

Supporting Information

for

A single-source precursor route to anisotropic halogen-doped zinc oxide particles as a promising candidate for new transparent conducting oxide materials

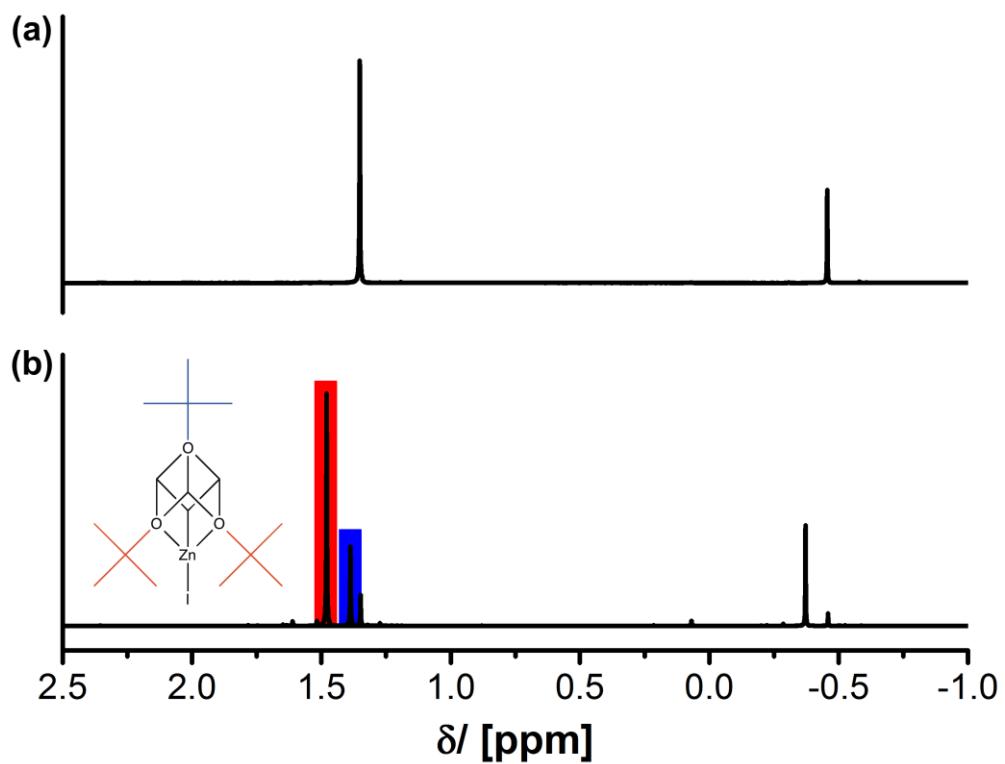
