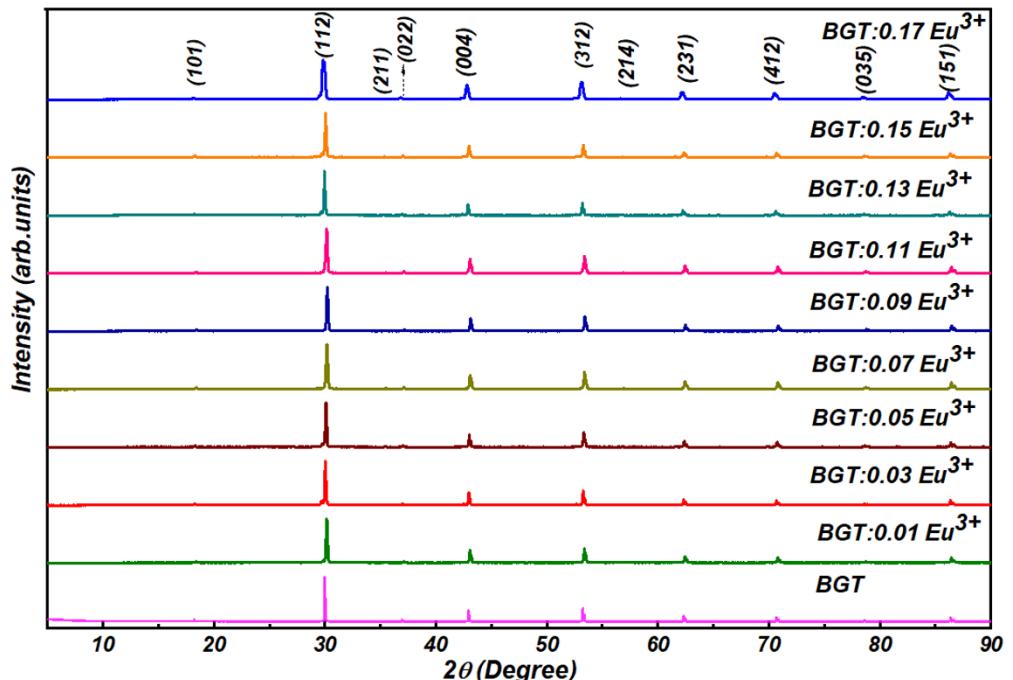


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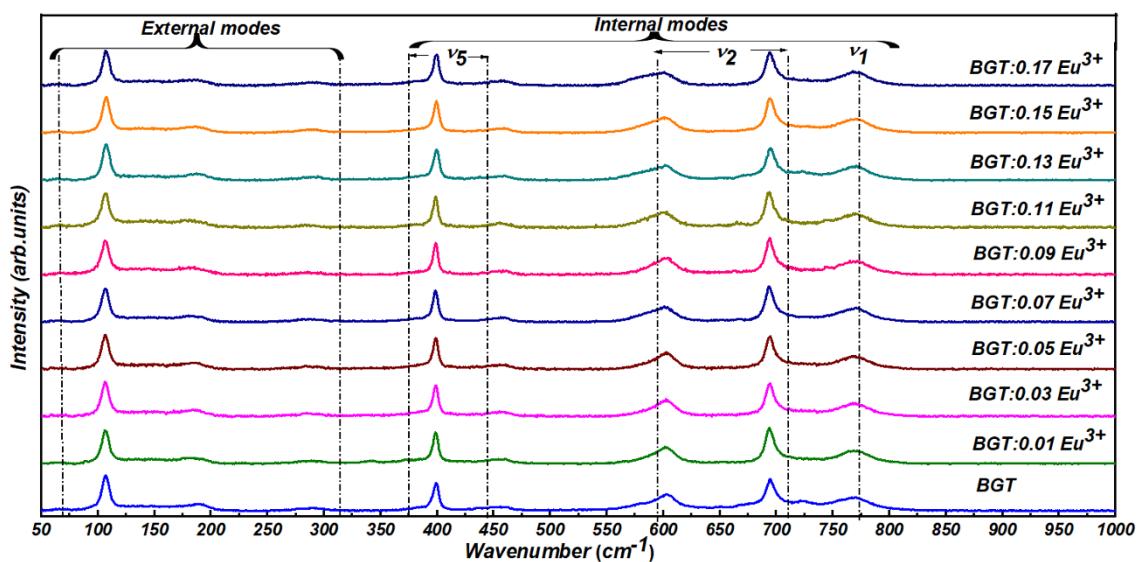
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**Fig. S1.** XRD patterns of BGT:  $xE\text{u}^{3+}$  ( $x=0-0.17$ ) phosphor.



