

Electronic Supplementary Information for

Efficient Bi<sup>3+</sup> to Eu<sup>3+</sup> energy transfer and color tunable emissions in  
K<sub>7</sub>CaY<sub>2</sub>(B<sub>5</sub>O<sub>10</sub>)<sub>3</sub>-based phosphors

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**Table S1.** Selected bond distances for  $\text{K}_7\text{CaEu}_2(\text{B}_5\text{O}_{10})_3$  from Rietveld refinements

Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)
Ca1/Eu1-O4 ( $\times 4$ )	2.439(7)	<M1-O>	<b>2.439(7)</b>
Ca1/Eu1-O4 ( $\times 2$ )	2.440(7)		
Ca2/Eu2-O1 ( $\times 3$ )	2.313(7)	<M2-O>	<b>2.354(7)</b>
Ca2/Eu2-O4 ( $\times 3$ )	2.394(7)		
K1-O1 ( $\times 2$ )	2.790(7)		
K1-O3 ( $\times 2$ )	2.897(1)	<K1-O>	<b>2.928(5)</b>
K1-O2 ( $\times 2$ )	3.098(8)		
K2-O5 ( $\times 2$ )	2.763(1)		
K2-O1 ( $\times 2$ )	2.840(9)	<K2-O>	<b>2.827(6)</b>
K2-O3 ( $\times 2$ )	2.879(9)		
K3-O5 ( $\times 6$ )	2.726(9)	<K3-O>	<b>2.726(9)</b>
B1-O3	1.308(8)		
B1-O4	1.369(7)	<B1-O>	<b>1.354(5)</b>
B1-O2	1.385(1)		
B2-O2	1.276(8)		
B2-O1	1.303(2)	<B2-O>	<b>1.352(4)</b>
B2-O5	1.478(3)		
B3-O3 ( $\times 2$ )	1.461(6)	<B3-O>	<b>1.471(8)</b>
B3-O5 ( $\times 2$ )	1.481(9)		

**Table S2.** Refined cell lattice parameters from Le Bail fitting on PXRD data

$\text{K}_7\text{Ca}(\text{Y}_{1-x}\text{Bi}_x)_2(\text{B}_5\text{O}_{10})_3$	$a$ (Å)	$c$ (Å)	$V$ (Å <sup>3</sup> )
$x = 0.01$	13.2565(3)	14.9923(4)	2281.7(1)
0.02	13.2568(4)	14.9929(5)	2290.9(2)
0.03	13.2549(3)	14.9989(5)	2282.1(1)
0.04	13.2596(3)	14.9950(4)	2283.1(1)
0.05	13.2608(4)	14.9925(4)	2283.2(1)
0.06	13.2595(3)	14.9922(3)	2284.3(1)
$\text{K}_7\text{Ca}(\text{Y}_{1-y}\text{Eu}_y)_2(\text{B}_5\text{O}_{10})_3$	$a$ (Å)	$c$ (Å)	$V$ (Å <sup>3</sup> )
$y = 0.10$	13.2538(3)	14.9996(4)	2281.9(1)
0.3	13.2766(6)	15.0061(8)	2290.7(2)
0.5	13.3048(7)	15.0232(2)	2303.1(3)
0.7	13.3248(8)	15.0535(1)	2314.7(7)
0.8	13.3338(7)	15.0521(8)	2315.9(2)
1	13.3382(6)	15.1081(9)	2327.8(3)
$\text{K}_7\text{Ca}(\text{Y}_{0.99-z}\text{Bi}_{0.01}\text{Eu}_z)_2(\text{B}_5\text{O}_{10})_3$	$a$ (Å)	$c$ (Å)	$V$ (Å <sup>3</sup> )
$z = 0$	13.2573(4)	14.9938(5)	2282.2(2)
0.05	13.2591(3)	14.9997(5)	2283.7(1)
0.15	13.2697(4)	15.0014(6)	2287.6(2)
0.2	13.2746(5)	15.0181(6)	2291.9(2)
0.3	13.2908(5)	15.0123(6)	2296.6(2)
0.5	13.3103(1)	15.0238(3)	2305.1(4)

0.7	13.3251(5)	15.0767(7)	2318.4(9)
0.9	13.3381(2)	15.0949(4)	2325.7(5)

**Table S3.** Quantum yields for  $K_7Ca(Y_{1-x}Bi_x)_2(B_5O_{10})_3$  under the excitation of 281 nm

$x$	Quantum yield (%)
0.01	95.0
0.02	86.6
0.03	59.1
0.04	50.0
0.05	46.0
0.06	13.2

**Table S4.** CIE chromaticity coordinates for  $K_7Ca(Y_{1-y}Eu_y)_2(B_5O_{10})_3$  under 229 or 392 nm excitation

$y$	$\lambda_{ex} = 229 \text{ nm}$	$\lambda_{ex} = 392 \text{ nm}$
0.1	(0.640, 0.360)	(0.637, 0.363)
0.3	(0.641, 0.359)	(0.640, 0.360)
0.5	(0.641, 0.359)	(0.640, 0.359)
0.7	(0.641, 0.359)	(0.641, 0.359)
0.8	(0.637, 0.362)	(0.641, 0.359)
1	(0.642, 0.358)	(0.642, 0.358)

**Table S5.** Quantum yields for  $\text{K}_7\text{Ca}(\text{Y}_{1-y}\text{Eu}_y)_2(\text{B}_5\text{O}_{10})_3$  under the excitation of 392 nm

$y$	Quantum yield (%)
0.10	68.90
0.30	95.00
0.50	87.59
0.70	82.35
0.80	80.73
1	76.43

**Table S6.** CIE chromaticity coordinates for  $\text{K}_7\text{Ca}(\text{Y}_{0.99-z}\text{Bi}_{0.01}\text{Eu}_z)_2(\text{B}_5\text{O}_{10})_3$  under 281 nm excitation

