

Supporting Information:

Carrier concentration dependent optical and electrical properties of Ga doped ZnO hexagonal nanocrystals

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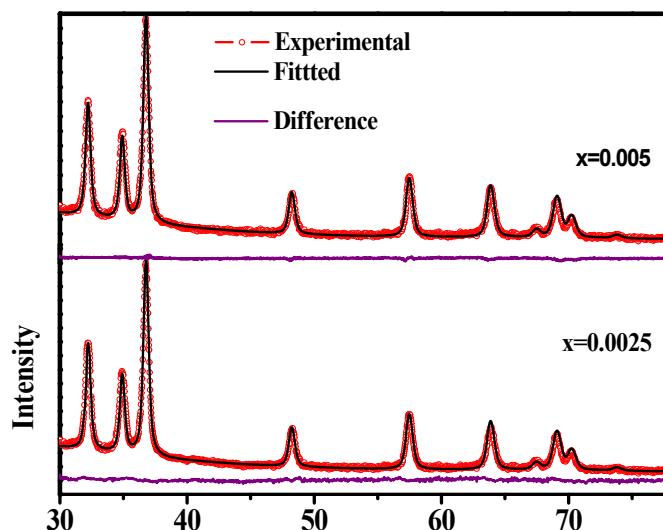


Fig.S1 Rietveld refinements of the X ray diffraction for $x=0.0025$ and $x=0.005$ samples

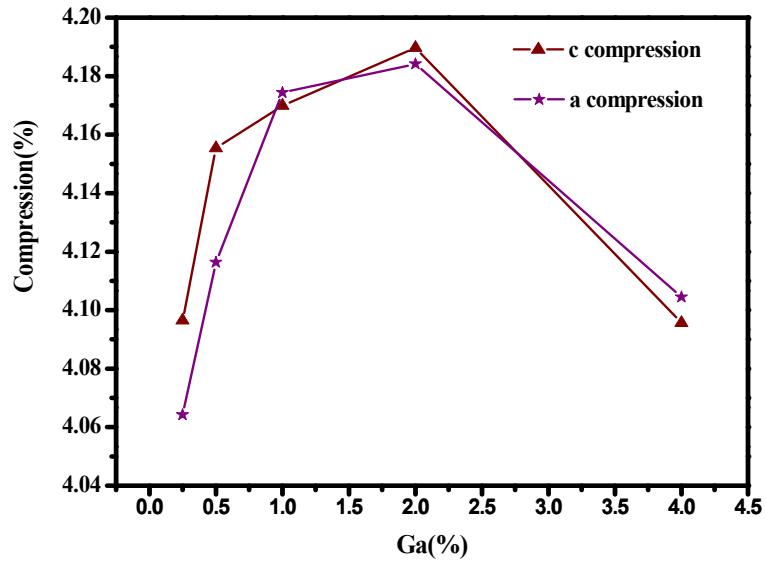


Fig.S2 Compression of lattice parameter in % rather than pure sample with doping mole%.

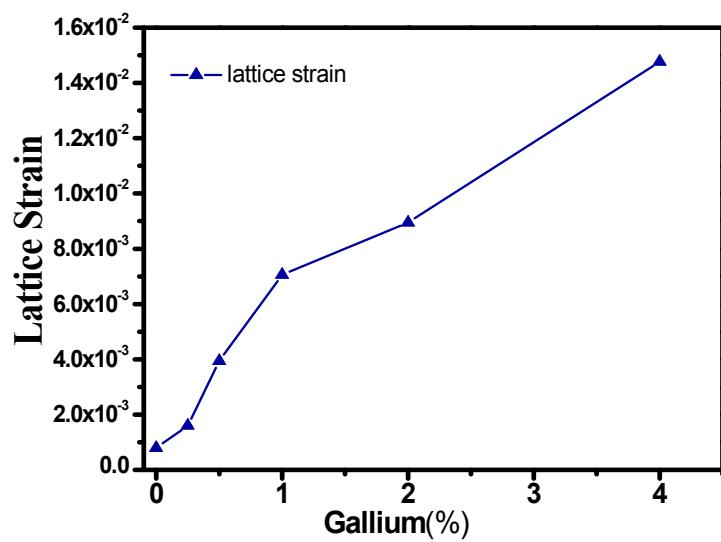


Fig.S3 Lattice strain with doping mole%.

