

## Electronic Supplementary Information

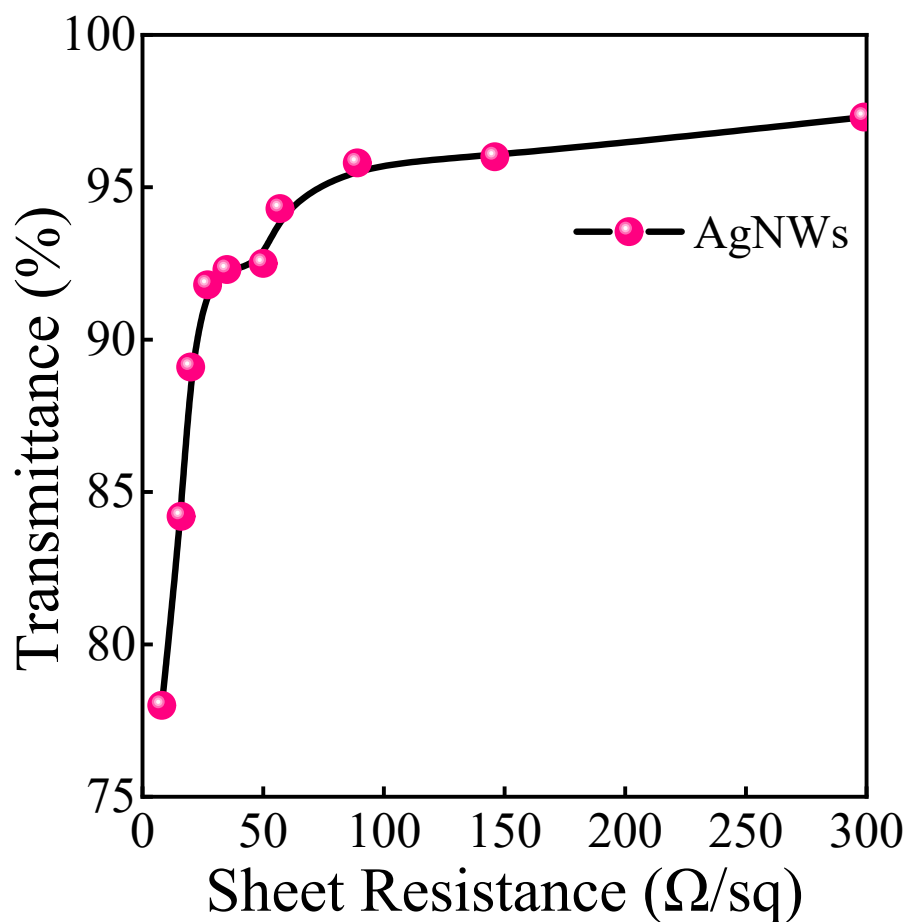
### Performance enhancement of self-biased n-ZnO microwire/p-GaN heterojunction ultraviolet photodetector incorporating AgNWs

