

Supporting Information

Highly Efficient and Stable Blue Organic Light-Emitting Diodes through Selective Quenching of Long-Living Triplet Exciton of Thermally Activated Delayed Fluorescence Emitter

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Supplementary figures

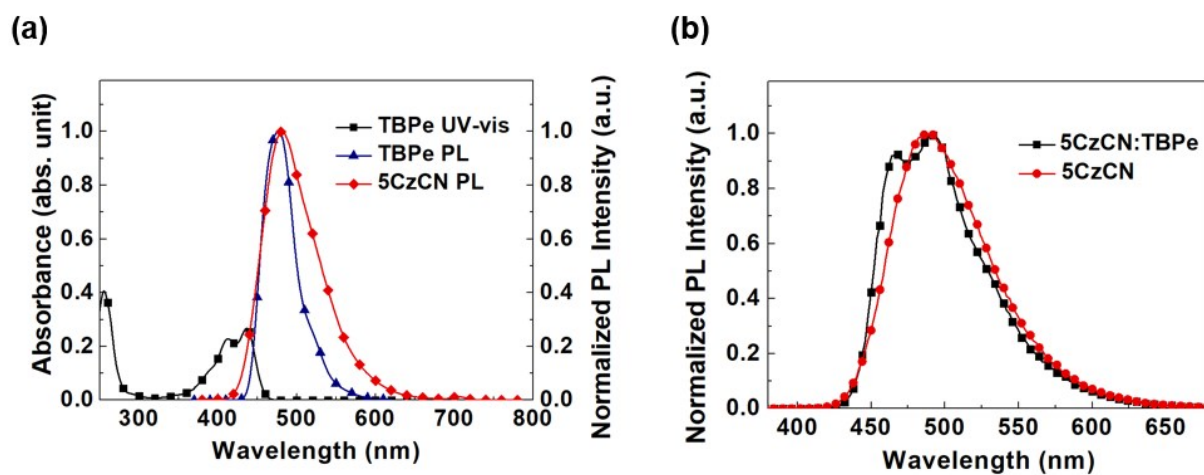


Figure S1. (a) UV-vis absorption spectra and normalized PL spectra of TBPe and 5CzCN (1.0×10^{-5} M THF solution). (b) Normalized PL spectra of 5CzCN film, 5CzCN:TBPe co-doped film (in DPEPO film doped with 20 wt% or 20 wt%:1 wt%).

