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Enhanced chemiresistive sensing performance of well-defined porous CuO-doped ZnO nanobelts toward VOCs

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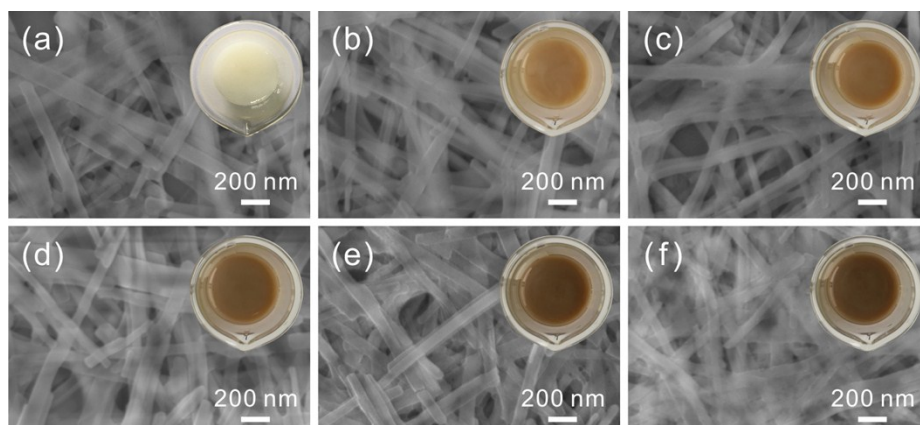


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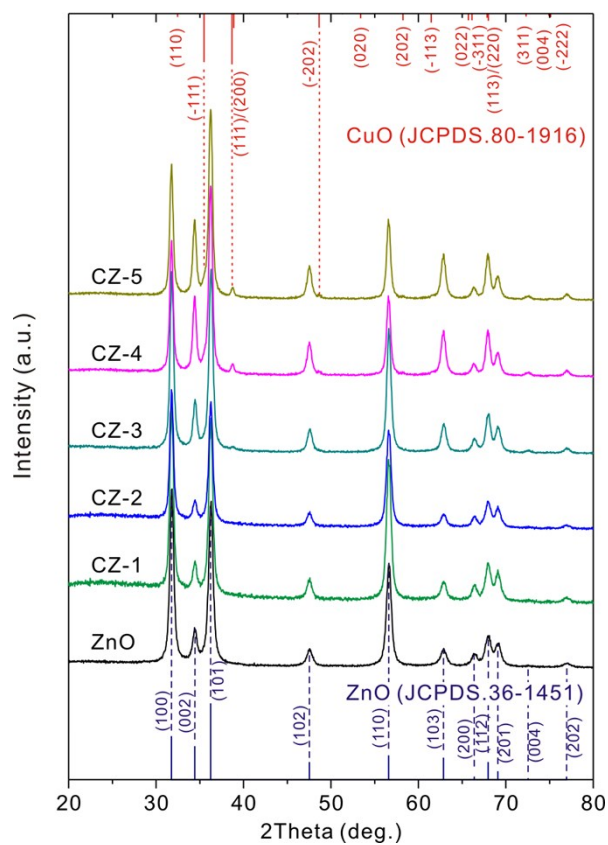