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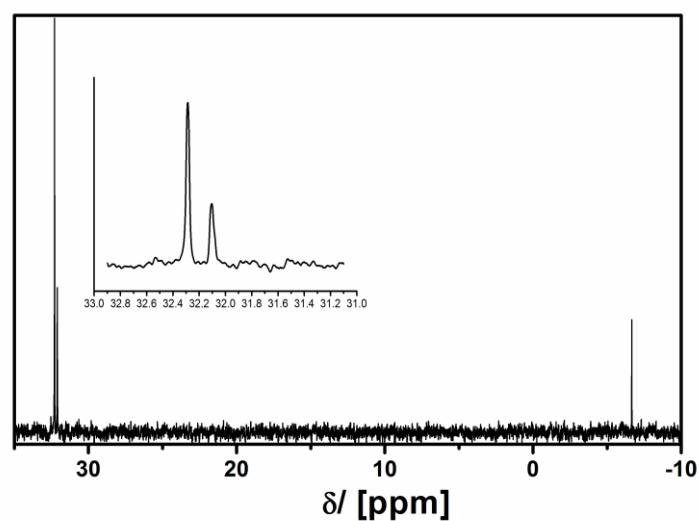
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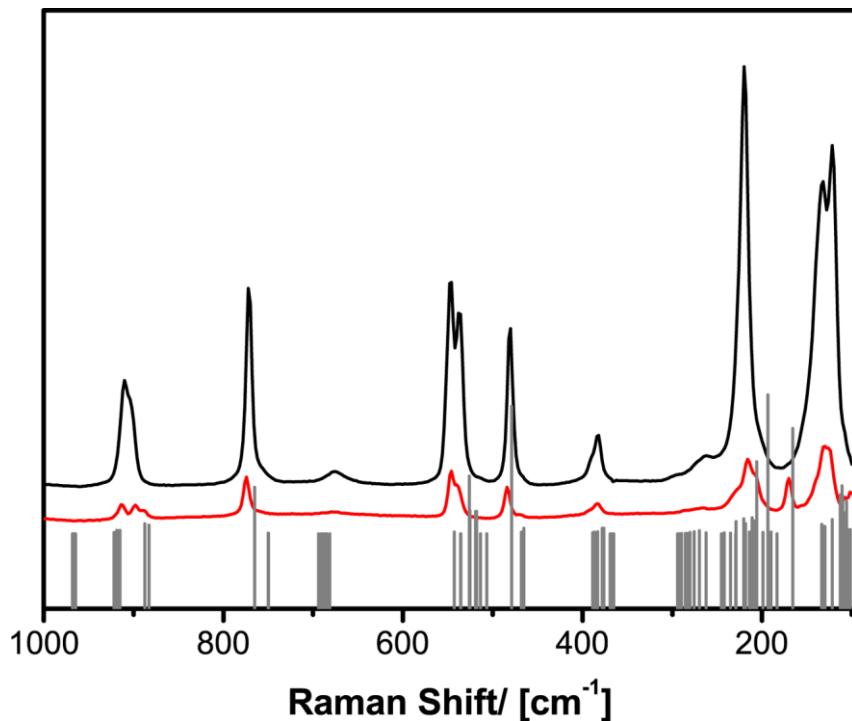
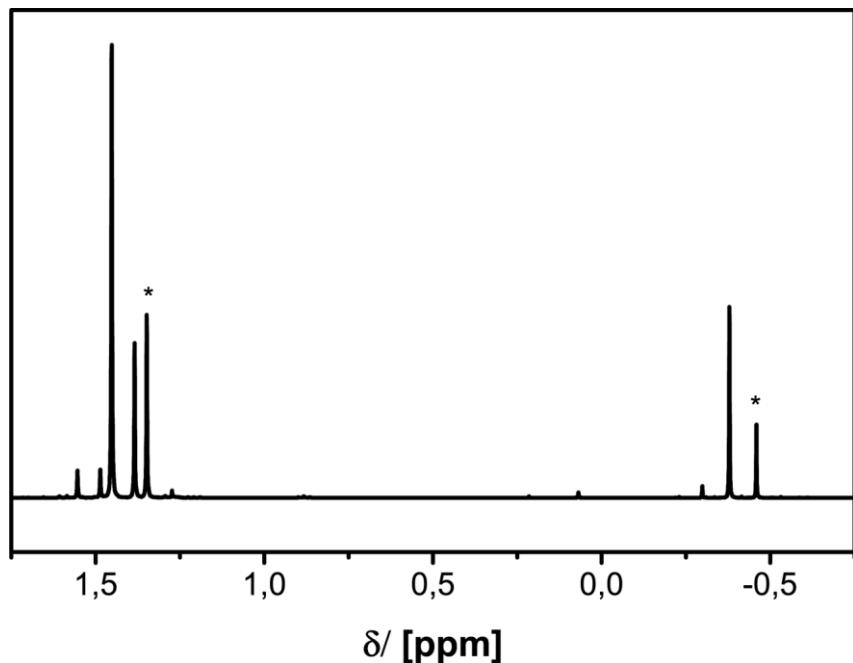


