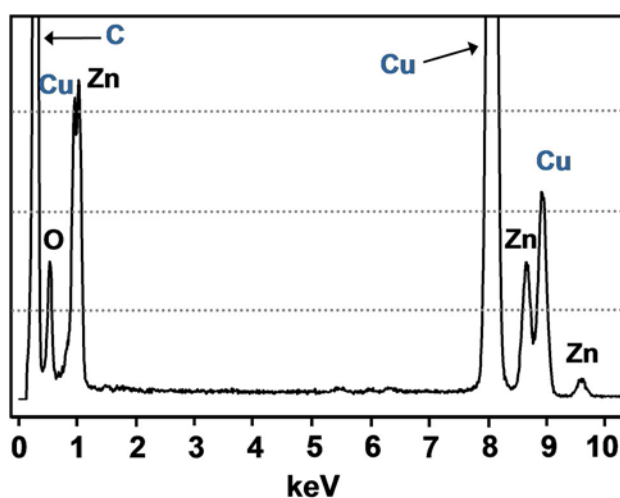


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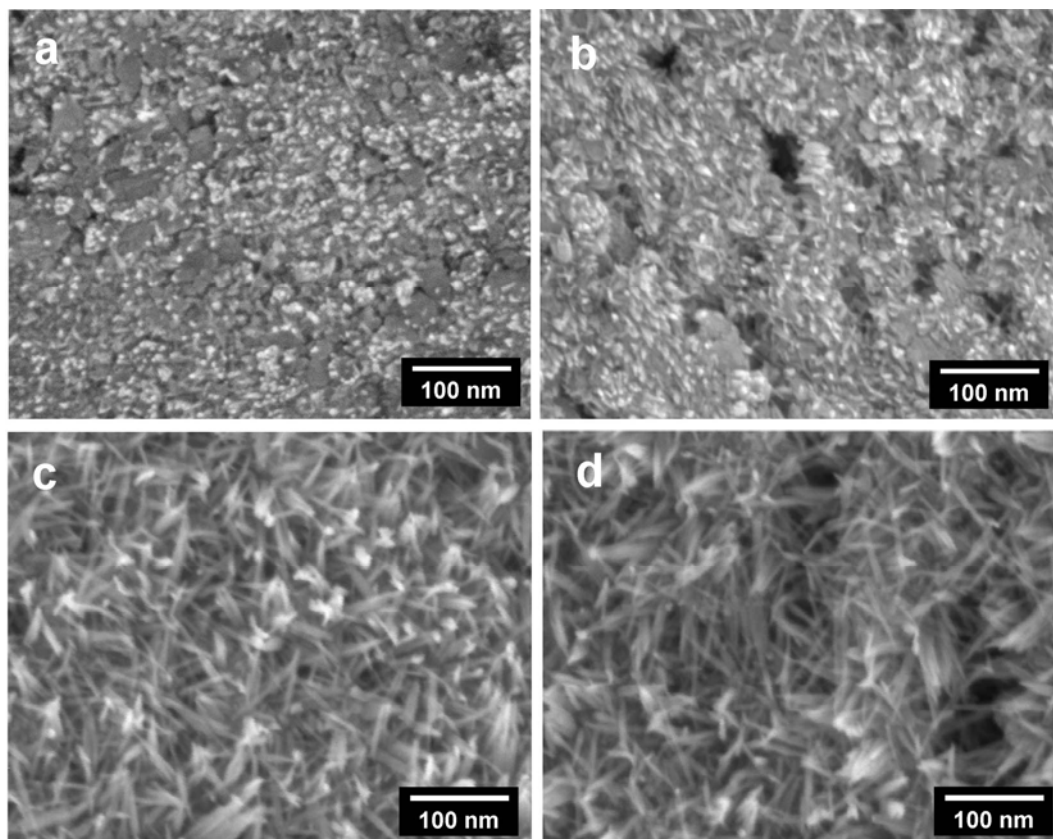
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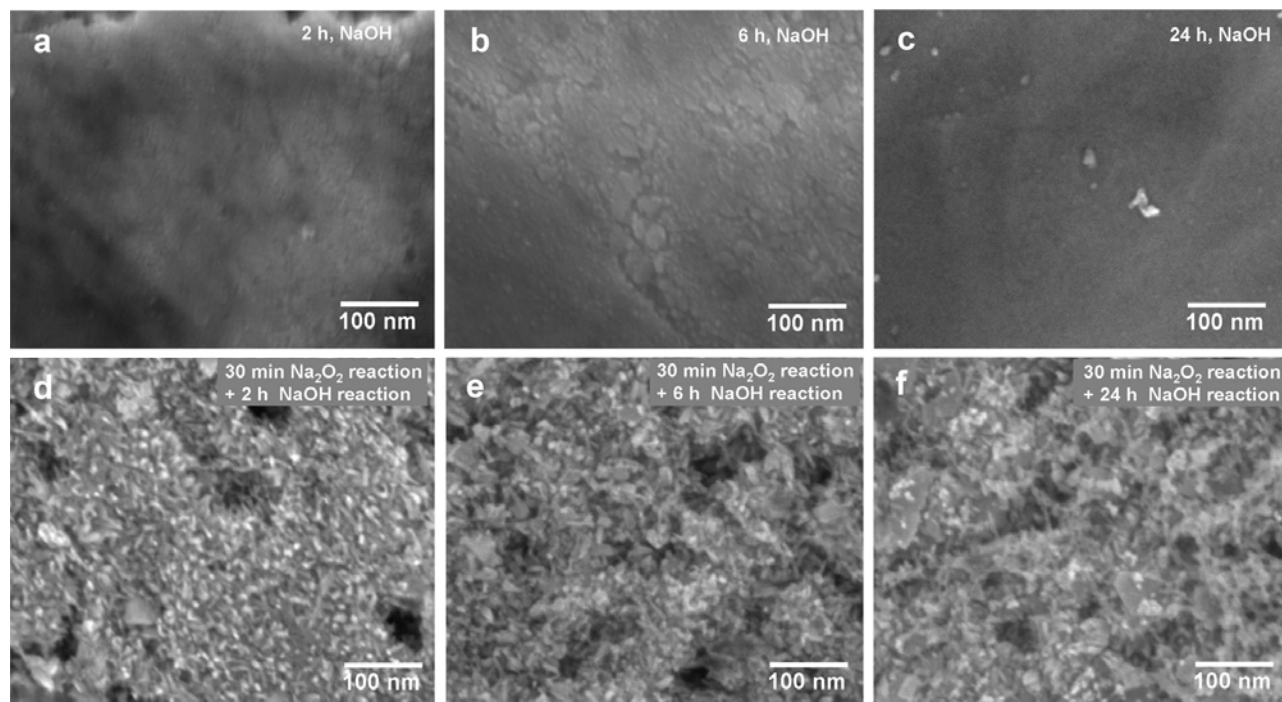
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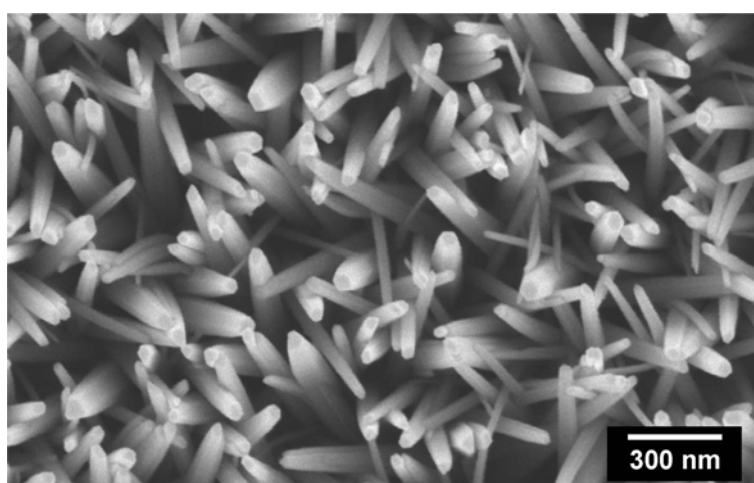
**Figure S1.** EDX pattern of the ZnO nanorods synthesized from the reaction with the aqueous 0.2 M  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}_2$  solution at room temperature for 2 h.



**Figure S2.** SEM images of the surface of the substrates after the reaction with the aqueous 0.2 M Na<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> solution at room temperature: (a) 10 min reaction. (b) 30 min reaction. (c) 2 h reaction. (d) 6 h reaction.



**Figure S3.** SEM images of the surface of the substrates after the reaction with the aqueous NaOH solution (pH 13.9) at room temperature: (a) 2 h reaction. (b) 6 h reaction. (c) 24 h reaction. SEM images of the surface of the substrates (as-prepared by the reaction with 0.2 M  $\text{Na}_2\text{O}_2$  at room temperature for 30 min (Figure S2(b)) after the reaction with the aqueous NaOH solution (pH 13.9) at room temperature: (a) 2 h reaction. (b) 6 h reaction. (c) 24 h reaction.



**Figure S4.** SEM image of the ZnO nanorod arrays synthesized from the reaction with the aqueous ammonia solution at 90°C for 2 h.