

**“Turn-on-off-on” Fluorescence switching of
Quantum dots-cationic Porphyrin nanohybrid: A sensor for DNA**
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Fig. S1. A) The UV-Vis absorption spectra of CdTe-TGA collected at different refluxing time.
B) EDAX spectrum and C) The XRD profile for the synthesized CdTe-TGA quantum dots.

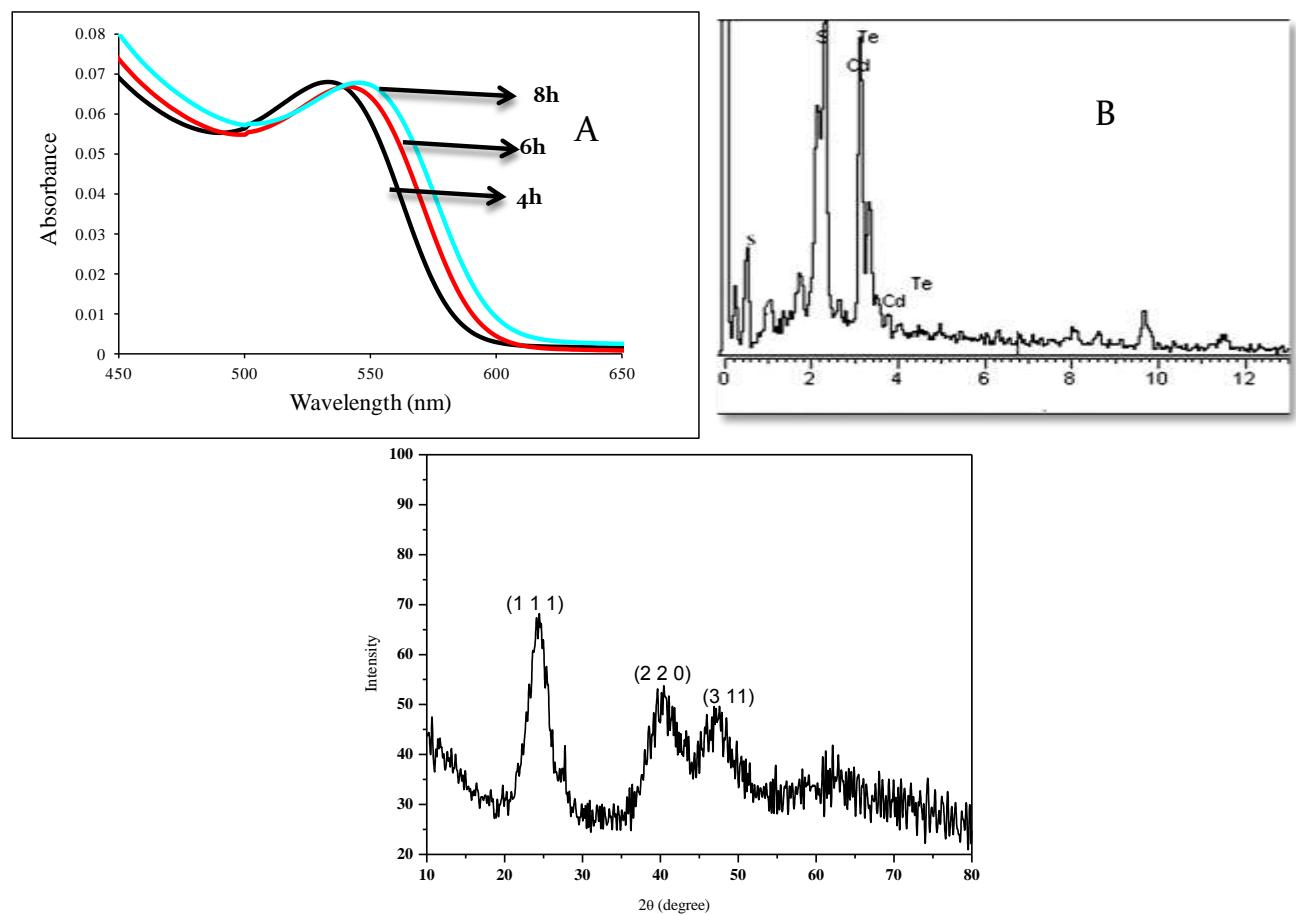


Fig. S2. FTIR spectra of positively charged CdTe-DEA quantum dots (red solid line) and DEA (broken line)