Figure S1: Additional analytical data for the molecular precursor compound **2a**. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of the starting compound **1** [MeZnOt-Bu]₄ (a) and the monosubstituted iodo-compound **2a** [I(CH₃)₃Zn(Ot-Bu)₄]. (c) ¹³C NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of the monosubstituted iodo-compound **2a** [I(CH₃)₃Zn₄(Ot-Bu)₄]. (d) FT-Raman spectra of [MeZnOt-Bu]₄ (black) and [I(CH₃)₃Zn₄(Ot-Bu)₄] (**2a**) (red). Grey bars: DFT simulated vibration spectra of **2a**.

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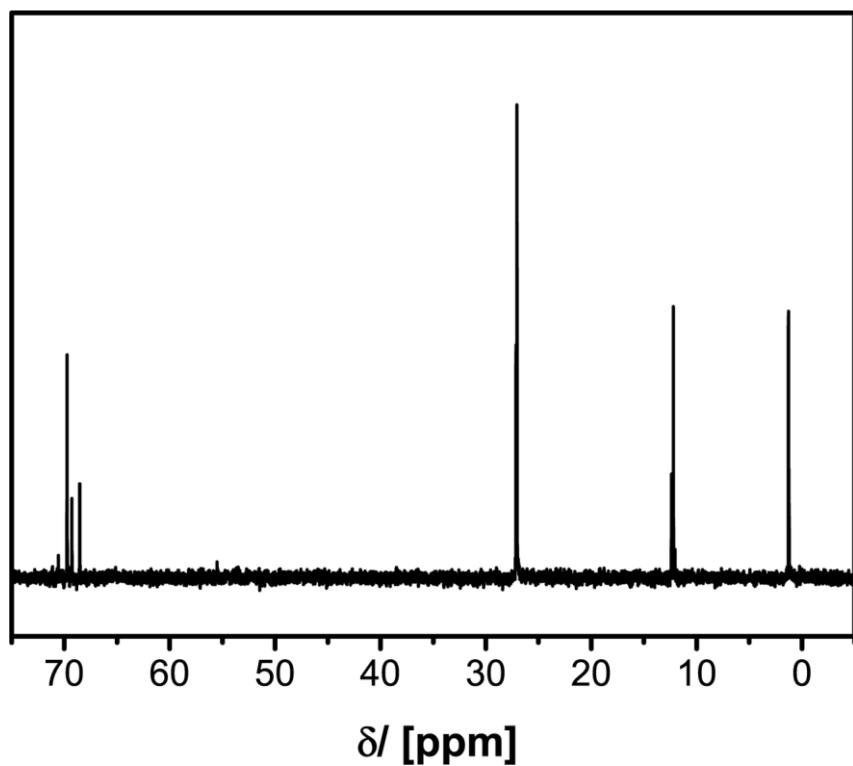
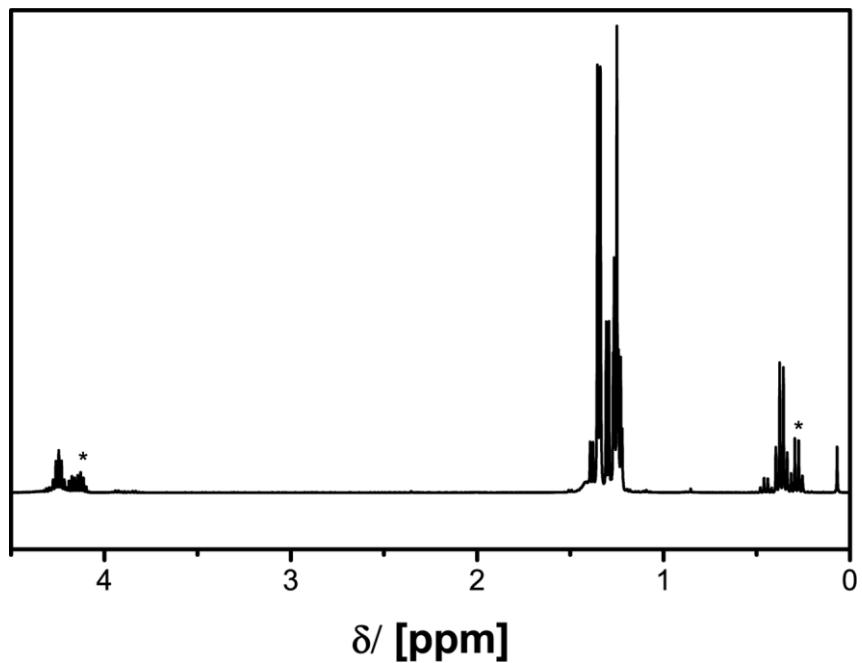
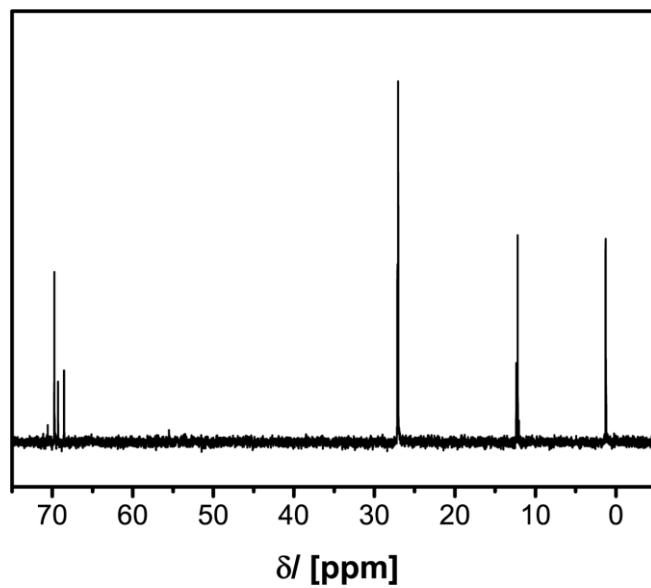


Figure S2: Additional analytical data for the molecular precursor compound **2b**. (a) ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of the mono-substituted bromo-compound **2b** [Br(CH₃)₃Zn₄(Ot-Bu)₄] (*residual starting compound [MeZnOt-Bu]₄). (b) ¹³C NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) spectrum of the mono-substituted bromo-compound **2b** [Br(CH₃)₃Zn₄(Ot-Bu)₄].