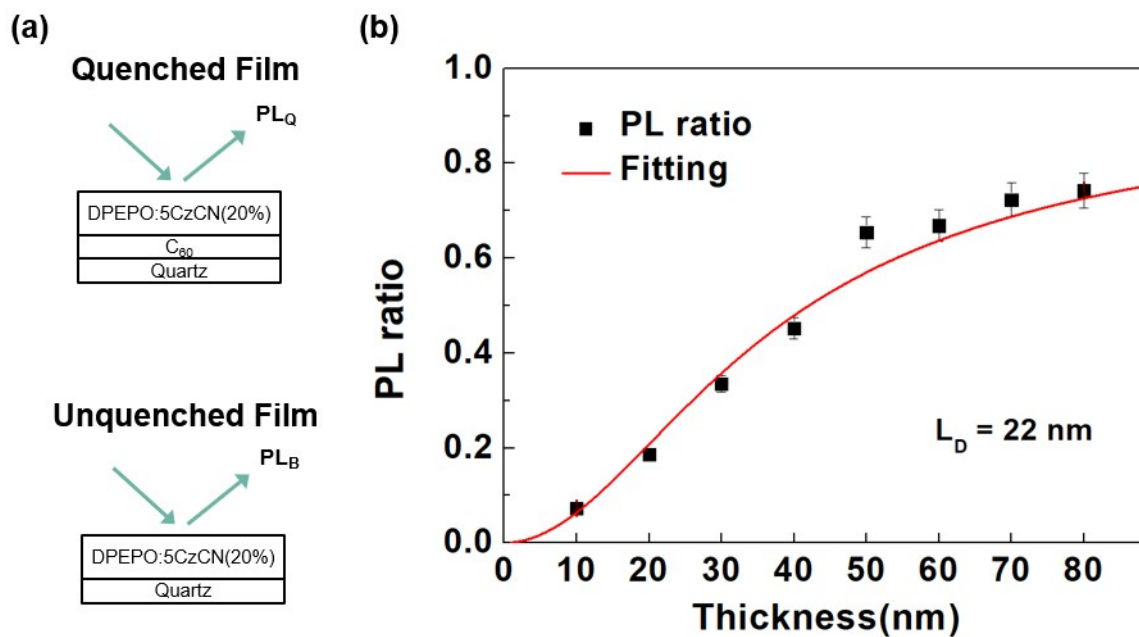


Figure S2. (a) Experimental film structure of the thickness dependent PL ratio measurement. (b) PL ratios, corresponding fitting, and the fitted value for L_D of 5CzCN emitter doped with 20 wt% in DPEPO matrix.

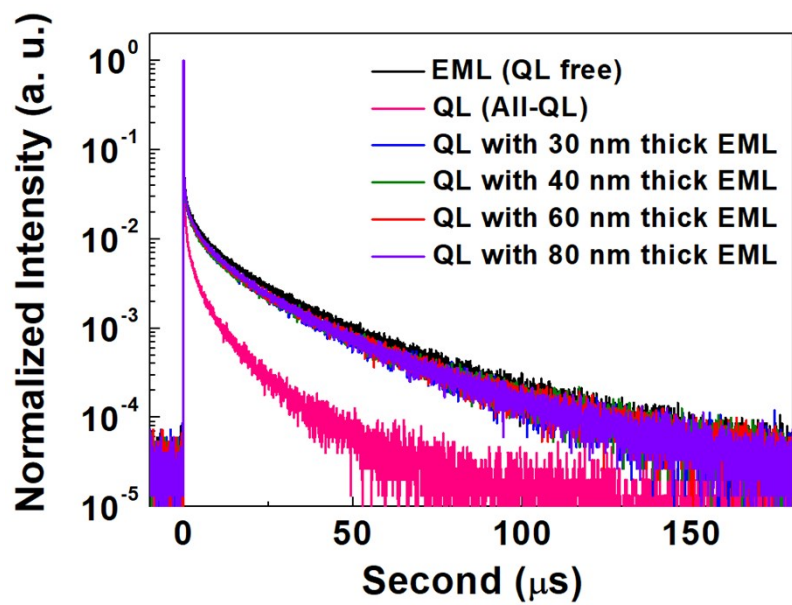


Figure S3. The transient PL decay of all films.

Supplementary equations for exciton diffusion length (Figure S2)

The exciton diffusion equation could be expressed as^[1-4]

$$L_D^2 \cdot \frac{\partial^2 n(x)}{\partial x^2} - n(x) + \tau \cdot G = 0 \quad (1)$$

where L_D is the exciton diffusion length, x is the distance from the surface in the layer, $n(x)$ is the exciton density, τ is the exciton lifetime and G is exciton generation rate.

In addition, assuming that a layer of thickness d has a quenching interface (C_{60}), the boundary conditions are

$$n(x = 0) = 0, \quad (2-1)$$

$$\left. \frac{\partial n}{\partial x} \right|_{x=d} = 0, \quad (2-2)$$

$$G(x) = G_0. \quad (2-3)$$

Solving equation 1 with the boundary conditions of equation 2,

$$\frac{PL_Q}{PL_B} (PL \text{ ratio}) = 1 - \frac{L_D}{d} \cdot \frac{1 - \exp\left(\frac{-2d}{L_D}\right)}{1 + \exp\left(\frac{-2d}{L_D}\right)}. \quad (3)$$

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