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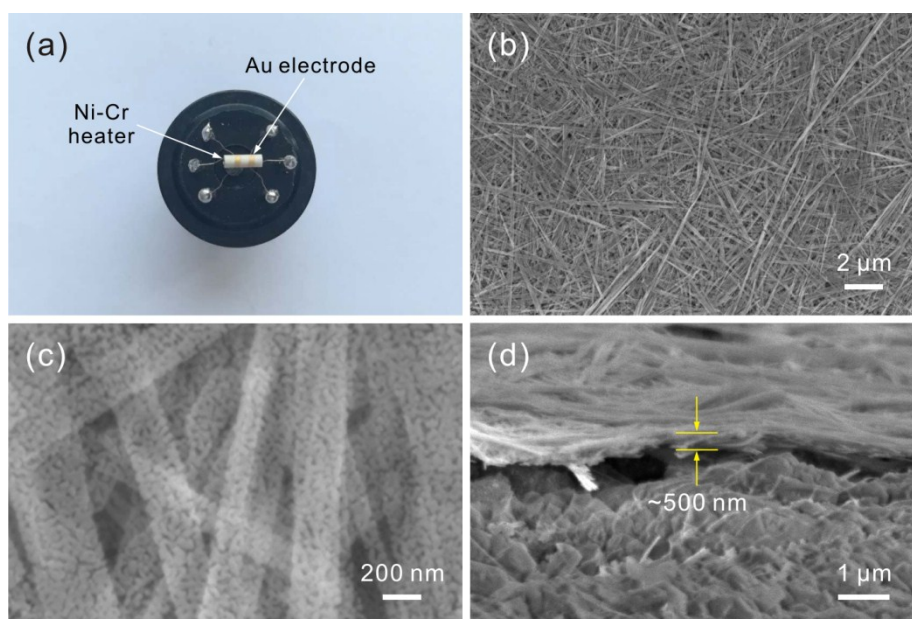


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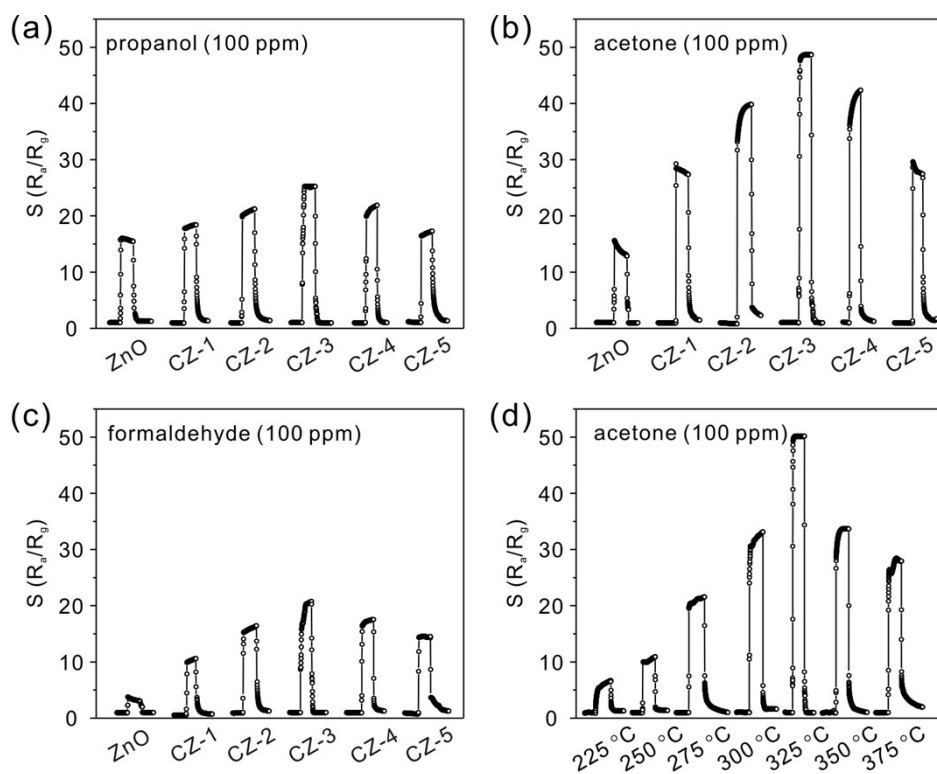