**Fig. S2.** Micro Raman spectra of BGT:  $xE\text{u}^{3+}$  ( $0-0.17$ ) phosphors.

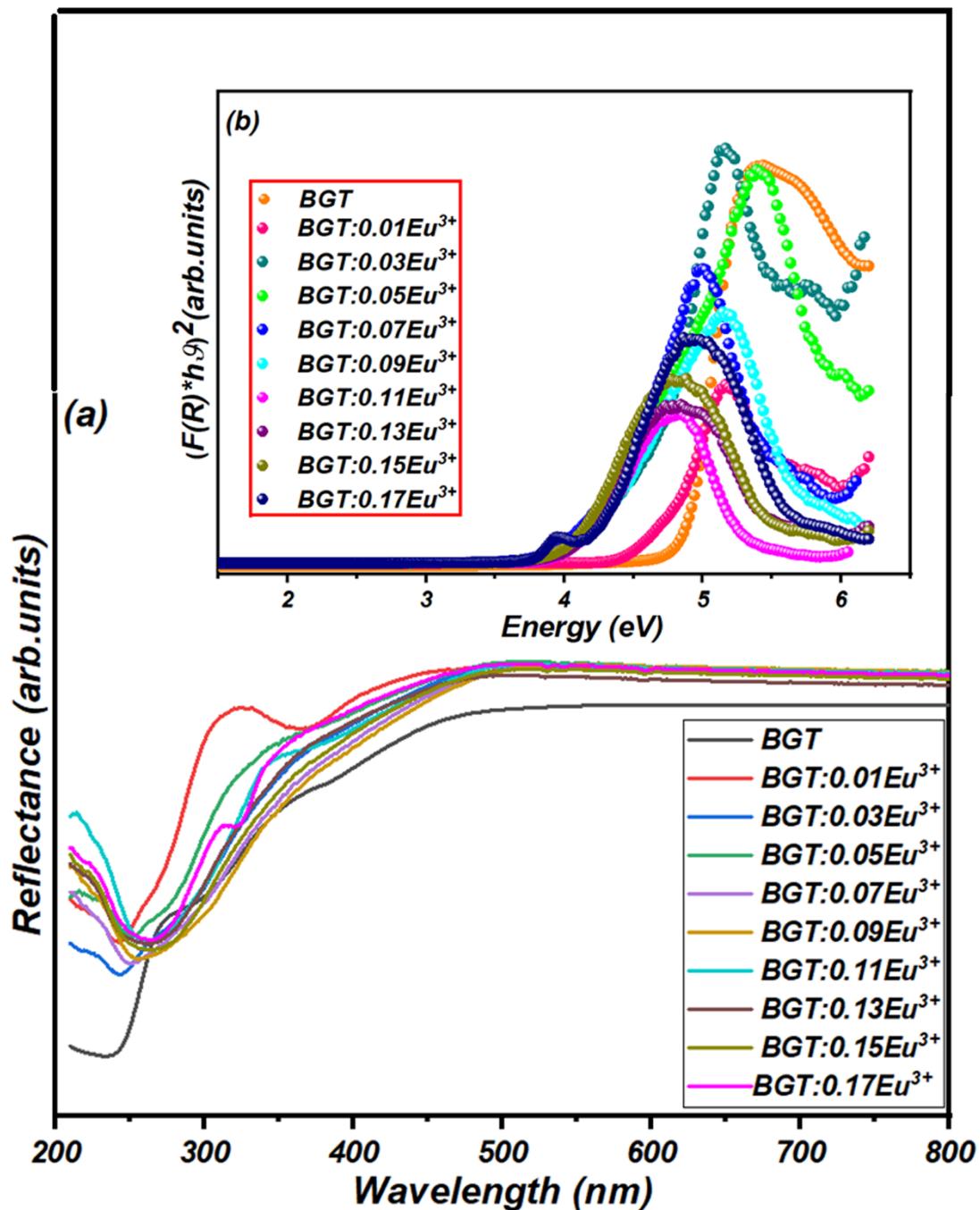
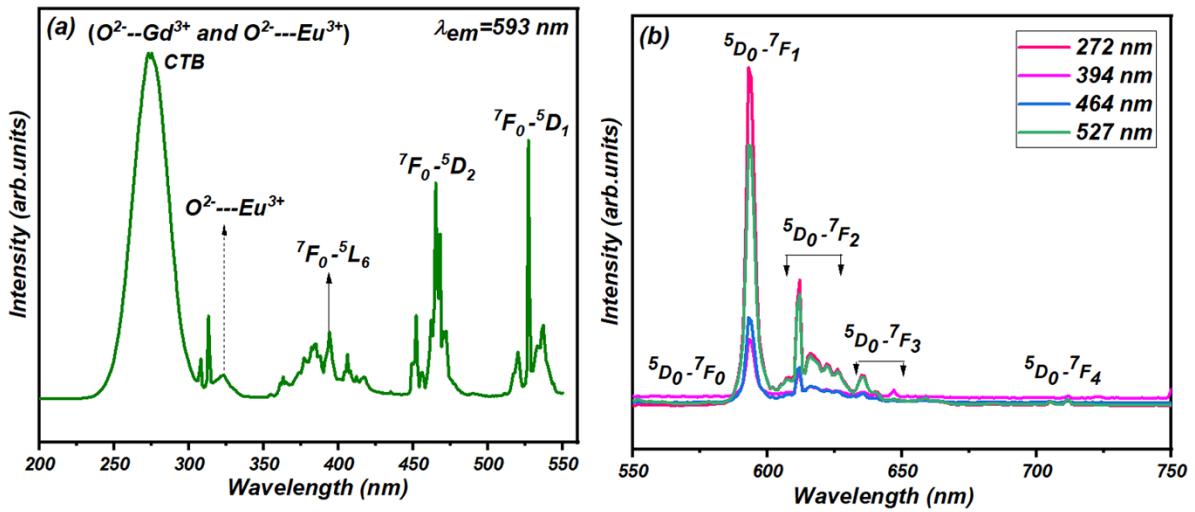
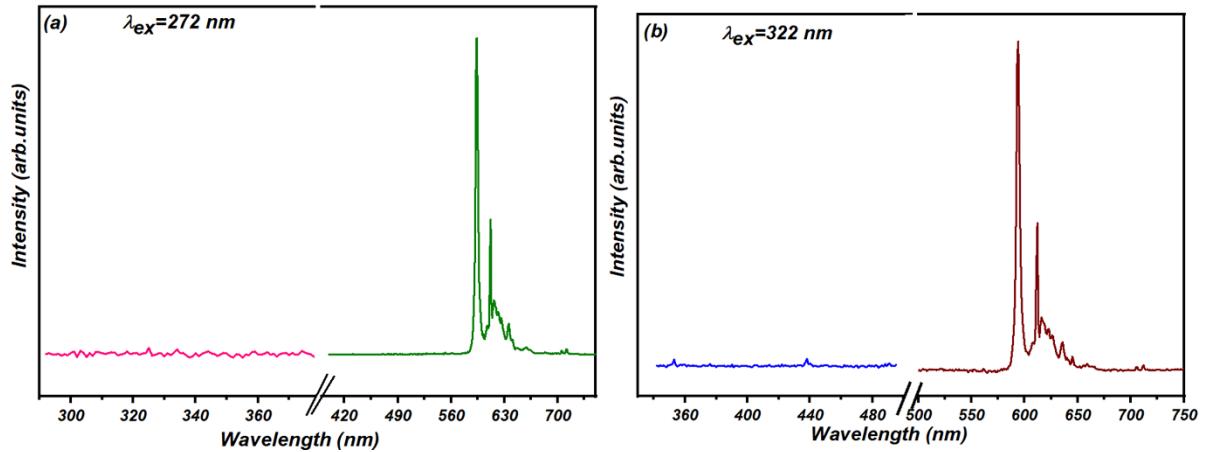