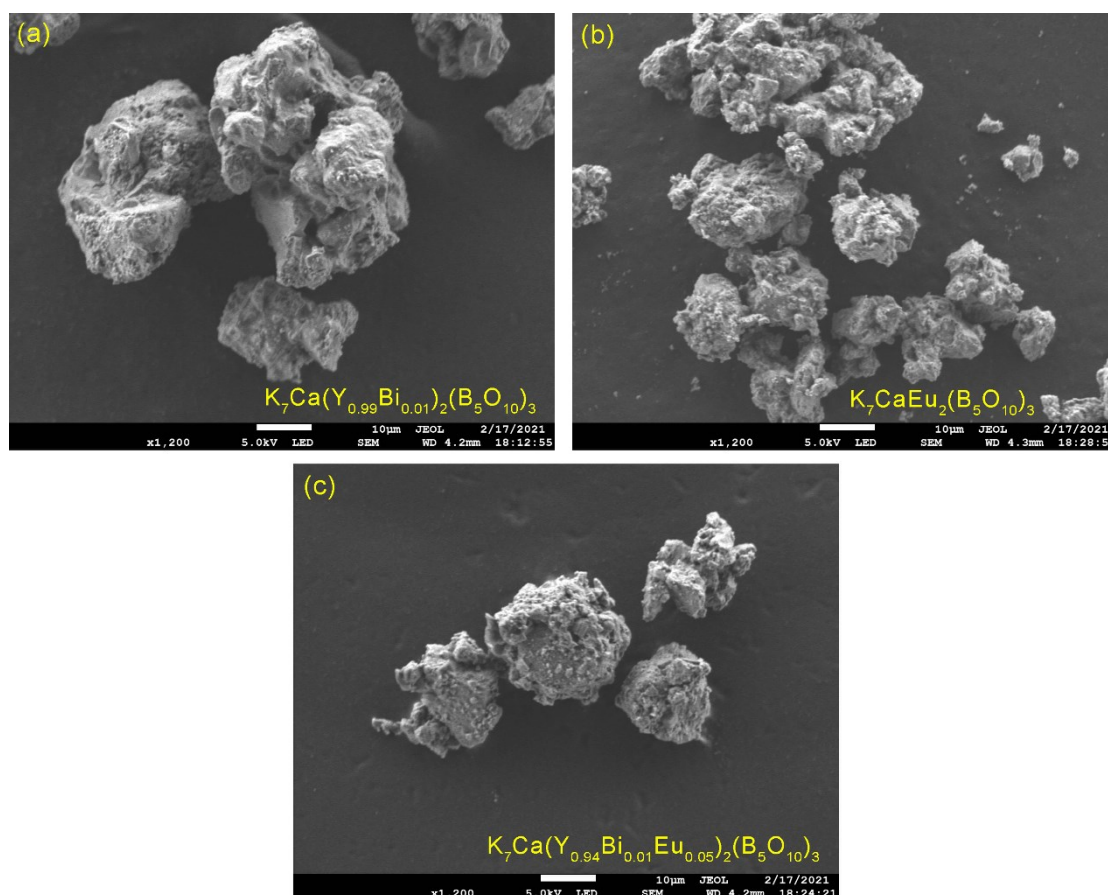
$z$	CIE chromaticity coordinate
0	(0.168, 0.008)
0.05	(0.438, 0.204)
0.15	(0.542, 0.287)
0.2	(0.583, 0.318)
0.3	(0.605, 0.335)
0.5	(0.619, 0.348)
0.7	(0.623, 0.347)
0.9	(0.623, 0.349)

**Table S7.** Quantum yields for  $\text{K}_7\text{Ca}(\text{Y}_{0.99-z}\text{Bi}_{0.01}\text{Eu}_z)_2(\text{B}_5\text{O}_{10})_3$  under the excitation of 281 nm

