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Heterostructure made from Bone-like Plasmonic Au Nanoantennas and ZnO Quantum Dots for Broadband Photodetectors

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Figure S1. (a) Schematic setup and boundary absorption conditions used for the simulation of electromagnetic field around the BLAuNA2/ZnO heterostructure. (b) BLAuNAs model with a height of 60 nm used for the FDTD simulation.



Figure S2. SEM images of (a) 2- and (b) 3-ML Au NP films.



Figure S3. (a) Linear scan curves and (b) chronoamperometric curves for the 1-, 2-,

and 3-ML Au-NP films at 0.7 V (vs. MSE) in a 0.5 M KCl solution.



Figure S4. (a, c, and e) top-view and (b, d, and f) side-view AFM images of the (a, b) 1-, (c, d) 2-, and (e, f) 3-ML AuNP films after electrochemical treatment at 0.7 V (vs. MSE) in 0.5 M KCl solution for 120 s.



Figure S5. Cross-sectional SEM images of (a) pristine ZnO QDs film, (b) BLAuNA1/ZnO heterostructure, (c) BLAuNA2/ZnO heterostructure, and (d) BLAuNA3/ZnO heterostructure.



Figure S6. Rise/decay time of (a) the BLAuNA1/ZnO heterostructures photodetector and (b) the BLAuNA3/ZnO heterostructures photodetector under the illumination of the 365 nm light (16.9 mW/cm²) at a bias voltage of 5 V.

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| Materials | Light source (nm) | Bias (V) | R (mA/W) | <i>t</i> _r (s) | $t_{\rm d}\left({ m s} ight)$ | EQE (%) |
| p-ZnO-Au ¹ | 245 | 5 | _ | 24 | 15 | _ |
| Au NPs/CdMoO ₄ microplates/ZnO film ² | 350 | 5 | 321.1 | 16 | 9.2 | _ |
| ZnO/Au nanoantennas ³ | 365 | 10 | 231.4 | 3.55 | 1.49 | 78.8 |
| Au–NPs/MoO ₃ /Si ⁴ | 420 | 1 | 0.0035 | 0.035 | 0.038 | _ |
| Au NPs/IZO PD ⁵ | 410 515 | 1 | ~100 ~0.2 | _ | _ | _ |
| Au-ZnO nanocomposite ⁶ | UV 550 | 5 | ~60 ~0.37 | _ | _ | _ |
| Au NPs/p-ZnO NSs/n-ZnO ⁷ | 365 520 | 1 | 25.4 0.58 | ~70 | ~150 | ~8.7 |
| Au NPs/TiO ₂ /ZnO:Y NWs ⁸ | 365 525 | 1 | 14.8 ~1 | <1 ~94 | ~30 ~187 | 5.1 |
| BL-AuNA2/ZnO | 365 | - | 61.4 | 8.9 | 8.4 | 21.8 |
| heterostructures (this work) | 532 | 5 | ~0.05 | 6.5 | 20 | 11.3 |
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Table S1. Comparison of the performance of the current BL-AuNA2/ZnO

heterostructures photodetector and other photodetectors made from semiconductor

materials combined with plasmonic nanostructures.



Figure S7. *I–t* response of the pure ZnO QDs photodetector and the optimal BLAuNA2/ZnO heterostructure photodetector at a bias voltage of 5 V and under intermittent 532 nm light illumination (37.9 mW/cm^2).



Figure S8. (a) I-V curves of the BLAuNA2/ZnO heterostructures photodetector in dark conditions and under 532 nm light illumination at different power densities. (b) R and (c) D and EQE versus light power density at a bias voltage of 5 V. (d) Rise/decay time of the photodetector measured at a power density of 37.9 mW/cm².

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