

SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURE LEGENDS:

Supplemental Figure S1: Idealized ZnO-NP geometries

Supplemental Figure S2: (A) Amplitude plot from AFM of ZnO-NP plates with three cross-sections (labeled 1, 2, and 3). (B) For each cross section height profiles are shown.

Supplemental Figure S3: Reduction in CFUs/ml after brief exposure to aqueous suspensions of ZnO-NPs synthesized as plates, pyramids, and spheres.

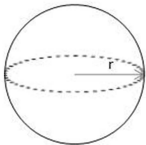
Supplemental Figure S4: Fraction of cells that partition to the (A) hexadecane interface, (B) chloroform minus the hexadecane interface, and (C) diethyl ether minus the hexane interface at mid-log versus stationary phase for each organism.

Supplemental Figure S5: UV-vis spectra and A_{350} (inset) for LBL coatings as a function of layer number.

Supplemental Figure S6: SEM micrographs of (A) bare polystyrene pegs, pegs coated in ZnO (B) plates, (C) pyramids, and (D) spheres.

Supplemental Figure S7: Amplitude (A) and 3D contour plots (B) from AFM of glass substrates coated with ZnO spheres, pyramids, and plates via LBL.

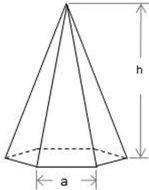
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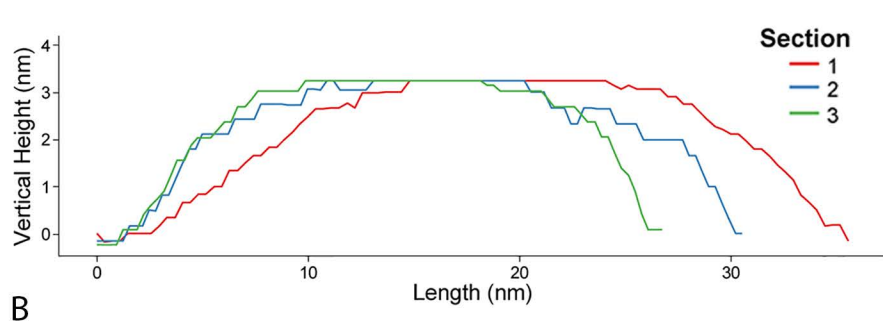
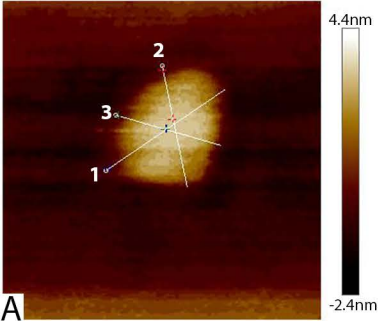


