

Quantum Rods LEDs: A way to achieve LED Efficacy of $>200 \text{ lm/W}$

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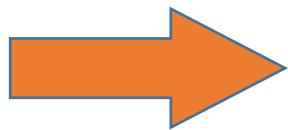
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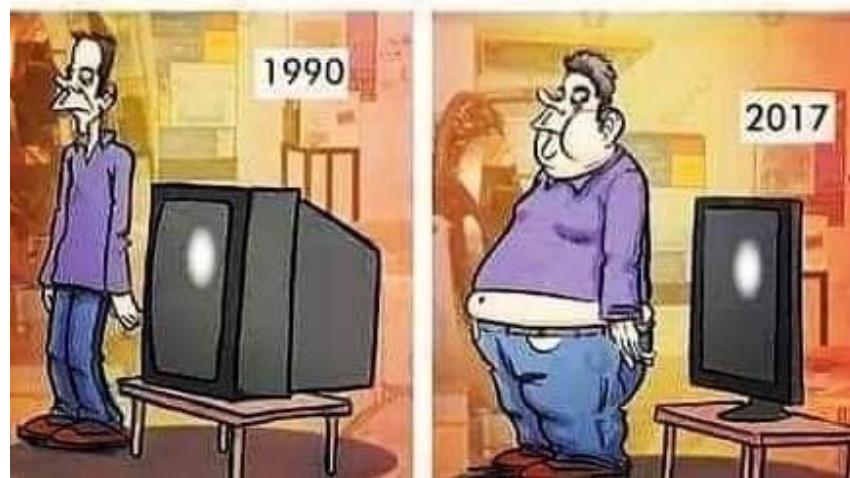




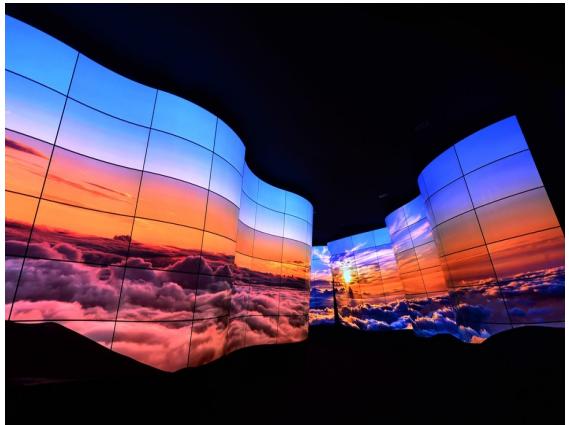
In Last 30 Years!



1990 - 2017



Next 30 Years?



LG OLED Canyon



146" 4KHDR Samsung QDLED



Speakers in the display



AR/VR displays/ high resolution display



Antenna/LCDs



Medical interactive displays/scanner

Power consumption is one of the biggest issue. The display efficiency is limited to 3-5% only!

LCD is the market leader with ~70% market share.



Simple content with text and graphics.

Wi-Fi

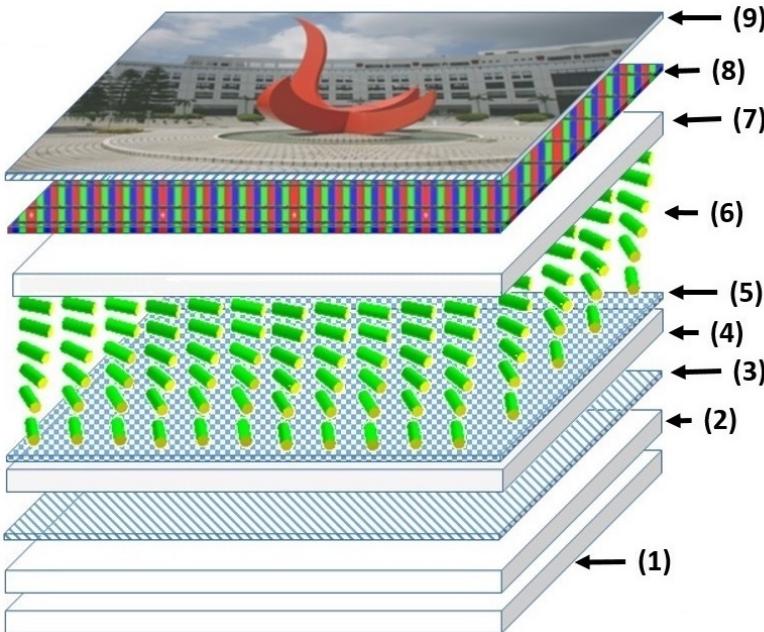
Component	Consumption (mW)
GSM	80
CPU	60
Wi-Fi	100
Graphics	80
Rest	55
LCD- (backlight +LCD)	480 (419+61)
Total (backlight consumption %)	845 (49.6%)

Cellular

Component	Consumption (mW)
GSM	360
CPU	55
Wi-Fi	10
Graphics	80
Rest	55
LCD- (backlight +LCD)	480 (419+61)
Total (backlight consumption %)	1040 (40.2%)

- In 2019, we had 6.61 million smartphone users in Hong Kong.
- If we consider average 2.5W for displays only, then it is going to be a significantly big number for the power consumption.
- On an average, in Hong Kong we consume **400-600** Terajoule/year of energy for consumer displays only.

Polarizers and color filters are Critically Important for light efficiency of LCDs!



Efficiency and Brightness of the LCD				
	Conventional LCD/QDEF		LCD with NREF	
Components	Efficiency, %	Brightness, %	Efficiency, %	Brightness, %
1 Backlight	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
2 Light diffusive films	75.0	75.0	75.0	75.0
3 polarizers	45.0	33.8	70.0	52.5
4 Glass	95.0	32.1	95.0	49.9
5 TFT active matrix	65.0	20.8	65.0	32.4
6 LC matrix	85.0	17.7	85.0	27.6
7 Glass	95.0	16.8	95.0	26.2
8 Color Filter	30.0	5.0	30.0	8.3
9 Analyzer	95.0	4.8	95.0	7.9
Final Image		4.8		7.9
Color Triangle		>100 NTSC		>100 NTSC

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 - **We can increase the optical efficiency > 20%.**

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QDEF Films Market



Asus Zenbook NX500



***And Many more!
QD materials market size is
over 7bUS\$.***

“We believe quantum dot is the future of display technology,” Joe Stinziano, executive vice president of the consumer business division at Samsung Electronics America, Ridgefield Park, NJ.

<http://www.xconomy.com/new-york/2016/01/15/the-next-phase-of-the-tv-tech-battle-quantum-dot-vs-oled-display/#>



Low Optical Efficiency of LCDs ?

- **Polarization Losses: how can we improve it?**
 - Polarized emission from **Photoaligned Quantum rods** can help here.
 - Quantum rods for lighting and displays
- **Color Filter Losses:**
 - **Remove the color filters?**
 - Field Sequential Color displays using ferroelectric liquid crystals.
Key Challenge: Fast response of the Liquid crystals
 - **Change it to photo-luminescence type color filter?**
 - Photo-luminescence type color filter using downconverting materials in pixels.
Key Challenge: Pixelation



Quantum rods offer better efficiency and saturated color

Emitting Material	Methodology	CCT (K)	Color gamut(%)	LE (lm/W)	Year	Ref
CdSe//ZnS/CdSZnS	Liquid type QD	-	-	103	2018	Optica. 2018, 5, 793
CsPbBr ₃ CsPbBr _{1.2} I _{1.8}	Liquid type perovskite	5516	122	51	2019	Phot. Res. 7, 579.
RbNa(Li ₃ SiO ₄) ₂ : Eu ²⁺	Narrow bandwidth phosphor	5196	113	111	2019	Adv. Func. Mat. 1901988.
Cs ₃ Mn _{0.96} Zn _{0.04} Br ₅ K ₂ SiF ₆ :Mn ⁴⁺	Narrow bandwidth phosphor	6723	101	108	2019	<i>J. of Mat. Chem. C.</i> 2019 , 7, 11220
CdSe/ZnxCd _{1-x} S	Gradient alloyed QRs	8909	122	115	2021	Small, 17, 2004487.
QD/SBA-15	Matrix reduces reabsorption	6500	118	136.7	2021	ACS Nano, 15, 550-562

Theory: When you know many things, but nothing works!

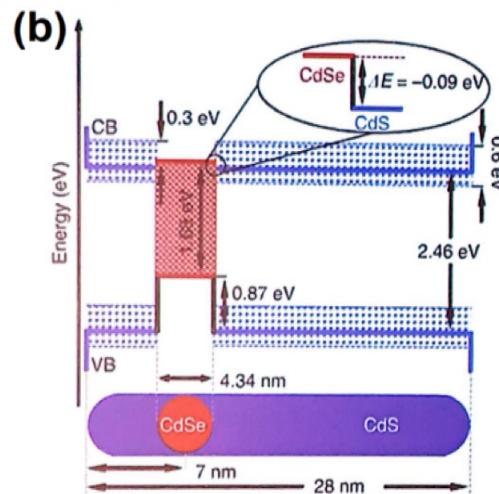
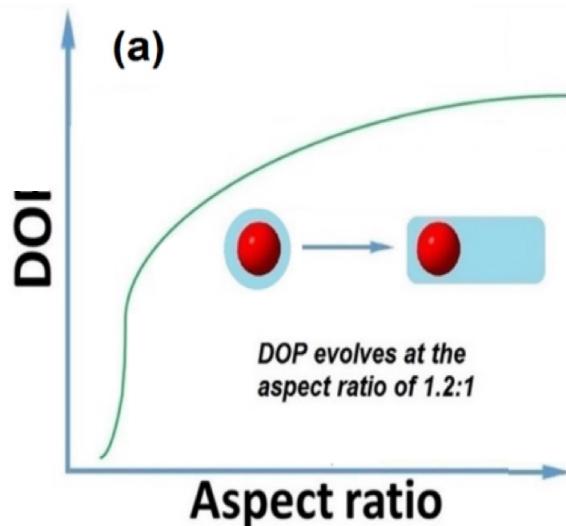
Experiments: It works but no one knows why!

