Supporting Information

An efficiently enhanced UV-visible light photodetector with a Zn: NiO/p-Si isotype heterojunction

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Supplementary Figures



Figure S1. (a) SEM image of the NiO films without Zn doping. (b) EDX pattern taken from the Zn:NiO films.



Figure S2. XRD patterns of the NiO films without Zn doping.



Figure S3. X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy of a full survey of the Zn:NiO/p-Si heterojunction.



Figure S4. XPS spectra of the undoped NiO/p-Si heterojunction. High resolution XPS

spectra for Ni (a) and O (b), respectively.



Figure S5. The valence band maximum of the cleaned Si substrate by analysing the XPS spectrum.



Figure S6. A photocurrent spectrum of the NiO/p-Si heterojunction photodetector with an applied bias of -1 V.



Figure S7. The J-V curve of the Zn:NiO/p-Si heterojunction device upon a bias from

-4 V to 4V under dark.



Figure S8. Band diagrams of the undoped NiO/p-Si heterojunction at the interface under a reverse bias.



Figure S9. Photocurrent responses of the Zn:NiO/p-Si heterojunction photodetector at

-1 V under 450 nm light illumination recorded before (raw data) and after one month.



Figure S10. Photocurrent responses of the undoped NiO/p-Si heterojunction photodetector at -1 V with a light density of 0.5 mW cm⁻² under 350 nm and 650 nm light illumination, respectively.



Figure S11. Photocurrent responses of the Zn-doped NiO/p-Si heterojunction photodetector under on/off light illumination at various applied voltage with a light density of 0.5 mW cm^{-2} .



Figure S12. Switch ratio of the Zn:NiO/p-Si heterojunction photodiode with various Zn-doping content at an applied voltage of -1 V under 450 nm light illumination (0.5 mW cm⁻²).



Figure S13. Spectral responsivity curves of the Zn-doped NiO/p-Si heterojunction photodetector in the range of 350-650 nm under a reverse bias of -0.5 V, -0.8 V, -1 V, -2 V, -3 V and -4 V, respectively.



Figure S14. XRD patterns (a) of the NiO thin film sample annealed at 300 °C, 700 °C and 900 °C, respectively. SEM images showing the surface views of the NiO thin film on the Si substrates annealed at 300 °C (b), 700 °C (c) and 900 °C (d), respectively.



Figure S15. EQE of the Zn:NiO/p-Si heterojunction photodiode annealed at 300 °C, 500 °C, 700 °C and 900 °C, respectively, with an applied voltage of -1 V under 450 nm light illumination.

Supplementary Table

Table S1. The measurement parameter values obtained by Hall measurement with theZn-doped and undoped NiO films.

Input value	I (nA)	В	D	D_T	MN	T (K)
	1.000	0.560	0.200	0.100	1000	300
Result			Undoped		Zn-doped	
Bulk concentration			8.459×10 ¹⁵		2.906×10 ¹²	
Mobility			1.850×10^{1}		5.730×101	
Resistivity			3.989×10 ¹		3.748×10 ⁴	
Average Hall Coefficient			7.379×10^{2}		2.148×10 ⁶	
AC Cross Hall Coefficient			6.593×10 ²		3.651×10 ⁵	
BD Cross Hall Coefficient			8.165×10 ²		4.661×10 ⁶	
Sheet Concentration			1.692×10 ¹¹		5.812×10 ⁷	
Conductivity			2.507×10-2		2.668×10-5	
Magneto-Resistance			1.341×10 ⁵		3.197×10 ⁸	