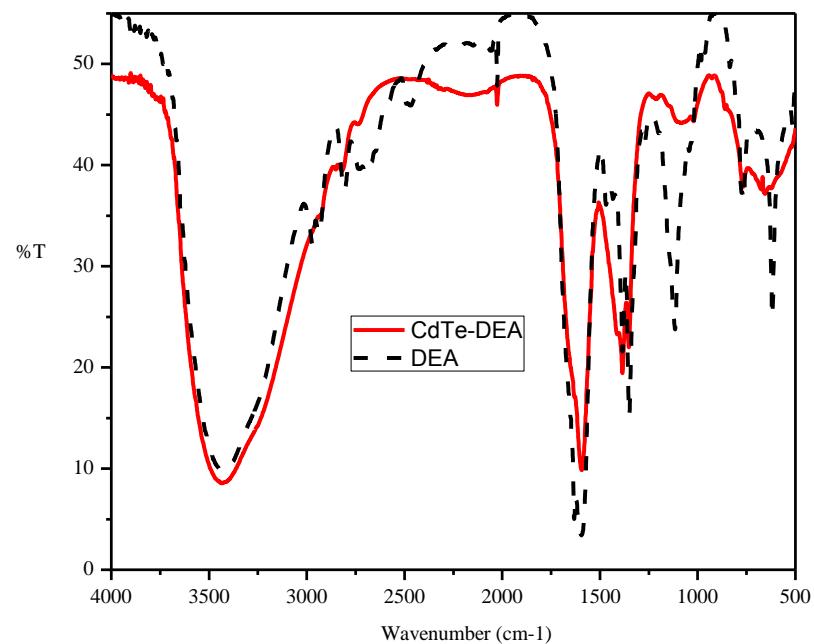


Fig. S3. Fluorescence intensity of CdTe-TGA at various pH ranging from 3-12

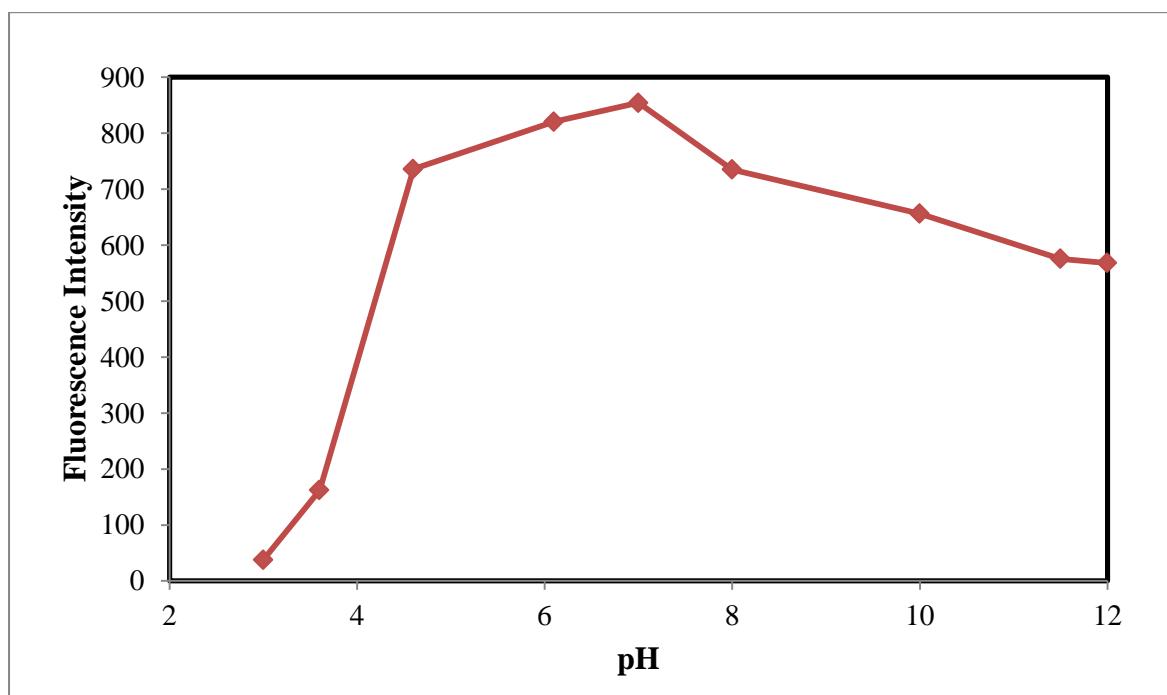


Fig. S4. Fluorescence decay of CdTe-TGA in the presence and absence of ZnTMPyP (1 x 10⁻⁵ M): $\lambda_{\text{exi}} = 500$ nm (blue colored prompt decay which is for instrument calibration)

