

Impact of carrier diffusion on internal quantum efficiency of InGaN quantum well structures

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Table S1. The parameters of QW structures used in the study. Colours roughly match the visible emission.

| Sample | QW width | QW periods | Barrier width | QW In content | Cap thickness | Buffer layer | TIPL peak | TIPL FWHM |
|--------|----------|------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|
| | nm | count | nm | % | nm | type | at peak IQE | |
| | | | | | | | eV | |
| S1 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 23 | (+)25 | nGaN+SC | 3 | 0.14 |
| S2 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 20 | (+)100 | nGaN+SC | 2.96 | 0.13 |
| S3 | 2 | 6 | 12 | 20 | (+)100 | nGaN+SC | 2.93 | 0.14 |
| S4 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 17 | (+)50 | nGaN+SC | 2.93 | 0.13 |
| S5 | 3 | 5 | | 30 | (+)120 | nGaN | 2.36 | 0.12 |
| S6 | 3 | 5 | | 26 | (+)120 | nGaN | 2.5 | 0.14 |
| S7 | 4 | 1 | | 22 | (+)120 | nGaN | 2.76 | 0.14 |
| S8 | 3 | 5 | | | (+)120 | nGaN | 2.79 | 0.11 |
| S9 | 3.5 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 30 | uGaN+SL | 2.68 | 0.16 |
| S10 | 3.5 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 30 | uGaN | 2.81 | 0.20 |
| S11 | 3.5 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 23 | uGaN | 2.79 | 0.12 |
| S12 | 3.5 | 5 | 6 | 8 | 23 | uGaN | 2.8 | 0.14 |
| S13 | 3.5 | 5 | 6 | 8 | (+)300 | nGaN+SL | 2.8 | 0.16 |
| S14 | 4.7 | 5 | 18 | 5.1 | 18 | nGaN | 2.98 | 0.18 |
| S15 | 4.2 | 5 | 18 | 8.4 | 18 | nGaN | 2.77 | 0.22 |
| S16 | 6 | 5 | 18 | 11.3 | 18 | nGaN | 2.82 | 0.17 |
| S17 | 5.8 | 5 | 18 | 13.2 | 18 | nGaN | 2.74 | 0.17 |
| S18 | 5 | 5 | 18 | 23 | 18 | nGaN | 2.63 | 0.20 |
| S19 | 3.5 | 4 | 4.5 | 15 | (+)88 | nGaN+SC | 2.87 | 0.12 |
| S20 | 3.5 | 6 | 4.5 | 15 | (+)88 | nGaN+SC | 2.81 | 0.17 |
| S21 | 2.6 | 10 | 7.1 | 18.9 | 7 | uGaN | 2.79 | 0.10 |
| S22 | 2.6 | 10 | 7.1 | 17.4 | 7 | uGaN | 2.78 | 0.11 |
| S23 | 2.6 | 10 | 7.1 | 18 | 7 | uGaN | 2.74 | 0.12 |