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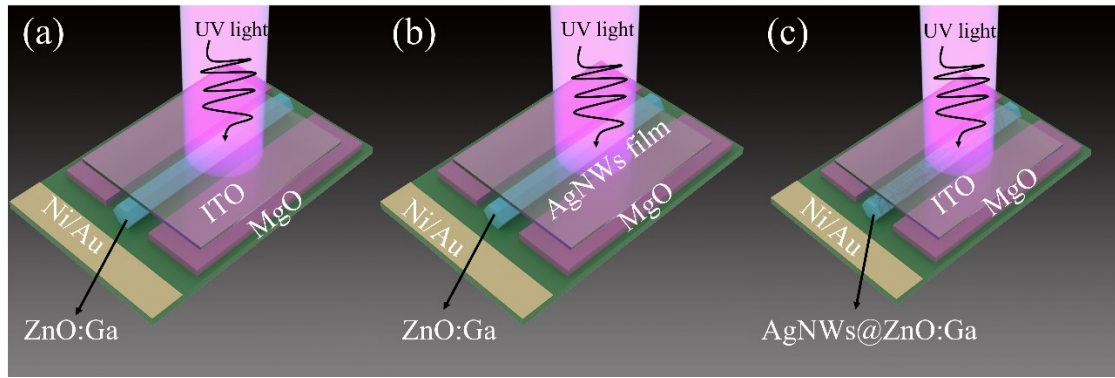
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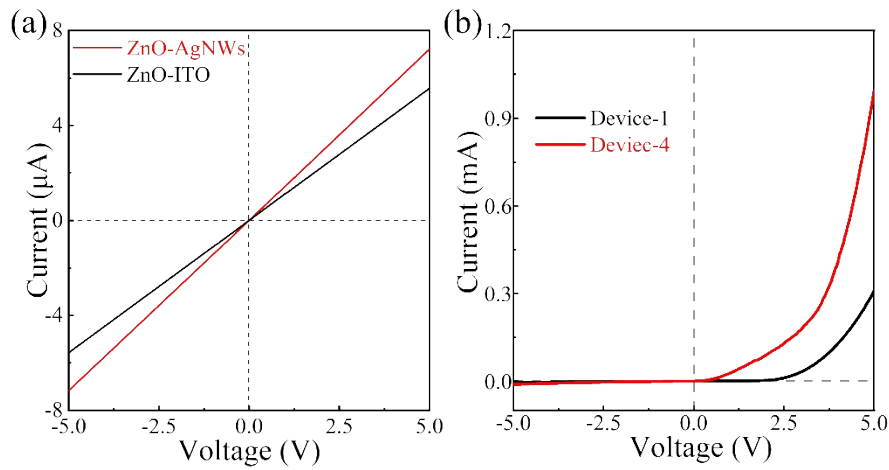
#### Supplementary figures



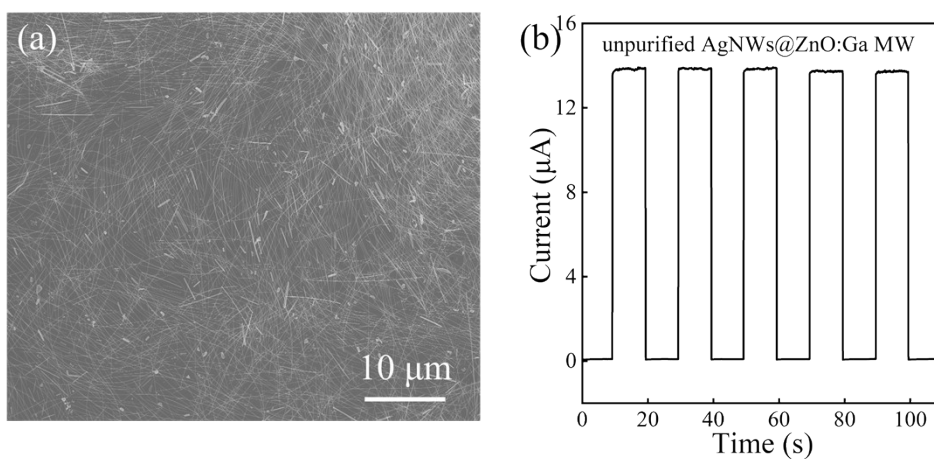
**Figure. S1:** Plots of optical transmittance ( $\lambda = 370$  nm) versus sheet resistance for AgNWs films.



