

## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

### **Graphitic carbon nitride nanosheets with tunable optical properties and their superoxide dismutase mimetic ability**

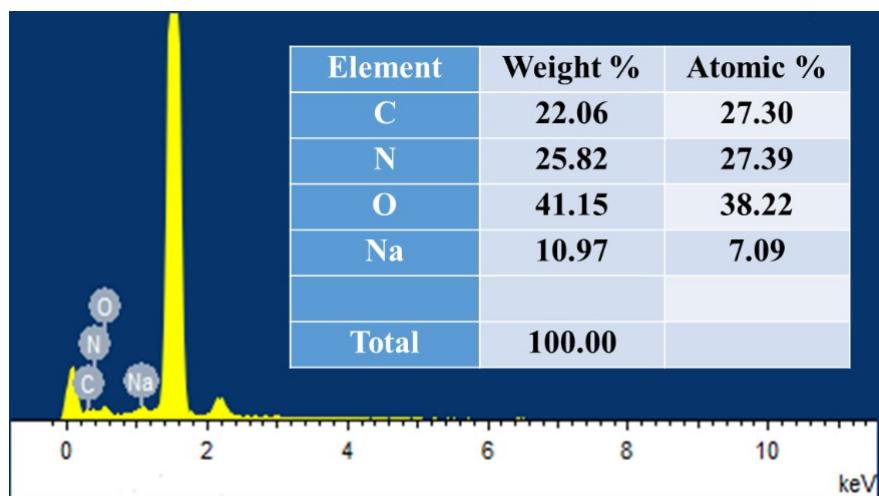
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