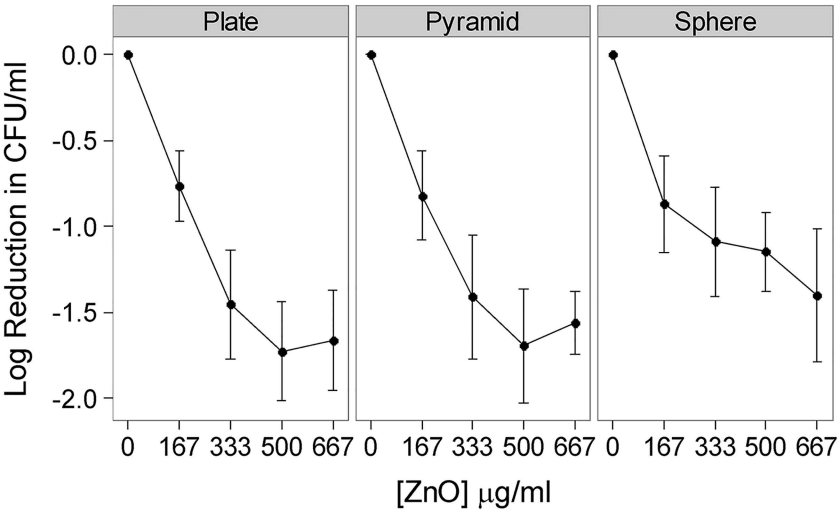
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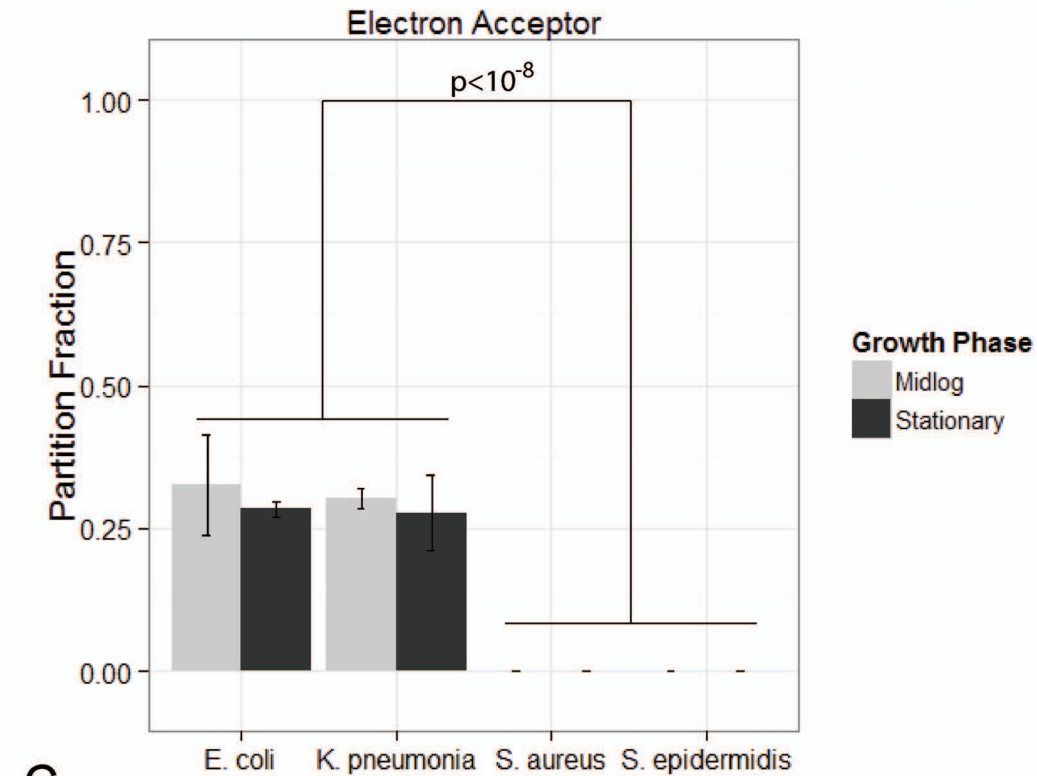
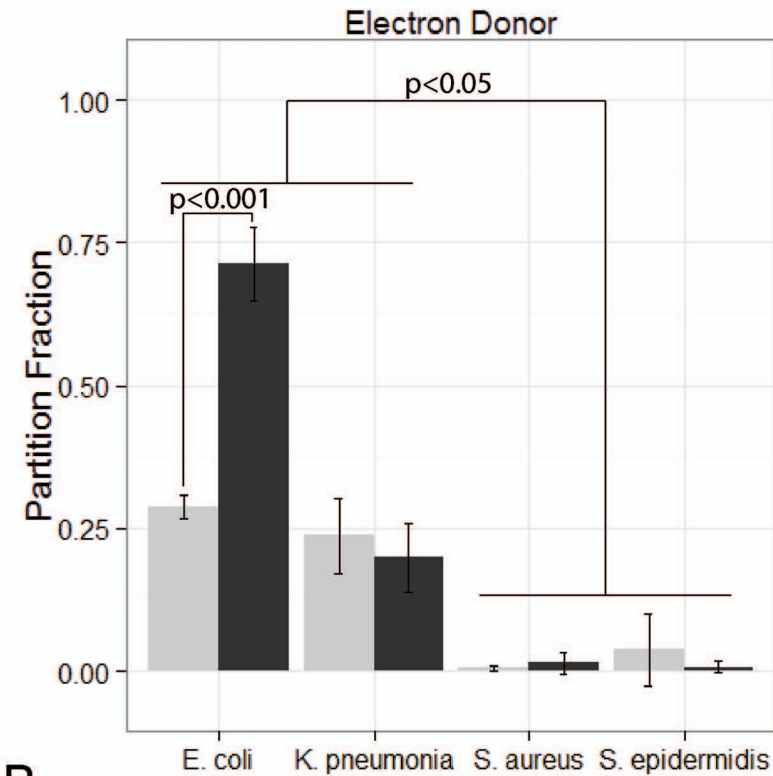
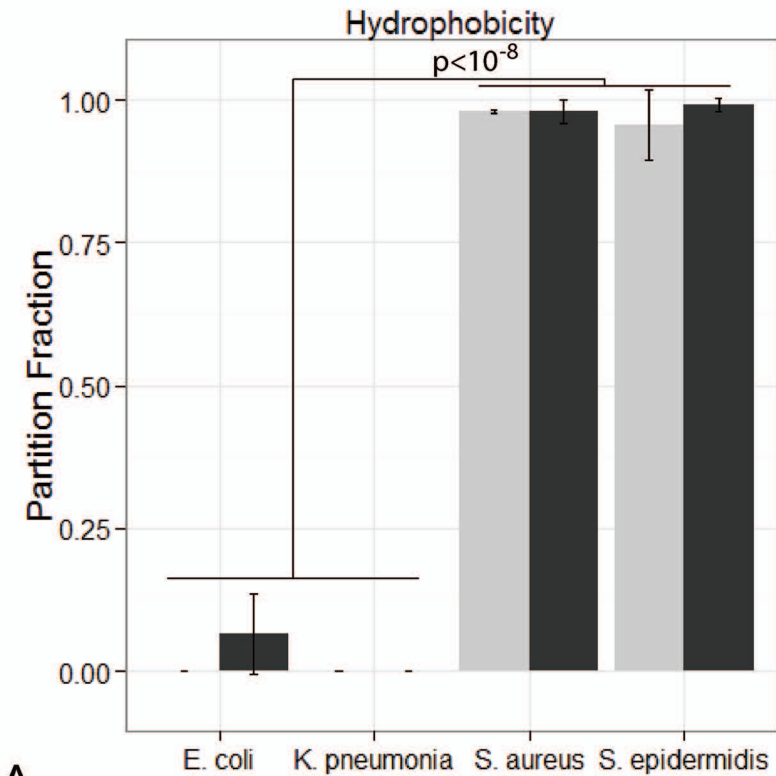


