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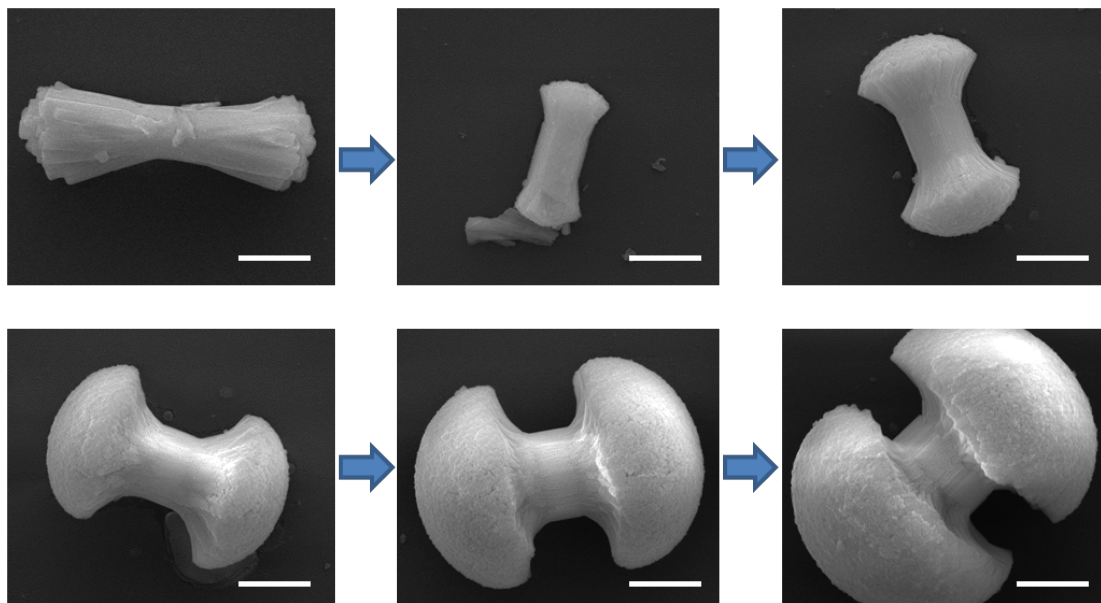
# Structural, Luminescent and Magnetic Properties of Yb<sup>3+</sup>- Er<sup>3+</sup> Doped Gd<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> Hierarchical Architectures

