

Supporting Information

Nepenthes-inspired Multifunctional Nanoblades with Mechanical Bactericidal, Self-cleaning and Insect Anti-adhesive Characteristics

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A: The bactericidal performance of peristome surface of the *Nepenthes alata* pitcher

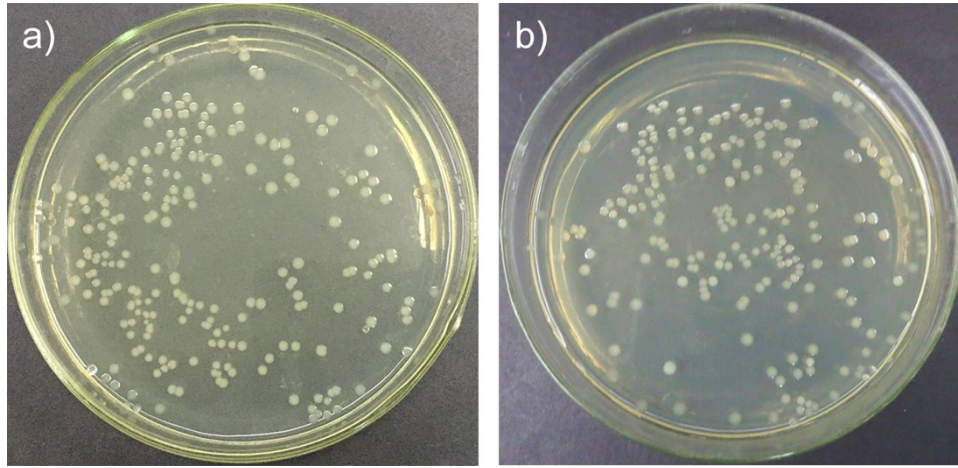


Figure S1. Optical images of the colony count of *E. coli* incubated with peristome of *Nepenthes* for 10 min. a) glass slide, b) peristome of *Nepenthes*.

B: Difference in $\cdot\text{O}_2^-$ and H_2O_2 productivity of NNBs and CNNBs in dark

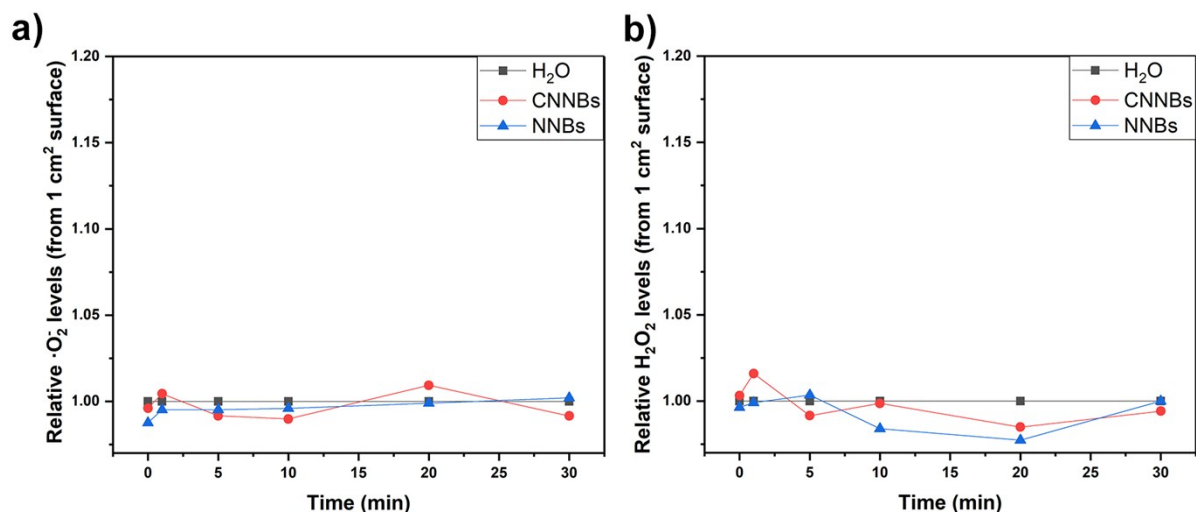


Figure S2. Production of $\cdot\text{O}_2^-$ and H_2O_2 of NNBs and CNNBs as the function of time.