*In my lab: We combine theory and experiments:
Nothing works
and no one knows why!*

Quantum rods: Polarized Emission from QRs?



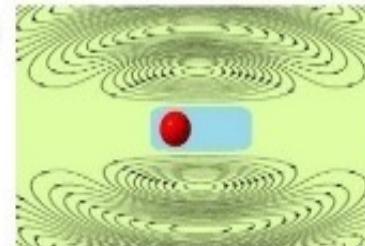
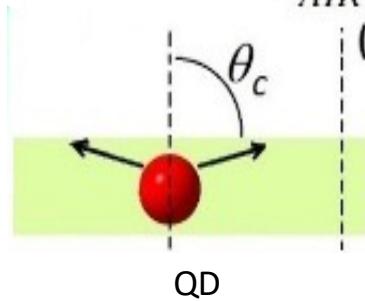
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Better optical coupling efficiency.

$$\sin \theta_c = \frac{n_{LCP}}{n_{AIR}}$$



Dipolar emission can improve the coupling efficiency, if the dipoles are assembled in plane!

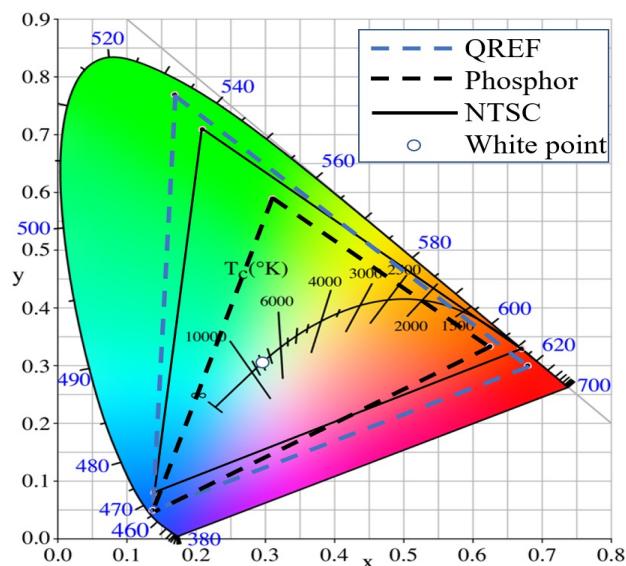
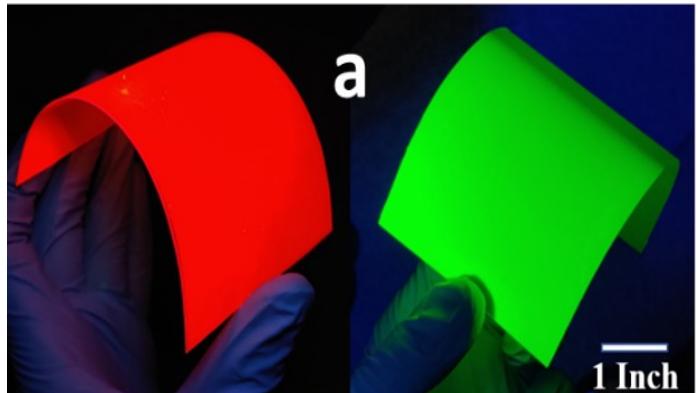
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QREF Improves the Colors and LCD Efficiency



- **Brightness : 560 Nits**
- **Efficiency=7.8%**
- **Color triangle 97% BT2020**
- **Cost is still high than modern LCDs**

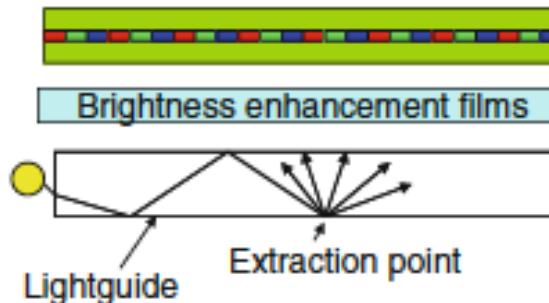


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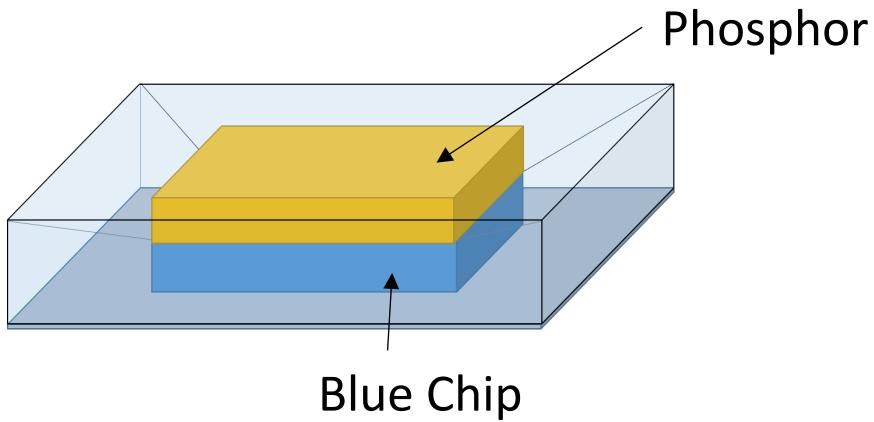
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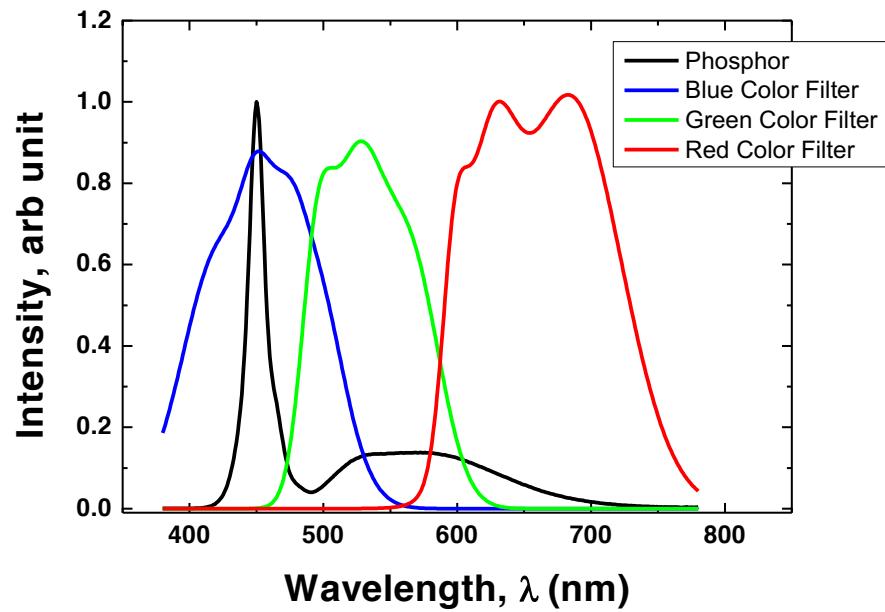
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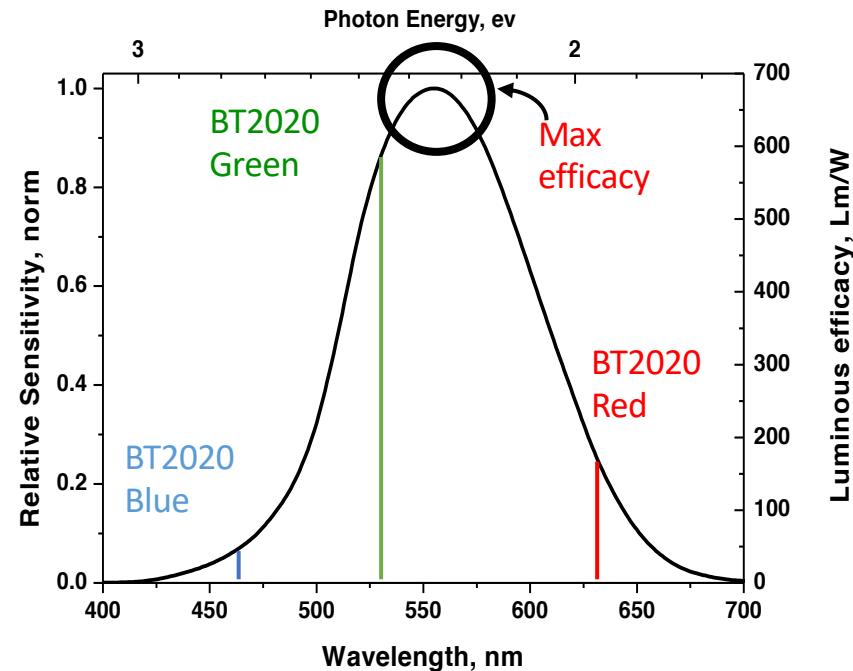
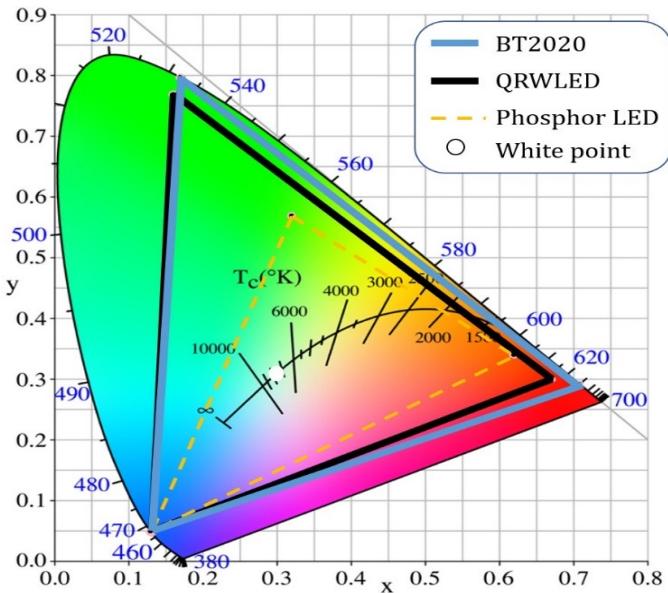
Edge-Lit



