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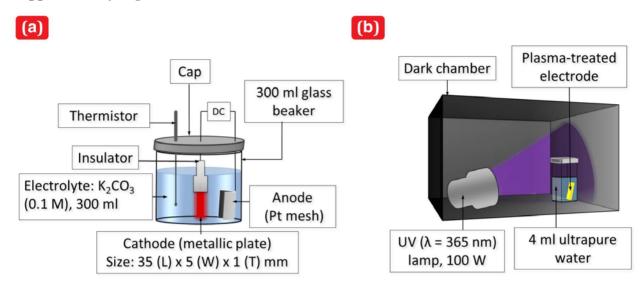


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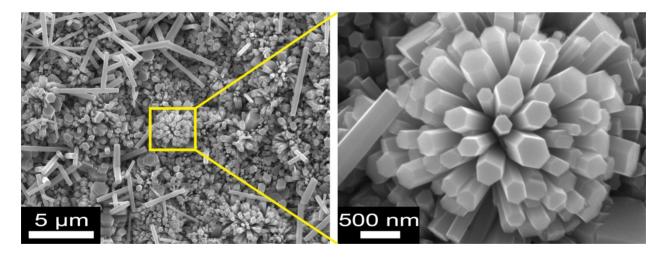
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## **Supplementary Figure S1.**



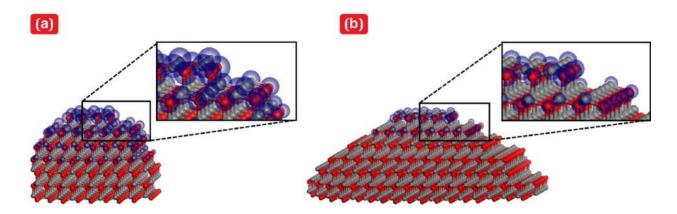
SPSC experimental setups. (a) Submerged liquid plasma experimental setup. (b) Submerged UV irradiation experimental setup.

## Supplementary Figure. S2.



**Terminated apical growth of ZnO nanoflowers**. A continuous 72 h of UV irradiation in ultrapure water resulted in flat, hexagonal tips of the nanostructures. The right panel is the magnified FE-SEM image.

## **Supplementary Figure S3.**



Curvature radius dependence of the 1.7 electron/ $\mathring{A}^3$  electron density isosurfaces for nanobumped ZnO. (a-b) R=1.0 and 2.0 nm, respectively. The isosurfaces are indicated by the purple coloured region. The larger radius of curvature resulted in decreased electron density at the apex.