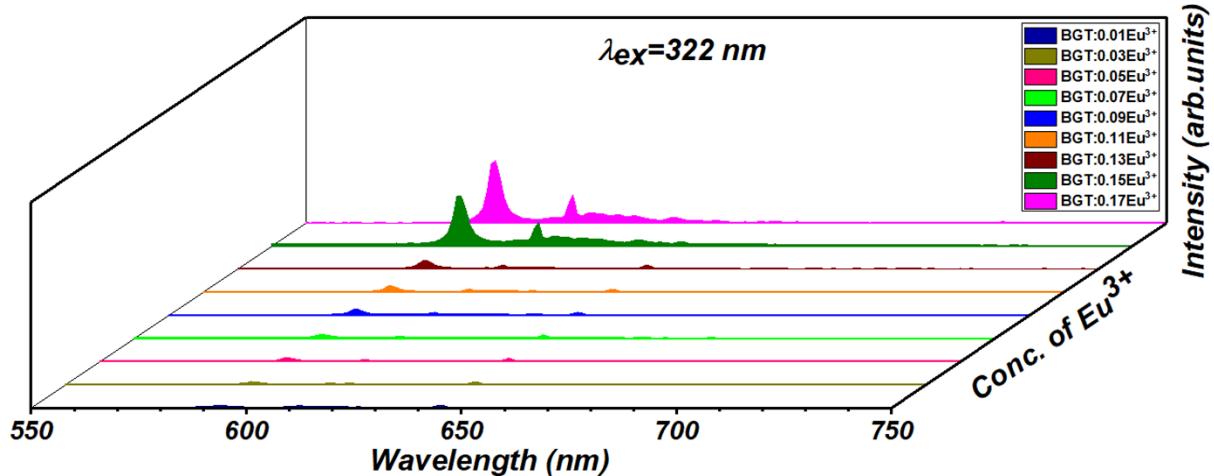
Fig. S3. DRS spectra of BGT:  $x$ Eu<sup>3+</sup>(0-0.17) phosphors (Inset: Kubeka Munk plot).



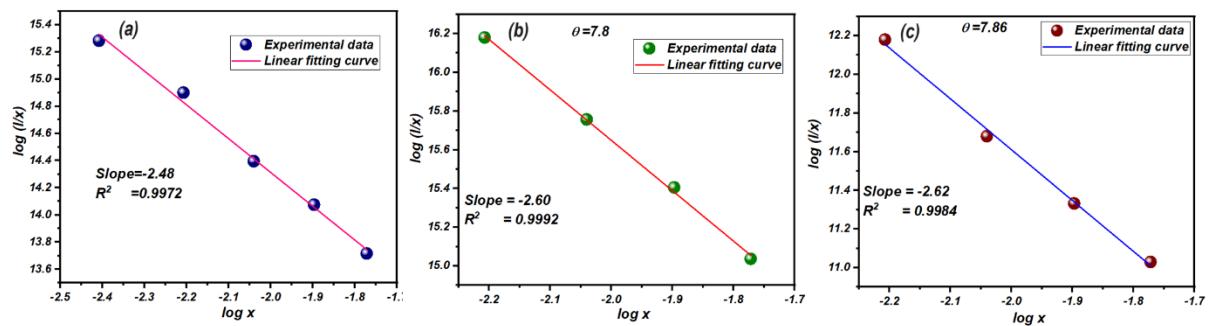
**Fig. S4.** (a) Excitation and (b) emission spectra of BGT:0.11 $Eu^{3+}$  phosphor.