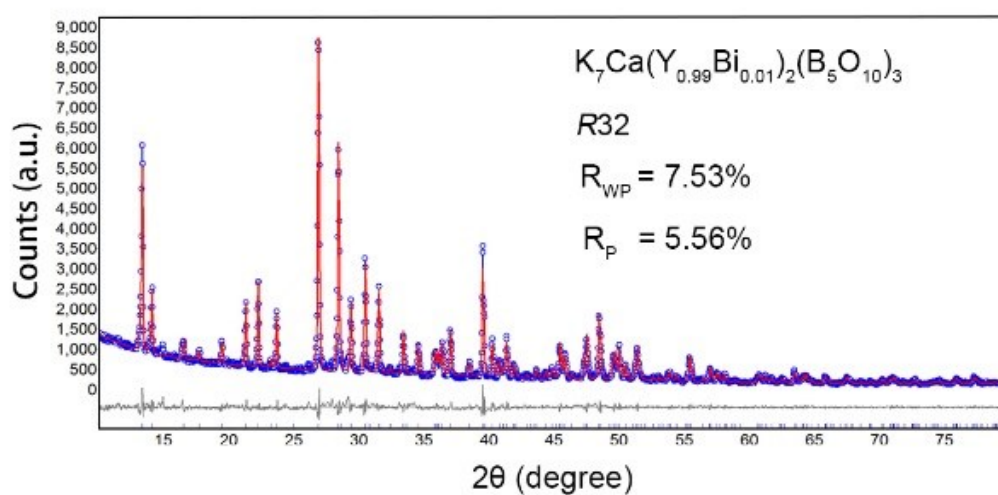
$z$	Quantum yield (%)
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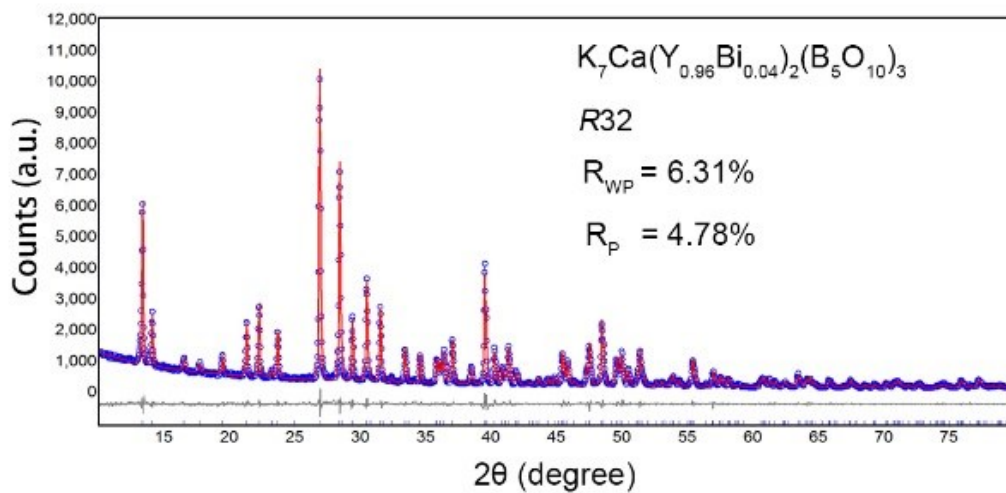
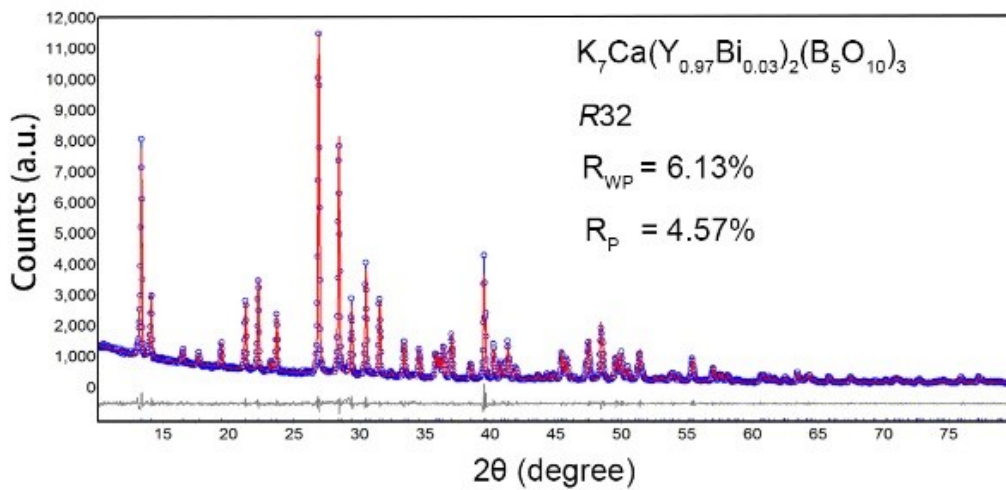
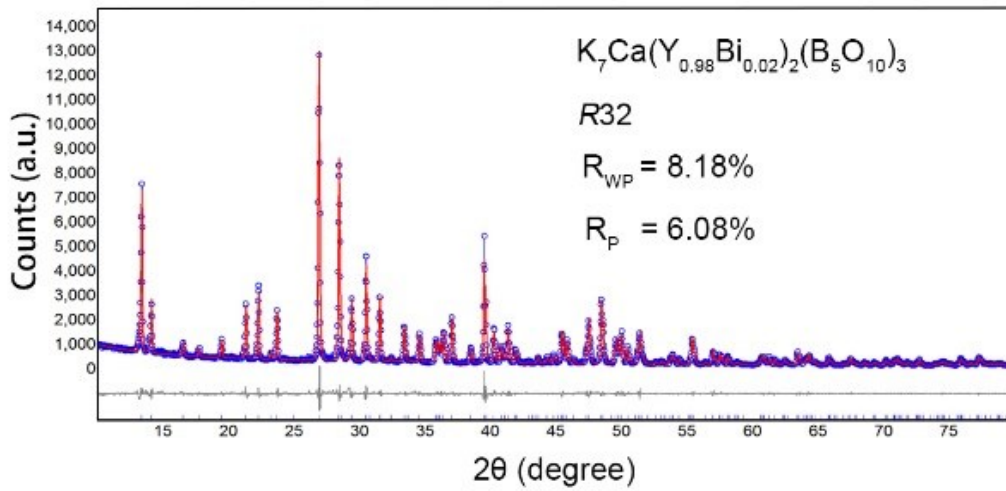
0.05	95.14
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0.70	91.71
0.90	80.80

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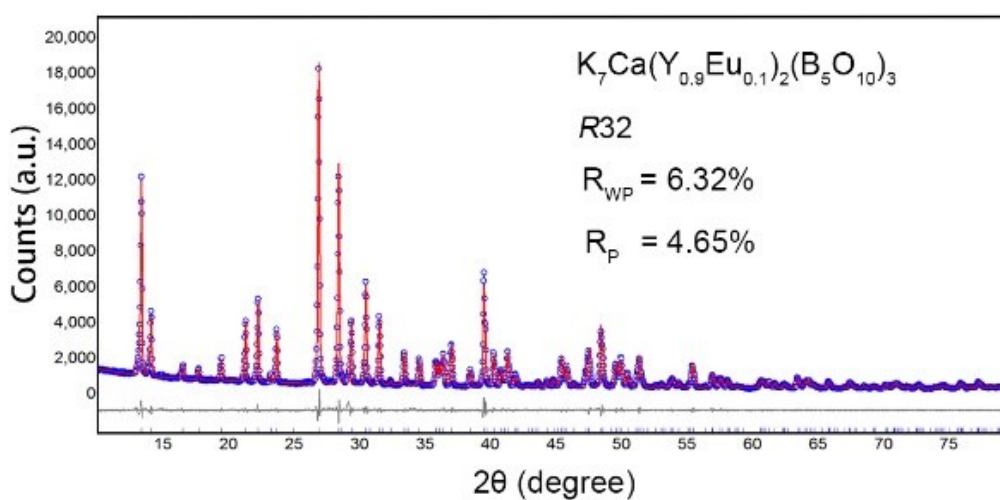
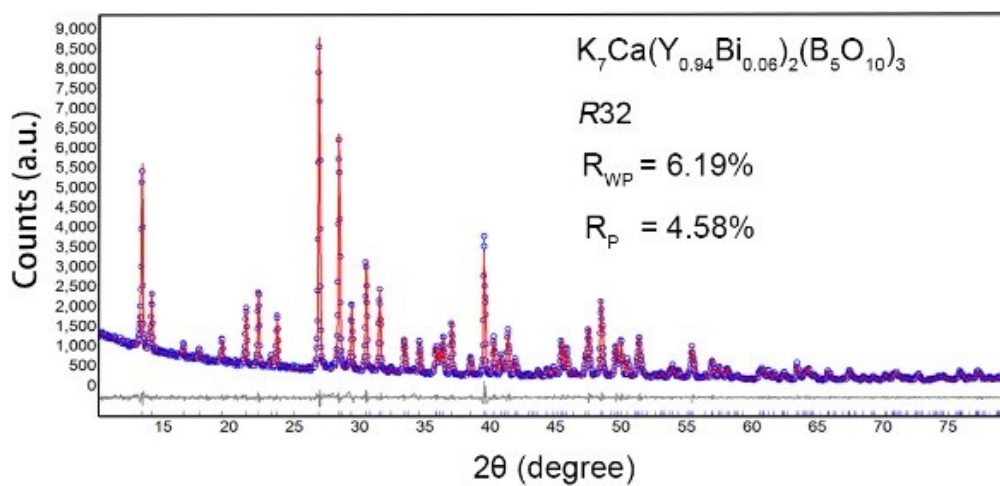
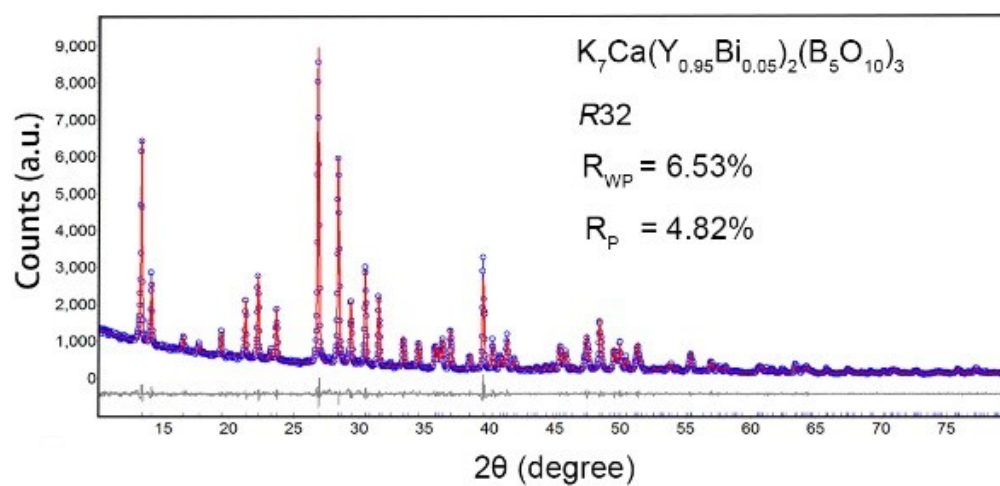


