

Fig. S1 TEM images of (a) GQD1 prepared by 17 mins of microwave heating time and (b) GQD4 that was prepared by providing 23 mins of microwave heating.

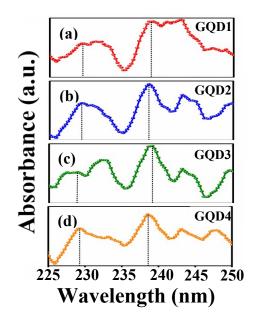


Fig. S2 UV-vis absorption spectra of (a) GQD1, (b) GQD2, (c) GQD3 and (d)GQD4 showing the existence of C=C in the graphene quantum dots.