Supplementary Information

Reactivity-Matched Synthesis of Monodisperse Ag(In,Ga)S₂ QDs with Efficient Luminescence

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Fig. S1 TEM images and the corresponding size distribution histograms of the AIGS QDs synthesized using InAc₃ and InBr₃, respectively.



Fig. S2 XPS spectra of AIGS@GaS_x core/shell QDs for (a) Ag 3d, (b) In 3d, (c) Ga 2p, and (d) S 2p regions synthesized using InI_3 before and after etching.



Fig. S3 Fitted PL spectra of the AIGS QDs synthesized using (a) InCl₃, (b) InAc₃,(c) InBr₃, and InI₃, respectively.



Fig. S4 TEM images of the AIGS@GaS_x QDs synthesized using $InCl_3$ and InI_3 , respectively.



Fig. S5 Absorption curves of $\mathrm{AIGS}@\mathrm{GaS}_x$ core/shell QDs with different In/Ga ratios.



Fig. S6 XRD spectra of the AIGS/GaS_x core/shell QDs with In/Ga molar ratios of 2:4, 3:4, 4:4, 5:4, and 6:4 synthesized with the same metal salt InI_3 .



Fig. S7 TEM image of the AIGS/GaS_x core/shell QDs with In/Ga molar ratios of (a) 2:4, (b) 3:4, (c) 4:4, HRTEM image of the AIGS/GaS_x core/shell QDs with In/Ga molar ratios of (d) 2:4, (e) 3:4, and (f) 4:4.



Fig. S8 XPS spectra of AIGS QDs synthesized using $InCl_3$, $InAc_3$, $InBr_3$, and InI_3 , respectively.



Fig. S9 XPS spectra of AIGS QDs for In 3d regions synthesized using difference In sources.



Fig. S10 Photographs for reaction stage under white light (upper photos) and UV light (bottom photos) extracts from 70 °C to 150 °C 15 min of AIGS QDs synthesized using InCl₃, InAc₃, InBr₃, and InI₃, respectively.

Table S1. Elements Hard and Soft Acid and Base (HSAB) diagram.

| | Base | Hard base | Junction base | Soft base |
|-----------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------|
| Acid | | $CH_3COO^- \sim Cl^-$ | Br- | I- |
| Hard acid | In ³⁺ | Strong bond | Relatively strong bond | Weak bond |

Table S2. Calculated bond formation energies from $In(A)_3$ to $In^{3+}(A = Cl^-, Ac^-, A$

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| | InCl ₃ | InAc ₃ | InBr ₃ | InI ₃ |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| E _{form} | 1.01 eV | 2.59 eV | 0.86 eV | 0.50 eV |

Table S3. Average lifetimes and radiative composite and nonradiative occupancies of AIGS QDs synthesized using InCl₃, InAc₃, InBr₃, and InI₃, respectively.

| AIGS | $<\tau_{av}>$ (ns) | τ_1 (ns) | $	au_2$ (ns) | f_1 | f_2 |
|-------------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------|--------|--------|
| InCl ₃ | 177.92 | 28.04 | 214.55 | 73.19% | 26.81% |
| InAc ₃ | 175.41 | 34.79 | 203.90 | 57.69% | 42.31% |
| InBr ₃ | 181.94 | 38.52 | 208.46 | 45.21% | 54.79% |
| InI ₃ | 197.24 | 42.70 | 223.08 | 38.22% | 61.78% |

Table S4. Element atom % of QD and etch-QD analyzed by XPS.

| Samala | | | Elemer | nt atom % | | |
|---------|-------|------|--------|-----------|-------|--|
| Sample | Ag | In | Ga | Ag+In+Ga | S | |
| QD | 11.88 | 5.49 | 17.43 | 34.80 | 65.20 | |
| Etch-QD | 18.18 | 9.09 | 5.84 | 33.11 | 66.89 | |

Table S5. Average lifetimes and radiative composite and nonradiative occupancies

| AIGS@GaS _x | $<\tau_{av}>$ (ns) | τ_1 (ns) | τ ₂ (ns) | τ ₃ (ns) | f_1 | f_2 | f_3 |
|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| InCl ₃ | 106.03 | 6.89 | 41.83 | 207.60 | 5.01% | 33.37% | 61.62% |
| InAc ₃ | 99.01 | 7.85 | 44.54 | 189.75 | 8.09% | 37.66% | 54.25% |
| InBr ₃ | 84.63 | 5.92 | 35.51 | 133.64 | 7.45% | 46.38% | 46.17% |
| InI ₃ | 76.66 | 4.35 | 26.86 | 157.10 | 8.55% | 54.69% | 36.76% |

of AIGS@GaSx QDs synthesized using InCl₃, InAc₃, InBr₃, and InI₃, respectively.

Table S6. Summary of properties based on I-III-VI and derivative QDs.

| QDs | PL (nm) | FWHM (nm) | Colour | PLQY (%) | Ref |
|-----------------------|------------|--------------|------------|-------------|-----------|
| AIS@GaS _x | 600 | 30 | Yellow | 56% | 1 |
| AIS@GaS _x | ~580 | ~33 | Yellow | 72.3 | 2 |
| AIS@GaS _x | 560 | 45 | Yellow | 26.7 | 3 |
| AIS@GaS _x | 530 | ~37 | Green | 40 | 4 |
| AIS@GaS@ZnS | 575 | ~48 | Yellow | ~60 | 5 |
| AIGS@GaS _x | 530 | 41 | Pure-Green | ~28 | 6 |
| AIGS@GaS _x | 568 | 36 | Yellow | 71 | 7 |
| AIGS@GaS _x | 518 | 36 | Green | 68 | 8 |
| AIGS@GaS _x | 543 | 37 | Green | 99 | 9 |
| AIGS@GaS _x | 528 | 31 | Pure-Green | 53 | 9 |
| AIGS@AGS | 517 | 30 | Green | 96 | 10 |
| AIGS@GaS _x | 530 | 31 | Pure-Green | 90 | This work |

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