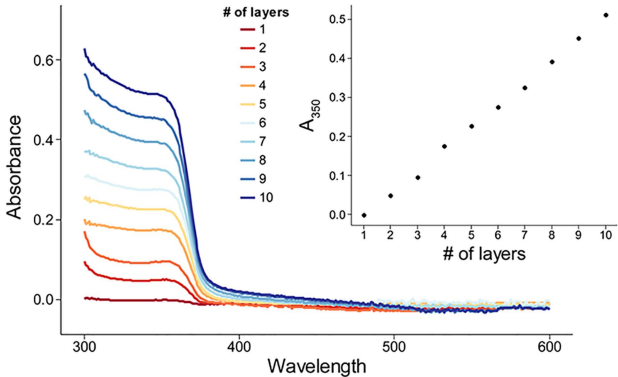
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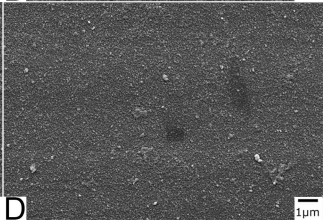
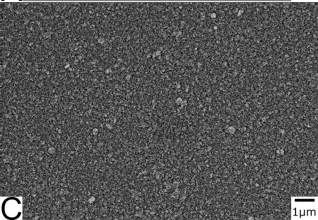
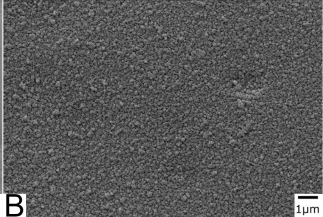
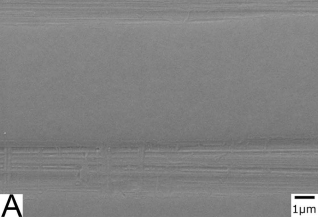




