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## Enhancing Upconversion Luminescence Properties of Er<sup>3+</sup>-Yb<sup>3+</sup> Doped Yttrium Molybdate through Mg<sup>2+</sup> Incorporation: Effect of Laser Excitation Power on Temperature Sensing and Heat Generation

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**Table S1:** Comparison of maximum UC QY measured for different materials at their corresponding saturation regime of power density.

Sample	Power density (W/cm <sup>2</sup> )	Total QY (%)	References
SrLa <sub>2</sub> (MoO <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> : Er/Yb	45	2.99	1
La <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S: Er/Yb	13	5.83	2
NaYF <sub>4</sub> : Er/Yb	20	3.0	3
SrF <sub>2</sub> : Er/Yb	388	0.0057	4
YMoO <sub>4</sub> : Er/Yb/Mg	35	2.48	present work
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**Table S2:** Calculated temperature and the corresponding FIR values at various pump powerdensities for YMoO4: 0.3 mol%  $Er^{3+}$  3 mol%  $Yb^{3+}$  15 mol%  $Mg^{2+}$  phosphor.

Power density	YMoO <sub>4</sub> : 0.3 mol% Er <sup>3+</sup> - 3 mol% Yb <sup>3+</sup> - 15 mol% Mg <sup>2+</sup>			
$(W/cm^2)$	FIR value	Temperature (K)	Temperature (K)	
		(7 W/cm <sup>2</sup> )	(66 W/cm <sup>2</sup> )	
7	1.472	285	304	
19	1.910	321	362	
30	2.226	346	407	
40	2.424	363	434	
55	2.520	371	452	
66	2.623	380	470	



**Fig. S1** Variation of emission quantum efficiency with excitation power densities for  $YMoO_4$ : 0.3 mol%  $Er^{3+}$ - 3 mol%  $Yb^{3+}$  and  $YMoO_4$ : 0.3 mol%  $Er^{3+}$ - 3 mol%  $Yb^{3+}$ - 15 mol%  $Mg^{2+}$  phosphors. Maximum quantum efficiency is achieved around 35 W/cm<sup>2</sup>. Beyond this excitation power, a saturation in the quantum yield is observed.



**Fig. S2** Lifetime curves for  ${}^{4}S_{3/2} \rightarrow {}^{4}I_{15/2}$  transition of  $Er^{3+}$  for YMoO<sub>4</sub>: 0.3 mol%  $Er^{3+}$ - 3 mol% Yb<sup>3+</sup> phosphor co-doped with different concentrations of Mg<sup>2+</sup> ions (0, 5, 10, and 15 mol%) under 980 nm light excitation.



**Fig. S3** Temperature dependent UC emission spectra for 530 nm  $({}^{2}H_{11/2} \rightarrow {}^{4}I_{15/2})$  and 552 nm  $({}^{4}S_{3/2} \rightarrow {}^{4}I_{15/2})$  bands of YMoO<sub>4</sub>: 0.3 mol% Er<sup>3+</sup>- 3 mol% Yb<sup>3+</sup>- 15 mol% Mg<sup>2+</sup> phosphor excited by 980 nm excitation (a) at 19 W/cm<sup>2</sup> excitation power density; (b) at 66 W/cm<sup>2</sup> excitation power density.



**Fig. S4** Variation of FIR ( $I_{530}/I_{552}$ ) as a function of absolute temperature for YMoO<sub>4</sub>: 0.3 mol% Er<sup>3+</sup>- 3 mol% Yb<sup>3+</sup>- 15 mol% Mg<sup>2+</sup> phosphor at three different excitation power density (7, 19 and 66 W/cm<sup>2</sup>).



Fig. S5 Variation of UC emission intensity at different excitation power densities for  $YMoO_4$ : 0.3 mol%  $Er^{3+}$  3 mol%  $Yb^{3+}$  15 mol%  $Mg^{2+}$  phosphor.

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