## **Supporting Information**

## Inhibition of Bacterial Adhesion on Nano-Textured Stainless Steel 316L by Electrochemical Etching

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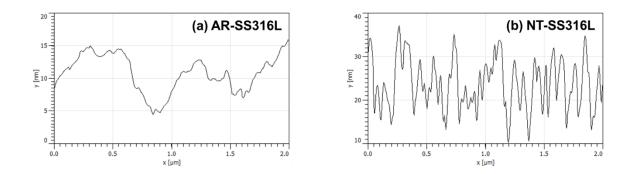
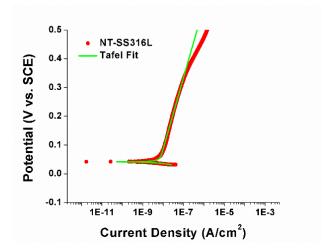
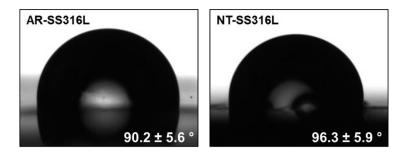


Figure S1. Surface height profiles of (a) AR- and (b) NT-SS316L obtained by AFM.



**Figure S2.** Tafel fitting on a representative potentiodynamic polarization curve of SS316L sample in Hank's balanced salt solution.



**Figure S3**. Water contact angles of AR- and NT-SS316L surfaces. A goniometer (Ramé-Hart-290) was used to measure contact angles. DI-water droplets (4  $\mu$ L) were dispensed on SS316L sample surfaces; images were captured with CCD camera and analyzed with Ramé-Hart software.

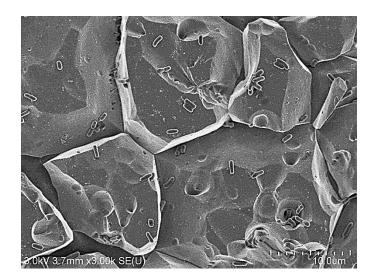
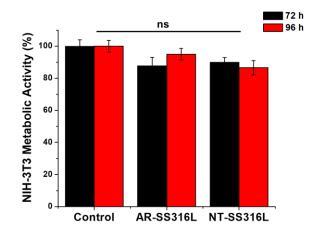


Figure S4. SEM image of bacterial (*E. coli*) adhesion on micro-textured SS316L after 24 h culture.



**Figure S5.** Cytocompatibility of AR-SS316L and NT-SS316L surfaces after 72 h and 96 h of culture of NIH-3T3 cells. Metabolic activity of NIH-3T3 fibroblast cells cultured on the AR- and NT-SS316L surfaces measured by MTT assay was compared to the PS culture dish control. Data represent mean  $\pm$  SEM (N = 3, p > 0.05).