Display LED efficacy = 70-90 lm/W
Color gamut is small.



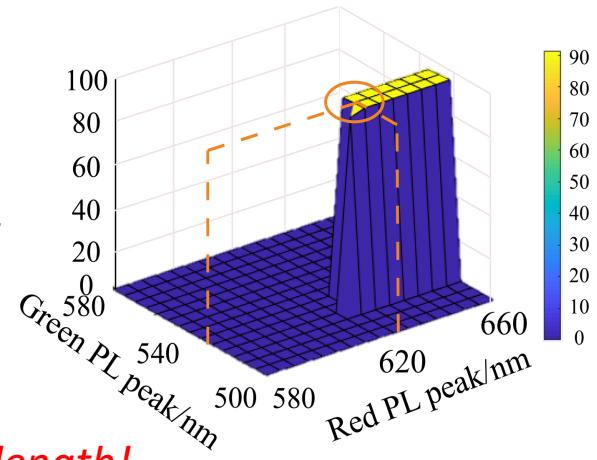
LED with High Efficacy and Large Color Gamut



The LER (lm/W_{opt}) is the ratio between the luminous flux (in lumens) and the optical power of radiation (in watts, W). This metric differs from a related but distinct metric, the luminous efficacy of a source (LE, lm/W_{ele}), which is the ratio between the luminous flux and the input electrical power used to produce that luminous flux.

$$LE = \frac{\int_0^{\infty} I_e(\lambda)K(\lambda)d\lambda}{IV}$$

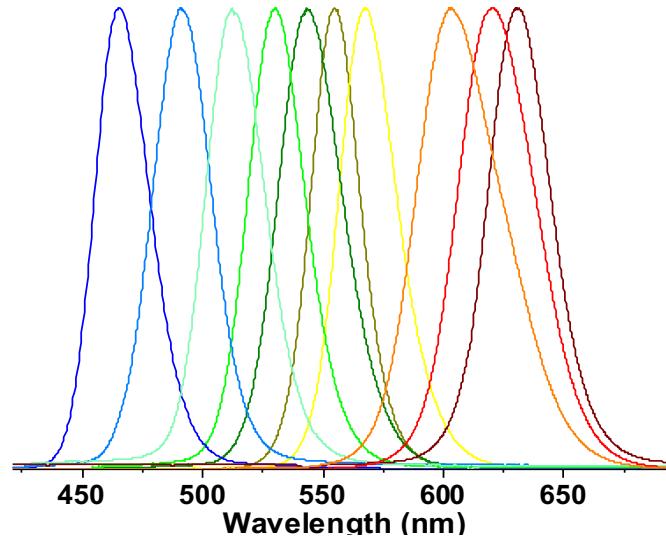
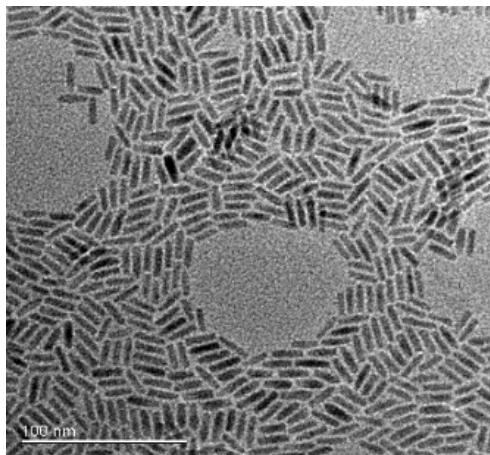
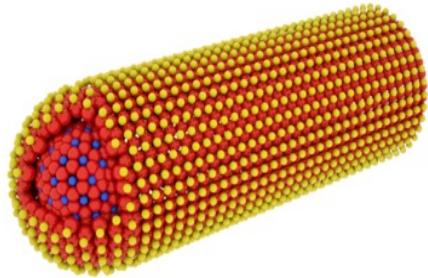
$$LER = \frac{\int_0^{\infty} I_e(\lambda)K(\lambda)d\lambda}{\int_0^{\infty} I_e(\lambda)d\lambda}$$



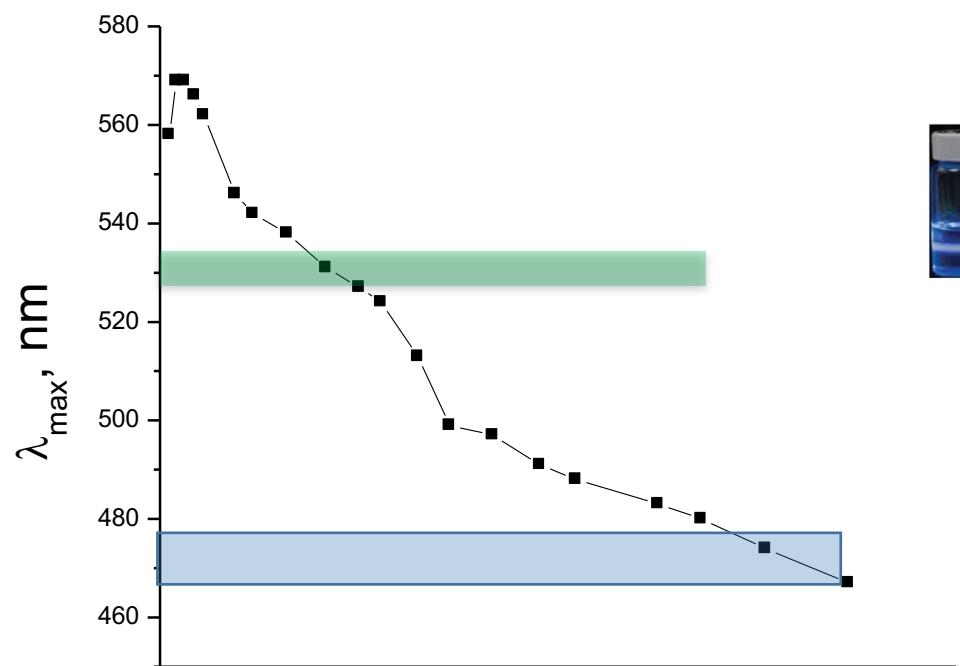
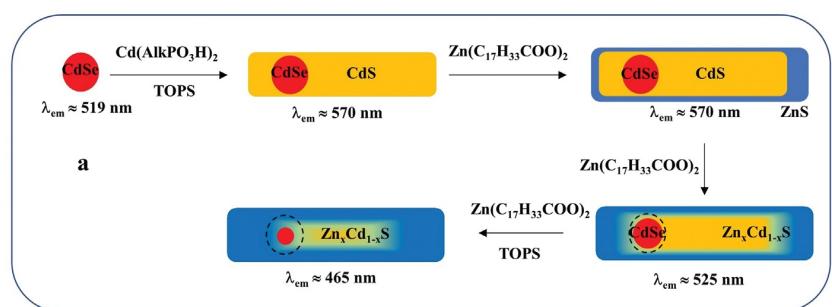
We need a precise control on the emission wavelength!