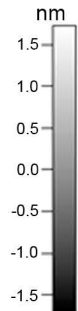
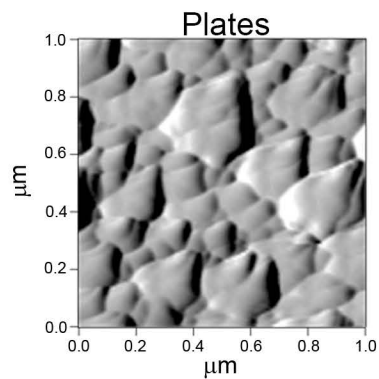
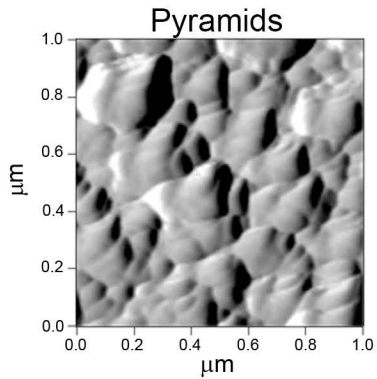
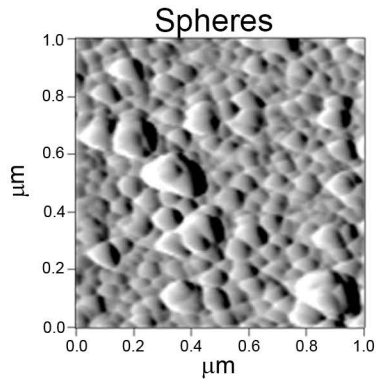








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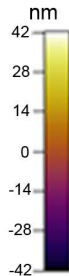
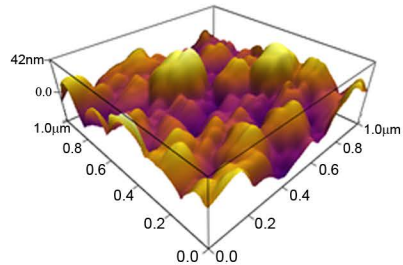
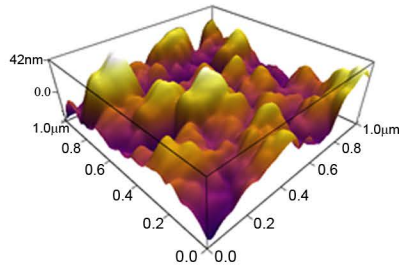
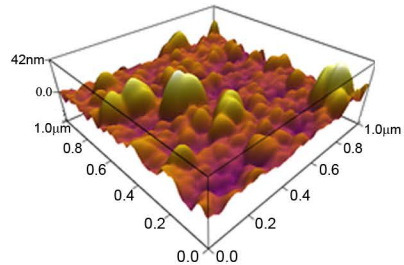


Table S1. ZnO-NP synthesis parameters

| | Plates | Pyramids | Spheres |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| final [KOH] (mM) | 162 | 35 | 162 |
| final [ZnAcetate] (mM) | 228 | 250 | 228 |
| solvent | 90% v/v methanol | 90% v/v methanol | Anhydrous methanol |
| reflux time (hrs) | 14 | 48 | 14 |
| pH of final NP aqueous suspension | 7.5 | 7.06 | 7.23 |
| zeta potential of final NP aqueous suspension (mV) | 44.1 | 37.2 | 34.4 |

Table S2. Idealized geometry formulas

| shape | volume (V) | surface area (S _A) |
|---------|---------------------------|--|
| sphere | $\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$ | $4\pi r^2$ |
| plate | $\pi r^2 h$ | $2\pi hr + 2\pi r^2$ |
| pyramid | $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}a^2 h$ | $\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{2}a^2 + 3a\sqrt{h^2 + \frac{3a^2}{4}}$ |

Table S3. Root mean square (RMS) roughness and water contact angle for LBL coatings

| Sample | RMS roughness (nm) | Water contact angle |
|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| glass | 0.3 | |
| plate | 16.7 | 18° |
| pyramid | 12.7 | 56° |
| sphere | 12.8 | 26° |

Table S4. Zeta potential for bacterial strains (mean \pm standard deviation)

| | Zeta potential (mV) |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| <i>E. coli</i> | -46.6 \pm 1.3 |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> | -22.8 \pm 0.7 |
| <i>S. aureus</i> | -25.6 \pm 0.8 |
| <i>S. epidermidis</i> | -26.0 \pm 2.5 |