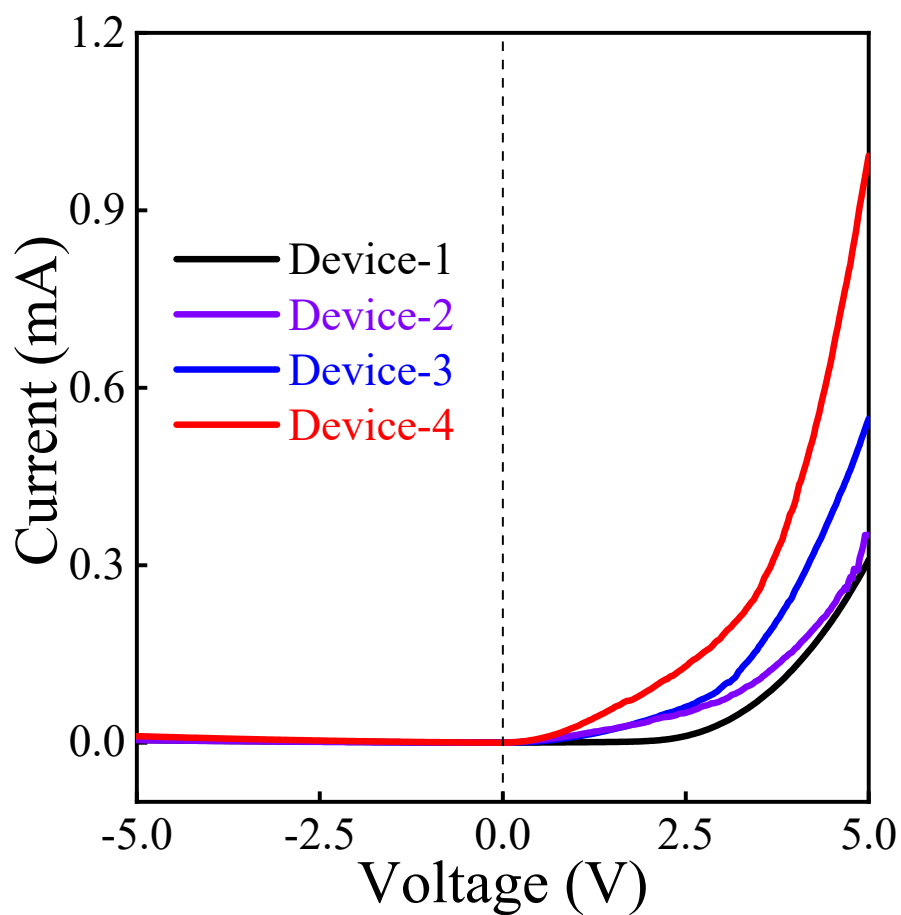
**Figure S2:** (a) Schematic architecture of Device-1, which is composed of ZnO:Ga MW, p-type GaN film, and ITO electrode. (b) Schematic architecture of Device-2, which is composed of AgNWs@ZnO:Ga MW, p-type GaN film, and AgNWs transparent electrode. (c) Schematic architecture of Device-3, which is composed of AgNWs@ZnO:Ga MW, p-type GaN film, and ITO electrode.



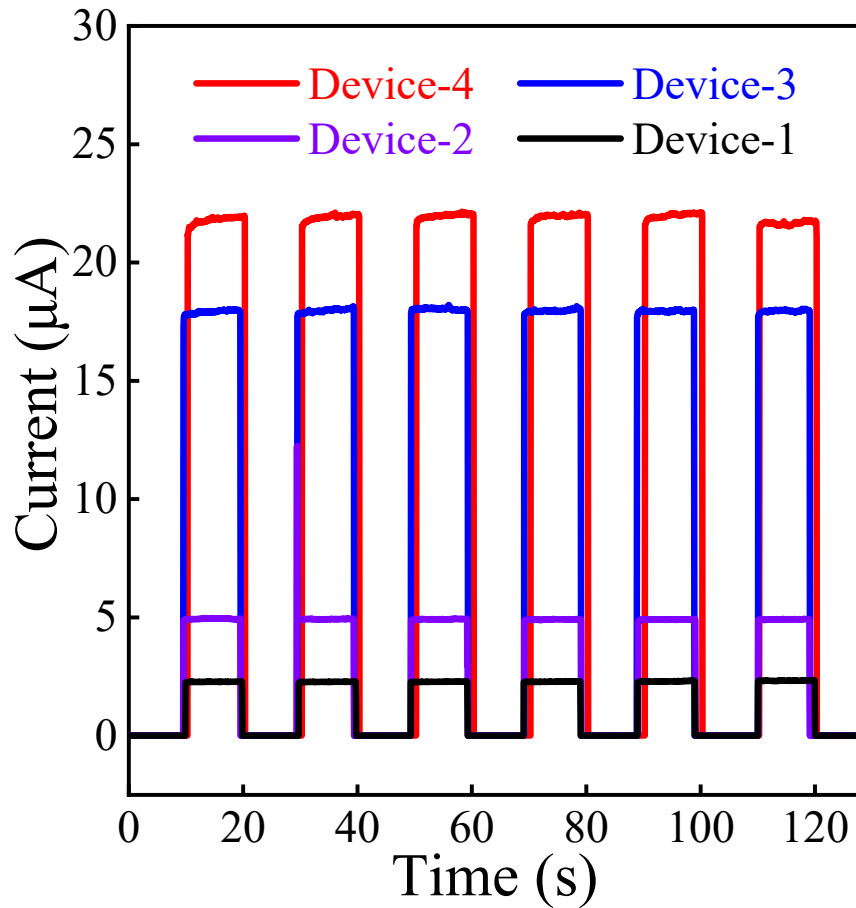
**Figure S3:** (a) the current-voltage ( $I$ - $V$ ) curves of the ZnO-AgNWs and ZnO-ITO structures. (b) Room-temperature  $I$ - $V$  curves of Device-1 and Device-4.