| S24 | 2.6 | 10 | 7.1 | 18 | 7 | uGaN | 2.74 | 0.13 |
| S25 | 3.1 | 5 | 7.1 | 12 | 8 | uGaN+SL | 2.74 | 0.15 |
| S26 | 3.7 | 5 | 6.6 | 12 | 8 | uGaN+SL | 2.66 | 0.20 |
| S27 | 3.1 | 5 | 7.8 | 12 | 8 | uGaN+SL | 2.56 | 0.27 |
| S28 | 3.9 | 5 | 7.8 | 12 | 8 | uGaN+SL | 2.35 | 0.29 |
| S29 | 4.2 | 5 | 8.7 | 12 | 8 | uGaN+SL | 2.31 | 0.27 |
| S30 | 4.5 | 5 | 7.7 | 12 | 8 | uGaN+SL | 2.25 | 0.29 |
| S31 | 4.5 | 5 | | 12 | 8 | uGaN+SL | 2.21 | 0.39 |
| S32 | 4.8 | 5 | 9 | 12 | 8 | uGaN+SL | 2.13 | 0.44 |
| S33 | 4.1 | 5 | 6.7 | 10.5 | 28 | uGaN+SL | 2.62 | 0.16 |
| S34 | 4.1 | 5 | 6.7 | 10 | 28 | uGaN+SL | 2.6 | 0.17 |
| S35 | 3.8 | 5 | 7.2 | 9.5 | 28 | uGaN+SL | 2.66 | 0.15 |
| S36 | 4.1 | 5 | 6.7 | 10 | 28.5 | uGaN+SL | 2.65 | 0.17 |
| S37 | 4.1 | 5 | 6.8 | 9 | 28.5 | uGaN+SL | 2.64 | 0.15 |
| S38 | 3.8 | 5 | 6.6 | 10.5 | 28 | uGaN+SL | 2.59 | 0.14 |
| S39 | 3.8 | 5 | 6.6 | 10 | 28 | uGaN+SL | 2.63 | 0.13 |
| S40 | 3.8 | 5 | 6.6 | 10 | 28 | uGaN+SL | 2.65 | 0.13 |
| S41 | 1 | 8 | 12 | 25 | (+)38 | nGaN | 2.9 | 0.14 |
| S42 | 1 | 8 | 12 | 25 | (+)30 | nGaN | 2.86 | 0.14 |
| S43 | 2 | 8 | 12 | 25 | (+)38 | nGaN | 2.51 | 0.14 |
| S44 | 2.7 | 8 | 12 | 25 | (+)38 | nGaN | 2.26 | 0.13 |
| S45 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 25 | (+)38 | nGaN | 2.69* | 0.15* |
| S46 | 8.2 | 3 | 8.8 | 13.3 | (+)143 | nGaN | 2.93 | 0.27 |
| S47 | 8.2 | 3 | 8.8 | 9.2 | (+)143 | nGaN | 3.04 | 0.10 |
| S48 | 6.8 | 3 | 8.8 | 13.1 | (+)143 | nGaN | 2.98 | 0.15 |
| S49 | 7.8 | 3 | 8.8 | 10.4 | (+)143 | nGaN | 2.98 | 0.23 |
| S50 | 8.2 | 3 | 14.8 | 13.2 | (+)143 | nGaN | 2.93 | 0.21 |
| S51 | 4.5 | 3 | 14.8 | 13.5 | (+)143 | nGaN | 2.83 | 0.29 |
| S52 | 4.5 | 3 | 14.8 | 13.5 | (+)143 | nGaN | 2.87 | 0.25 |
| S53 | 3 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 8 | uGaN | 2.96 | 0.11 |
| S54 | 3 | 10 | 12 | 9 | 12 | uGaN | 3.12 | 0.10 |
| S55 | 3 | 10 | 12 | 12 | 12 | uGaN | 2.94 | 0.10 |
| S56 | 3 | 10 | 12 | 17 | 12 | uGaN | 2.62 | 0.12 |
| S57 | 3 | 10 | 12 | 20 | 12 | uGaN | 2.39 | 0.14 |

