

Supplementary Materials

Single Excited Dual Band Luminescent Hybrid Carbon Dots-Terbium Chelate Nanothermometer

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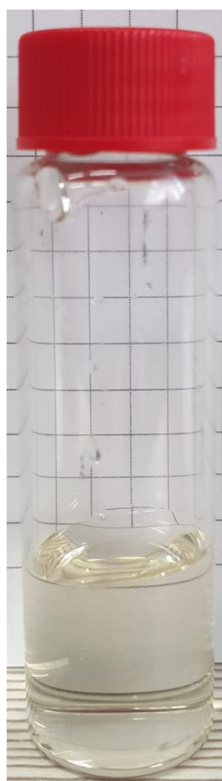


Figure S1. Image of CDs dispersion in water ($C=10\ \mu\text{g mL}^{-1}$).

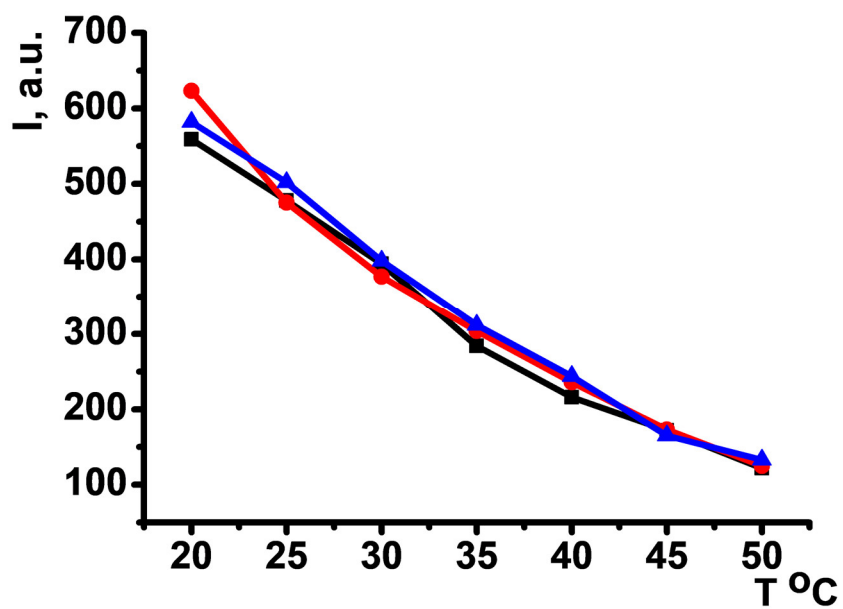


Figure S2. Luminescence intensity of $[\text{TbL}]^+$ ($\lambda_{\text{em}}=547\ \text{nm}$) versus temperature during heating-cooling-heating cycle in DMF ($C_{\text{L}}=C_{\text{Tb}}=1\cdot 10^{-4}\ \text{M}$).

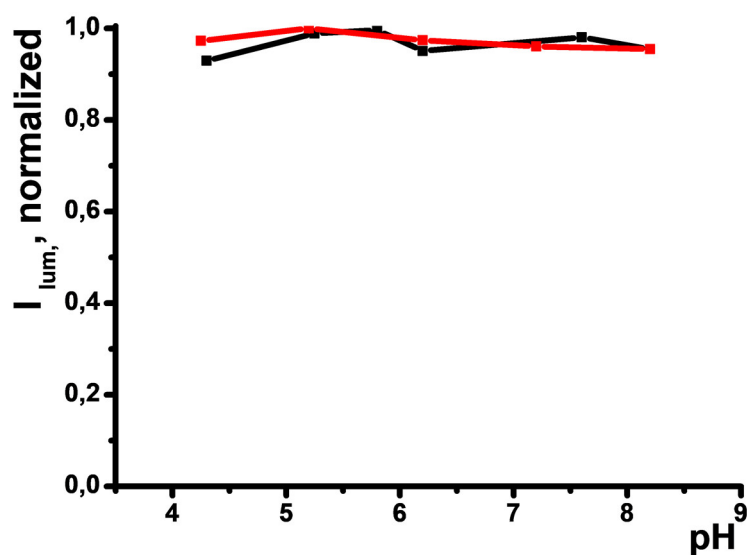


Figure S3. pH-dependency of CDs ($\lambda_{em}=450$ nm, $C=0.01$ g/L) in physiological range of pH=4.5–8.0.

