## **Supporting information**

## Epitaxial NiO/Al<sub>0.5</sub>Ga<sub>0.5</sub>N Heterostructures for High-Performance Solar-Blind Ultraviolet Self-Powered Photodetectors

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Figure S1. The cross-sectional morphology of NiO/Al<sub>0.5</sub>Ga<sub>0.5</sub>N heterostructure, the NiO layer was deposited by PLD at room temperature under the oxygen pressure of  $3.0 \times 10^{-3}$  Pa.



Figure S2. Reproducibility of the fabrication process demonstrated by the time-dependent photoresponse characteristics of 9 NiO/Al<sub>0.5</sub>Ga<sub>0.5</sub>N devices fabricated at room temperature under an oxygen partial pressure of  $3.0 \times 10^{-3}$  Pa, which was measured under 254 nm UV illumination at 118  $\mu$ W cm<sup>-2</sup> at 0 V bias.

| Device   | Wavelength | Responsivit $y(R) @ 0 V$ | Detectivity<br>(D*) @ 0 V | $	au_r/	au_{ m f}$ | Ref          |
|--|------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
|  | (nm)       | (mA W <sup>-1</sup> )    | (Jones)                   | (ms)               |              |
| AlGaN/ GaN   | 255        | 22.5                     | N/A                       | 121/150            | 1            |
| Ga <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> /GaN                            | 254        | 43.9                     | 2.7×10 <sup>11</sup>      | 630/480            | 2            |
| Ga <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> /Ga: ZnO                        | 254        | 0.763                    | N/A                       | 179/272            | 3            |
| CuCrO <sub>2</sub> /Ga <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>             | 254        | 50                       | 3.7×10 <sup>12</sup>      | 254/50             | 4            |
| ZnO/Ga <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> :Sn/<br>GaN                 | 255        | 165.56                   | 1.2×10 <sup>13</sup>      | 310/390            | 5            |
| La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> /Ga <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> | 254        | 1.67                     | 23.1×10 <sup>10</sup>     | 142.9/135.<br>8    | 6            |
| SnO <sub>2</sub> /p-NiO  | 250        | 30.29                    | 2.2×10 <sup>11</sup>      | N/A                | 7            |
|  |            |                          | @0.05 V                   |                    |              |
| NiO/Cs <sub>2</sub> AgBiBr<br><sub>6</sub> /GaN                | 365        | 33                       | 3.3×10 <sup>11</sup>      | 0.151/0.21<br>5    | 8            |
| p-CuSCN/Ga <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>                         | 254        | 5.5                      | N/A                       | 450/260            | 9            |
| p-NiO/AlGaN  | 254        | 118                      | 3.1×10 <sup>12</sup>      | 21/70              | This<br>work |

**Table S1.** Comparison of the characteristic parameters of the NiO/Al\_0.5Ga\_0.5N self-poweredphotodetector under zero Bias from this work and other reported UV photodetectors

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