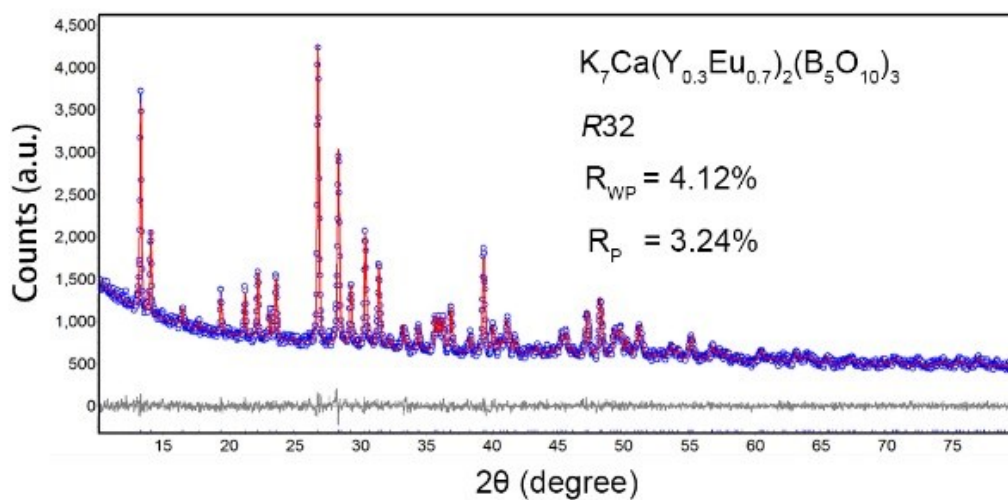
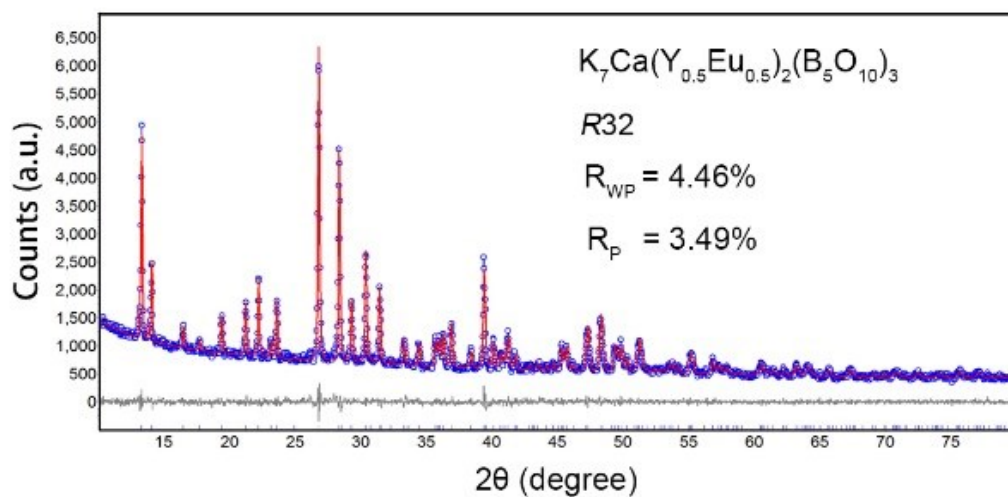
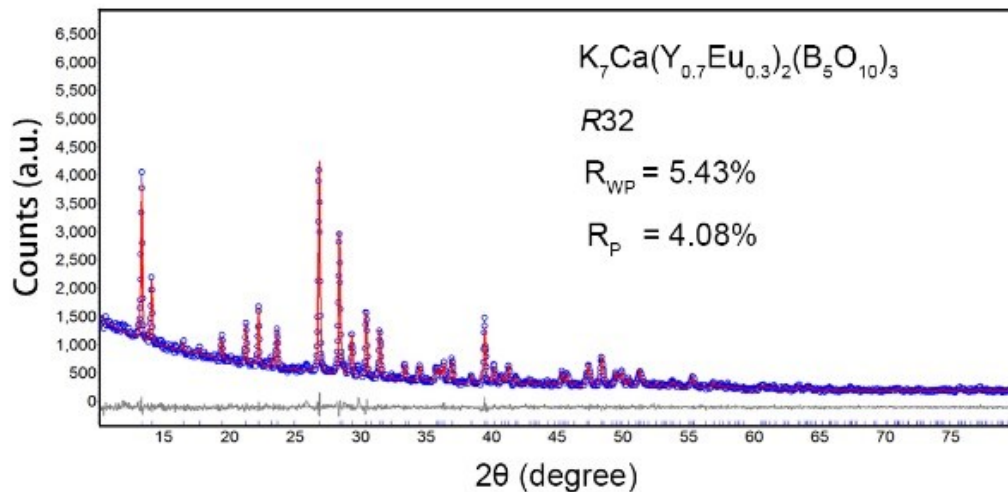
**Fig. S1.** SEM images for representative samples (a)  $K_7Ca(Y_{0.99}Bi_{0.01})_2(B_5O_{10})_3$ , (b)  $K_7CaEu_2(B_5O_{10})_3$ , and (c)  $K_7Ca(Y_{0.94}Bi_{0.01}Eu_{0.05})_2(B_5O_{10})_3$ .

