

Supporting Information for

**Solubilization of sulfuric acid lignin by ball mill treatment with excess amounts of
organic compounds**

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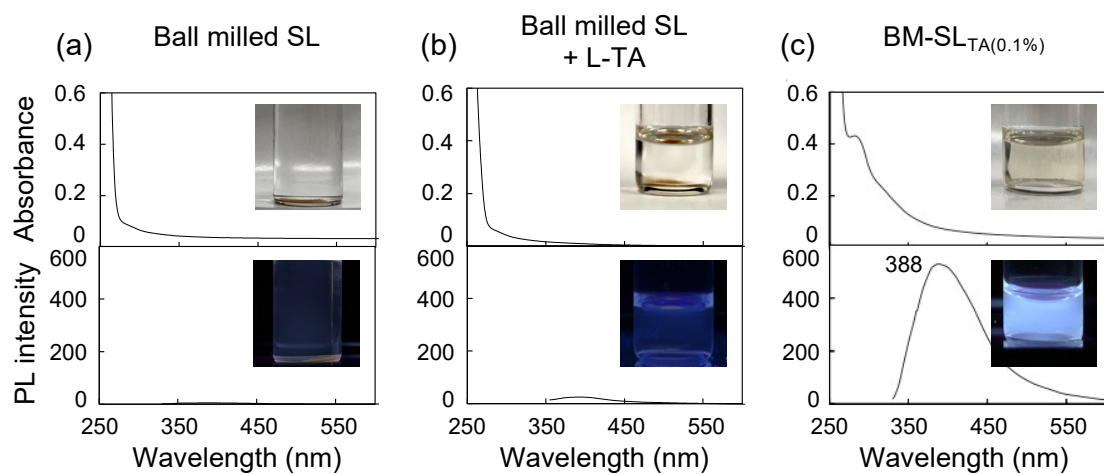


Figure S1 Pictures of (a) ball milled sulfuric acid lignin (SL) DMF solution at 0.1 mg mL^{-1} , (b) DMF solution of ball milled SL at 0.1 mg mL^{-1} with addition of L-tartaric acid (L-TA) at 100 mg mL^{-1} , and (c) DMF solution of BM-SL_{TA(0.1%)} at 0.1 mg mL^{-1} , and their UV-Vis absorbance and PL spectra excited at 320 nm. The inserted pictures as indicated below were taken under the irradiation of UV light at 365 nm.

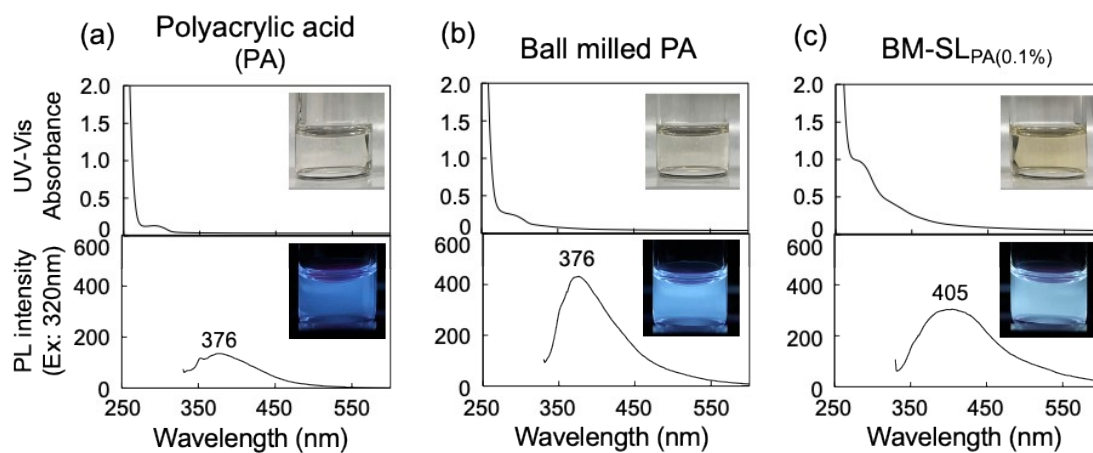


Figure S2 Pictures of (a) polyacrylic acid (PA), (b) ball milled PA, and (c) BM-SL_{PA(0.1%)}, and their UV-Vis absorbance and PL spectra excited at 320 nm. The inserted pictures as indicated below were taken under the irradiation of UV light at 365 nm.