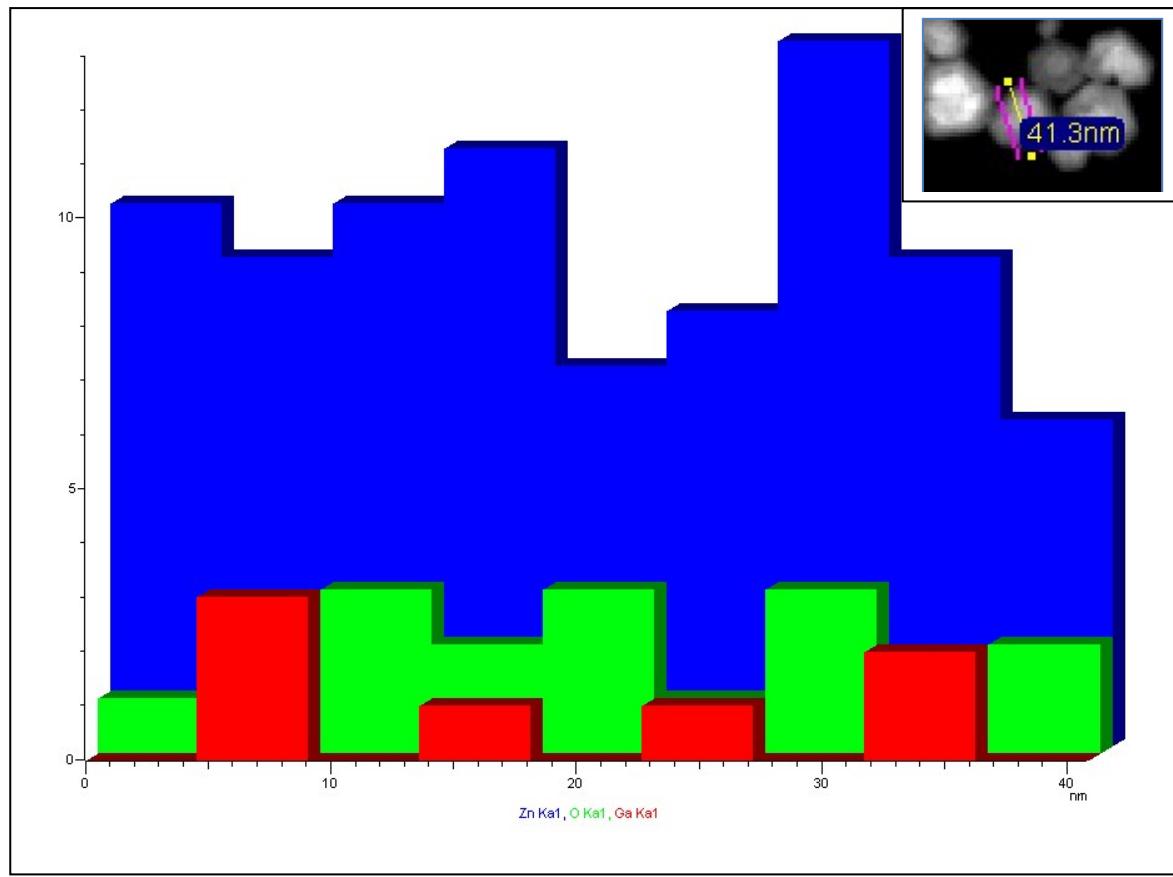


Fig. S4 EDAX line scan for a single 1 mole% Ga doped ZnO nanocrystals. Blue, Green and Red column bars are symbolic for Zn, O and Ga respectively. Homogeneous Dopant distribution was found over 30 nm region. Inset shows the single nanocrystal which was line scanned.

