Supporting Information

Growth mechanism of C_{60} /mesitylene nanowires

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Fig. S1. Schematic diagram of experimental setup with a paper card in the C₆₀/mesitylene or C₆₀/p-xylene solution. Nanowires are collected from the top of the card and beaker wall as indicated by the arrows.





Fig. S2. SEM images of the crystals collected from beaker bottom, (a) from C_{60} /mesitylene and (b) from C_{60} /p-xylene.



Fig. S3. (a) HRTEM image of a crystal collected from a solution of C₆₀/p-xylene, viewed down the [**113**] zone axis of an orthorhombic unit cell with a = 1.430, b = 0.999 and c = 1.006 nm. (b) The corresponding FFT pattern. The d-spacings measured are 0.4305 (A), 0.4100 (B) and 0.4324 (C) nm, which can be indexed to (30**1**), (220) and (**1**21), respectively. The interplane angle between (30**1**) and (220) is measured to be 58.64°.