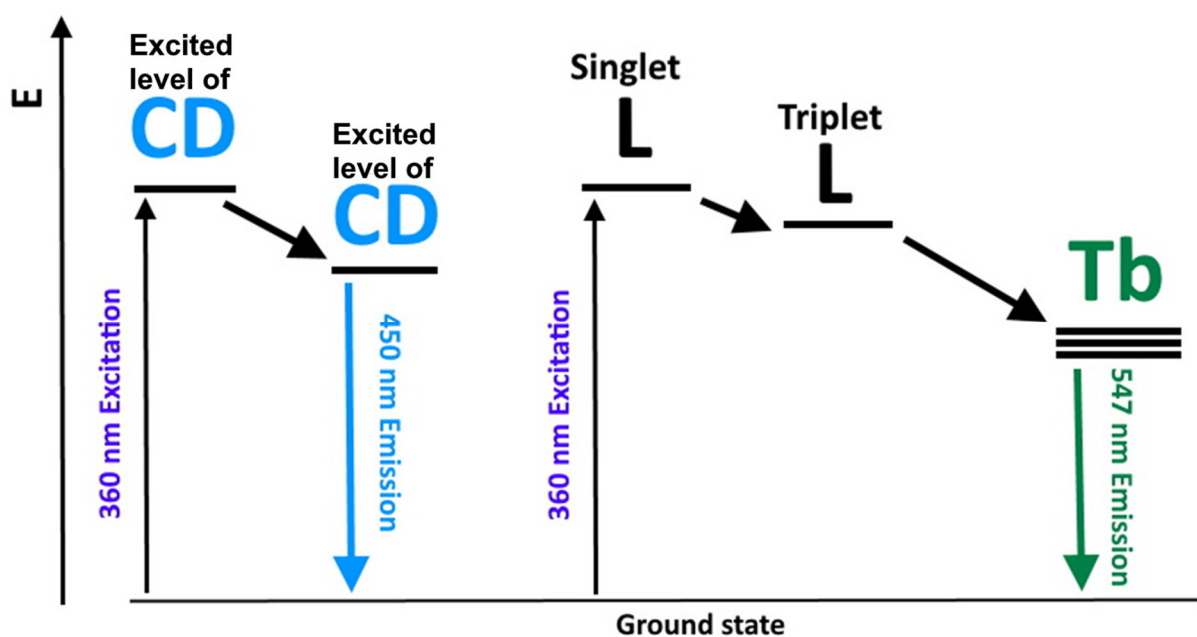


Figure S4. Tentative Jablonski diagram showing photophysical processes responsible for generation of dual band emission of PSS-{CDs-[TbL]} colloids.

Table S1. Luinescence decay exponential deconvolution data and lifetimes of [TbL]⁺ at different CDs in DMF ($C_{CD}=0.09\text{-}3.15\text{ mg}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$; $C_{[TbL]}=0.45\text{ mM}$).

C_{CD}	y_0	A_1	τ ms
0.09	2.057	1495.2	0.896
0.18	2.076	1409.4	0.914
0.27	2.447	1449.8	0.920
0.36	2.258	1568.7	0.932
0.45	2.159	1560.3	0.964
1.2	2.302	1552.3	0.968
1.4	2.263	1507.7	0.974
1.6	2.416	1500.8	0.976
1.8	2.731	1566.7	0.989
0.9	2.999	1571.7	0.980
1.35	2.729	1474.6	1.016
1.8	3.202	1499.5	1.032
2.25	2.922	1499.9	1.048
3.15	3.102	1511.1	1.072

Table S2. Average lifetimes of Tb(III) excited state for PSS-{CDs-[TbL]} colloids obtained according to *Synthesis_1* and *Synthesis_2* in water.