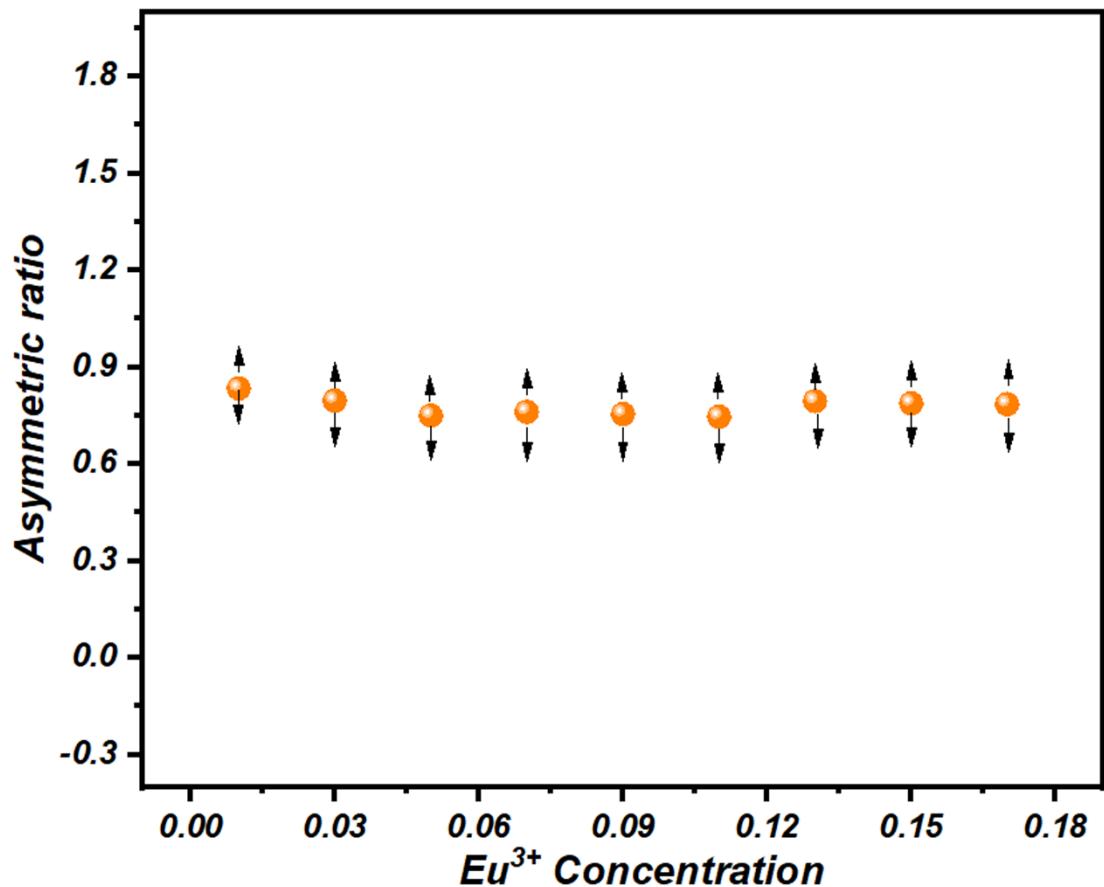
**Fig. S5.** Emission spectra of BGT:0.17  $Eu^{3+}$  phosphor under 272 nm and 322 nm excitation.



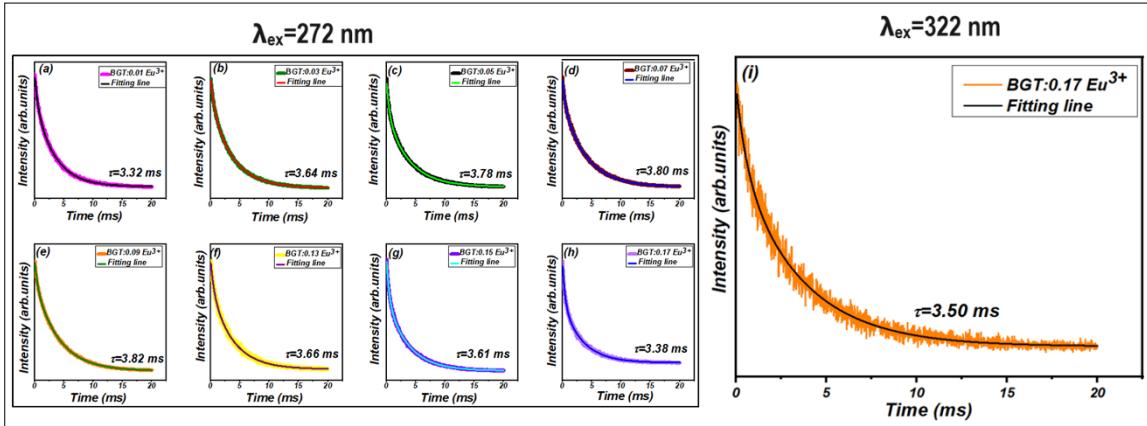
**Fig. S6.** Emission spectra of BGT:  $xEu^{3+}$  ( $x=0.01-0.17$ ) phosphors.