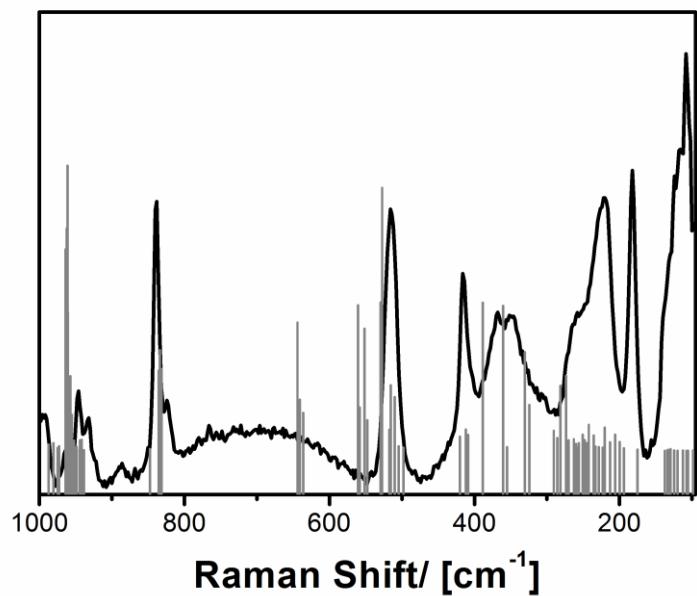
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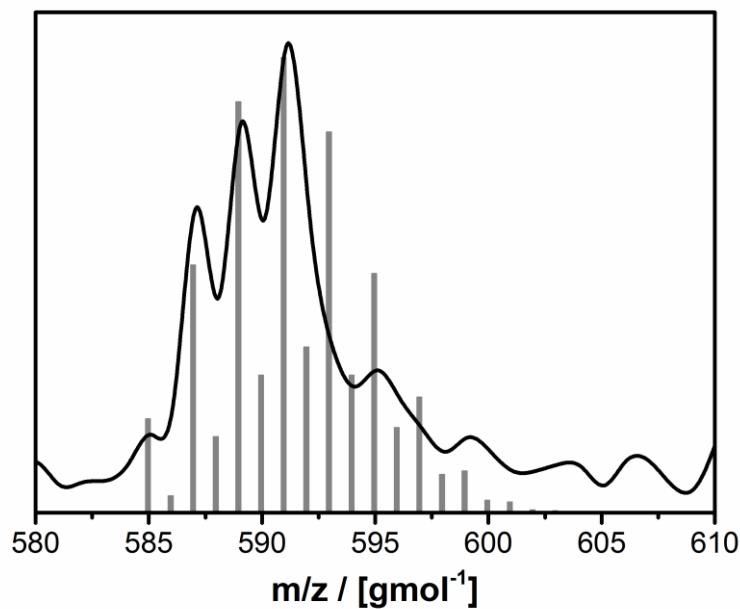
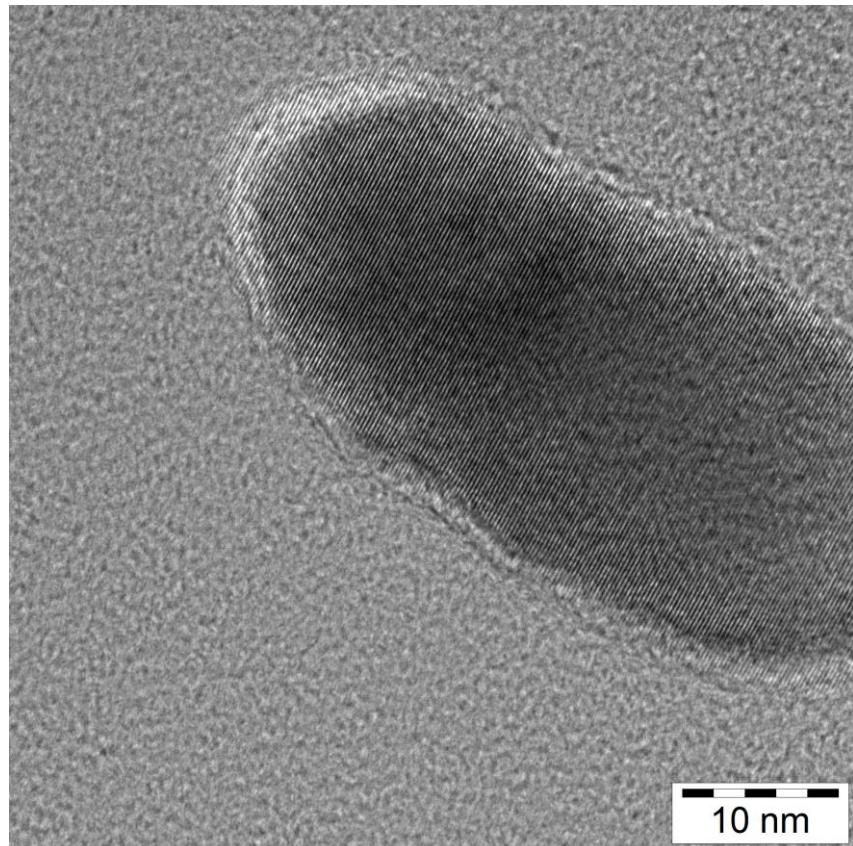


Figure S3: Additional analytical data for the molecular precursor compound **2c**. (a) ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of the monosubstituted chloro-compound $[\text{Cl}(\text{Et})_3\text{Zn}_4(\text{O}i\text{Pr})_4]$ (**2c**) (*residual starting compound $[\text{EtZnO}i\text{Pr}]_4$). (b) ^{13}C NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) spectrum of the monosubstituted chloro-compound $[\text{Cl}(\text{Et})_3\text{Zn}_4(\text{O}i\text{Pr})_4]$ (**2c**). (c) FT-Raman of $[\text{Cl}(\text{Et})_3\text{Zn}_4(\text{O}i\text{Pr})_4]$; experimental spectrum: black graph; spectrum simulated using DFT calculations: grey bars. EI-MS data (black graph: experimental signal) and calculated signal (grey bars) for the fragment $[\text{Cl}(\text{Et})_2\text{Zn}(\text{O}i\text{Pr})_4]^+$ ($m/z = 591.5$).