(+) - p-doped cap
nGaN - n-doped GaN
uGaN - undoped GaN
SC - staircase interlayer
SL - superlattice
* - most intense peak

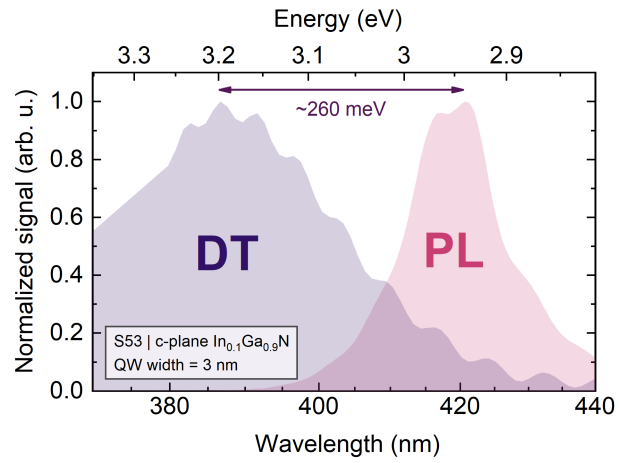


Figure S1. An example of a large Stokes shift between the photoluminescence and differential absorption spectra in a c-plane InGaN MQW structure.

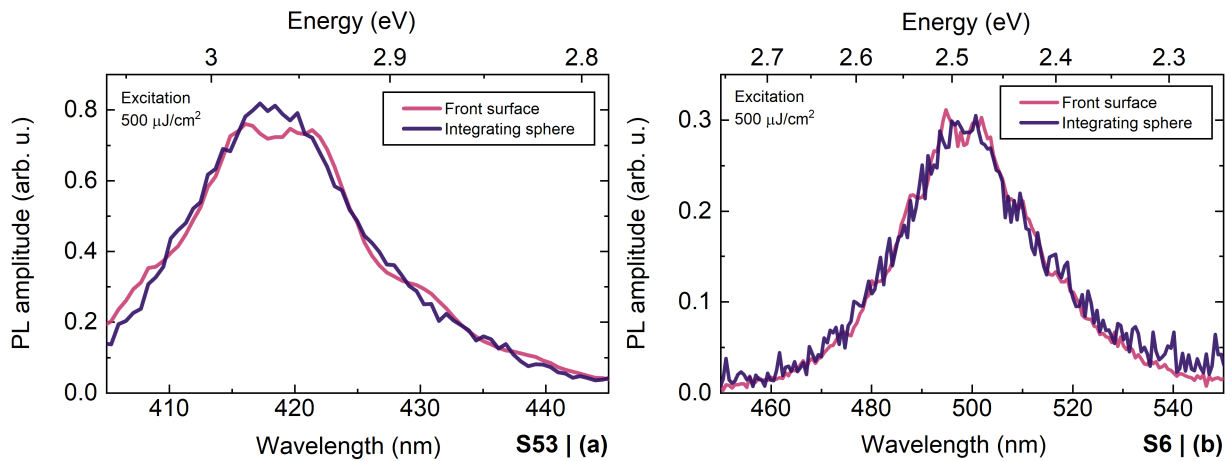


Figure S2. PL spectra recorded in the integrating sphere (violet line) and outside of it by collecting PL from the front surface (magenta line) in the samples S53 (a) and S6 (b).

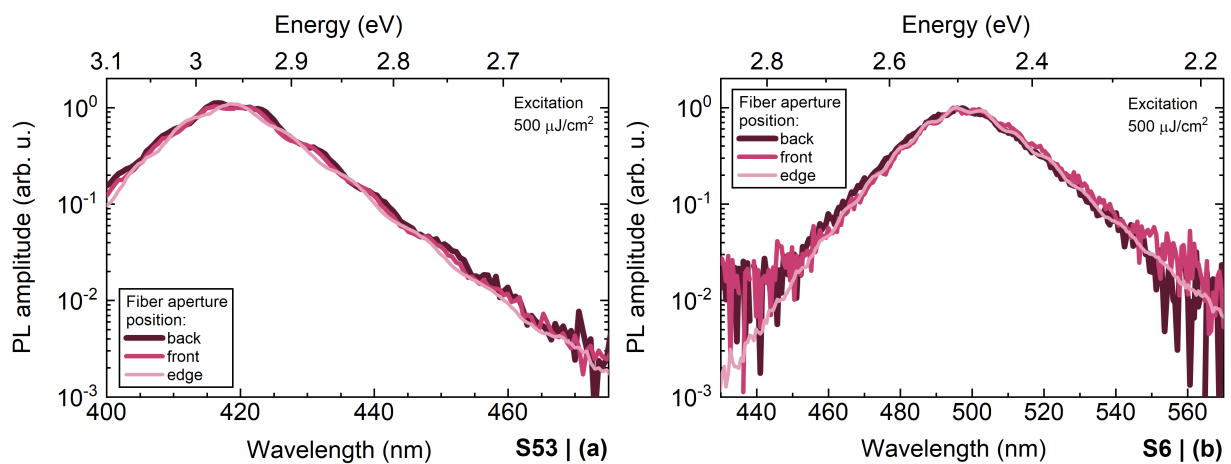


Figure S3. Normalized PL spectra collected from the front surface (magenta line), the back surface (violet line), and the sample edge (light magenta line) in S53 (a) and S6 (b).