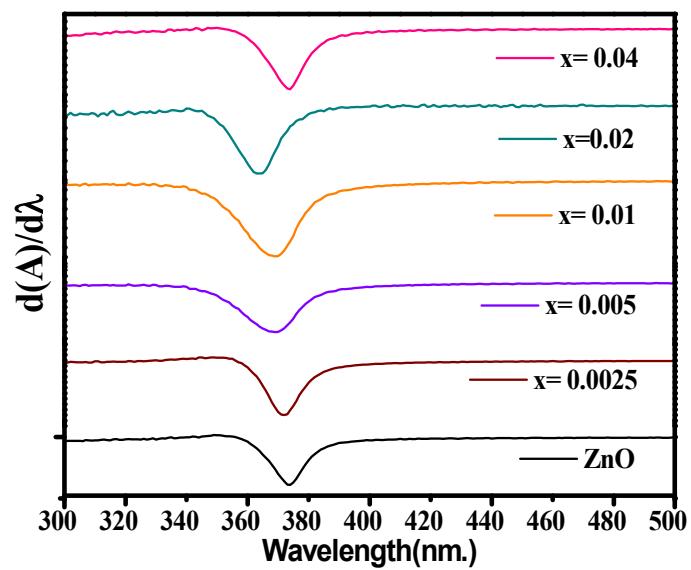


Fig.S5 Differential absorption spectra of pure and doped samples.

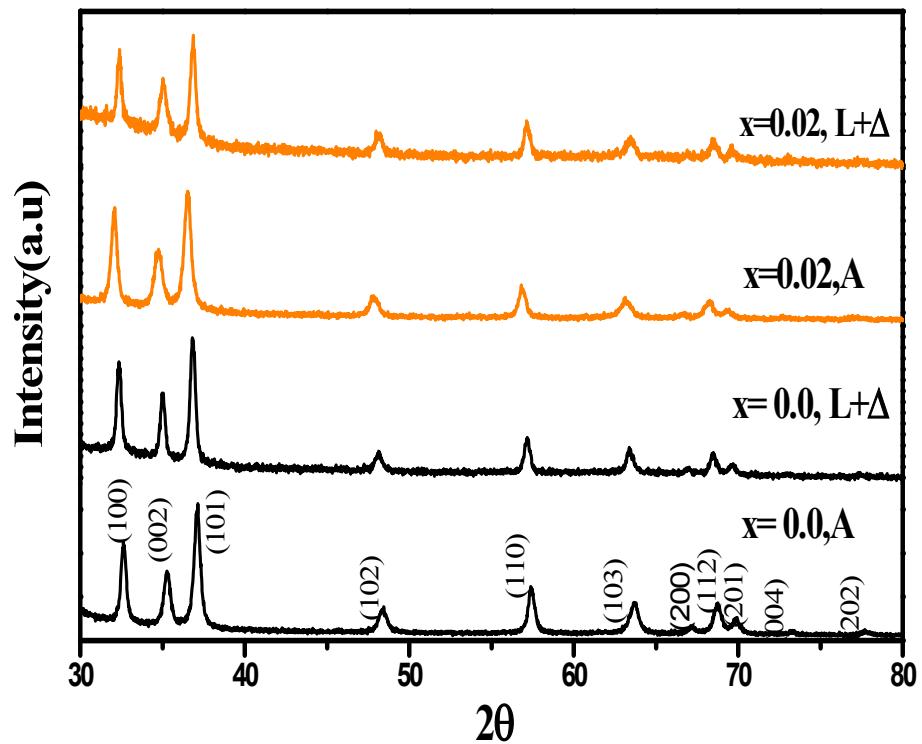


Fig. S6 XRD pattern of as synthesized $Zn_{1-x}Ga_xO$ ($x = 0.0$ and $x = 0.02$) film and ligand free heat treated ($450^\circ C$ Ar annealed) film on quartz ; A = as synthesized , $L+\Delta$ = ligand exchange and heat treated