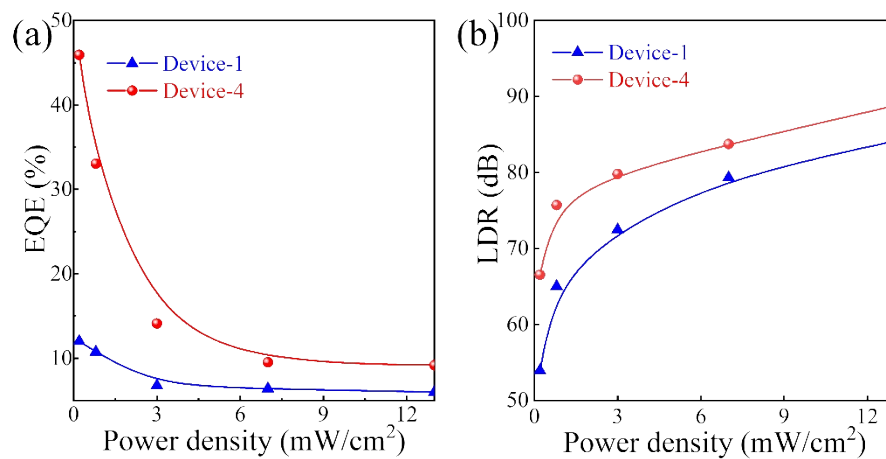
**Figure S4:** (a) SEM image of AgNWs before purification. (b)  $I$ - $T$  curve of the fabricated ITO/n-AgNWs@ZnO:Ga MW/p-GaN heterojunction device when operated upon 370 nm illumination in a self-powered mode (the AgNWs hasn't been purified).