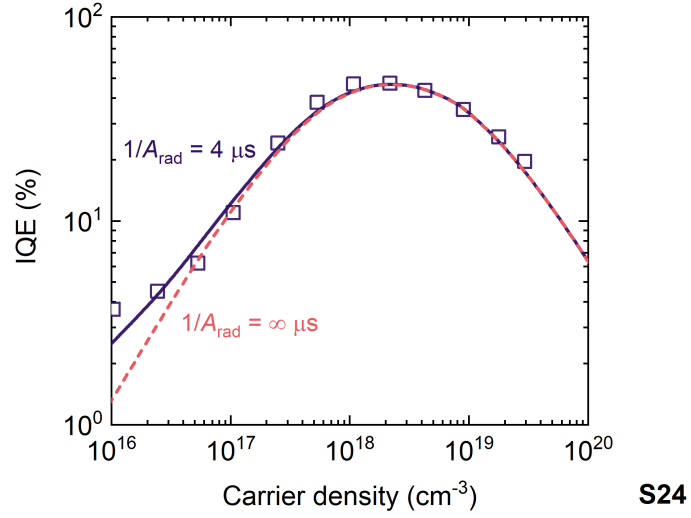


Figure S4. The illustration for the necessity of the A_{rad} coefficient in the ABC model. The violet curve illustrates the $\text{IQE}_{\text{calc}}(N)$ calculated using equation 3 in the main text with $1/A_{\text{rad}} = 4 \mu\text{s}$, while the magenta dashed line shows the case for $A_{\text{rad}} = 0$.