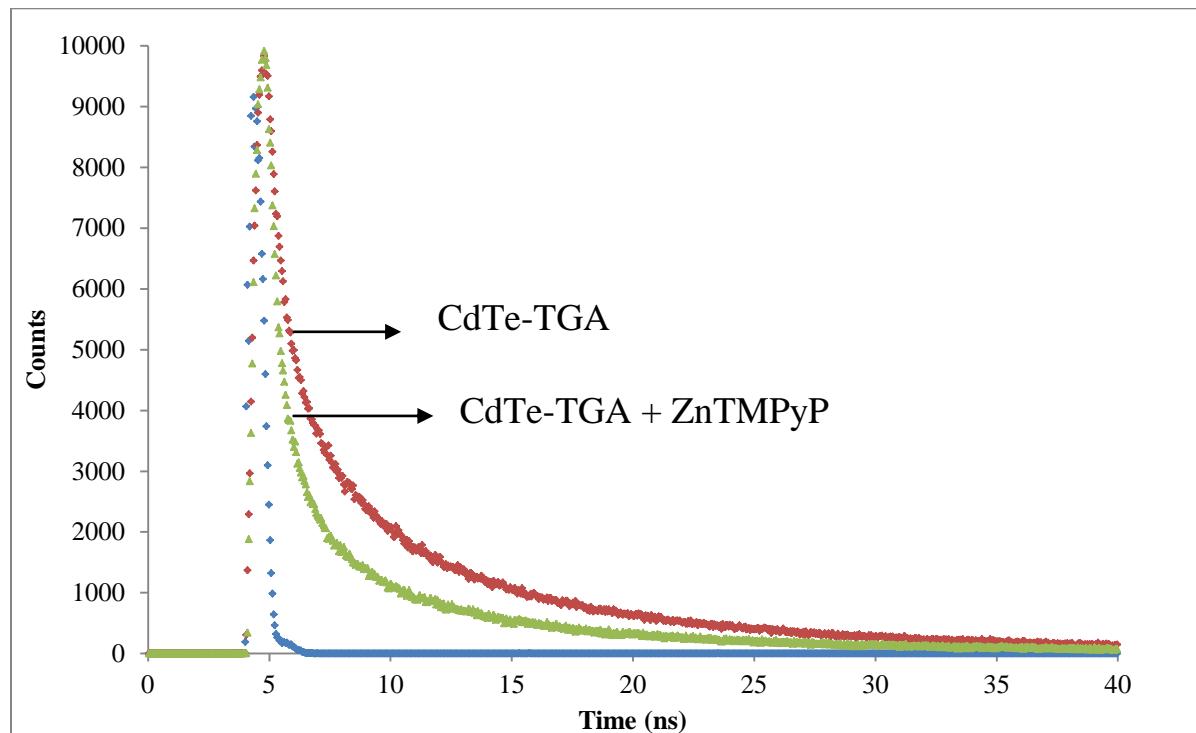


Fig. S5. Plot between $1/F_0 - F$ vs $1/[Q]$ (Comparison of binding constant)