Quantum Rods Have Better colors

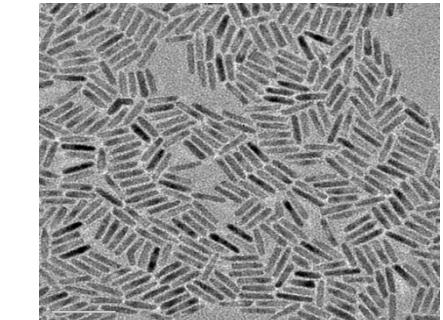
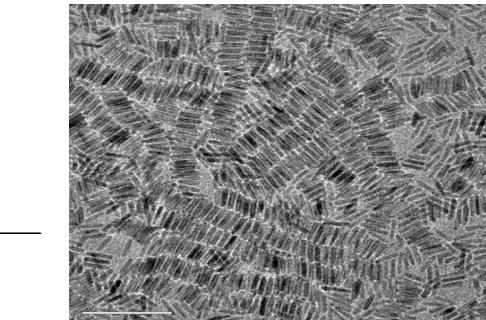
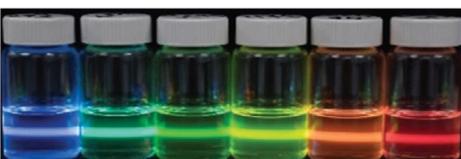
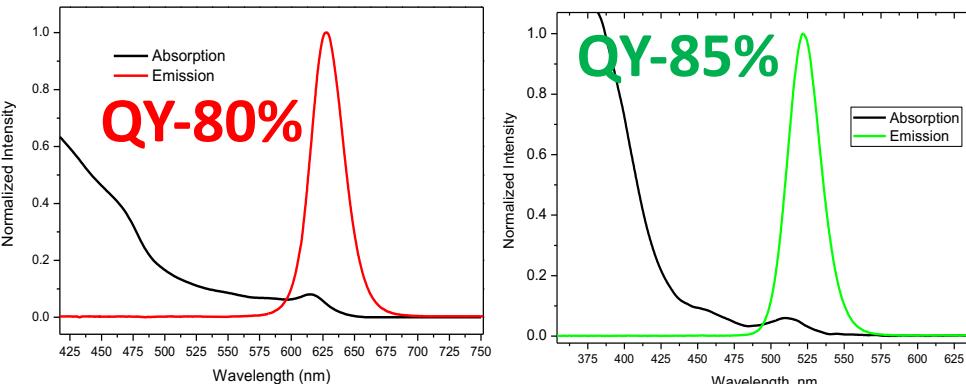
Quantum Rods, Covering Full Visible Range for **Display** and **Lighting** Application



We developed a new approach to make the Quantum rods emitting in the full visible range.

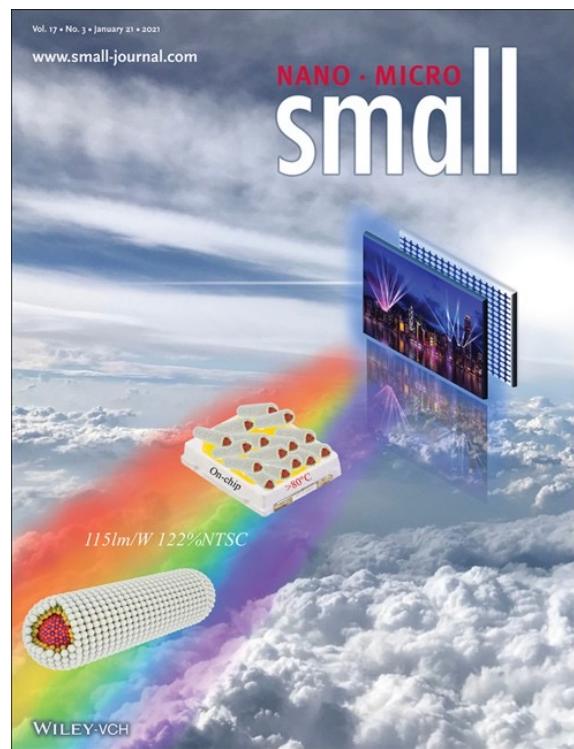
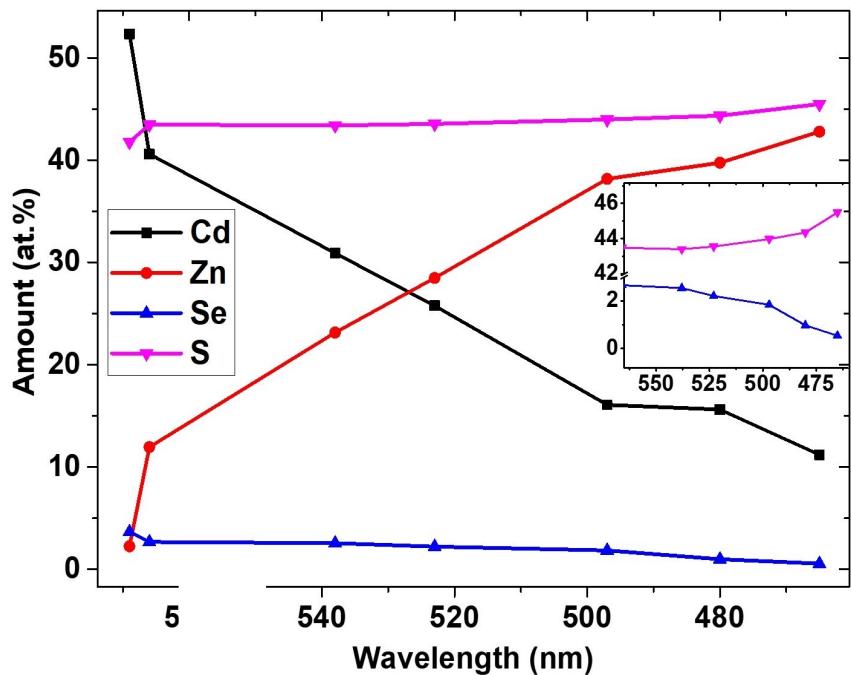


Length ~26nm
 Diameter ~ 5nm
 QY~50% and FWHM~27nm



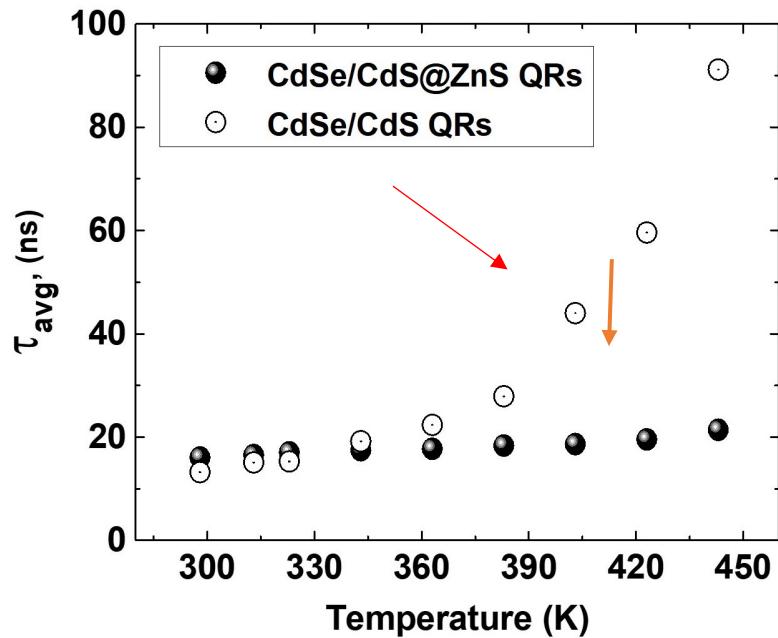
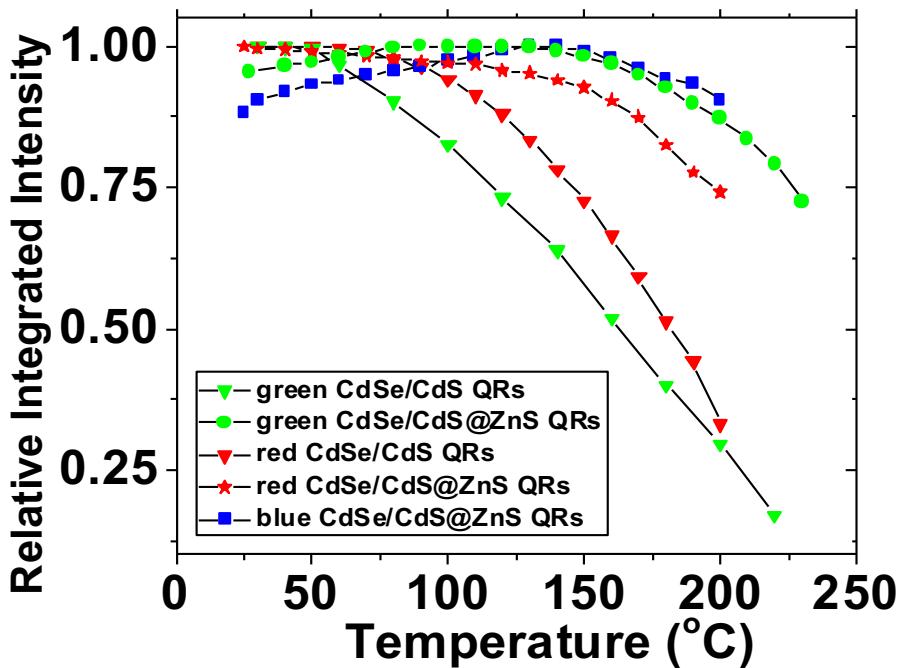
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Low Cd and Thermally Stable QRs



- EDX elemental analysis results plotted versus emission wavelength for the purified probes during the synthesis.
- The Cd concentration drops significantly.
- Red, Green and Blue

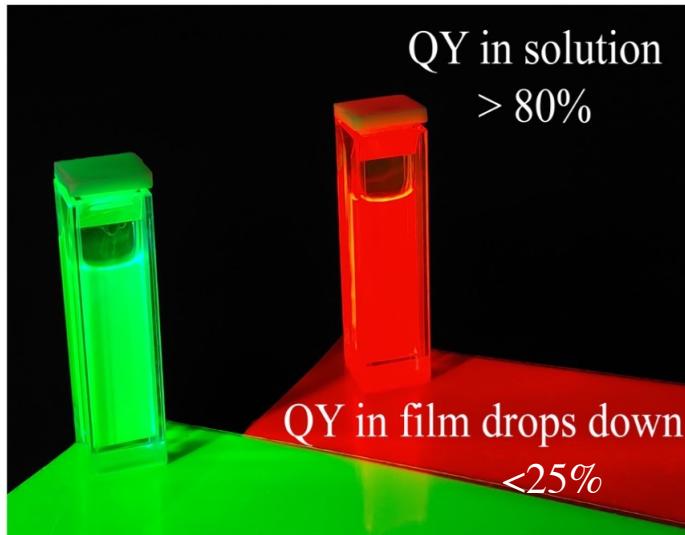
Low Cd and Thermally Stable QRs



- Stable Emission till 150°C.