A superoxide assay kit was used to compare the difference productivity of $\cdot\text{O}_2^-$. The absorbance at 450 nm of formazan compounds indicated the concentration of $\cdot\text{O}_2^-$ by the NNBs is very closed to that of H₂O and CNNBs samples, indicating $\cdot\text{O}_2^-$ is not the major factor responsible for the as-observed bactericidal behavior. Similarly, a hydrogen peroxide kit was used to compare the productivity of H_2O_2 of these samples. The absorbance at 560 nm of Fe³⁺-xylenol orange compounds indicated the concentration of H_2O_2 by the samples is also very closed, showing H_2O_2 is not the major factor responsible for the as-observed bactericidal behavior.

C: Interaction between bacteria cells and NNBs surface

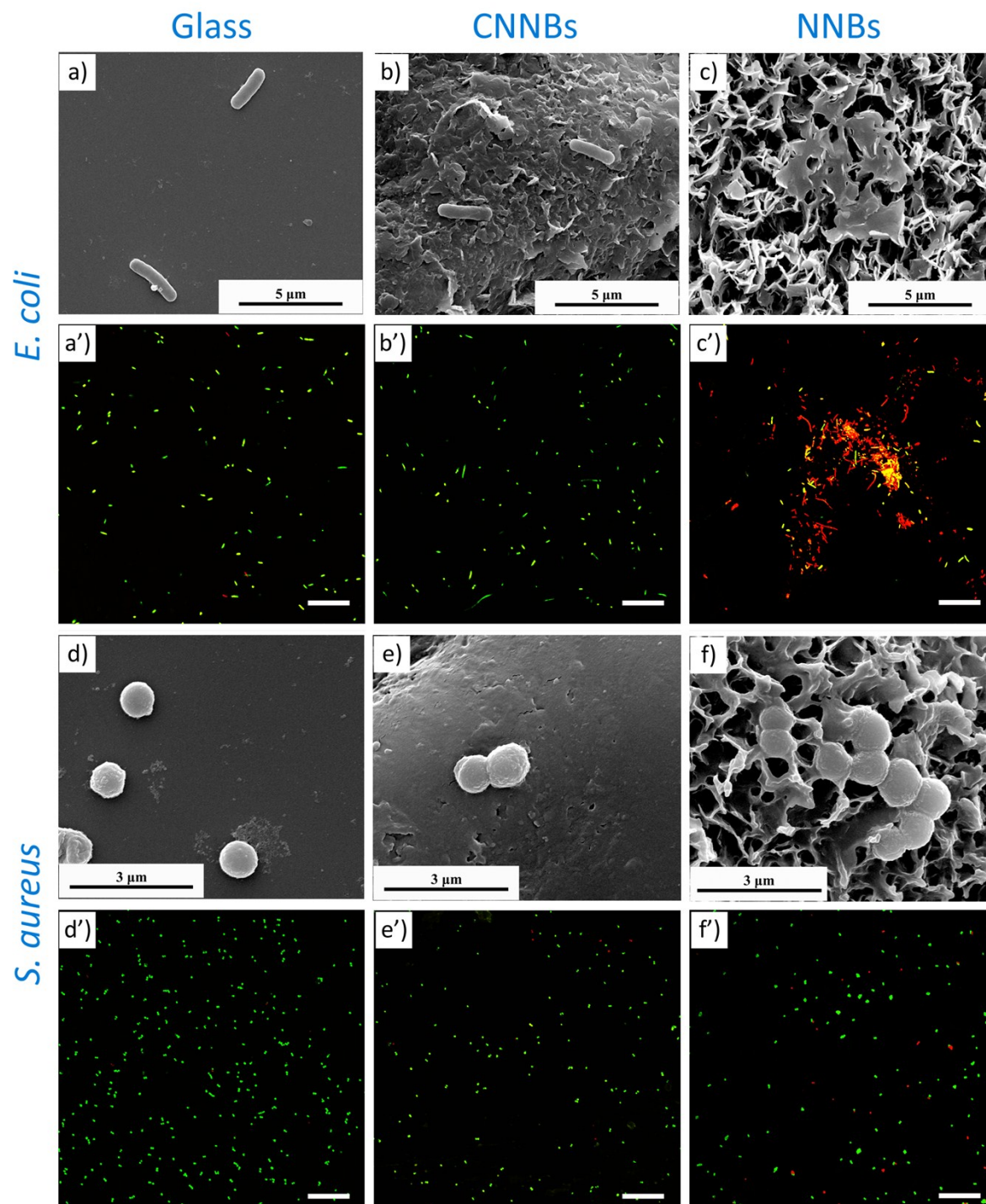


Figure S3. Interaction between bacteria cells and NNBs surface. *E. coli* and *S. aureus* cells on glass, CNNBs and NNBs after 10 min contact. a-f) SEM image, a'-f') CLSM image.

D: The topography change of ANBs prepared with different growth temperature

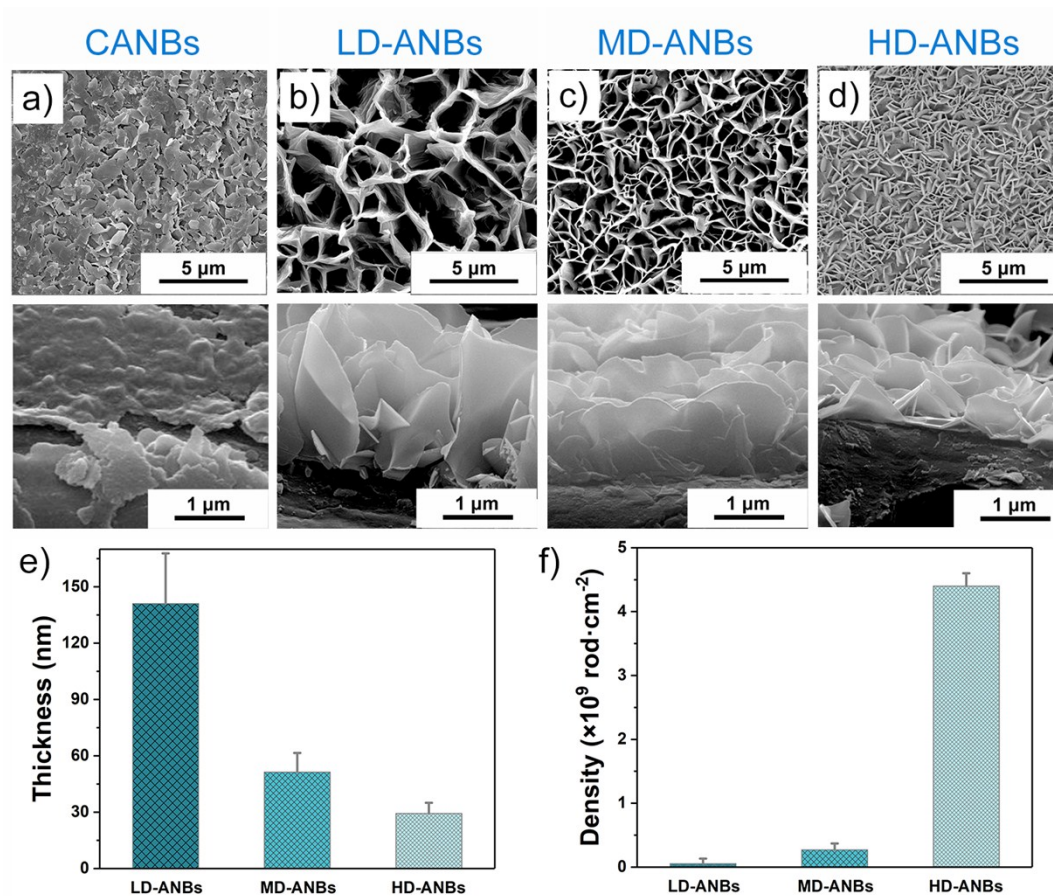


Figure S4. The topography change of ANBs prepared with different growth temperature. a) b-d) SEM images of ANBs hydrothermally grown on aluminum alloy sheet at 90, 70 and 50 °C, respectively, average topographic parameters: e) tip-width and f) density, as determined by SEM.