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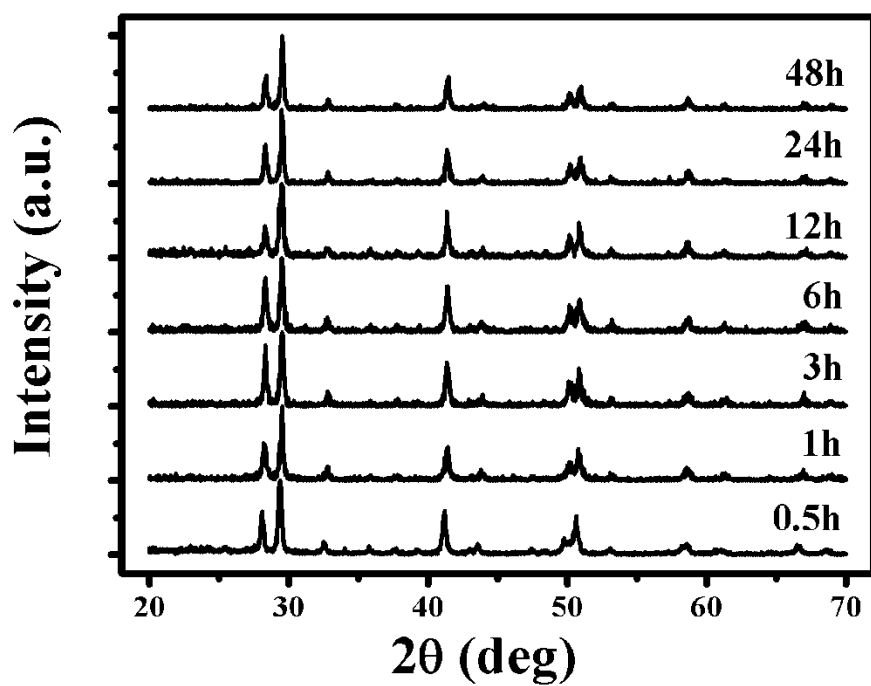
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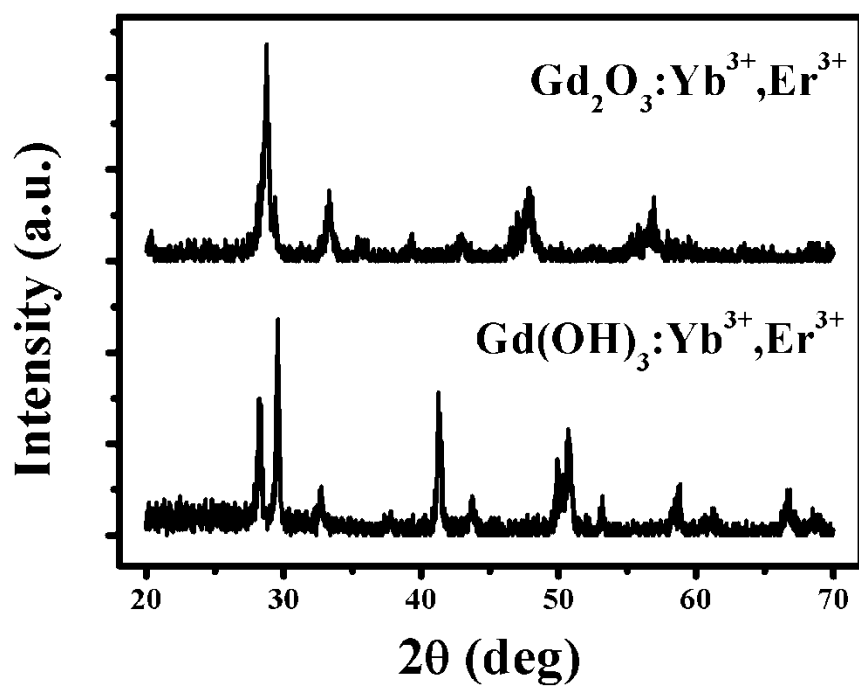
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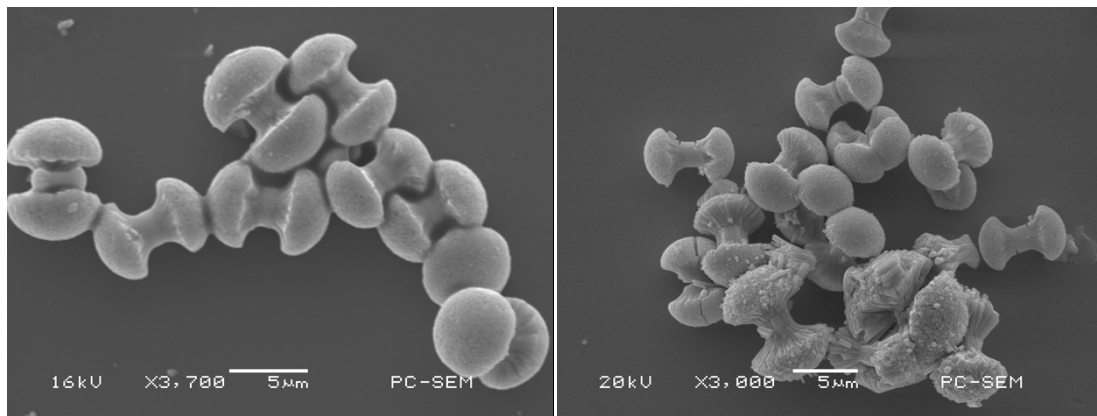
**Fig.S1** SEM images (performed on SEM #1) of  $\text{Gd}(\text{OH})_3$  micro-crystals prepared in 12 h (bar = 2  $\mu\text{m}$ ). The evolutionary morphology of particles can be found in the same sample, which indicates the growth process of dumbbell-shape  $\text{Gd}(\text{OH})_3$  microcrystals should be time-dependent.