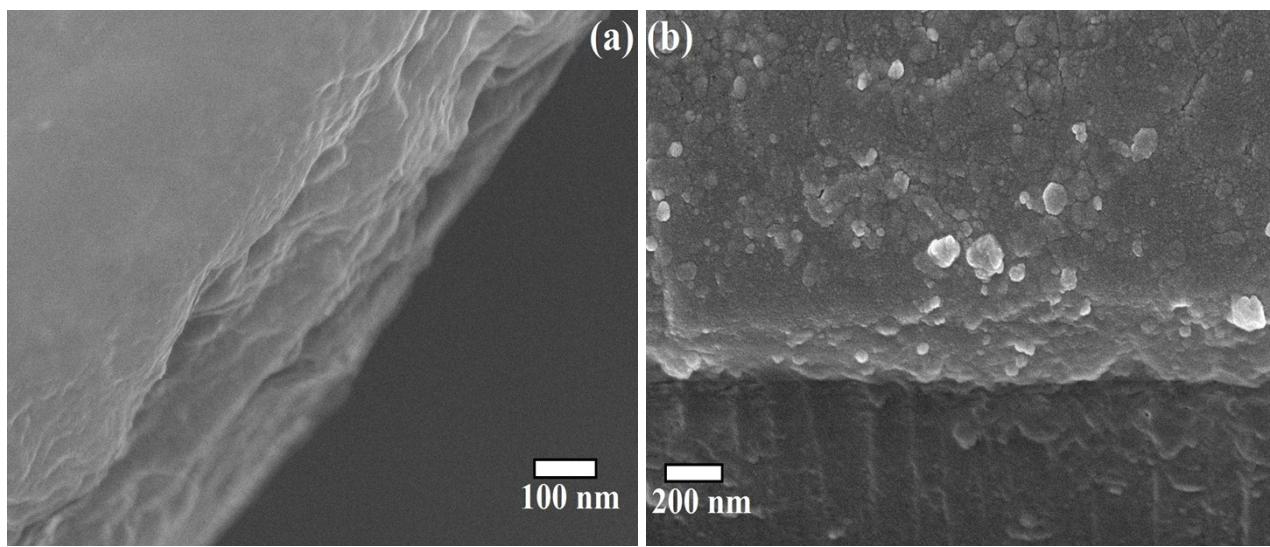


Fig. S7

Fig. S7: (a) Cross section SEM image of as-deposited Ga:ZnO thin film. (b) Cross-section view of annealed thin film shows the uniform nature of film.

