Supplementary information

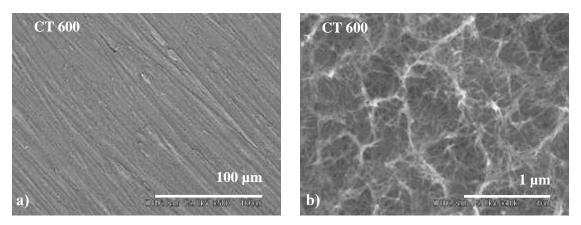


Fig. $S1\dagger$: FE-SEM images of the top surface of CT600 at low magnification (a) and high magnification (b), respectively.

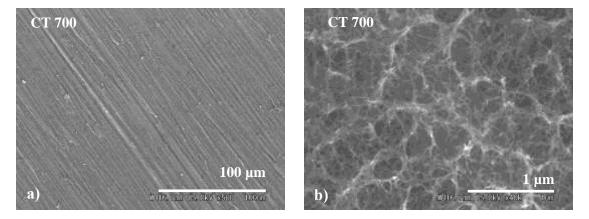


Fig. S2†: FE-SEM images of the top surface of CT700 at low magnification (a) and high magnification (b), respectively.

Table S1†: Summary of phases in chemically treated (C) and chemically and thermally treated (CT) Ti metal.

	Chemical treatment (C) Chemical and thermal			
Phase	treatment (CT)			
	C	CT600	CT700	CT800
H-titanate	0	\circ	\circ	×
N-H-titanate	X	0	0	0
Anatase	X	0	X	X
N-doped Anatase	×	X	0	0
TiO	X	×	0	0
Ti- oxynitride	×	×	0	0
Ti ₂ N	X	0	0	0
N-doped Ti	X	X	X	0
Ti	\bigcirc	\circ	\circ	X