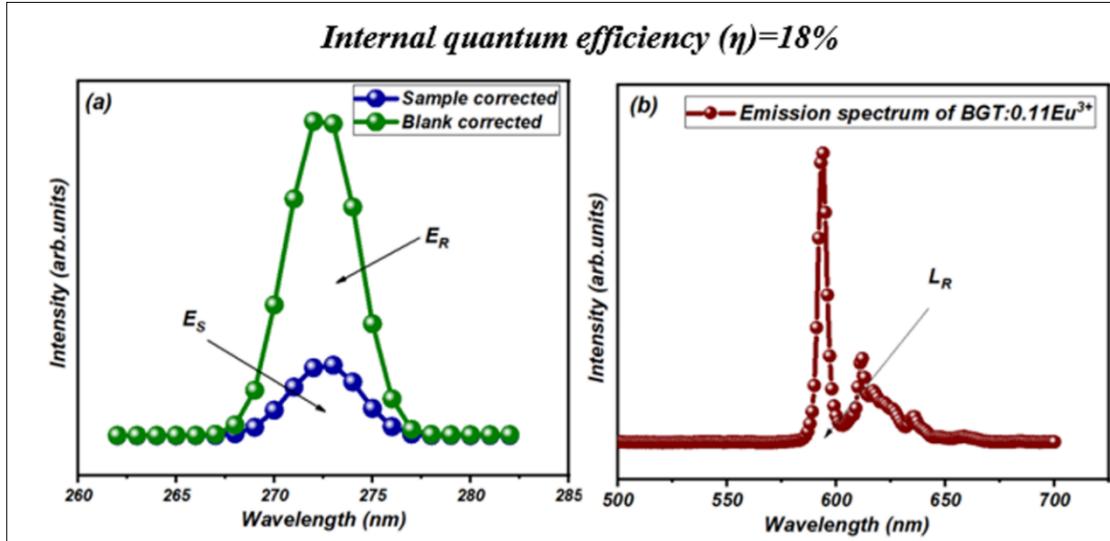
**Fig. S7.** Experimental and corresponding linear fitting of  $\log(I/x)$  versus  $\log x$  plot of (b) 593 nm, (b) 614 nm and (c) 637 nm.



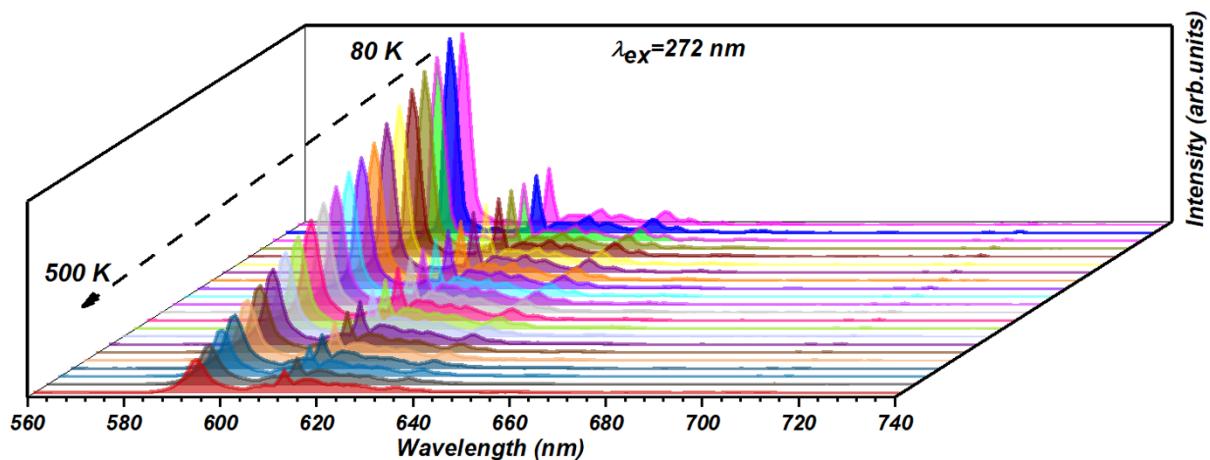
**Fig. S8.** Asymmetric ratio of BGT:  $x\text{Eu}^{3+}$  ( $x=0.01-0.17$ ) phosphor.