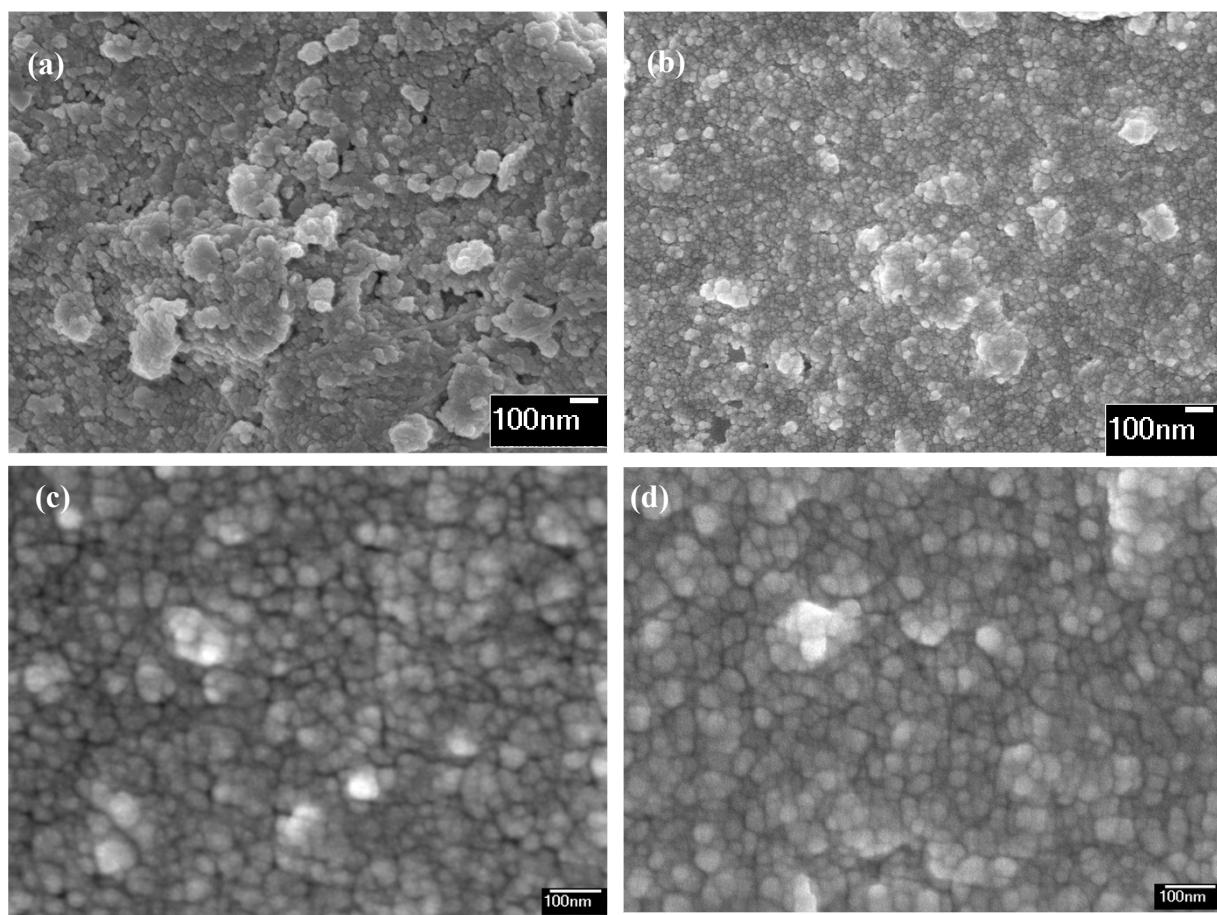


Fig. S8 SEM image of as deposited and annealed film of Zn_{1-x}Ga_xO. (a) as deposited film of x=0.02 (b) annealed film of x=0.02 (c) as deposited of film x=0.0 and (d) annealed film of x=0.0.