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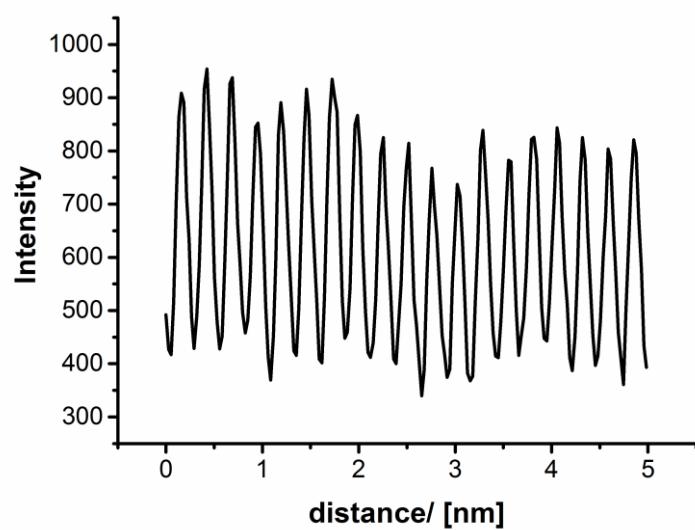


Figure S4: (a) HRTEM evaluation of $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{Cl}_x$. (b) Evaluation of the lattice plane distances along *c*-direction from HR-TEM micrograph.

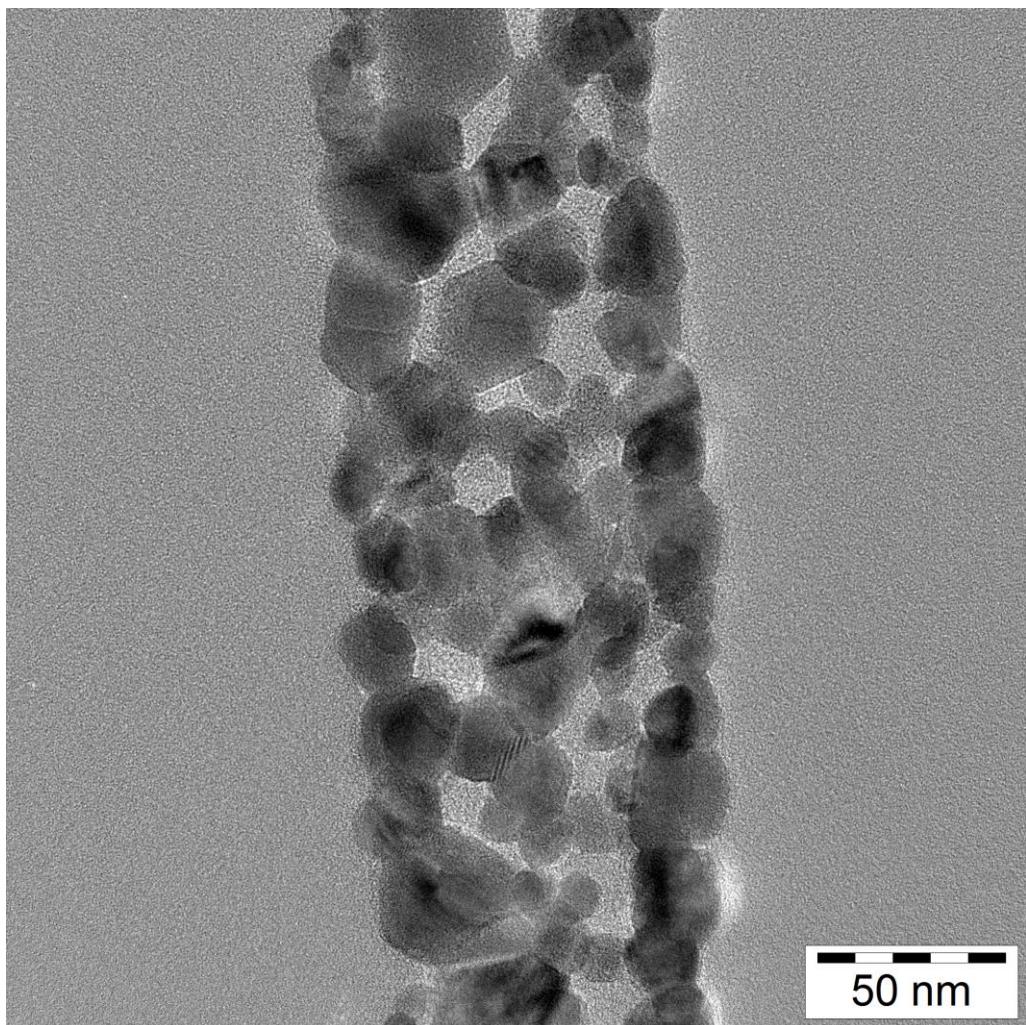
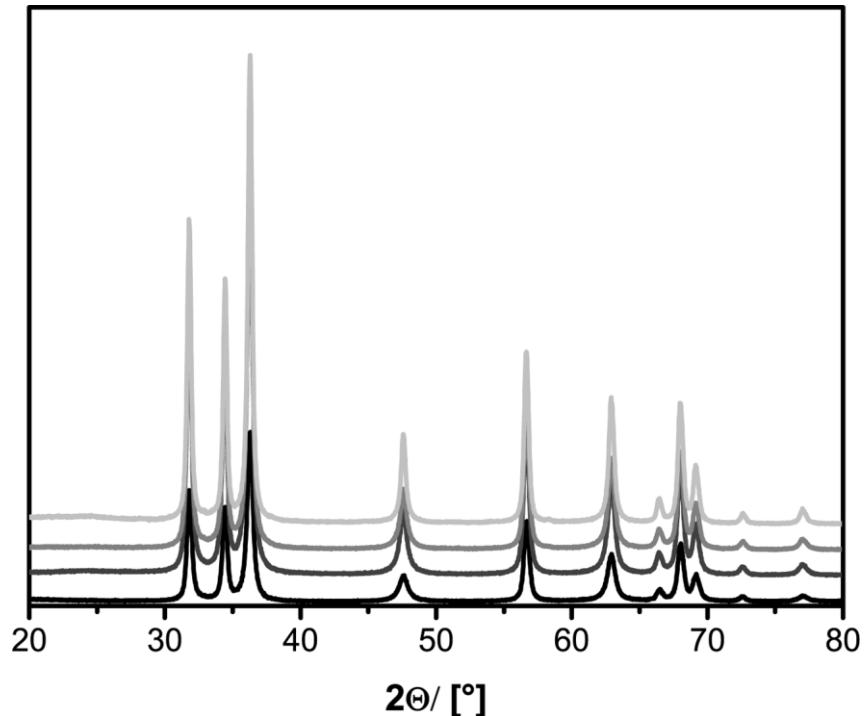