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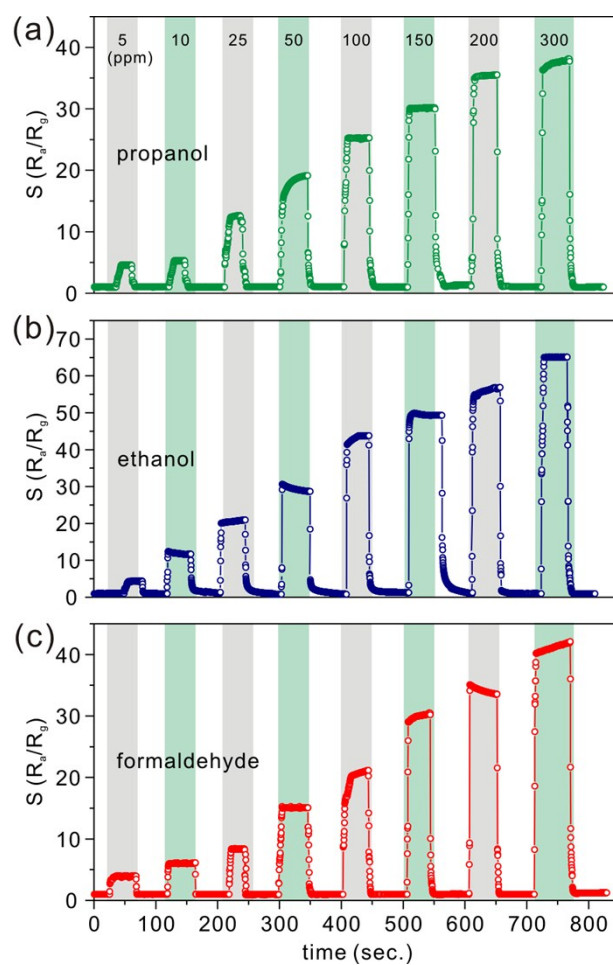


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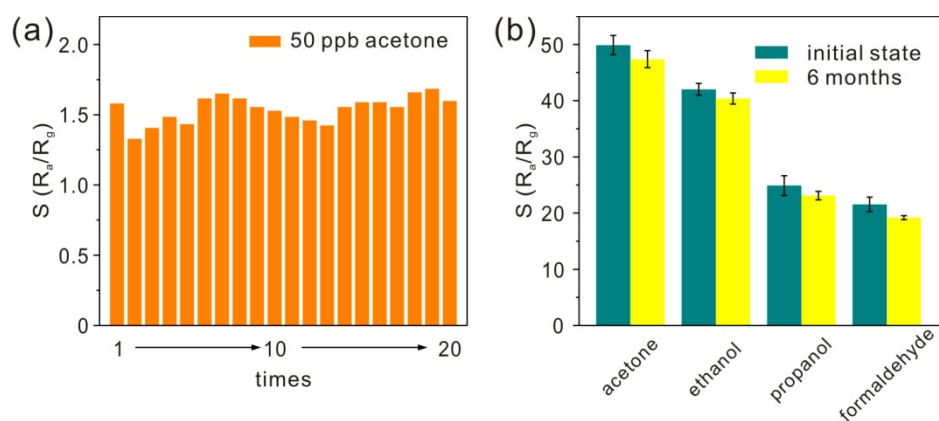


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Table S1. Theoretical and experimental concentration of the doped Cu (at %) for the porous CuO-doped ZnO nanobelts.

Sample	CZ-1	CZ-2	CZ-3	CZ-4	CZ-5
Theoretical concentration of Cu (at %)	1	2	3	4	5
Experimental concentration of Cu (at %)	1.19	2.22	3.29	4.26	5.16

Table S2. Comparison of the sensing properties of various acetone sensors based on CuO/ZnO.

Sample	Working Temperature (°C)	$\tau_{\text{res}}/\tau_{\text{rec}}^{\text{a}}$ (s)	Acetone Concentration (ppm)	S ($R_{\text{a}}/R_{\text{g}}$)	Refs
ZnO microsphere	330	11/17	100	22	[1]
Au/ZnO flowers	280	15/2	100	18.8	[2]
Co/ZnO nanofibers	360	6/4	100	4	[3]
Ni/SnO ₂ nanofibers	340	-/-	100	3.8	[4]
Cu/ZnO/GO	340	15/15	10	9.4	[5]
Cu/ZnO flowers	220	-/-	10	7	[6]
CuO-doped porous ZnO nanobelts	325	6/4	100/10	50/14	this work

^a τ_{res} : response time; τ_{rec} : recovery time.

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