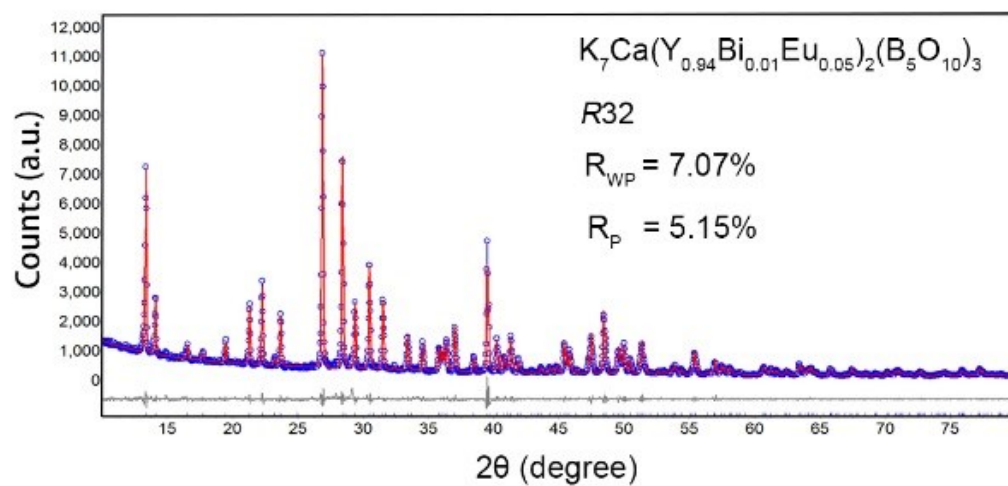
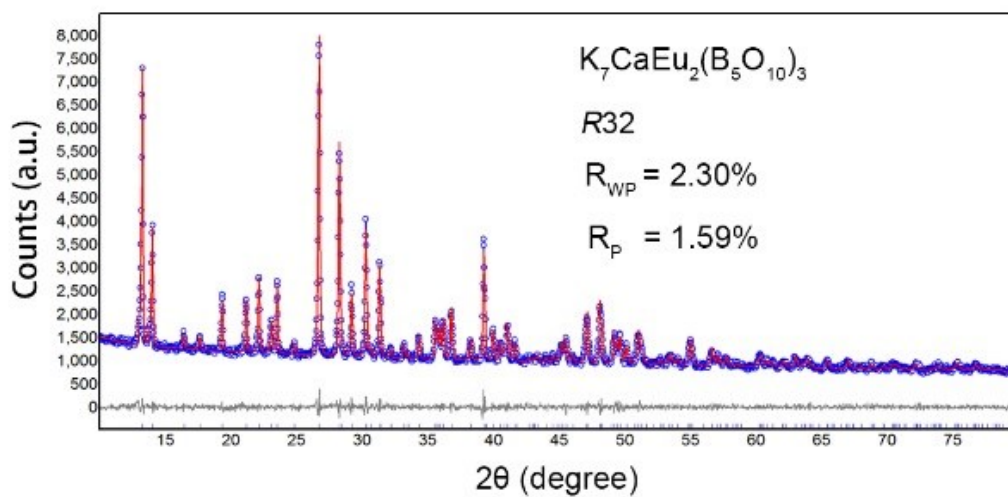
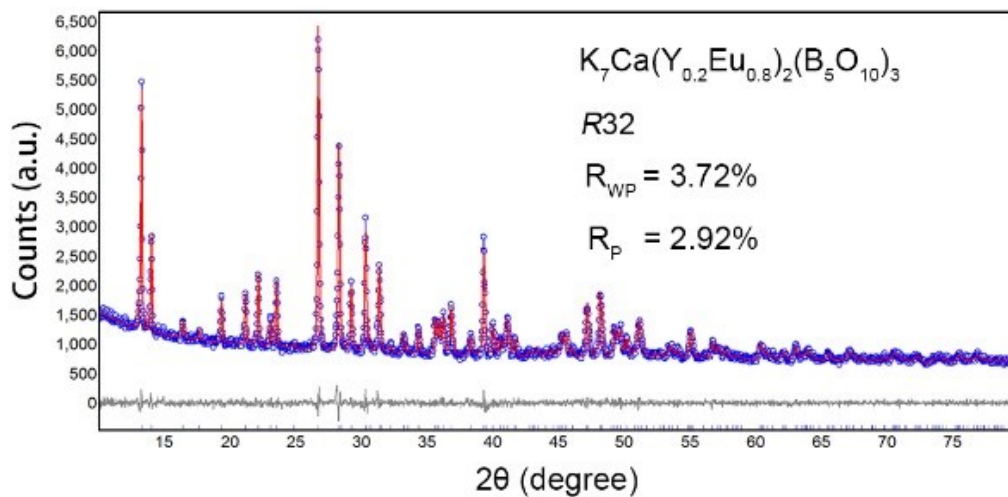