Figure S5: TEM micrograph of ZnO particles prepared from $[\text{EtZnO}i\text{Pr}]_4$ as a precursor.

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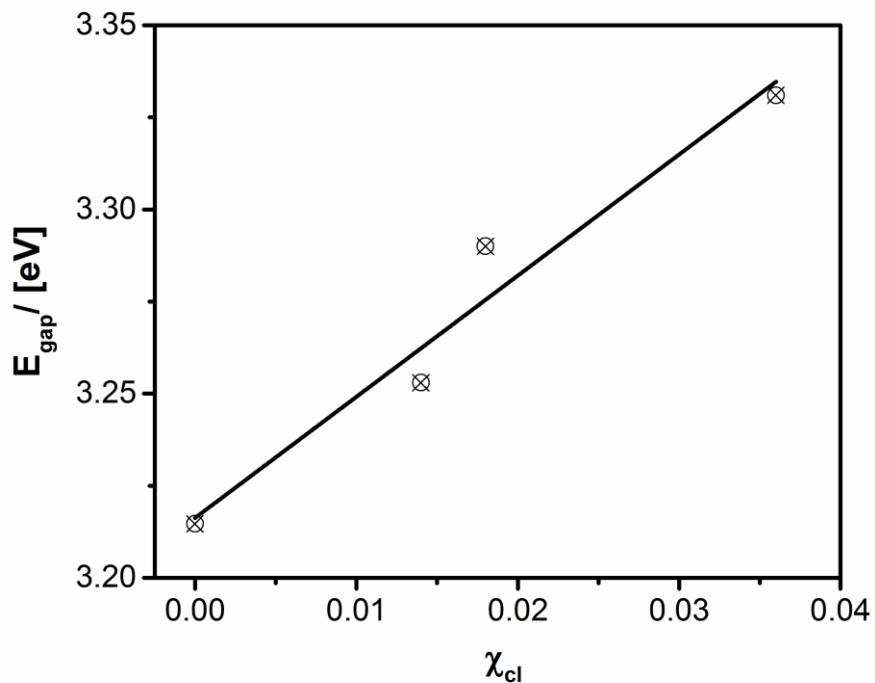


Composition and crystallite size of $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{Cl}_x$

x in $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{Cl}_x$	$D_{\text{cryst}[110]}$ [nm]
0.0	21.6
1.4	25.1
1.8	27.2
2.5	37.1

The crystallite size was calculated from the (110) diffraction signal using Scherrer equation.

(b)



(c)

