doped NPs and NTs.

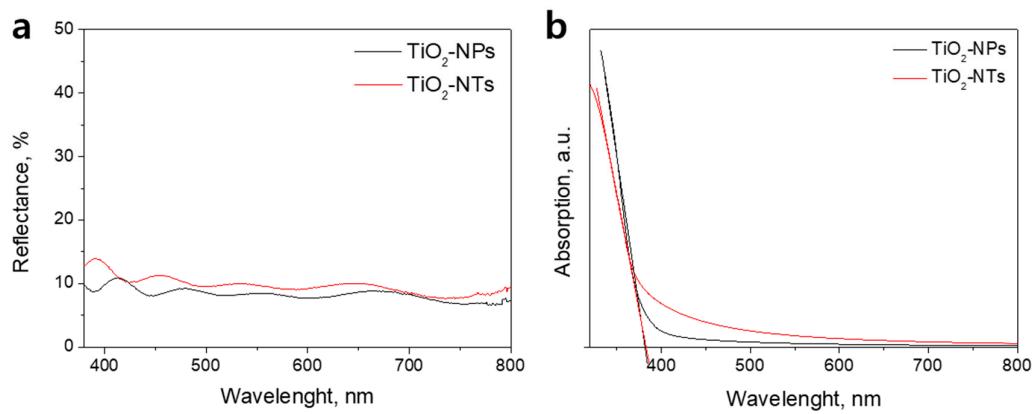


Figure S1. (a) Reflectance of NTs and NPs powders. (b) Absorption spectra of NTs and NPs films.

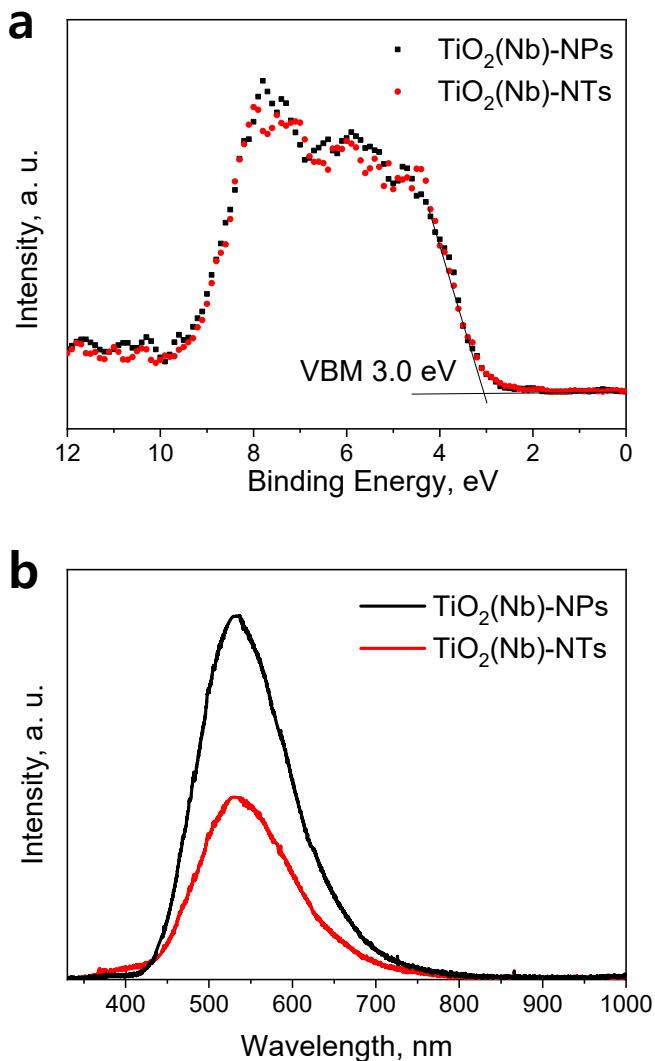


Figure S2. (a) Valence band XPS spectra of $\text{TiO}_2(\text{Nb})\text{-NPs}$ and $\text{TiO}_2(\text{Nb})\text{-NTs}$ layers. (b) PL spectra of $\text{TiO}_2(\text{Nb})\text{-NPs}$ and $\text{TiO}_2(\text{Nb})\text{-NTs}$ layers taken at 10 K.

Table S1. The ratios of the emission intensity of O p_π to O p_σ orbitals for Nb-doped NPs and NTs.

Sample	$\text{O p}_\pi/\text{O p}_\sigma$
$\text{TiO}_2(\text{Nb})\text{-NPs}$	1.7
$\text{TiO}_2(\text{Nb})\text{-NTs}$	2.1

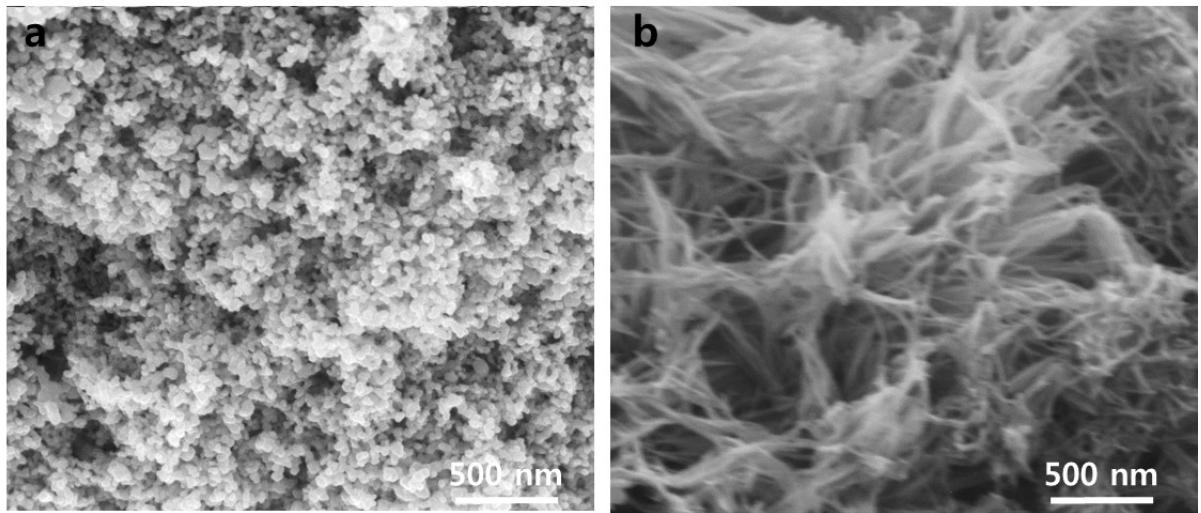


Figure 3. SEM micrographs of (a) $\text{TiO}_2(\text{Nb})$ -NPs and (b) $\text{TiO}_2(\text{Nb})$ -NTs.