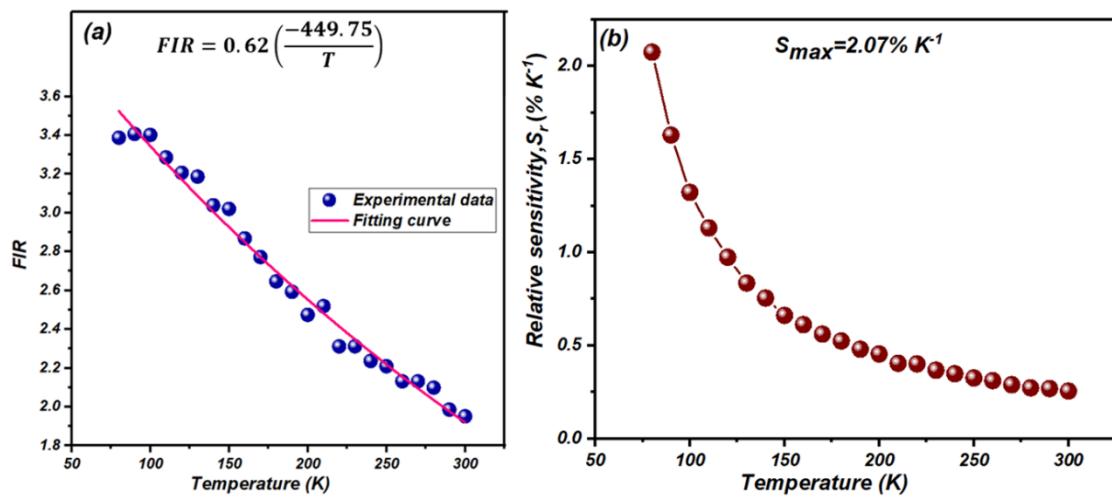
**Fig. S9.** (a-i) Decay curve of  $\text{Eu}^{3+}$  doped BGT phosphor.



**Fig. S10.** Emission spectrum of  $\text{BaSO}_4$  and BGT:0.11 $\text{Eu}^{3+}$  phosphor collected by an integrating sphere.



**Fig.S11.** Temperature dependant emission spectra of BGT:0.11Eu<sup>3+</sup> phosphor from 80-500 K.



**Fig. S12.** Low temperature dependency (a) FIR and (b) relative sensitivty of BGT:0.11Eu<sup>3+</sup> phosphor.

**Table S1.** Lattice parameters and cell volume of BGT:  $xEu^{3+}$  ( $x=0-0.17$ ) phosphors.

Sample details	$a$ (Å)	$b$ (Å)	$c$ (Å)	Cell volume (Å <sup>3</sup> )
BGT	5.95	5.99	8.46	301.94
BGT:0.01Eu <sup>3+</sup>	5.96	6.03	8.43	303.24
BGT:0.03Eu <sup>3+</sup>	5.98	6.07	8.35	303.69
BGT:0.05Eu <sup>3+</sup>	5.95	6.05	8.42	304.04
BGT:0.07Eu <sup>3+</sup>	5.96	6.05	8.43	305.05
BGT:0.09Eu <sup>3+</sup>	5.95	6.05	8.48	306.47
BGT:0.11Eu <sup>3+</sup>	5.95	6.09	8.46	307.39
BGT:0.13Eu <sup>3+</sup>	5.95	6.14	8.42	308.24
BGT:0.15Eu <sup>3+</sup>	5.95	6.15	8.42	308.66
BGT:0.17Eu <sup>3+</sup>	5.96	6.15	8.44	310.33

