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## Increased photocurrent response in Nb-doped TiO<sub>2</sub> nanotubes

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**Fig. S1** XPS of Nb3d peaks in 0.1 wt% Nb-doped and 0.5 wt% Nb-doped  $TiO_2$  nanotube layers. Quantitative evaluation shows the content in the oxide to be close to the nominal alloy composition (0.1 wt% Nb is however close to detective limit of XPS).



**Fig. S2** Light absorbance for pure  $TiO_2$  and 0.1 wt% Nb-doped  $TiO_2$  nanotube layers with  $2\mu m$  thickness annealed at 650°C, acquired using diffuse reflectance measurements. It shows the absorbance of the Nb-doped material to be higher than for plain  $TiO_2$ .