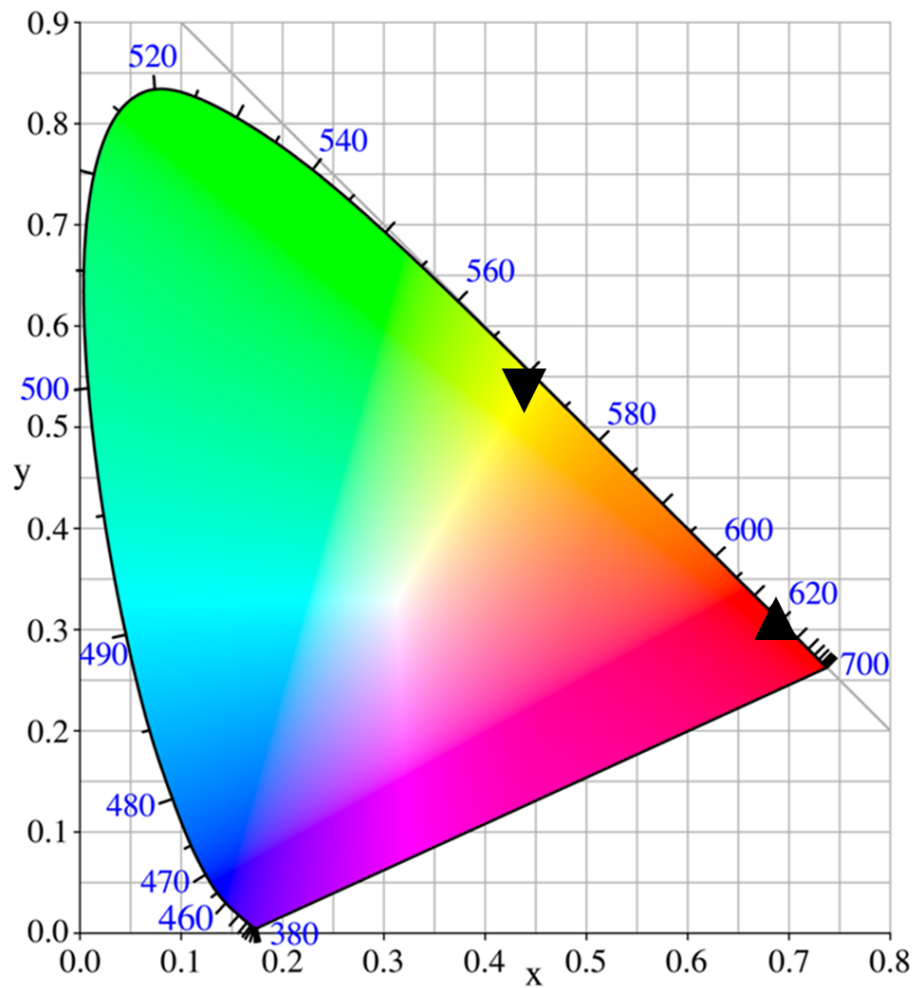
**Fig.S2** XRD patterns of Gd(OH)<sub>3</sub> at different reaction times. All samples are showing hexagonal phase.



**Fig.S3** XRD patterns of  $\text{Yb}^{3+}$ ,  $\text{Er}^{3+}$  co-doped  $\text{Gd}(\text{OH})_3$  and  $\text{Gd}_2\text{O}_3$ . The lanthanide doping precursor has the same hexagonal structure with the non-doped precursor. And



**Fig.S4** SEM images of Yb<sup>3+</sup>/Er<sup>3+</sup> co-doped Gd(OH)<sub>3</sub> and Gd<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>.



**Fig.S5** CIE chromaticity coordinate diagram in UC and QS processes. The upward triangle and the downward triangle represent pure red UC emission and yellow QS emission, respectively.

**Table S1** Particle sizes and corresponding magnetic mass susceptibilities of reported Gd<sup>3+</sup>-based complexes.

	Size (nm)	Magnetic mass susceptibility (emu g <sup>-1</sup> Oe <sup>-1</sup> )	Ref
KGdF <sub>4</sub> :Yb,Er	11.6	$5.27 \times 10^{-5}$	1
KGdF <sub>4</sub>	49	$1.03 \times 10^{-4}$	2
KGdF <sub>4</sub>	25	$9.85 \times 10^{-5}$	3
BaGdF <sub>5</sub>	37	$7.0 \times 10^{-5}$	4
BaGdF <sub>5</sub>	18.2	$6.91 \times 10^{-5}$	5
NaGdF <sub>4</sub> :Yb,Er	845	$9.82 \times 10^{-5}$	6
NaYb <sub>0.15</sub> Gd <sub>0.85</sub> F <sub>4</sub>	10	$7.74 \times 10^{-5}$	7
Gd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	250(D)/2000(L)	$2.8 \times 10^{-5}$	8
Gd <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	7000(D)/9000(L)	$1.132 \times 10^{-4}$	this work

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