Supporting Information for

Experimental and *ab initio* studies of structural, magnetic, photocatalytic and antibacterial properties of Cu-doped ZnO nanoparticles

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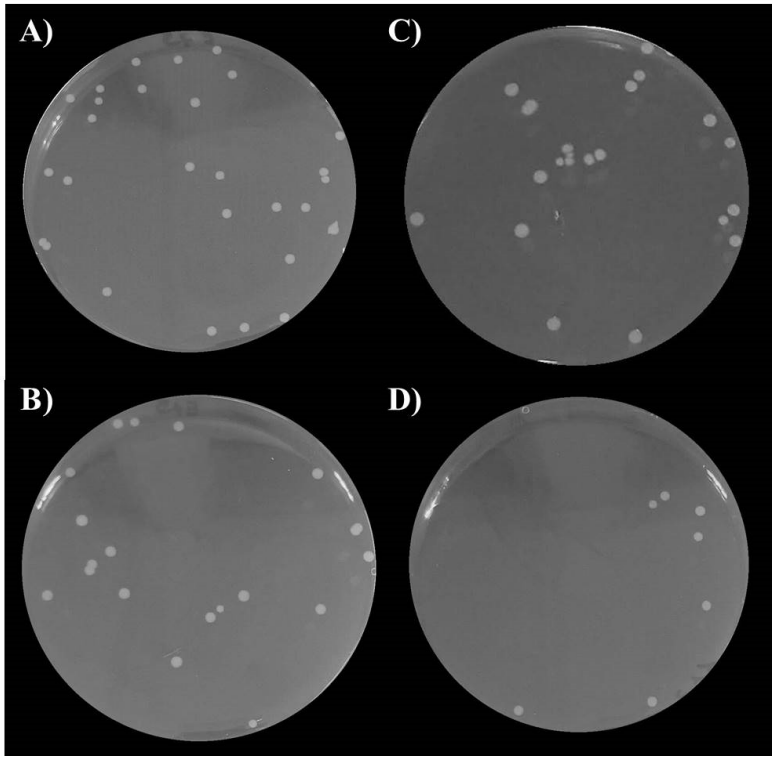

Figure S1. Antibacterial activity of Cu-doped ZnO nanoparticles against *E. coli*. Undoped ZnO nanoparticles (A), 1 mol% Cu-doped nanoparticles (B), 3 mol% Cu-doped nanoparticles (C) and 5 mol% Cu-doped nanoparticles (D), respectively.

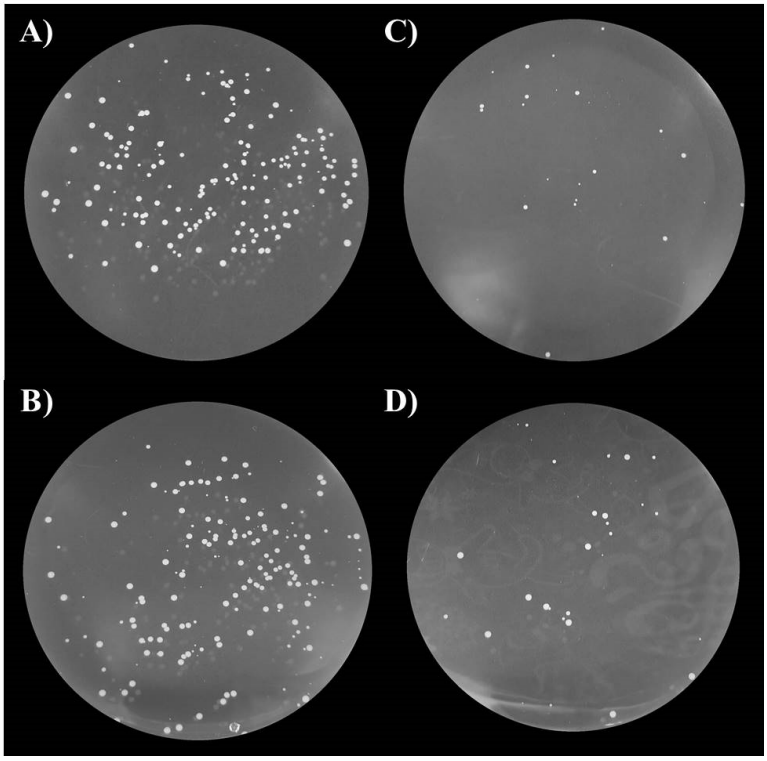

Figure S2. Antibacterial activity of Cu-doped ZnO nanoparticles against *S.aureus*. Undoped ZnO nanoparticles (A), 1 mol% Cu-doped nanoparticles (B), 3 mol% Cu-doped nanoparticles (C) and 5 mol% Cu-doped nanoparticles (D), respectively.