

## **<sup>1</sup>Supporting Information**

### **Room temperature NO<sub>2</sub> sensing: What advantage does the rGO-NiO nanocomposite have over the pristine NiO?**

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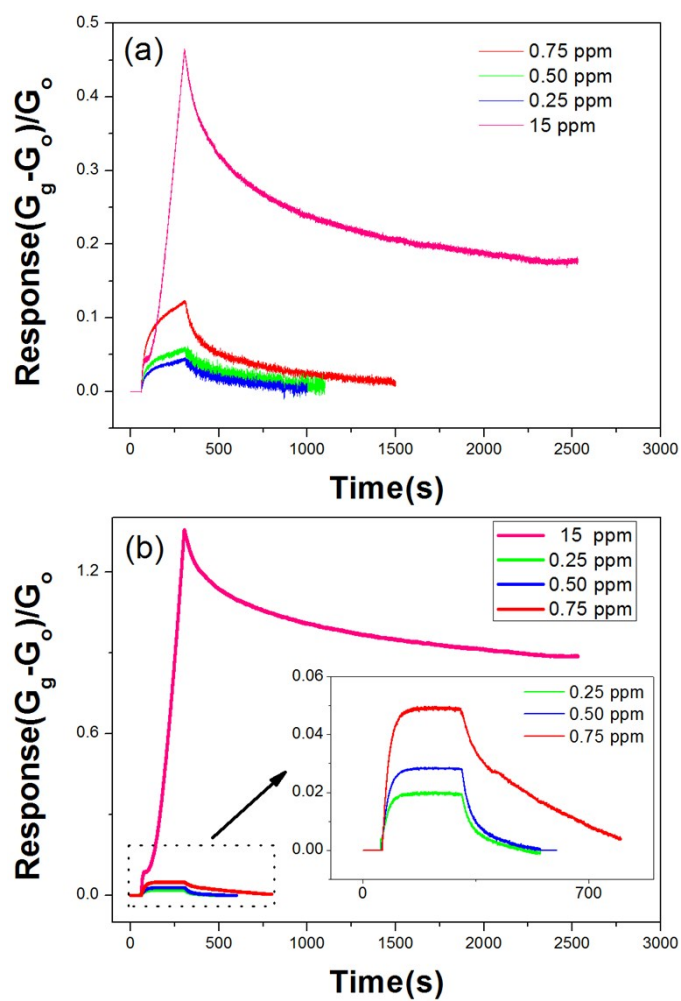
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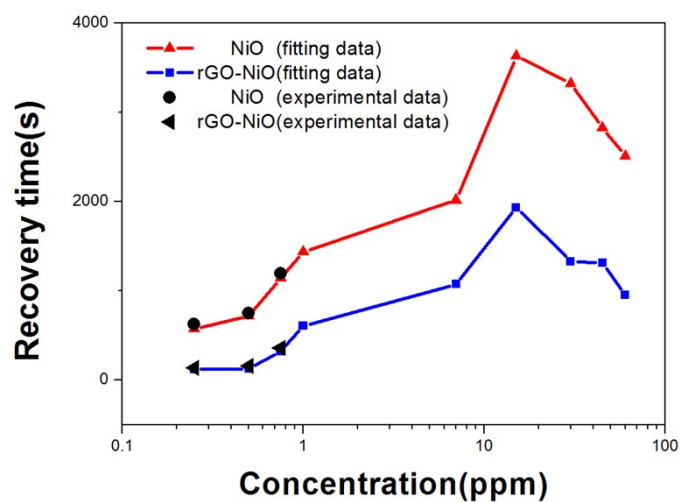
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Fig. S1