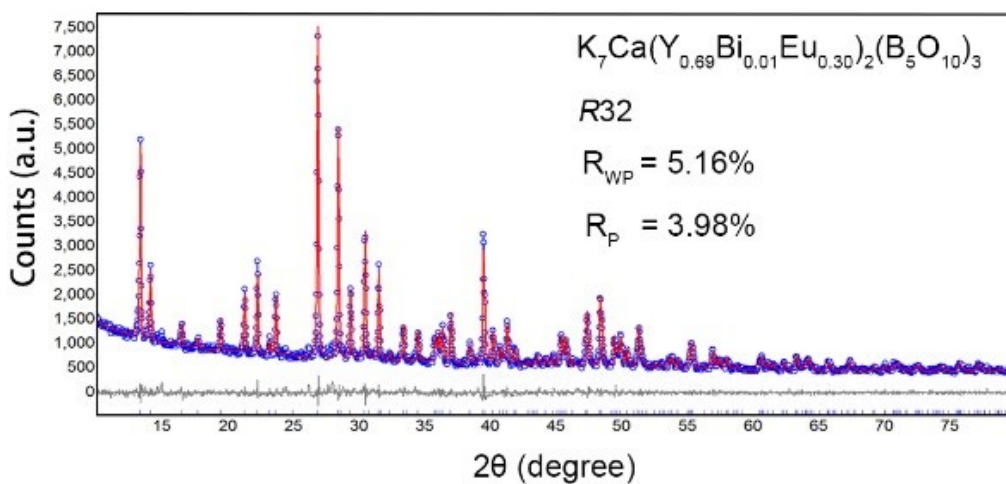
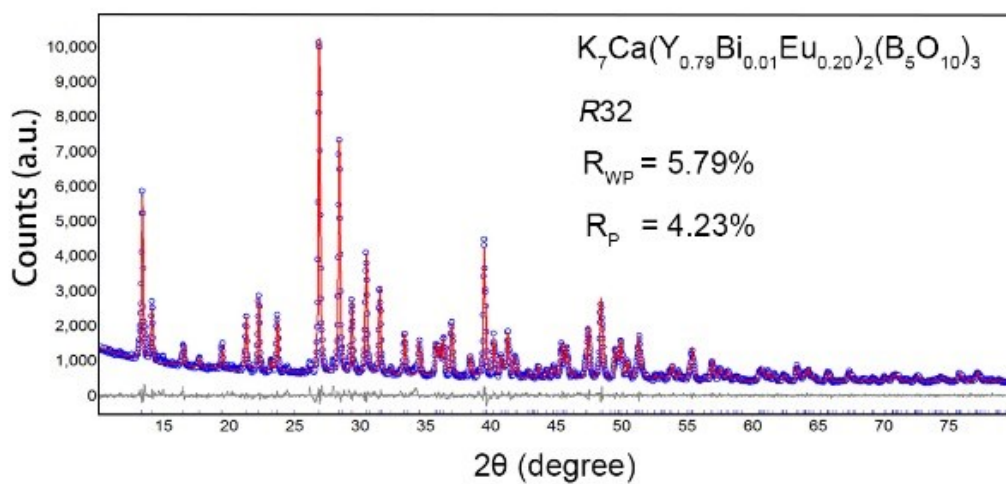
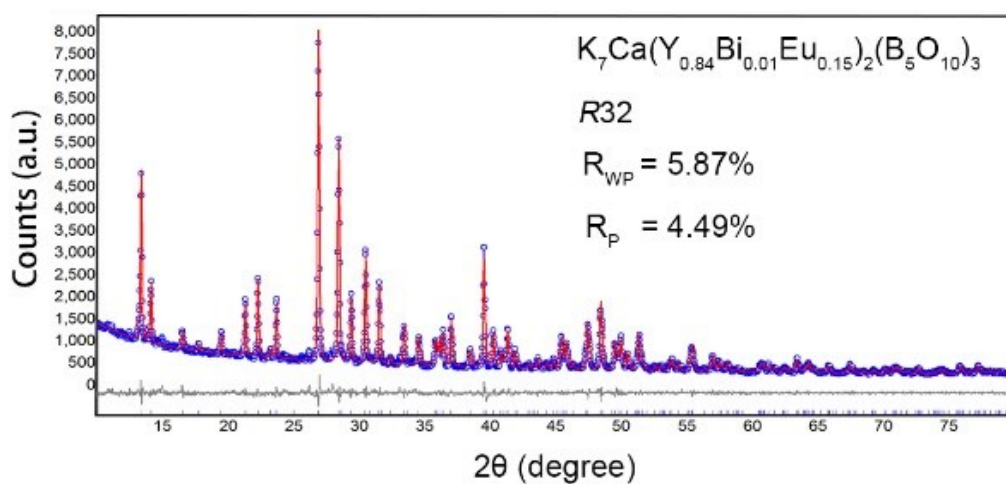