E: Characteristics of the ANBs

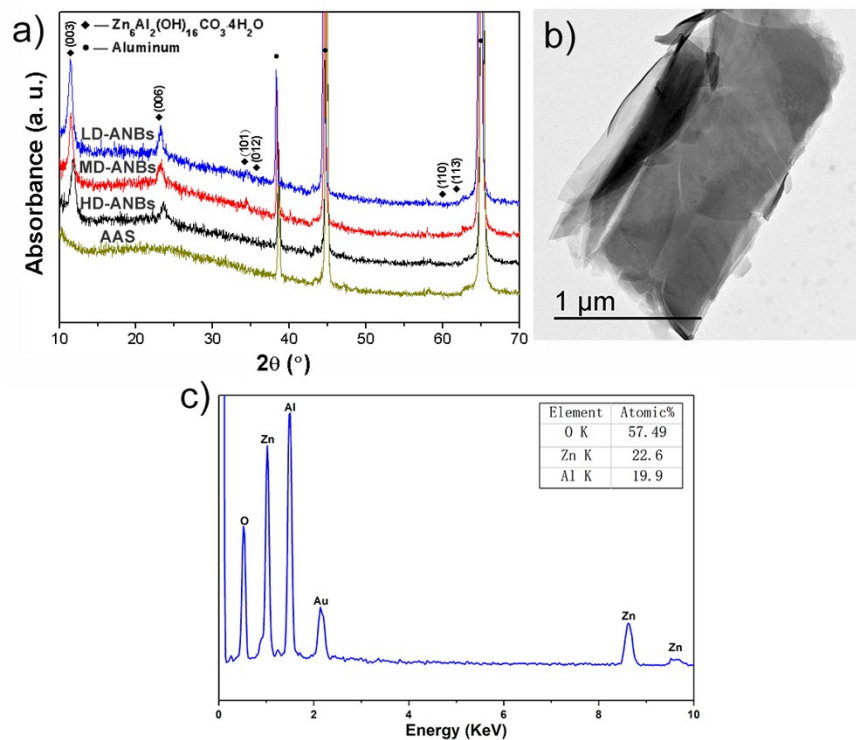


Figure S5. Characteristics of the artificial nanoblades. a) XRD patterns of pristine AAS and ANBs on AAS. b) TEM image of a single Zn–Al layered double hydroxides nanoblade detached from ANBs. c) EDS spectrum of ANBs.

F: Correlation between artificial nanoblades morphology and bactericidal performance.