How about the quantum yield?

Low Quantum Yield in the Film



In closely **packed NP films**, particle to **particle energy transfer** (ET) results in severe **nonradiative decay**. Excitons are known to **diffuse via donor-acceptor ET**, which is strongly related to the interparticle distance. **FRET** leads to **more active nonradiative fast decay pathways** when **QRs are packed densely in films**.

The following equation relates the PL-QY in the film to that in solution-state with a multi-process in lifetime fitting.

$$QY_f = \frac{QY_s \times k_{rad}}{k_{rad} + k_{ET}(1 - QY_s)}$$

$$k = k_{rad} + k_{eff-nr}$$

$$k_{eff-nr} = k_{ET}(1 - QY_0)$$

$$k_{rad} = \frac{1}{\tau_{rad}}$$

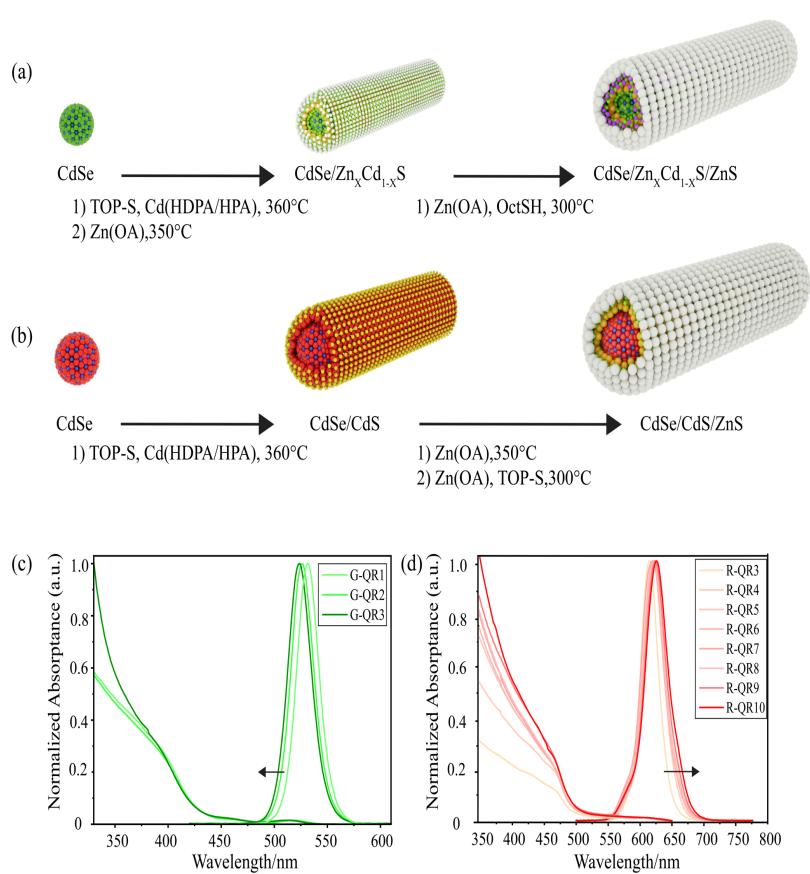
$$I = I_0 + A_1 e^{-\frac{t-t_0}{\tau_1}} + A_2 e^{-\frac{t-t_0}{\tau_2}}$$

$$\tau_{avg} = \frac{A_1 \tau_1^2 + A_2 \tau_2^2}{A_1 \tau_1 + A_2 \tau_2}$$

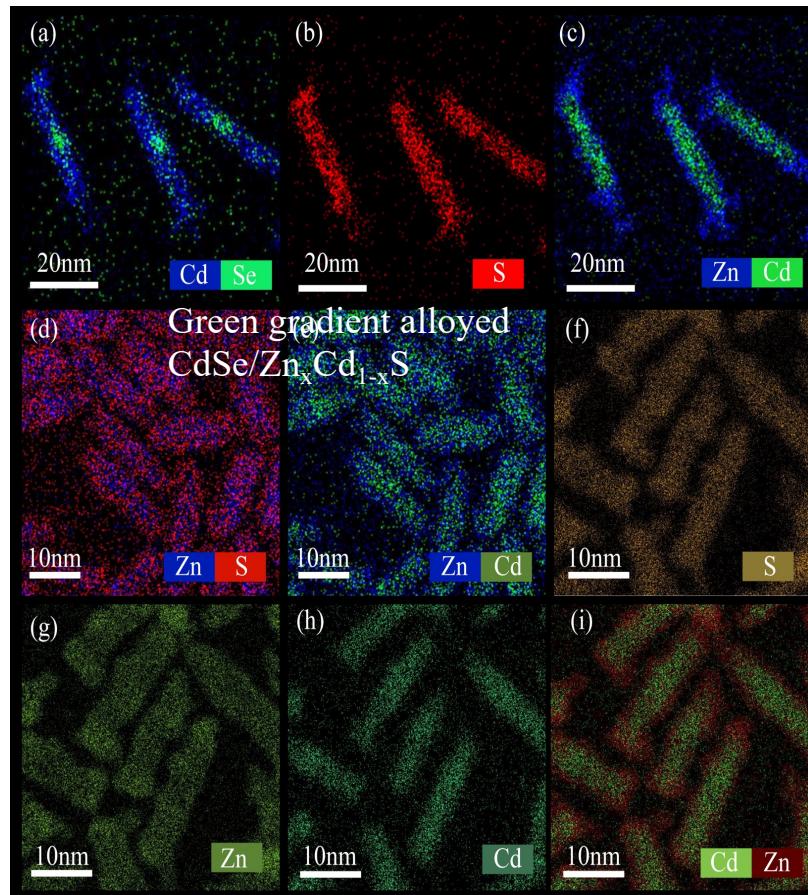
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A thicker QR shell reduces the surface trap and increases the interparticle distance simultaneously and so increase the PLQY in the film.

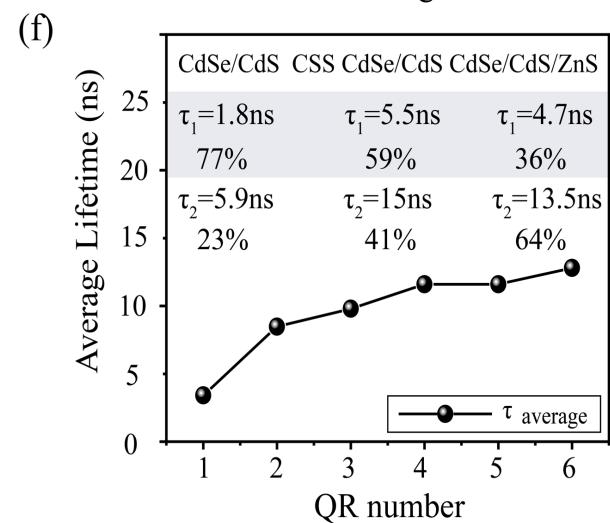
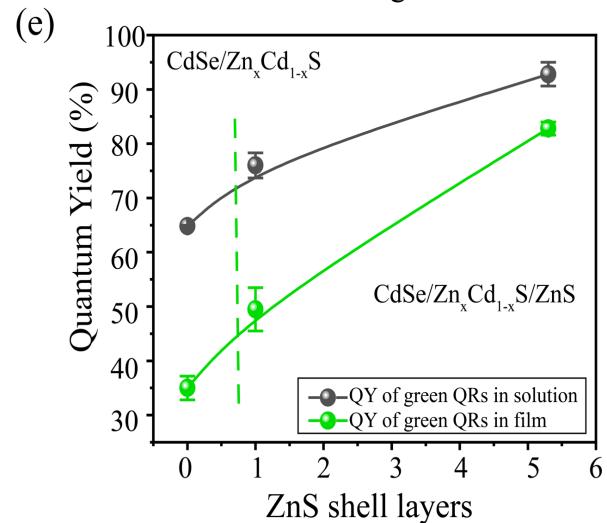
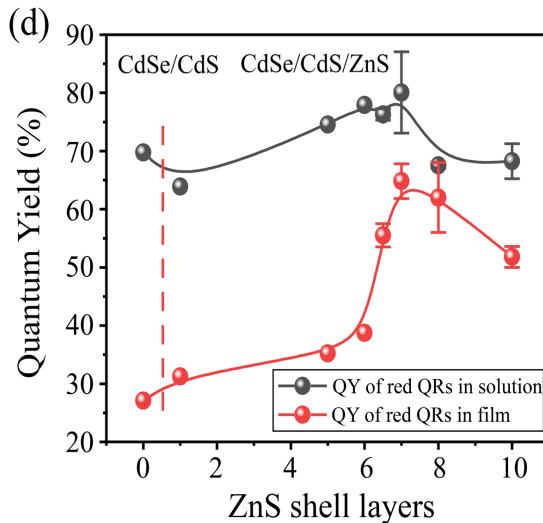
Quantum Rods with additional shell