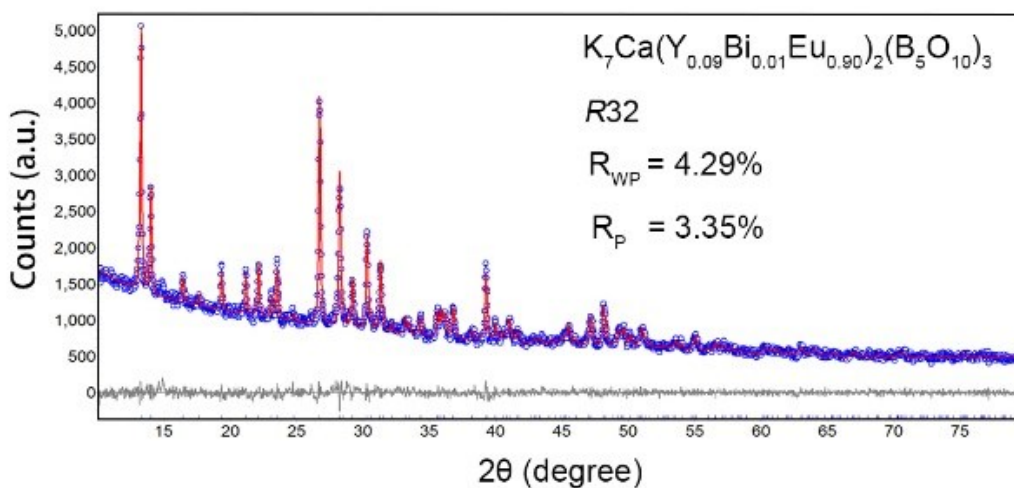
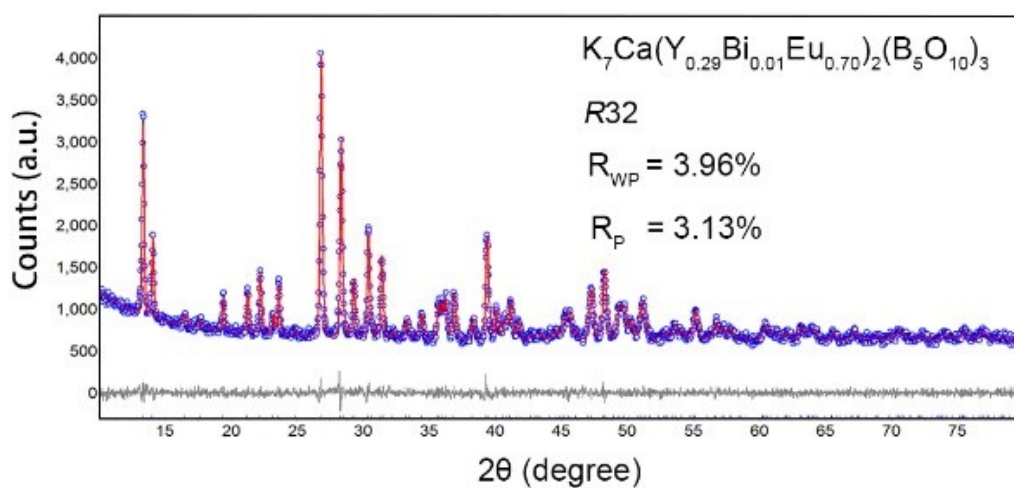
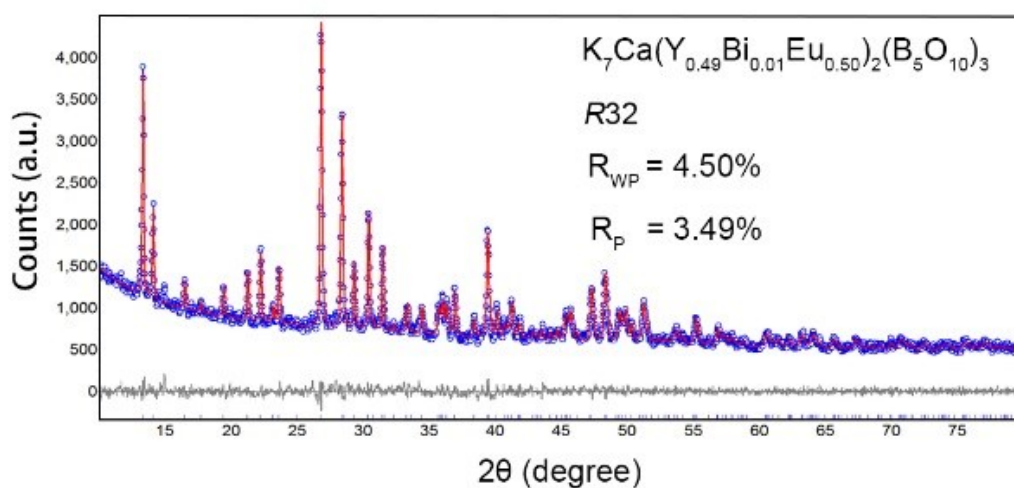






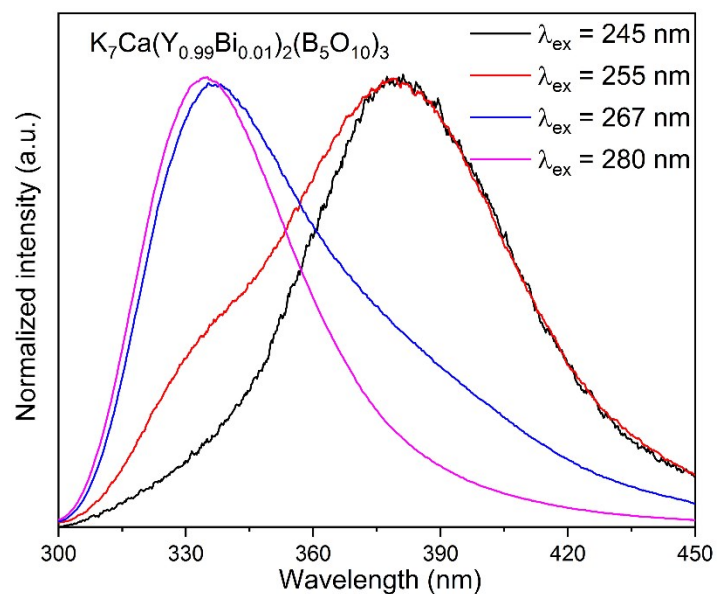




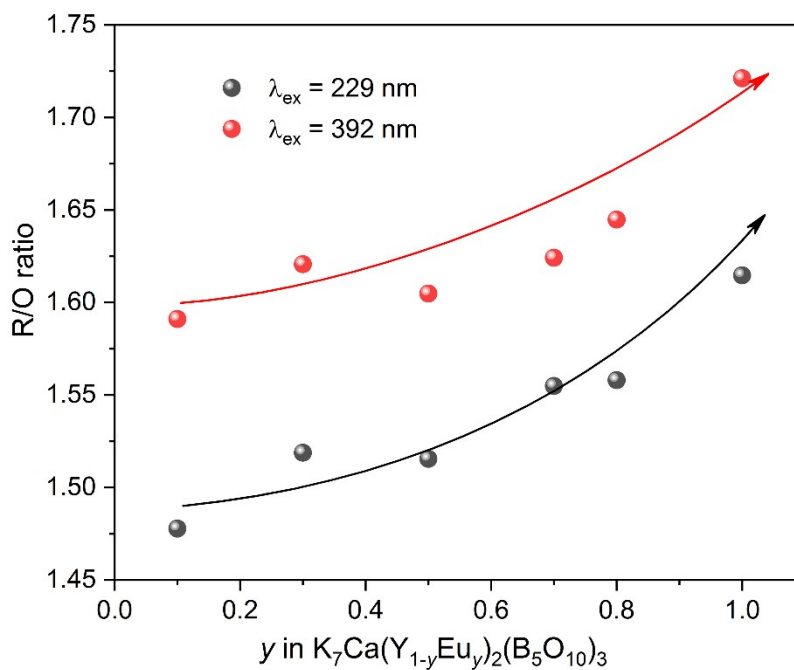


**Fig. S2.** Final convergences of Le Bail fitting for  $K_7Ca(Y_{1-x}Bi_x)_2(B_5O_{10})_3$  ( $0.01 \leq x \leq 0.06$ ),  $K_7Ca(Y_{1-y}Eu_y)_2(B_5O_{10})_3$  ( $0.10 \leq y \leq 1$ ) and  $K_7Ca(Y_{0.99-z}Bi_{0.01}Eu_z)_2(B_5O_{10})_3$  ( $0.05 \leq z \leq 0.90$ ). Blue circles, red and gray lines represent the observed, simulated data and the difference between them,