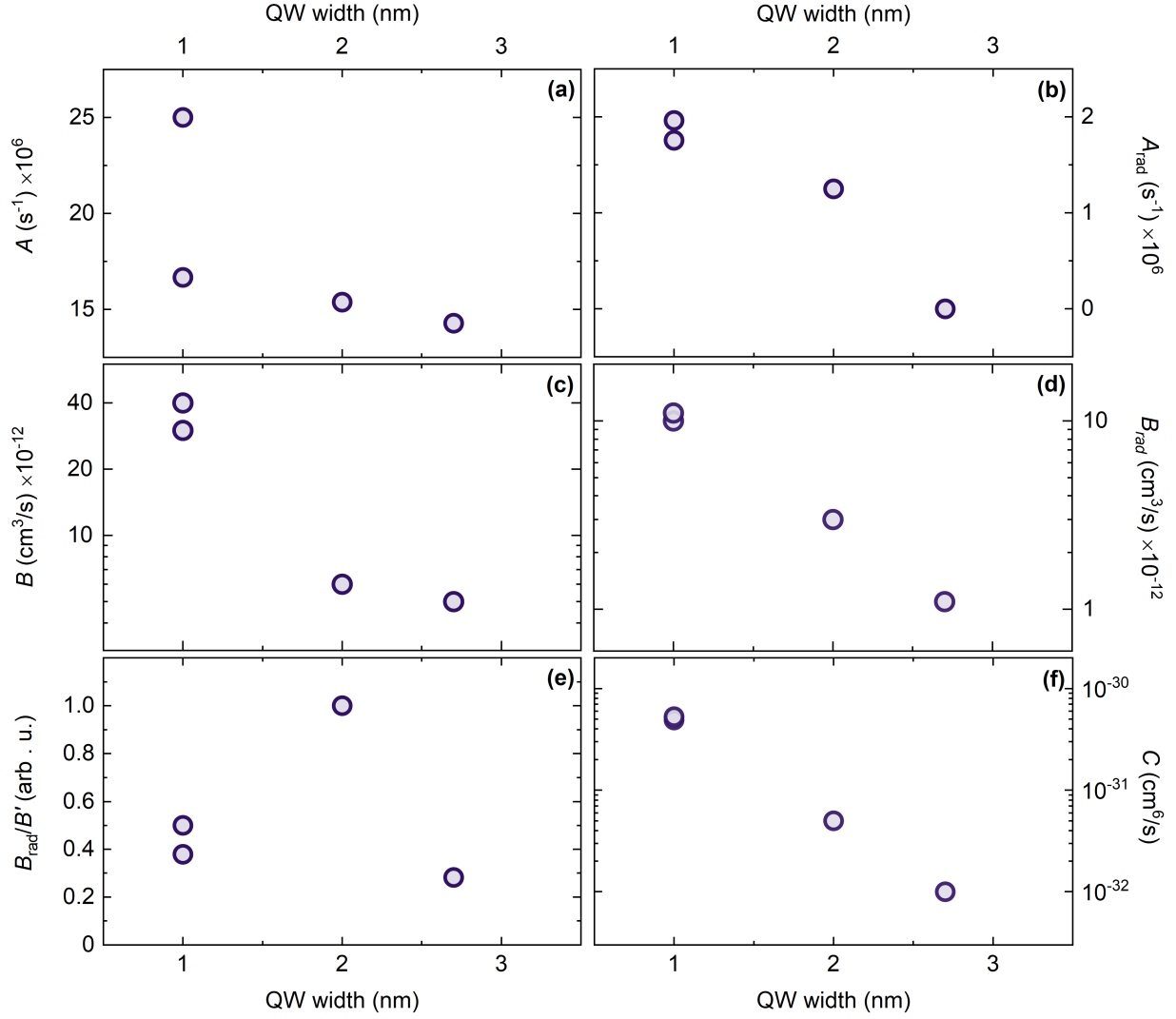


Figure S5. Dependences of recombination constants $A \approx A_{\text{SRH}}$, A_{rad} , $B = B_{\text{rad}} + B'$, B_{rad} , B_{rad}/B' , and C against the QW width in the subset of samples with 25% indium content.