Red CdSe/CdS/ZnS QRs,

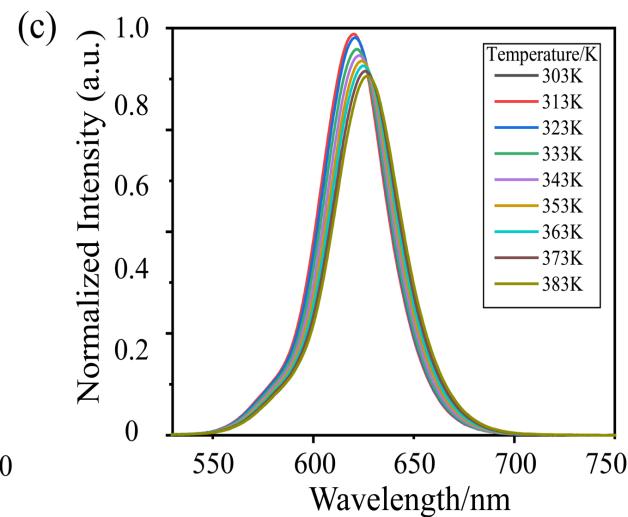
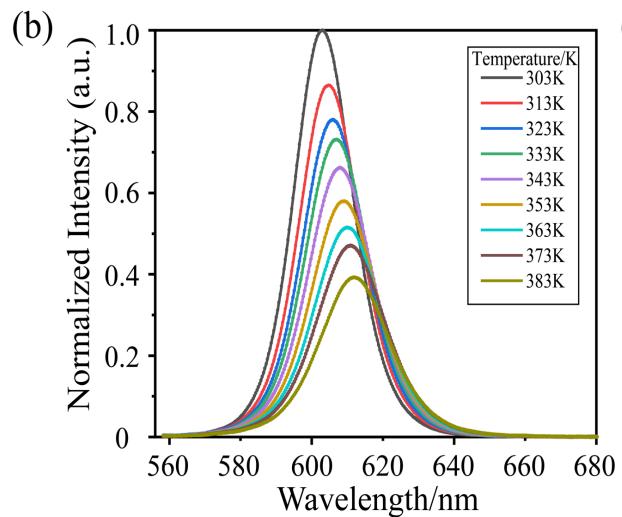
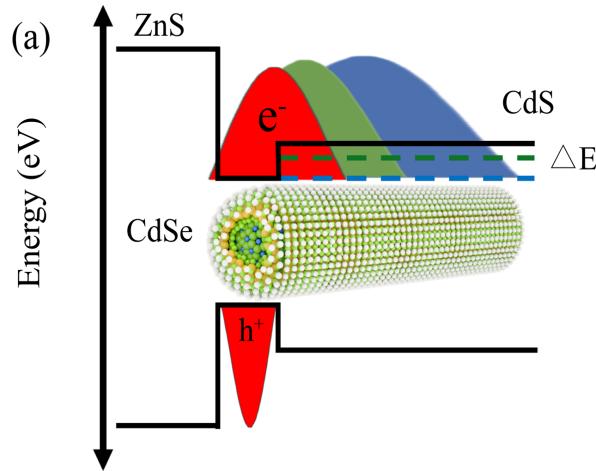


Optical Properties of Quantum rods!



QR	Red QRs	Diameter(SD) /nm	Shell thickness(Avg)	Length(SD) /nm	Aspect ratio	Peak PL energy/eV
1	CdSe/CdS	3.2(0.40)	--	9.9(1.2)	3.1	2.05
2	CdSe/CdS	4.1(0.47)	--	20.1(1.4)	4.9	2.05
3	CdSe/CdS	4.6(0.61)	--	22.1(1.9)	4.8	2.01
4	CdSe/CdS/ZnS	4.7(0.97)	1 st ZnS	24.2(2.3)	5.1	1.99
5	CdSe/ CdS/ZnS	5.9(0.57)	5 th ZnS	26.1(2.3)	4.4	1.99
6	CdSe/ CdS/ZnS	6.2(0.73)	6 th ZnS	28.0(2.5)	4.5	1.99
7	CdSe/ CdS/ZnS	6.3(0.74)	6.5 th ZnS	29.5(2.8)	4.6	1.99
8	CdSe/ CdS/ZnS//ZnS	6.5(0.88)	7 th ZnS	31.0(3.6)	4.7	1.99
9	CdSe/ CdS/ZnS//ZnS	7.0(1.04)	8 th ZnS	30.8(3.4)	4.4	1.99
10	CdSe/ CdS/ZnS//ZnS	8.1(1.24)	10 th ZnS	36.9(4.1)	4.5	1.98

The PLQY of QR in thin films improved!



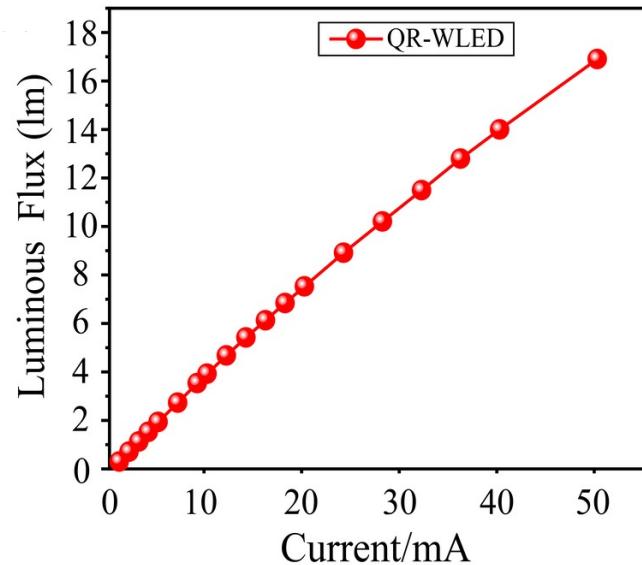
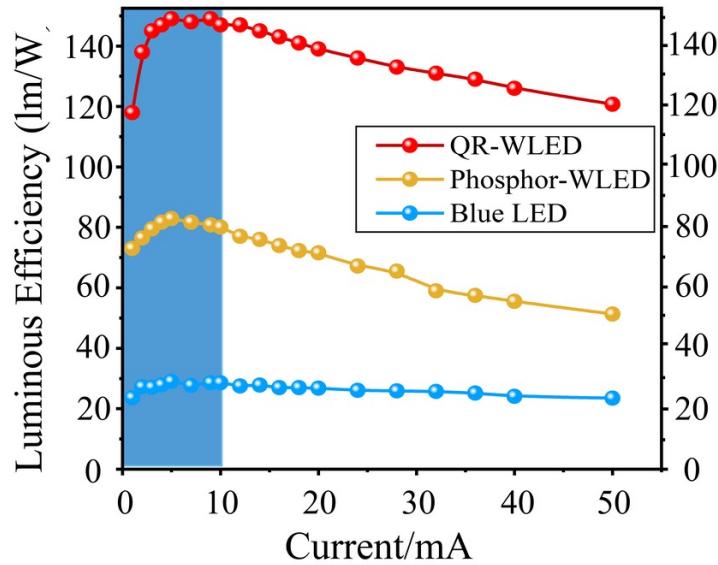
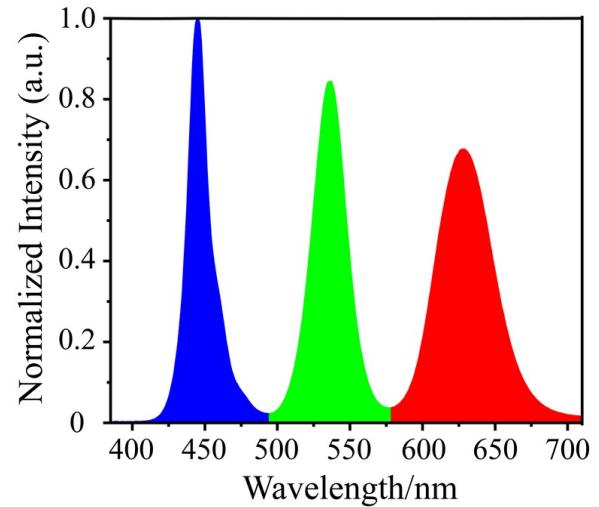
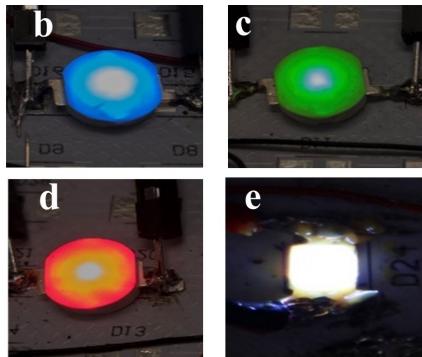
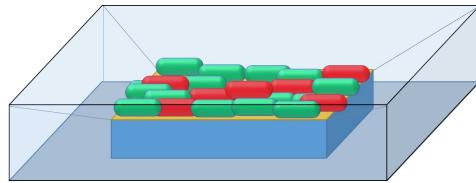
Varshni Equation