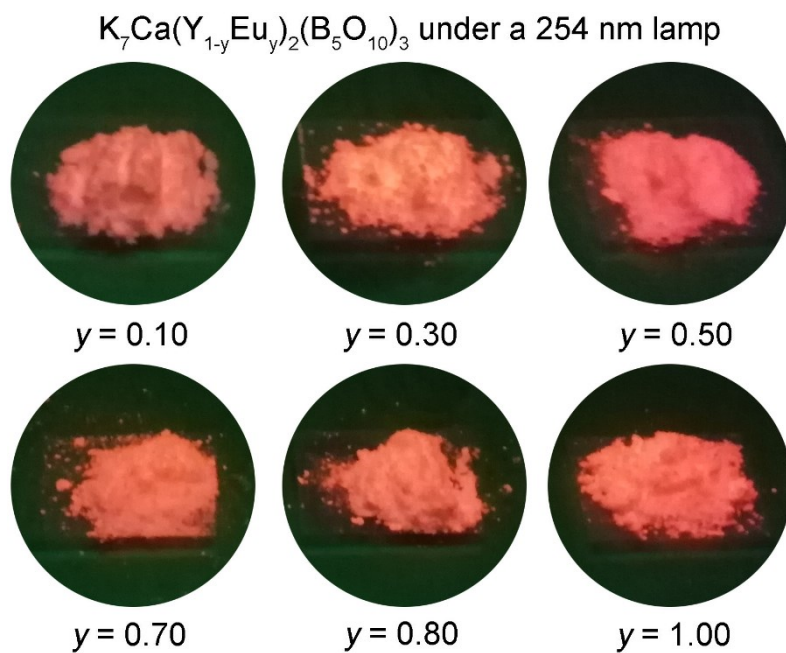
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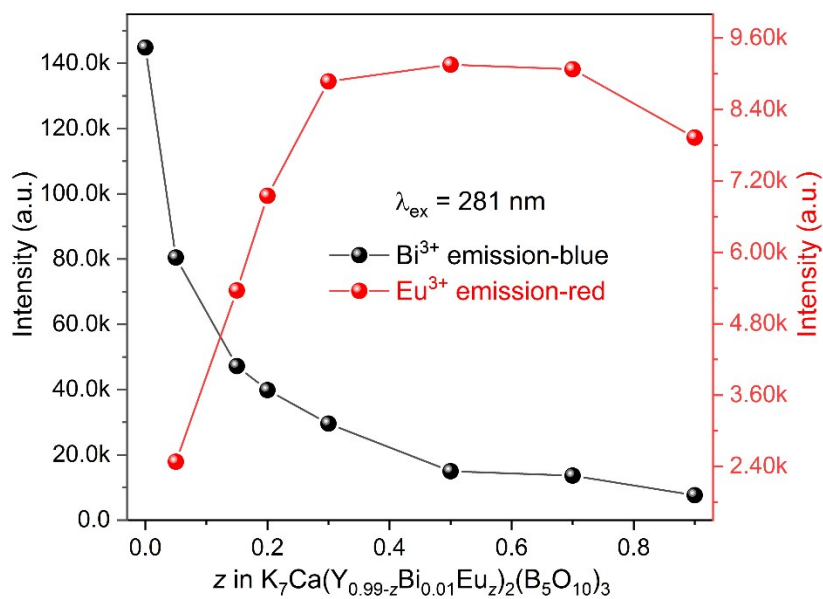
**Fig. S3.** Normalized emission spectra for  $K_7Ca(Y_{0.99}Bi_{0.01})_2(B_5O_{10})_3$  under different excitation wavelengths.



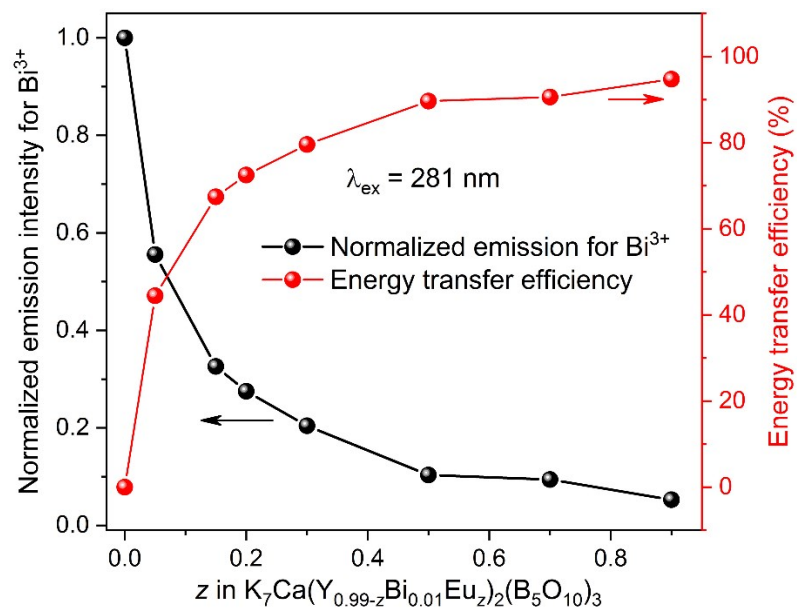
**Fig. S4.** Estimated R/O ratios for  $K_7Ca(Y_{1-y}Eu_y)_2(B_5O_{10})_3$  ( $0.10 \leq y \leq 1$ ) under CT or the strongest  $f-f$  excitations.



**Fig. S5.** Photographs for  $K_7Ca(Y_{1-y}Eu_y)_2(B_5O_{10})_3$  ( $0.10 \leq y \leq 1$ ) under a 254 nm UV lamp.



**Fig. S6.** Corresponding intensity for  $Bi^{3+}$  (blue) and  $Eu^{3+}$  (red) emissions for  $K_7Ca(Y_{0.99-z}Bi_{0.01}Eu_z)_2(B_5O_{10})_3$  ( $0 \leq z \leq 0.9$ ) under the excitation of 281 nm.



**Fig. S7.** Normalized  $Bi^{3+}$  emission intensity and the so-calculated energy transfer efficiency for  $K_7Ca(Y_{0.99-z}Bi_{0.01}Eu_z)_2(B_5O_{10})_3$  ( $0 \leq z \leq 0.9$ ) under 281 nm excitation.