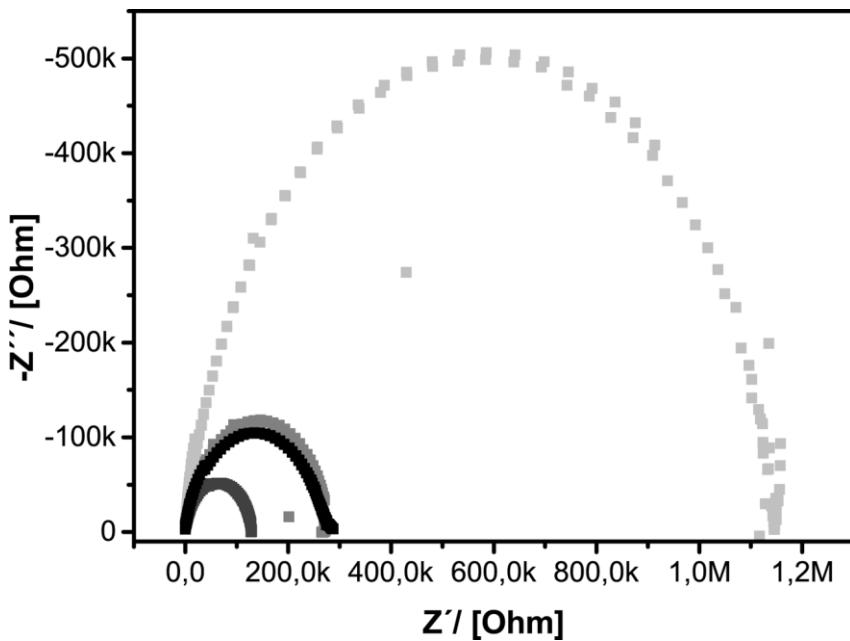
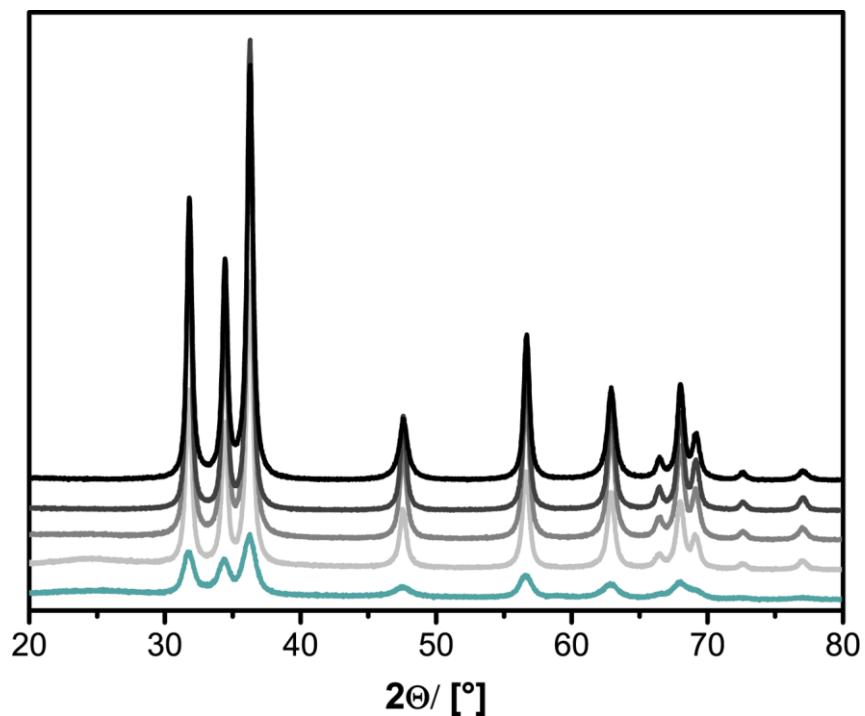


Figure S6: $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{Cl}_x$ materials with different doping concentrations. (a) PXRD of $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{Cl}_x$ materials synthesized from precursor mixtures of $[\text{Et}_3\text{Cl}_1\text{Zn}_4(\text{O}i\text{Pr})_4]$ (**2c**) and $[\text{EtZnO}i\text{Pr}]_4$: $x = 0.0\%$ (black), 1.4% (dark grey), 1.8% (grey) and 2.5% (light grey). (b) Correlation of E_{gap} determined from optical diffuse reflectance spectra and the mole fraction of chlorine. (c) Impedance spectra of $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{Cl}_x$ (Nyquist Plot): $x = 0.0\%$ (black), 1.4% (dark grey), 1.8% (grey) and 2.5% (light grey).

(a)

T [°C]	x in $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{I}_x$	$D_{\text{cryst}} [110]$ [nm]
200	0.088	7.7
250	0.024	15.1
300	0.007	15.7
350	0.005	19.9
350 (ZnO reference)	0.000	18.4

(b)



(c)