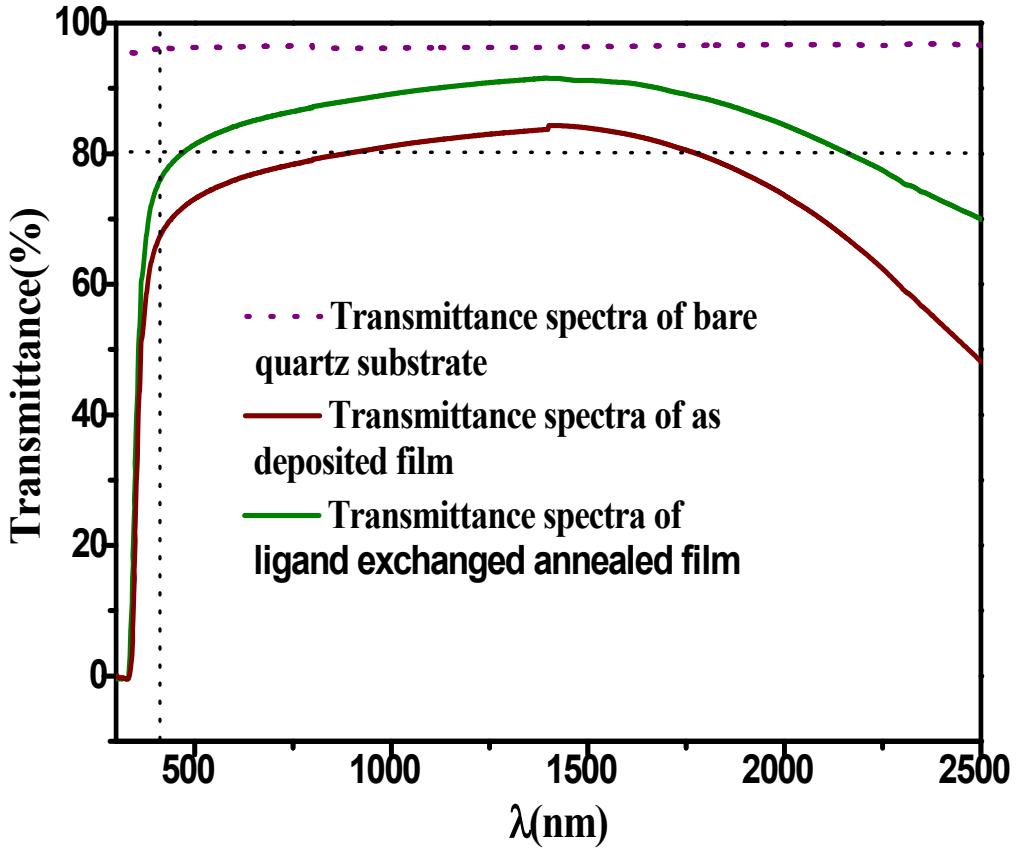


Fig. S9 UV-Vis-NIR transmittance (%) plot of bare quartz, as deposited and ligand free annealed films of $Zn_{1-x}Ga_xO$ ($x=0.02$) deposited on quartz shows $\%T > 80\%$, transparent in visible region and plasmonic absorption in NIR region for annealed film.

