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## **Supporting Information**

<i>x</i> (Sr <sup>2+</sup> )	U <sub>iso</sub>	Cell parameters (Å <sup>3</sup> )	Cell Volume	$R_{wp}$ (%), $R_{p}$ (%), $\chi^{2}$	
0	0.0082	a/b/c=4.792	110.023	10.62, 7.82, 1.65	
0.05	0.0092	a/b/c=4.808	111.17	9.52, 7.28, 1.42	
0.1	0.0103	a/b/c=4.847	113.839	9.17, 7.24, 1.35	
0.15	0.0134	a/b/c=4.857	114.61	7.22, 5.58, 1.19	
0.2	0.0146	a/b/c=4.871	115.51	8.36, 6.32, 1.19	

**Table S1.** Parameters of  $Ca_{(1-x)}Sr_xO:Eu^{2+}$  (*x* = 0-0.2).

 Table S2. Main parameters of Eu<sup>2+</sup> activated NIR phosphors.

Compounds	$\lambda_{ex}(nm)$	λ <sub>em</sub> (nm)	FWHM (nm)	IQE (%)	I <sub>425 K</sub> (%)	Ref
Ba <sub>3</sub> Lu(BO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	450	720	197	/	22.5%	[8]
K <sub>3</sub> LuSi <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	460	740	160	15%	59%	[21]
Ba <sub>1.7</sub> Sr <sub>0.3</sub> Ga <sub>4</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	450	775	230	20%	61%	[22]
SrBaSc <sub>0.5</sub> Ga <sub>1.5</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	440	728	234	/	/	[24]
$Sr_{0.5}Ba_{0.5}Y_2O_4$	450	773	210	37%	90%	[25]
K <sub>3</sub> ScSi <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	465	735	170	/	70.4%	[26]
Ca <sub>3</sub> Sc <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>3</sub> O <sub>12</sub>	520	840	170	/	/	[28]
Ca <sub>0.8</sub> Sr <sub>0.2</sub> O	467	783	156	36.3	20.2%	This work



Figure S1. Crystal structure of CaO.



Figure S2. Difference Rietveld plot of  $Ca_{(1-x)}Sr_xO:0.1\%Eu^{2+}$ : (a) x = 0; (b) x = 0.05; (c) x = 0.1; (d) x = 0.15



Figure S3.(a) XRD cards of CaO: $yEu^{2+}$  (y = 0.08%-0.4%). (b) PL spectra of CaO: $yEu^{2+}$ 



**Figure S4.** (a) Normalized PLE spectra of  $Ca_{(1-x)}Sr_xO:0.1\%Eu^{2+}$ . (b) PL spectra of  $Ca_{(1-x)}Sr_xO:0.1\%Eu^{2+}$ .



**Figure S5.** (a) Temperature-dependent PL spectra of  $Ca_{0.8}Sr_{0.2}O:0.1\%Eu^{2+}$ . (b) Temperature dependent normalized integrated PL intensities excited at 467nm.



**Figure S6**. Integrated intensity of  $Ca_{0.8}Sr_{0.2}O:Eu^{2+}$  for IQY measurements (Insert: The total integral area is S1 and the integrated area before 850nm is S2).



**Figure S7.** Band gap calculation for  $Ca_{(1-x)}Sr_xO$  (x = 0-0.2). (a) x = 0; (b) x = 0.05; (c) x = 0.1; (d) x = 0.15. (e) x = 0.2.