$$E_g(T) = E_g(0) - \frac{\alpha T^2}{(\beta + T)}$$

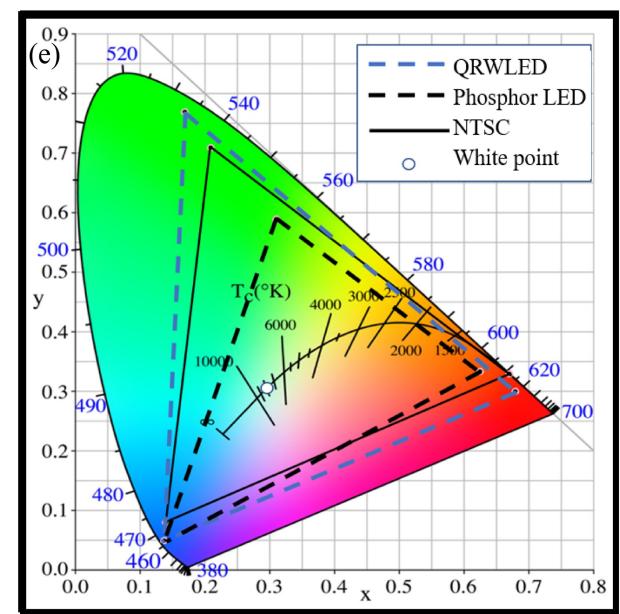
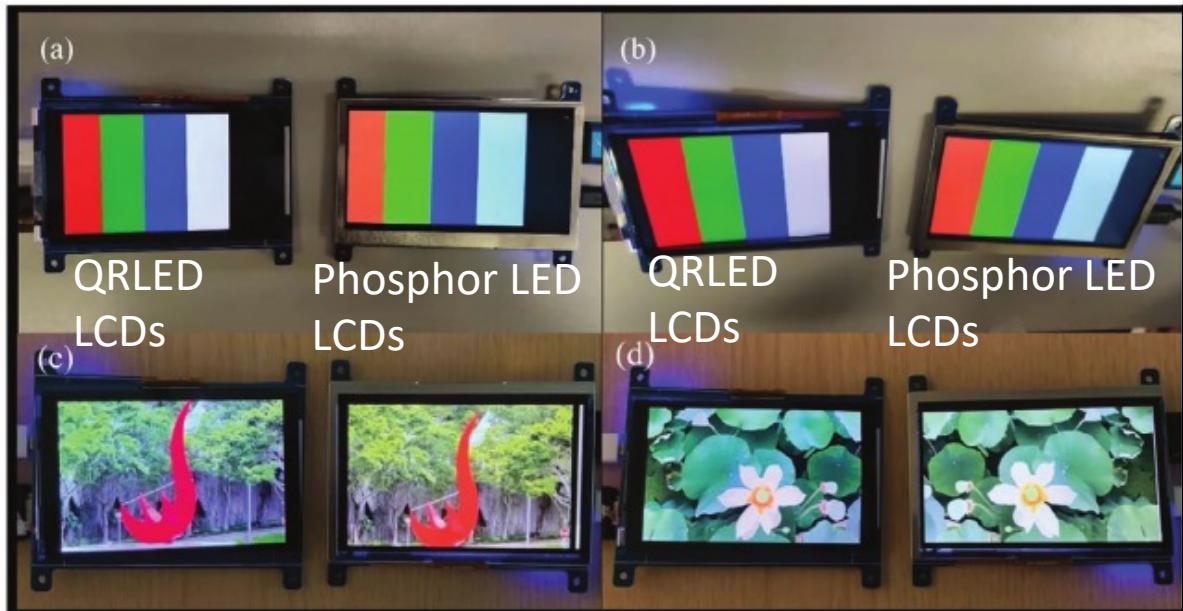
Here, $E(0)$ is the energy gap at 0 K, α represents the temperature coefficient while β represents Debye temperature.

	CdSe/CdS	CdSe/Zn _x Cd _{1-x} S/ZnS
α	$3.9 \times 10^{-4} eV/K$	$5.15 \times 10^{-4} eV/K$
β	178K	196K

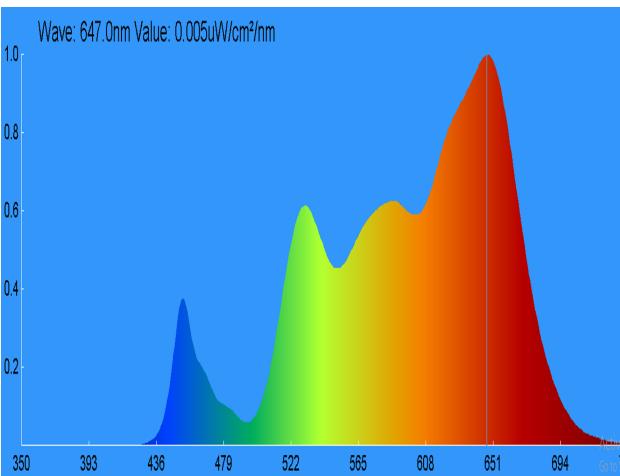
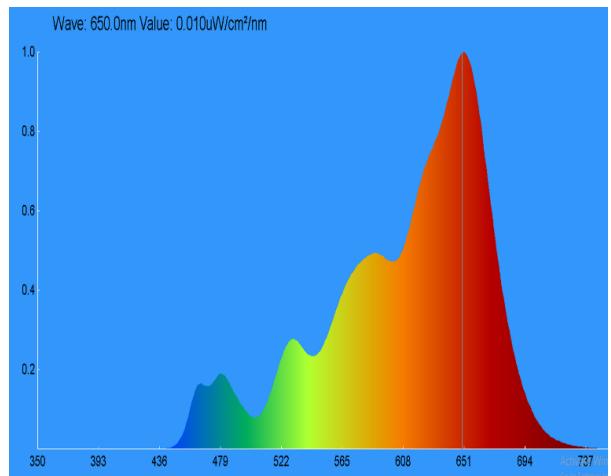
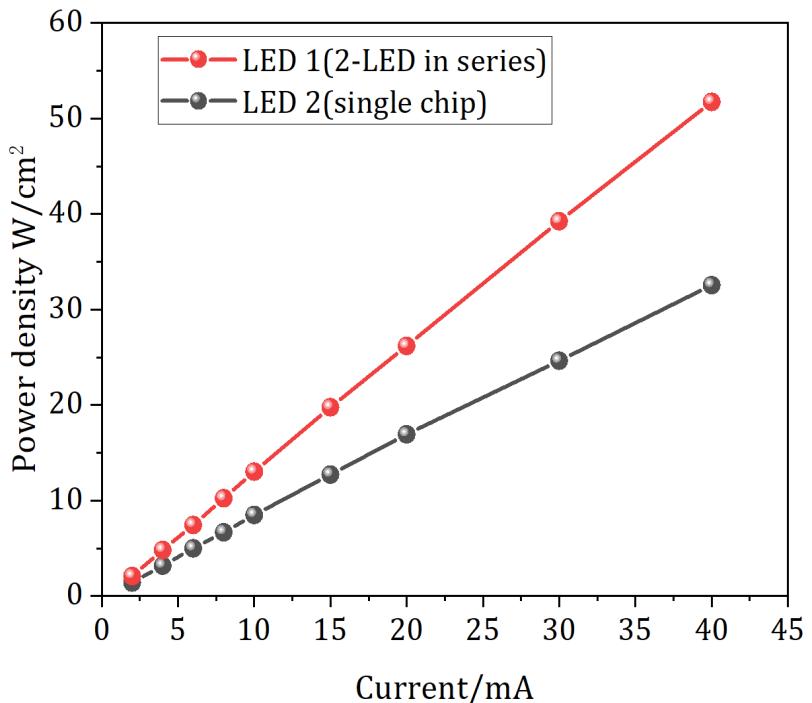
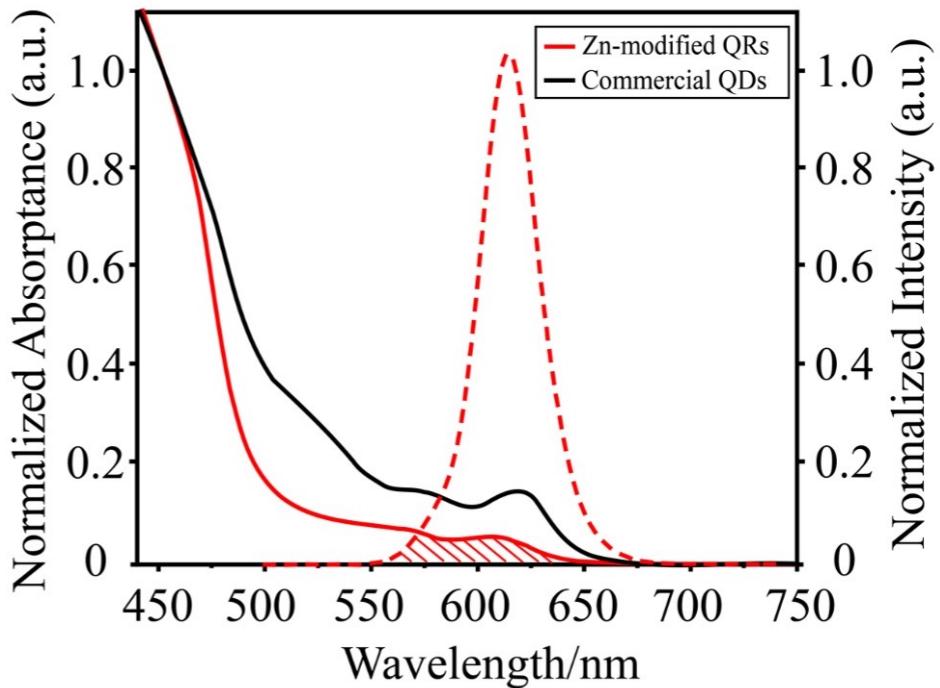
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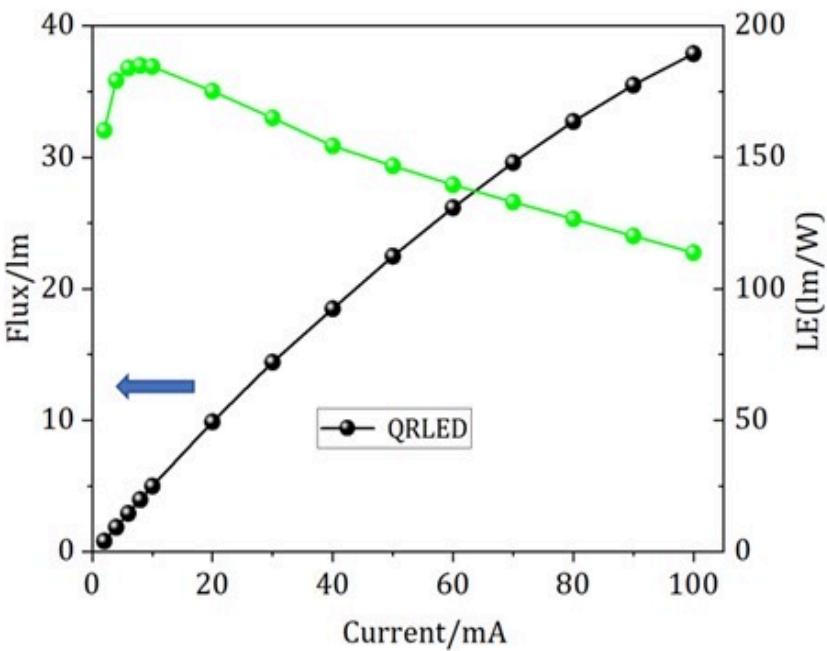
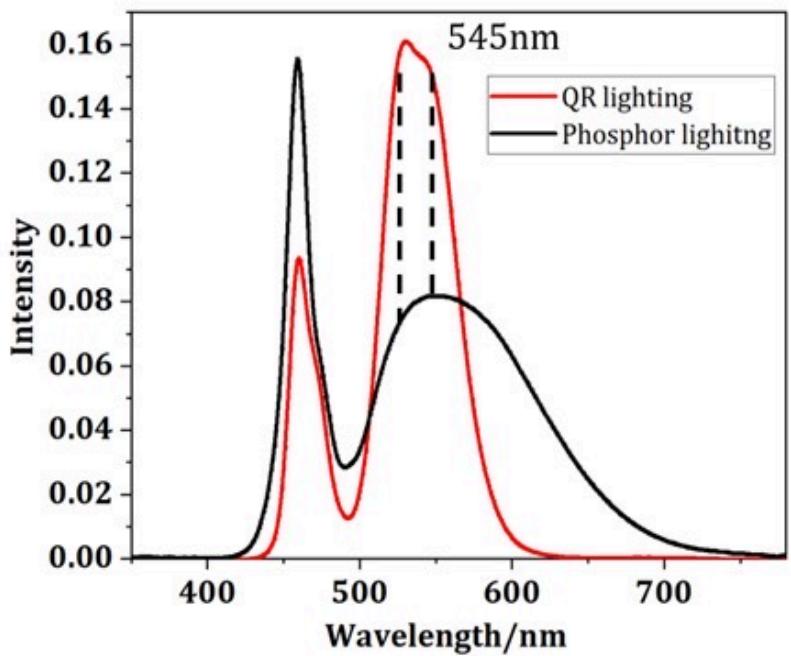