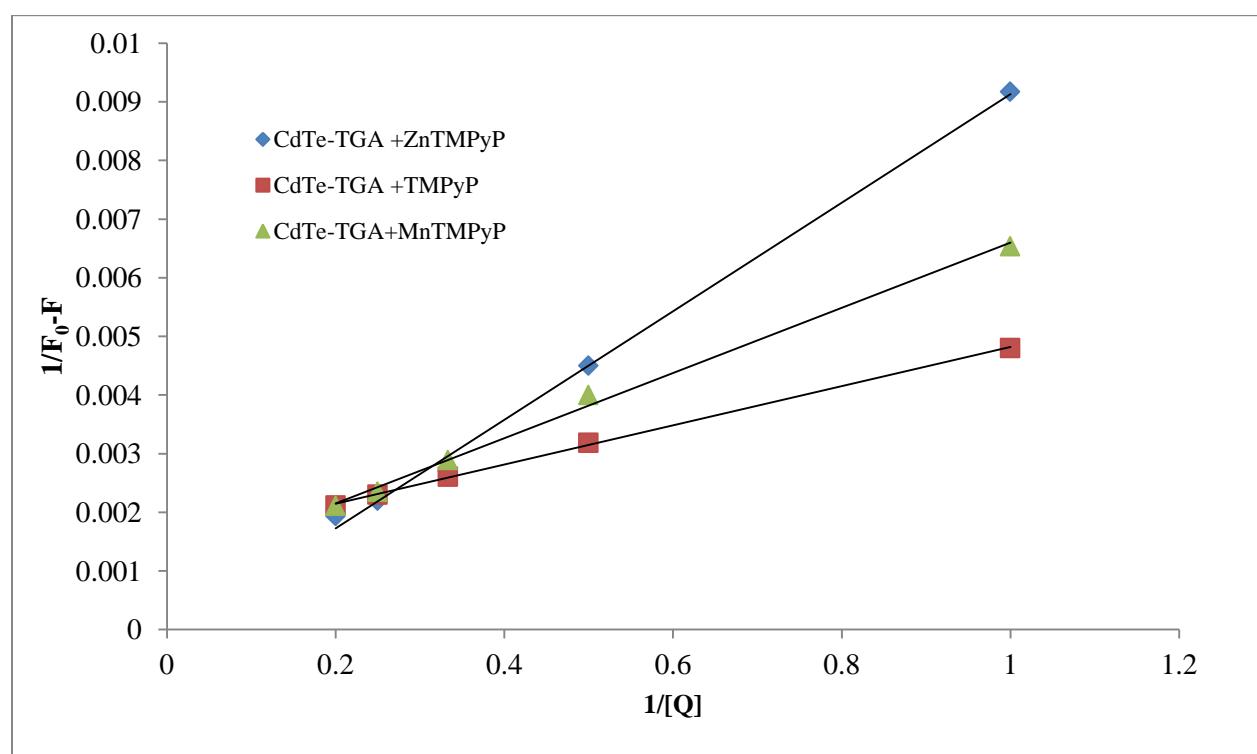


Fig. S6. Three dimensional spectra of a) CdTe-TGA (Red lines) b) CdTe-TGA+MnTMPyP (Green lines) c) CdTe-TGA+MnTMPyP+CtDNA (Blue lines), Concentration of CdTe-TGA= 1×10^{-7} M, MnTMPyP = 1×10^{-6} M, CtDNA = 31.6×10^{-8} M, pH= 7.5 and T= 298K.