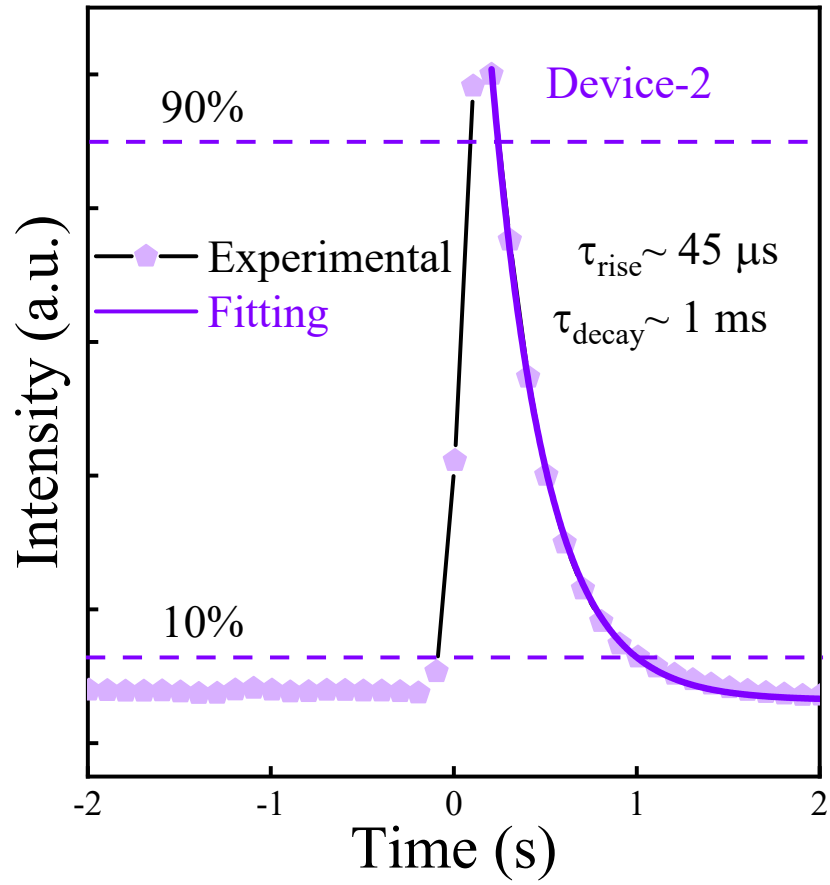
**Figure. S5:** I-V curves of the Device-1, Device-2, Device-3 and the Device-4 under dark.



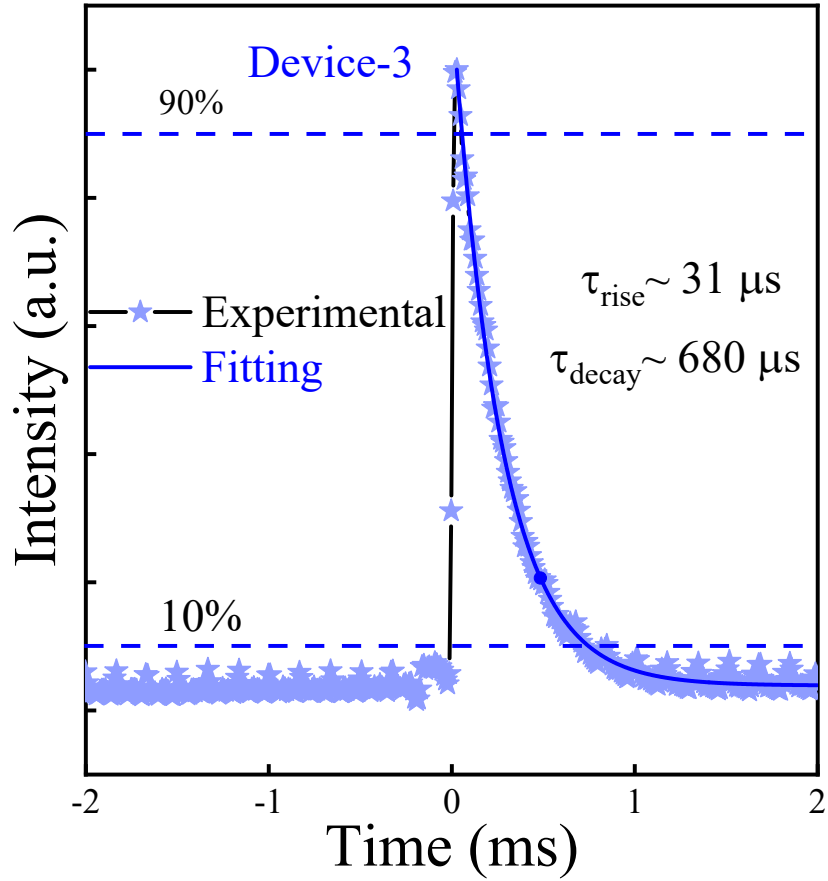
**Figure. S6:** Time-resolved photocurrent curves of the Device-1, Device-2, Device-3, and Device-4 with the ultraviolet light (370 nm, 0.50 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>) on and off at the voltage of 0 V.