QRLEDs makes the display better in the same cost



QRLED covers more than
118% NTSC color gamut.







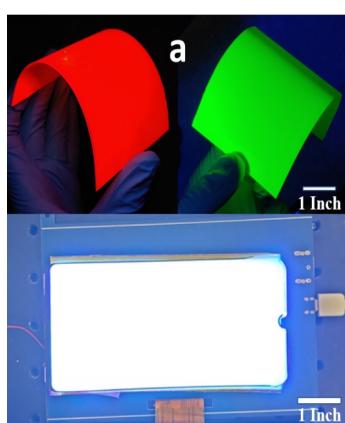
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CsPbBr ₃ CsPbBr _{1.2} I _{1.8}	Liquid type perovskite	5516	122	51	2019	Phot. Res. 7, 579.
RbNa(Li ₃ SiO ₄) ₂ : Eu ²⁺	Narrow bandwidth phosphor	5196	113	111	2019	Adv. Func. Mat. 1901988.
Cs ₃ Mn _{0.96} Zn _{0.04} Br ₅	Narrow bandwidth phosphor	6723	101	108	2019	<i>J. of Mat. Chem. C.</i> 2019 , 7, 11220
K ₂ SiF ₆ :Mn ⁴⁺						
CdSe/ZnxCd1-xS	Gradient alloyed QRs	8909	122	115	2021	Small, 17, 2004487.
QD/SBA-15	Matrix reduces reabsorption	6500	118	136.7	2021	ACS Nano, 15, 550-562
CdSe/CdS/ZnS/ZnS	High solid-state QY					
CdSe/ZnxCd1-xS/ZnS	QRs with less reabsorption	6500	118	149	2021	<i>Adv. Mat.</i> , 2104685, 2021

- Quantum rods offer better opportunity for downconverter material.
- Lifetime is still an issue (we have already achieved T₉₀ of 400 h).



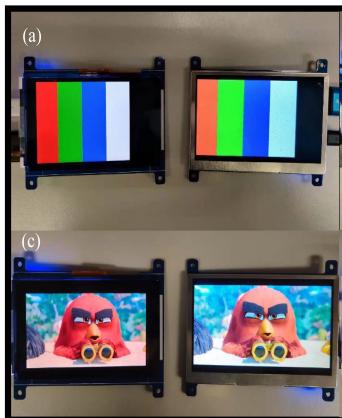
- Low Cd QRs meet the limitation from RoHS.
- Blue QRs improves the performance QREF.
- QRLED offer 149lm/W and 90% of BT2020 in 1931 color space!
- QRLED can achieve high efficacy ~200 lm/w and CRI >95.



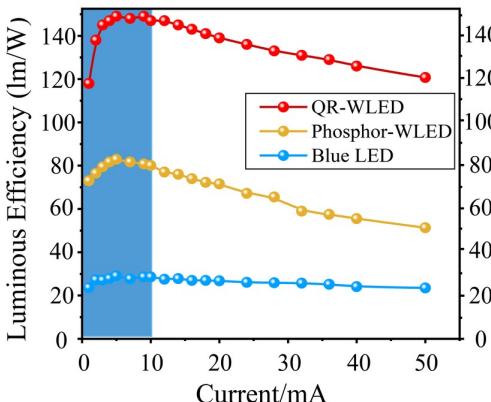
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QR LEDs

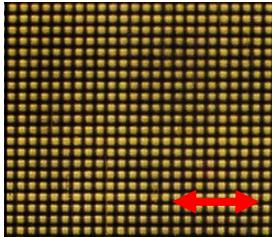


QRLEDs- LCD Backlight

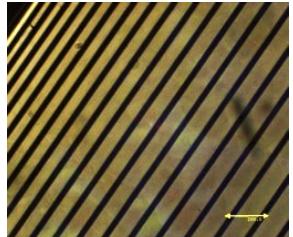


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- DHFLC show No/extremely small Fringing field effect.
- Good for high resolution Display and Photonics.
- DHFLC based WSS are fast and efficient.
- FLC polarization dependent lenses are fast can be used for AR/VR.
- LiDAR based on FLC Dammann grating offer many advantages over commercial Lidar



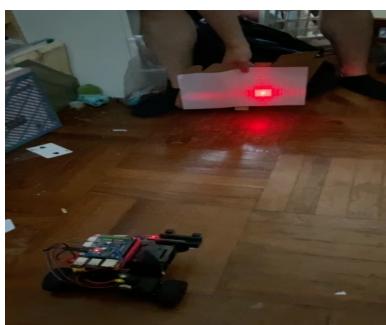
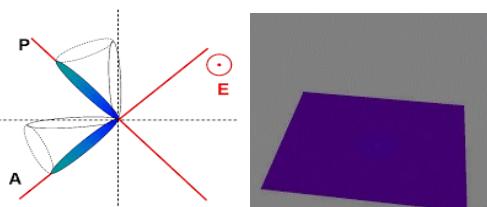
FLCD 3μm pixel pitch



FLC based WSS



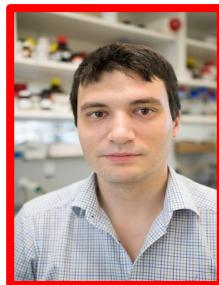
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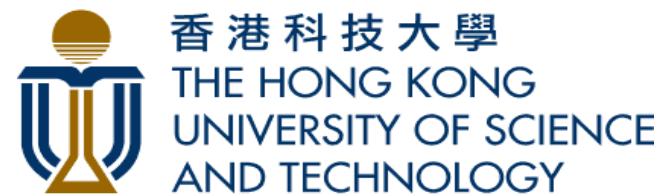
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