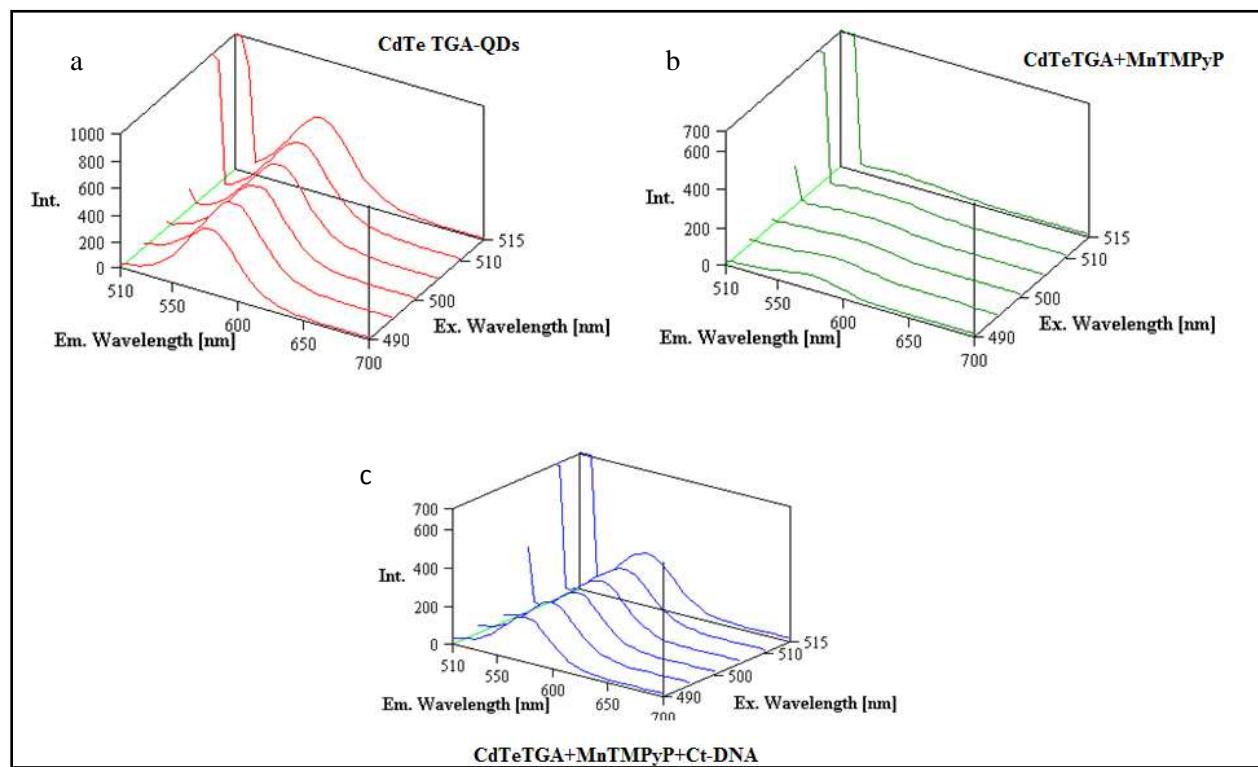


Fig. S7. The overlaps of absorbance spectra of TMPyP (a) and emission spectra of CdTe-TGA (b). The concentration of quantum dots and the cationic porphyrins were 1×10^{-6} M.

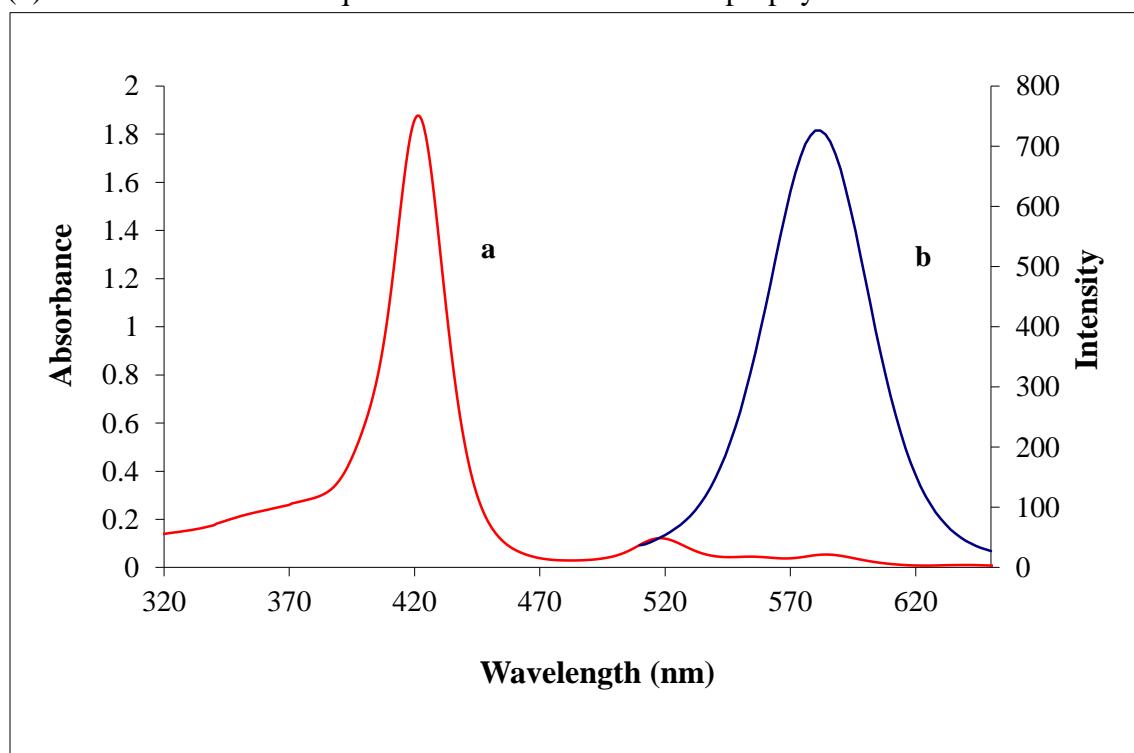


Fig.S8. Transient absorption spectrum of CdTe-TGA (Black), ZnTmPyP (Green) and mixture of CdTe-TGA+ ZnTmPyP (brown) recorded at 20 μ s after the laser flash (500 nm).