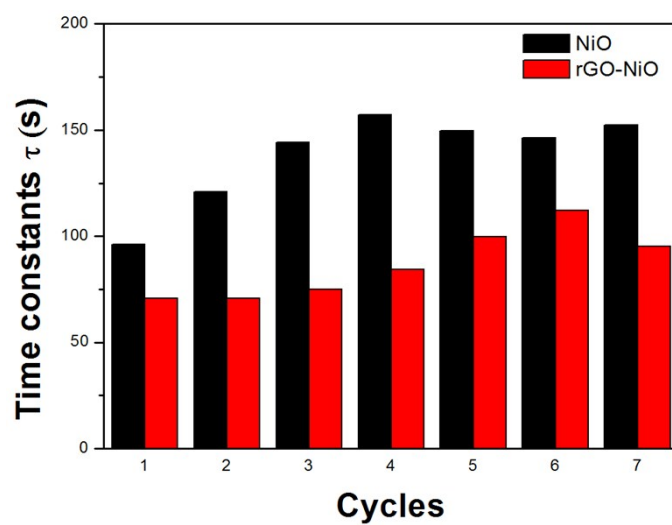
**Fig. S1** Dynamic response-recovery curves of the pristine NiO (a) and the rGO-NiO (b) at different  $\text{NO}_2$  concentration of 0.25 ppm, 0.50 ppm, 0.75 ppm and 15 ppm of 0.25 ppm, 0.50 ppm, 0.75 ppm and 15 ppm. The insert of (b) shows the magnified time-response curves of the rGO-NiO at the concentration of 0.25 ppm, 0.50 ppm and 0.75 ppm.

Fig. S2



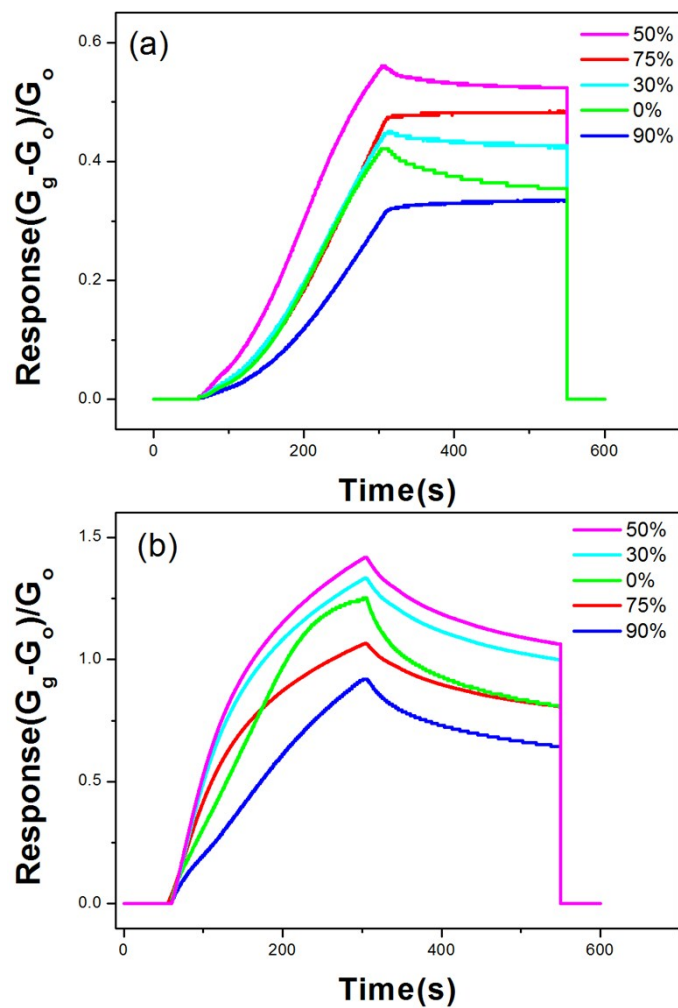
**Fig. S2** The real recovery times of the NiO and the rGO-NiO nanocomposite obtained from the fitting data and the experimental data in Fig. S1.

Fig. S3



**Fig. S3** The fitted time constants for each cycling response curves of the pristine NiO and the rGO-NiO in Fig. 10.

Fig. S4



**Fig. S4** The dynamic response-recovery curves of (a) the pristine NiO and (b) the rGO-NiO nanocomposite to 15 ppm NO<sub>2</sub> at different humidity.