	A_1	t_1	A_2	t_2	t_{avg} , ms	Adj. R-Square
<i>Synthesis_1</i>	1.282	0.068	0.321	0.305	0.193	0.99704
<i>Synthesis_2</i>	1.161	0.087	0.356	0.309	0.203	0.99985

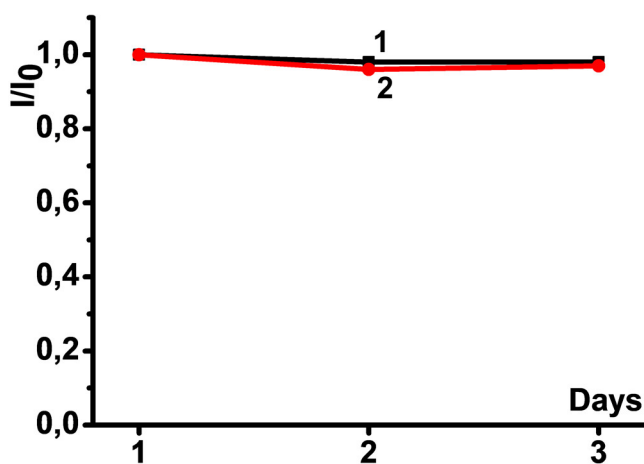


Figure S5. The luminescence intensity of PSS-{CDs-[TbL]} water colloids for each of 3 days of storage (I) related to initial luminescence intensity (I_0) at emission wavelengths 450 nm (1) and 547 nm (2).

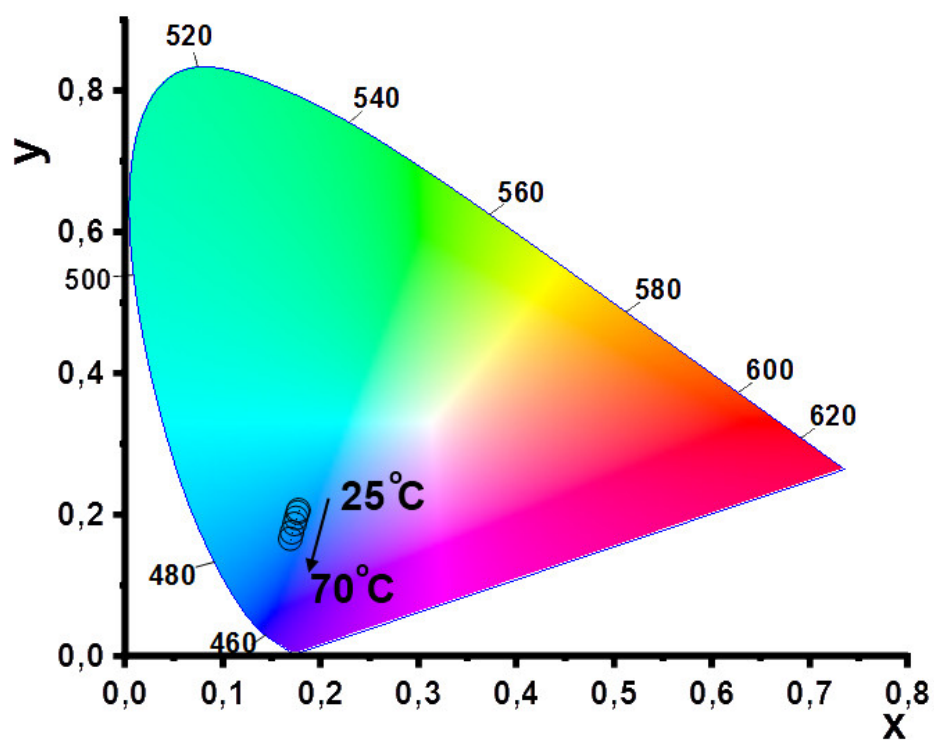


Figure S6. Chromaticity diagram for PSS-{CDs-[TbL]} (*Synthesis_1*) ($\lambda_{\text{ex}}=360$ nm) as a function of temperature over the 25–70°C range.