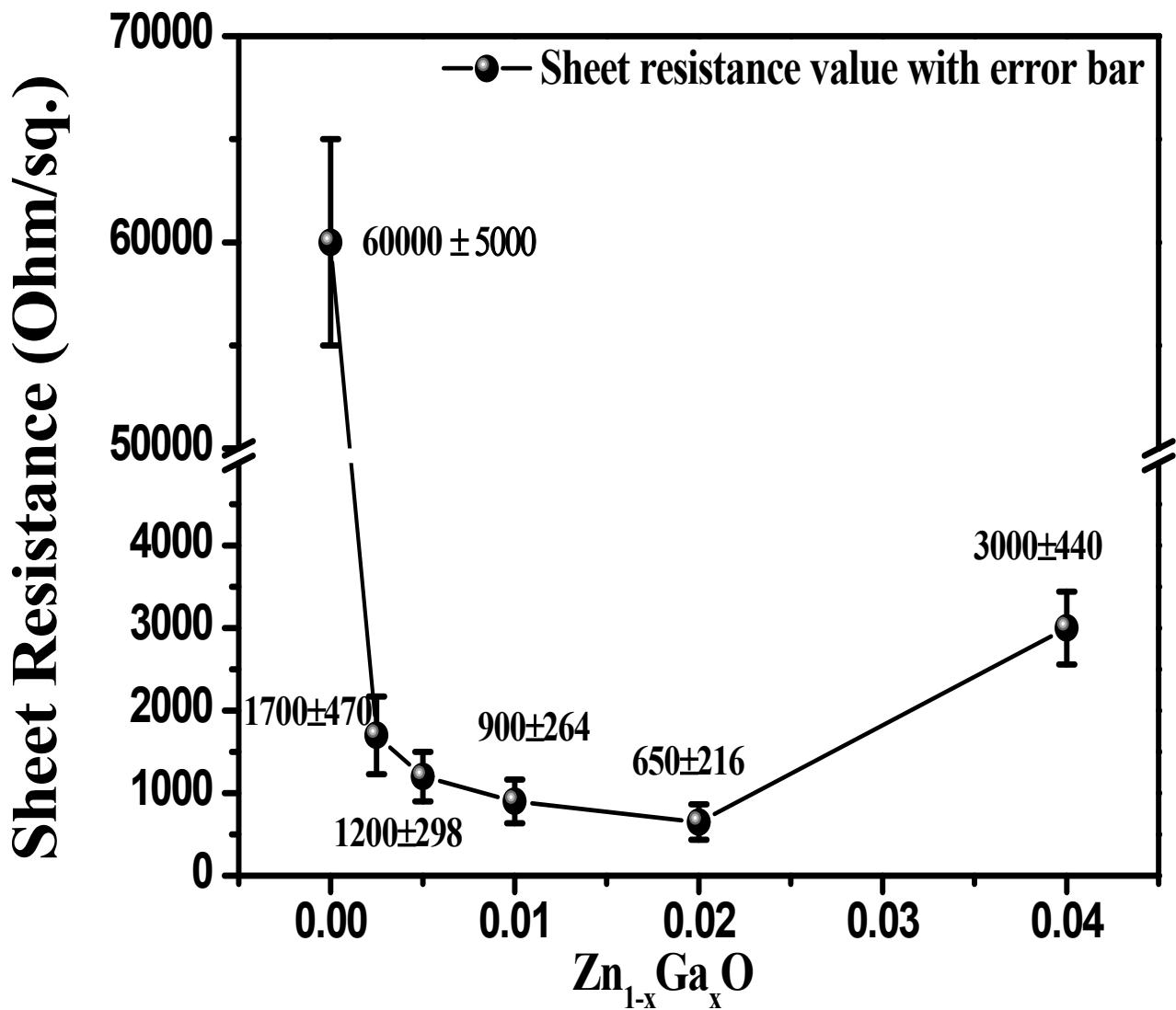


Fig.S10 Five films prepared under similar conditions for each composition. Room temperature sheet resistance of $Zn_{1-x}Ga_xO$ films with error bar for ($x=0.0, 0.0025, 0.005, 0.01, 0.02$ and 0.04).

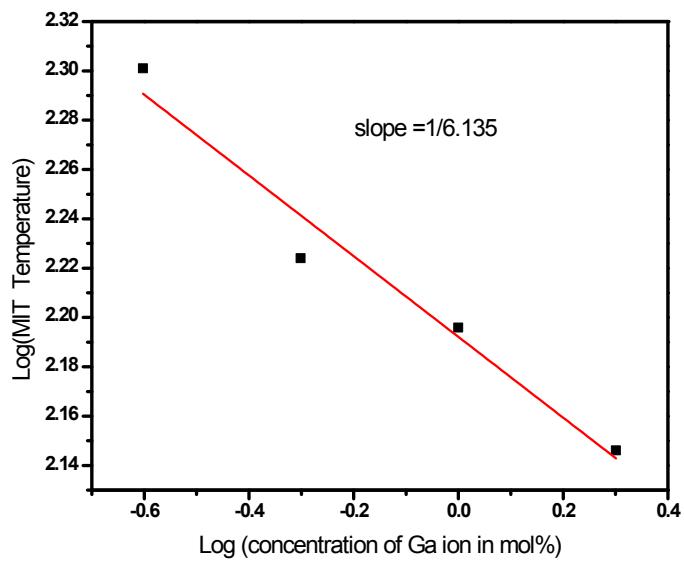


Fig.S11 Linear fit of log of Metal semiconductor transition temperature vs log of mol% Ga doping concentration