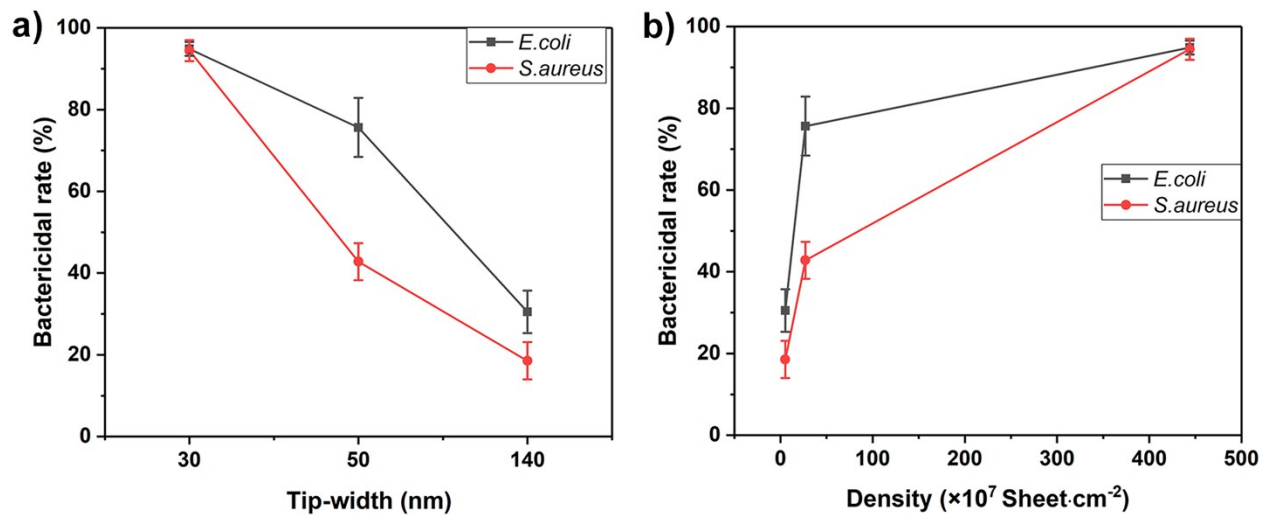


Figure S6. Correlation between artificial nanoblades morphology and bactericidal performance.

a) Tip-width of nanoblade. b) Density of nanoblade.

G: Difference in $\cdot\text{O}_2^-$ and H_2O_2 productivity of H_2O and ANBs in dark

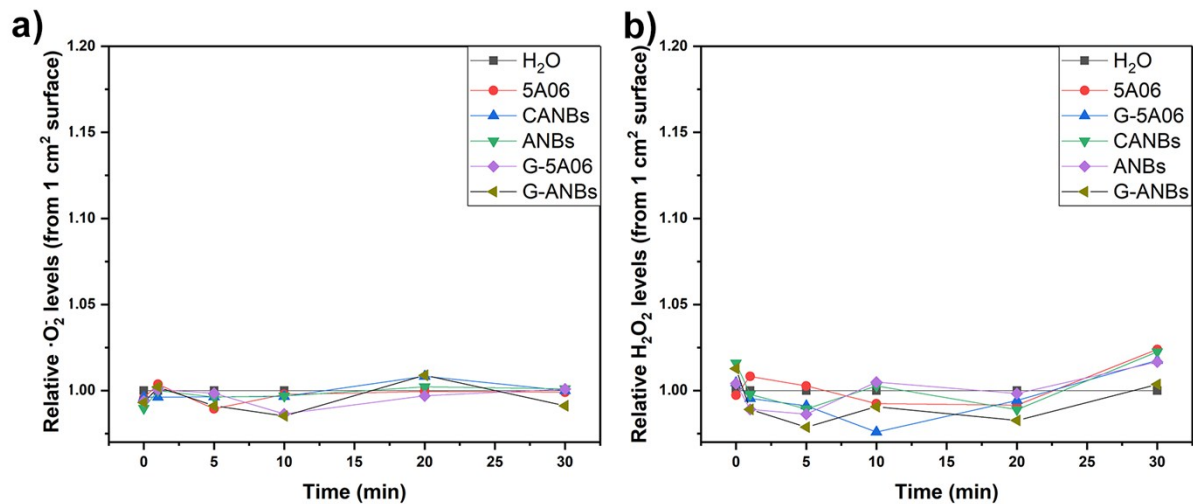


Figure S7. Production of $\cdot\text{O}_2^-$ and H_2O_2 of 5A06 aluminum alloy sheet and ANBs as the function of time.

H: Difference in Zn²⁺ and Al³⁺ productivity of ANBs

TABLE S1. Atomic Absorption Spectrometry Results of Zn²⁺ and Al³⁺ Leaching Out from ANBs

Samples	Concentration of Zn ²⁺ (mg/L)	Concentration of Al ³⁺ (mg/L)
Compacted HD-ANBs	0.623 ± 0.084	0.756 ± 0.179
LD-ANBs	0.212 ± 0.021	0.305 ± 0.067
MD-ANBs	0.227 ± 0.019	0.387 ± 0.073
HD-ANBs	0.192 ± 0.018	0.329 ± 0.078