**Table S2.** Refined crystallographic parameters of BGT:0.11 Eu<sup>3+</sup> phosphor.

Compound	$Ba_2Gd_{2/3}TeO_6:0.11\ Eu^{3+}$
$R_{exp}$ (%)	2.92
$R_{wp}$ (%)	4.23
$R_p$ (%)	3.21
GOF	1.45
Symmetry	Monoclinic
Space group	$P2_1/n$
$a$ (Å)	5.95
$b$ (Å)	6.09
$c$ (Å)	8.47
$\beta$ (°)	90.68
$V$ (Å <sup>3</sup> )	307.39

**Table S3.** Relative sensitivity values of Eu<sup>3+</sup> doped phosphors.

<b>Study</b>	<b>Temperature range</b>	<b>Relative sensitivity %(K<sup>-1</sup>)</b>
<i>Ba<sub>2</sub>Gd<sub>2/3</sub>TeO<sub>6</sub>:Eu<sup>3+</sup></i> [Present work]	80-300 K	2.07
	300-500 K	0.19
<i>ZnTiO<sub>3</sub>:Mn<sup>4+</sup>,Eu<sup>3+</sup></i> [1]	80-310 K	2.5
<i>Sr<sub>2</sub>GdSbO<sub>6</sub>: Eu<sup>3+</sup></i> [2]	283-433 K	0.27
<i>Ca<sub>2</sub>InNbO<sub>6</sub>:Eu<sup>3+</sup></i> [3]	303-483 K	0.365
<i>Sr<sub>2</sub>GaNbO<sub>6</sub>:0.018Eu<sup>3+</sup></i> [4]	298-623 K	1.86
<i>SrGdLiTeO<sub>6</sub>:Eu<sup>3+</sup>/Mn<sup>4+</sup></i> [5]	300 – 550K	0.229
<i>CaLaMgTaO<sub>6</sub>: Eu<sup>3+</sup>/Bi<sup>3+</sup></i> [6]	393 – 573K	1.33
<i>La<sub>2</sub>LiNbO<sub>6</sub>:Bi<sup>3+</sup>, Eu<sup>3+</sup></i> [7]	298 – 498 K	0.9
<i>NaLaMgWO<sub>6</sub>: Mn<sup>4+</sup>, Eu<sup>3+</sup></i> [8]	303–523 K	0.86
<i>Ba<sub>2</sub>LaNbO<sub>6</sub>: Mn<sup>4+</sup>, Eu<sup>3+</sup></i> [9]	298–498 K	2.08
<i>SrY<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>:Bi<sup>3+</sup>, Eu<sup>3+</sup></i> [10]	313–563 K	0.86
<i>La<sub>2</sub>ZnTiO<sub>6</sub>: Bi<sup>3+</sup>, Eu<sup>3+</sup></i> [11]	293-473 K	1.23
<i>CsPbBr<sub>3</sub>/EuPO<sub>4</sub> nanocrystals@glass</i> [12]	303 – 483K	1.80
<i>SrAl<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>:Eu<sup>2+/3+</sup></i> [13]	298-473 K	1.6
<i>Mg<sub>28</sub>Ge<sub>6.25</sub>Ga<sub>1.2</sub>O<sub>32</sub>F<sub>15.04</sub>:Eu<sup>2+</sup>,Mn<sup>4+</sup></i> [14]	303–473 K	1.38
<i>Lu<sub>3</sub>Al<sub>5</sub>O<sub>12</sub>: Mn<sup>4+</sup>,Eu<sup>3+</sup></i> [15]	300-360 K	0.7
<i>Ba<sub>2</sub>La<sub>2/3</sub>TeO<sub>6</sub>: Eu<sup>3+</sup></i> [16]	315 - 483 K	0.21
<i>Sr<sub>2</sub>CdTeO<sub>6</sub>: Eu<sup>3+</sup></i> [17]	300-500 K	0.28

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