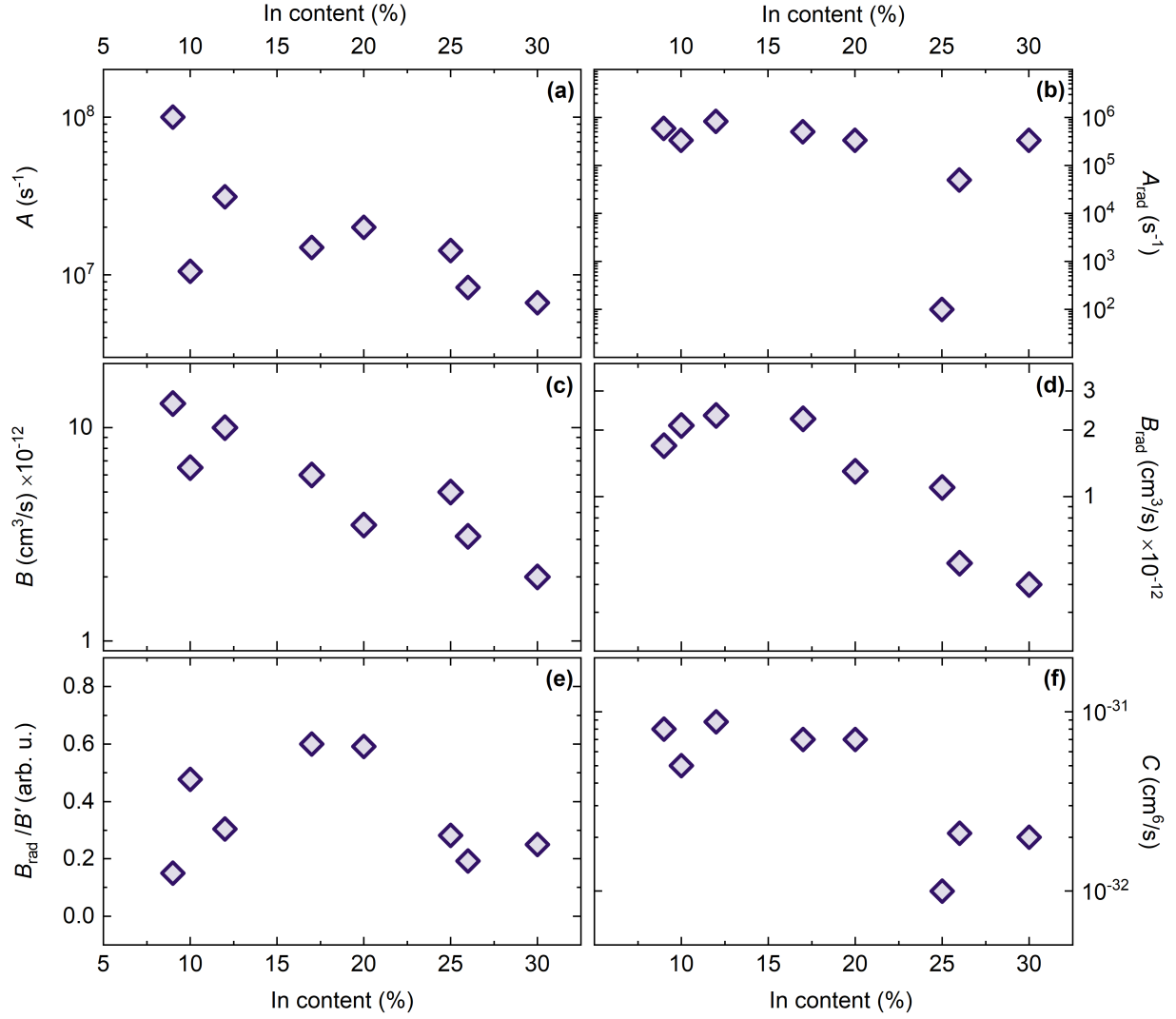


Figure S6. Dependences of recombination constants $A \approx A_{\text{SRH}}$, A_{rad} , $B = B_{\text{rad}} + B'$, B_{rad} , B_{rad}/B' , and C against indium content in the subset of 3 nm thick QW samples.

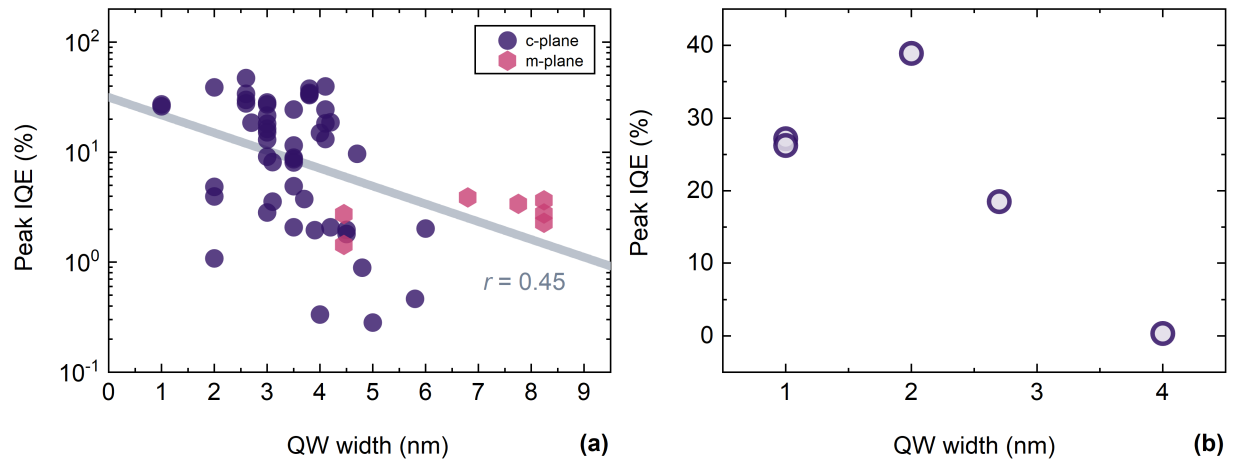


Figure S7. Dependence of peak IQE on the QW thickness in all samples (a) and in the subset of QW structures with 25% indium content (b). r stands for the Pearson's correlation coefficient, magenta hexagons indicate the nonpolar structures.