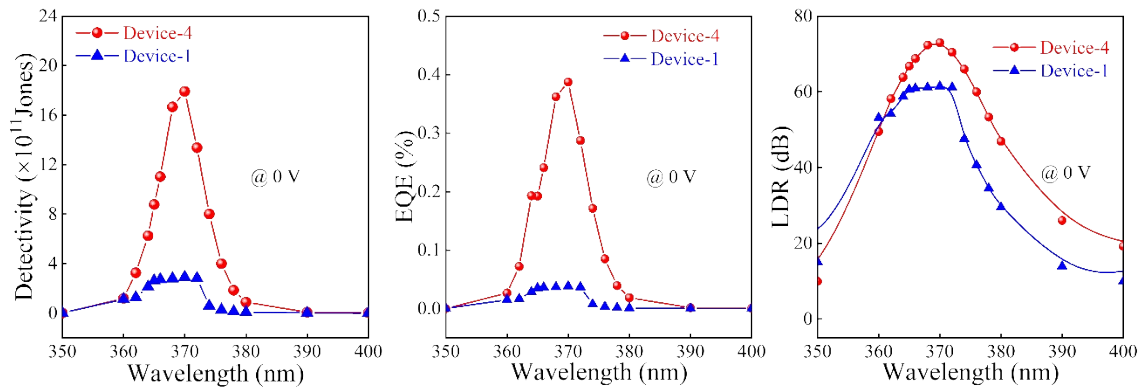
**Figure S7:** Comparison of the calculated EQE (a), LDR (b) of the fabricated Device-1 and Device-4 under the ultraviolet light of 370 nm with the varied power densities.



**Figure. S8:** One-cycle transient time-resolved response of Device-3 under 370 nm pulse laser illumination at zero bias voltage.



**Figure. S9:** One-cycle transient time-resolved response of Device-3 under 370 nm pulse laser illumination at zero bias voltage.



**Figure S10:** Comparison of the calculated (a)  $D^*$ , (b) EQE, and (c) LDR of the fabricated heterojunction devices under zero bias with the varied wavelength from 350 nm to 400 nm.

**Table-S1:** A comparison between the detection performance in Device-1, Device-2, Device-3, Device-4.

Photodetector	Device-1	Device-2	Device-3	Device-4
Current (-5V)	$4.37 \times 10^{-6}$ (A)	$4.40 \times 10^{-6}$ (A)	$6.59 \times 10^{-6}$ (A)	$1.11 \times 10^{-5}$ (A)
Current (5V)	$3.09 \times 10^{-4}$ (A)	$3.51 \times 10^{-4}$ (A)	$5.47 \times 10^{-4}$ (A)	$9.92 \times 10^{-4}$ (A)
Rectification ratio	70.7	79.8	83.0	89.3
Dark current (0V)	$2.15 \times 10^{-9}$ (A)	$4.5 \times 10^{-9}$ (A)	$9.56 \times 10^{-9}$ (A)	$1.0 \times 10^{-8}$ (A)
Photocurrent (0V)	$2.27 \times 10^{-6}$ (A)	$4.92 \times 10^{-6}$ (A)	$1.78 \times 10^{-5}$ (A)	$2.15 \times 10^{-5}$ (A)
$I_{ph}/I_d$ ratio	1135	1225	1935	2200

**Table-S2:** Device characteristics.

Photodetector	Wavelength (nm)	Responsivity (mA/W)	Detectivity (Jones)	Rise/decay time
Device-1	370	12	$3.08 \times 10^{11}$	47 $\mu$ s/1.08 ms
Device-2	370	24.58	$4.10 \times 10^{11}$	45 $\mu$ s/1 ms
Device-3	370	88.95	$1.02 \times 10^{11}$	31/680 $\mu$ s
Device-4	370	137	$2.15 \times 10^{11}$	22/339 $\mu$ s