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Supporting Information for

2 **Depletion Force Optimization for High-Purity Gold**

3 **Nanotriangles Prepared Using Different Growth Methods**

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1 **Table S1.** TEM analysis of the size and purity of seed-mediated growth AuNTs in the
 2 samples shown in Figures 1 and 2. 50 AuNTs were counted for the analysis, except for
 3 the seed solution of 1.0 mL (400 and 387 AuNTs were counted before and after the
 4 purification, respectively).

Seed /mL	λ_{\max} /nm	Edge /nm	Purity (as synthesized) /%	Purity (precipitate) /%	Diameter of spherical AuNPs /nm
0.1	707	133±10	46	56	81±6
0.15	692	117±7	51	55	78±6
0.2	683	104±6	41	66	67±3
0.4	665	82±7	55	81	53±3
0.6	656	70±6	50	84	47±3
0.8	649	63±5	60	72	41±3
1.0	644	56±4	54	78	38±2
1.2	643	48±4	36	53	34±2
1.4	638	45±3	38	46	31±2

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1 **Table S2.** TEM analysis of the purity of AuNTs for the samples shown in Figure 3. 50

2 AuNTs were counted for the analysis.

Seed /mL	Edge /nm	Purity (as synthesized) /%	Purity (precipitate) /%
0.4	82±7	55	81
0.6	70±6	50	84
0.8	63±5	60	72
1.0	56±4	54	78

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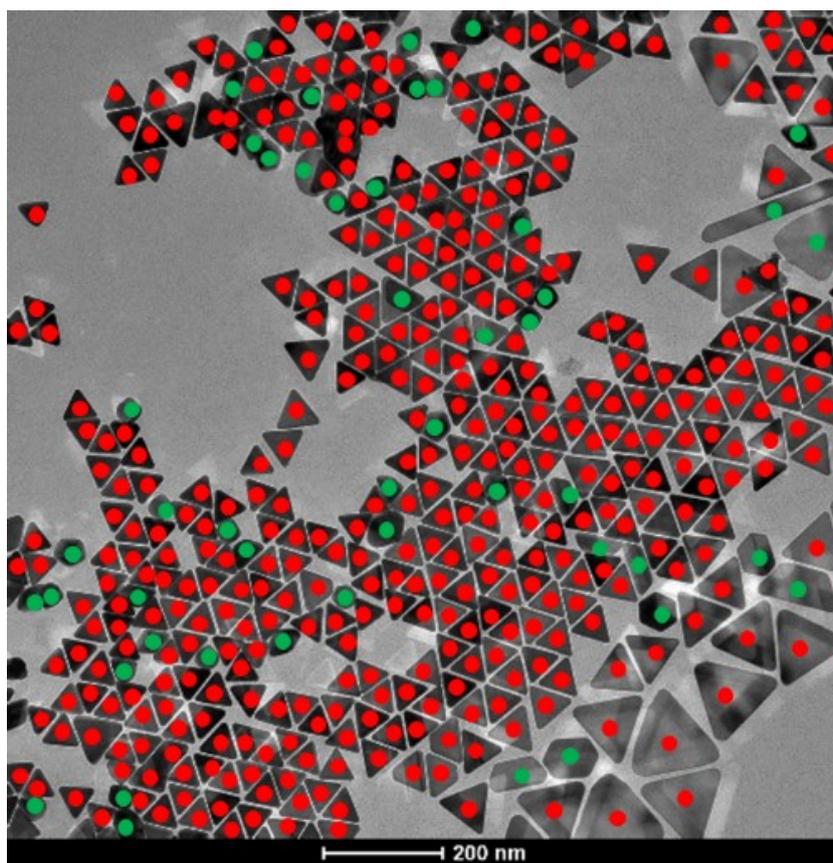
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1 **Table S3.** TEM analysis of the size and purity of seedless growth AuNTs in the samples
 2 shown in Figures 4 and 5. 50 AuNTs were counted for the analysis, except for the edge
 3 length of 49 nm (345 and 301 AuNTs were counted before and after the purification,
 4 respectively).

Edge /nm	λ_{\max} /nm	CTAC /M	KI /mM	AA /mM	Purity (as synthesized) /%	Purity (precipitate) /%	Diameter of spherical AuNPs /nm
104±6	688	0.1	25	64	46	96	55±3
90±6	670	0.1	25	100	35	92	59±3
80±4	663	0.1	5	64	55	63	57±5
69±6	652	0.1	10	100	60	79	49±2
59±2	640	0.1	10	64	55	92	41±2
50±3	631	0.1	75	64	43	93	34±2
49±2	626	0.05	10	100	38	93	35±3

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3 **Figure S1.** A large area TEM image for counting AuNTs in a sample. The particles were
4 discriminated by their shape by color dots into AuNTs (red) other shapes of AuNPs
5 (green).