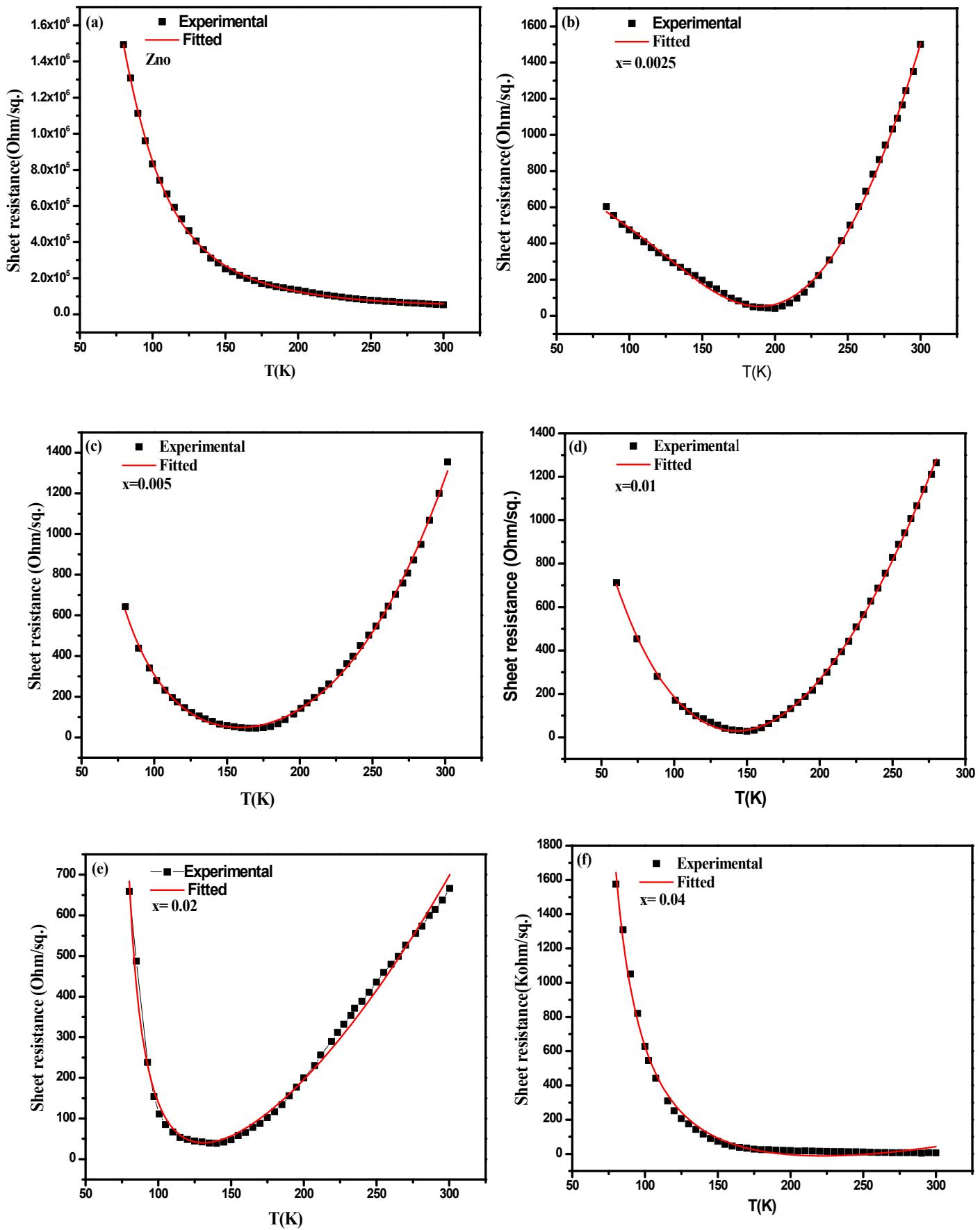


Fig.S12

Table:S1 The fitted parameter for equation (5) with $a_1 T^{p/2}$ replaced by $a_4 T^{3/2} + a_1 T^{p/2}$.

Samples	a ₁	p	a ₂	a ₃	a ₄	R ₀	Adj R
ZnO	6.11967x10 ⁻¹⁰	3.8594	4.18795x10 ⁻⁷	0.26645	-7.44787x10 ⁻⁸	-11186.93311	0.99928
X=0.0025	3.19711x10 ⁻⁷	2.82618	3.52053x10 ⁻⁵	0.07477	-4.51283x10 ⁻⁶	-8955.79176	0.99789
X=0.005	4.02345x10 ⁻⁷	2.46172	1.46435x10 ⁻⁵	0.08291	-2.08315x10 ⁻⁶	-18829.46422	0.99813
X=0.01	4.47102x10 ⁻⁷	2.86923	6.02149x10 ⁻⁵	0.03869	-5.58869x10 ⁻⁶	-2873.68986	0.99943
X=0.02	9.77834x10 ⁻⁶	2.9912	-6.43296x10 ⁻⁴	0.01063	0	-285.37296	0.9916
X=0.04	2.24156x10 ⁻⁶	3.05662	-1.45211x10 ⁻⁴	0.00292	0	-309.94464	0.99263