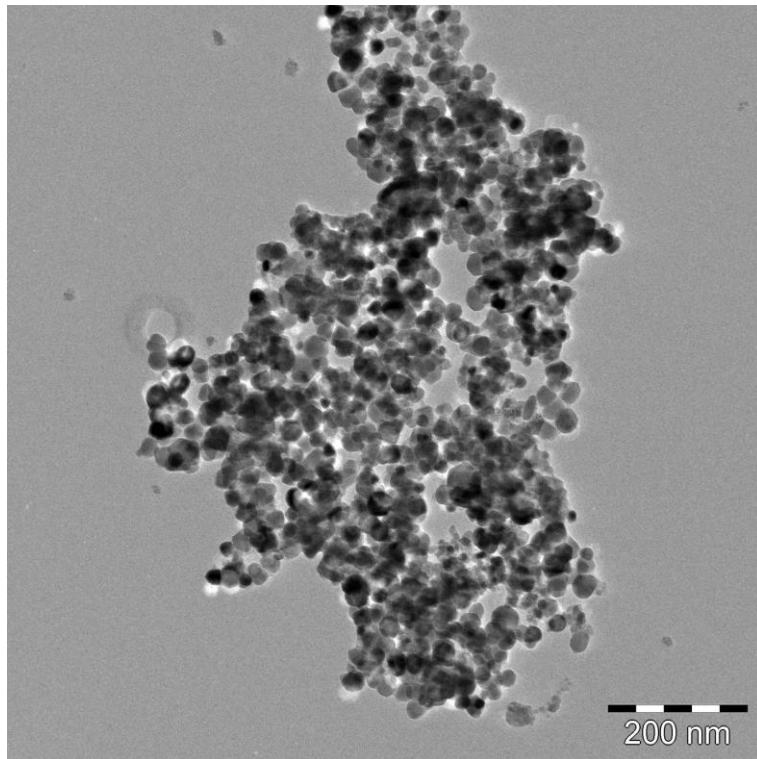
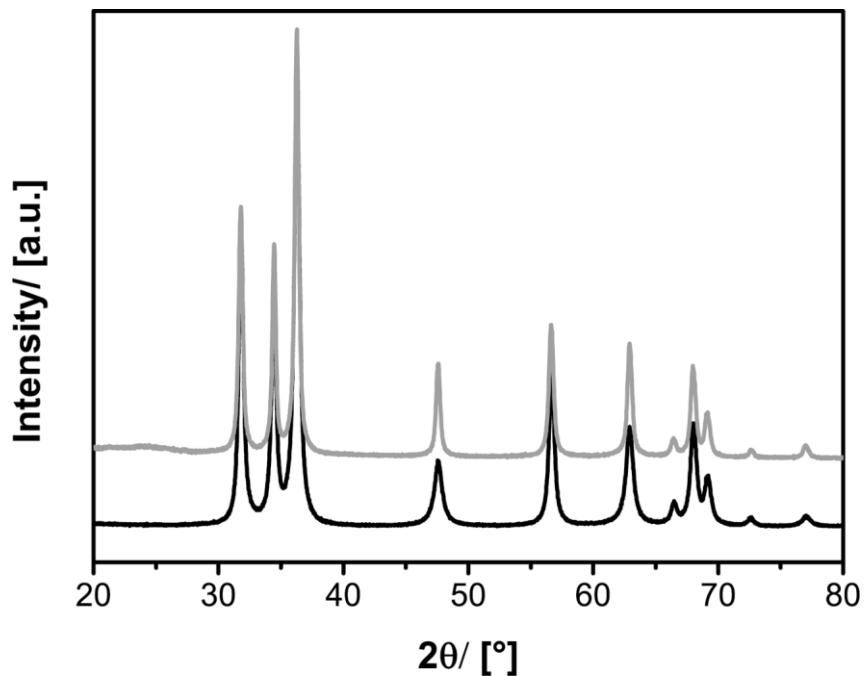


Figure S7: $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{I}_x$ materials prepared from precursor **2a**. (a) $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{I}_x$ synthesized from **2a** at different decomposition temperatures. (b) PXRD of $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{I}_x$ materials synthesized at different temperatures from $[\text{IMe}_3\text{Zn}(\text{Ot-Bu})_4]$: 200 °C (blue), 250 °C (light grey), 300 °C (grey) and 350 °C (darkgrey). Black: ZnO reference (prepared from $[\text{MeZnOt-Bu}]_4$ at 350 °C). (c) TEM micrograph of $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{I}_x$ particles ($x = 0.005$).

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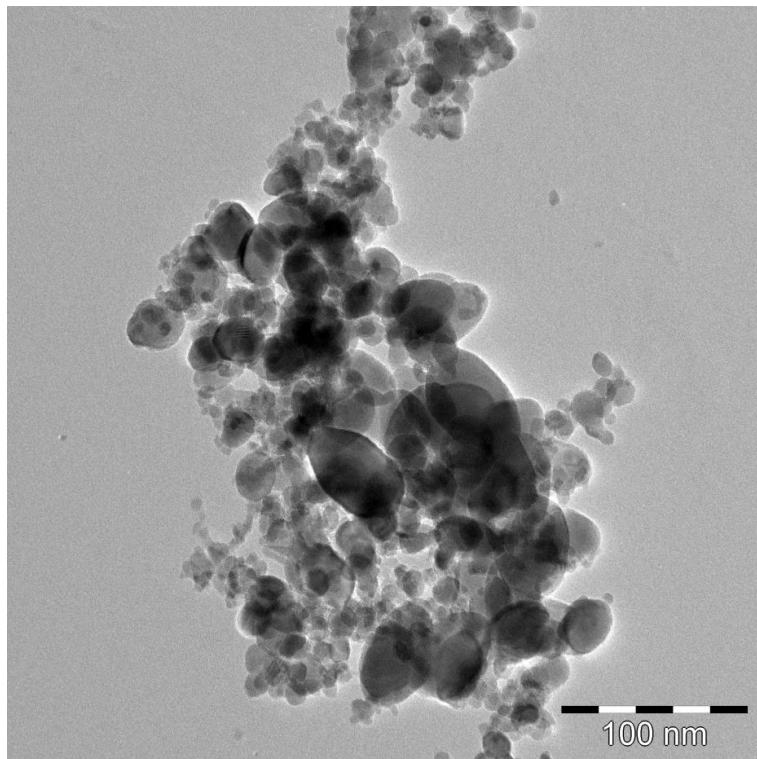


Figure S8: $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{Br}_x$ material prepared from precursor **2b**. (a) PXRD of $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{Br}_x$ ($x = 0.022$) and ZnO reference (black) prepared at 350 °C. (b) TEM micrograph of $\text{ZnO}_{1-x}\text{Br}_x$ particles.