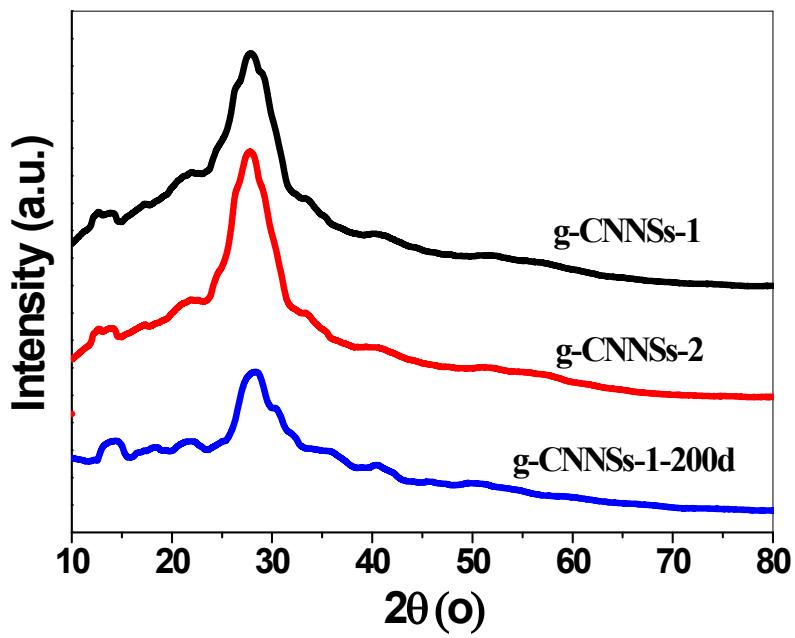
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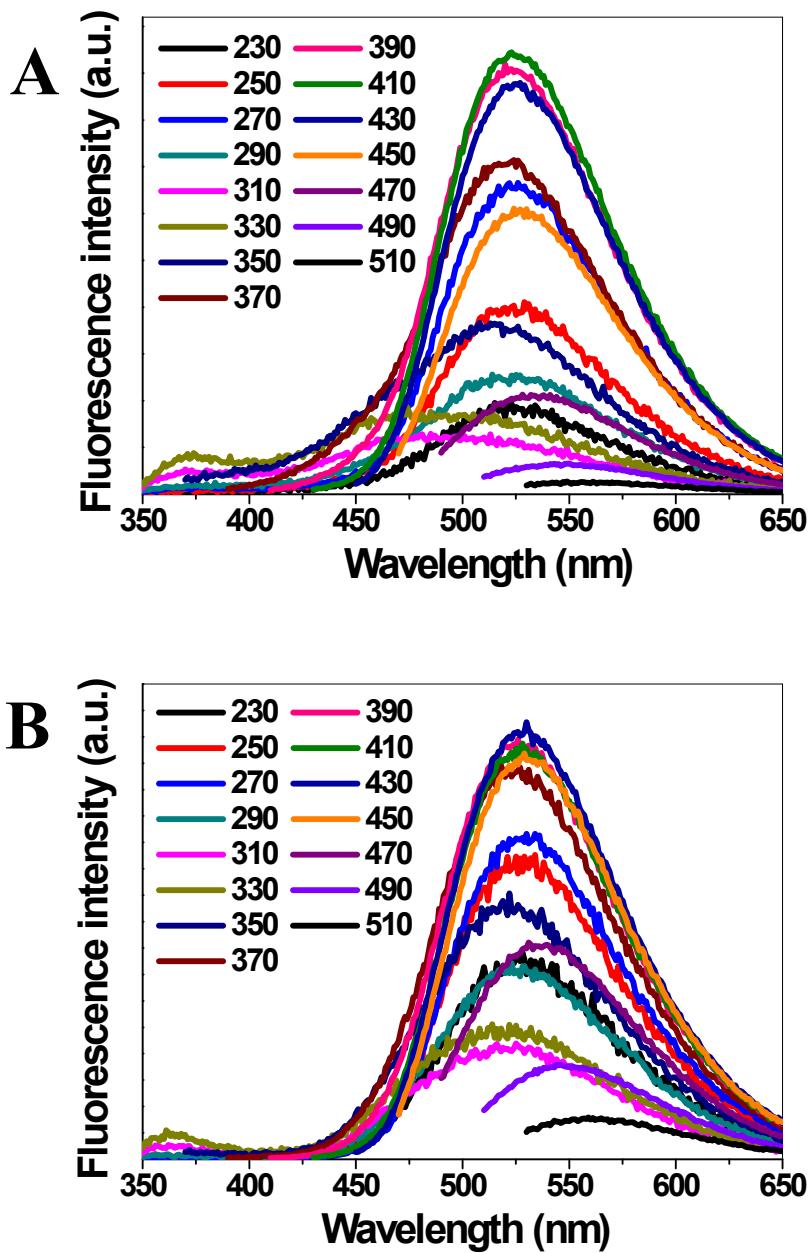
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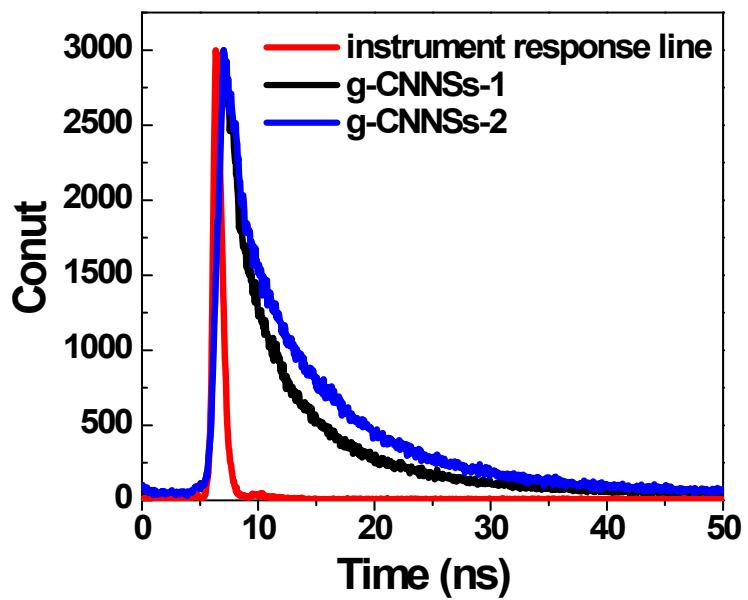
**Fig. S1** EDS of the g-CNNSSs.



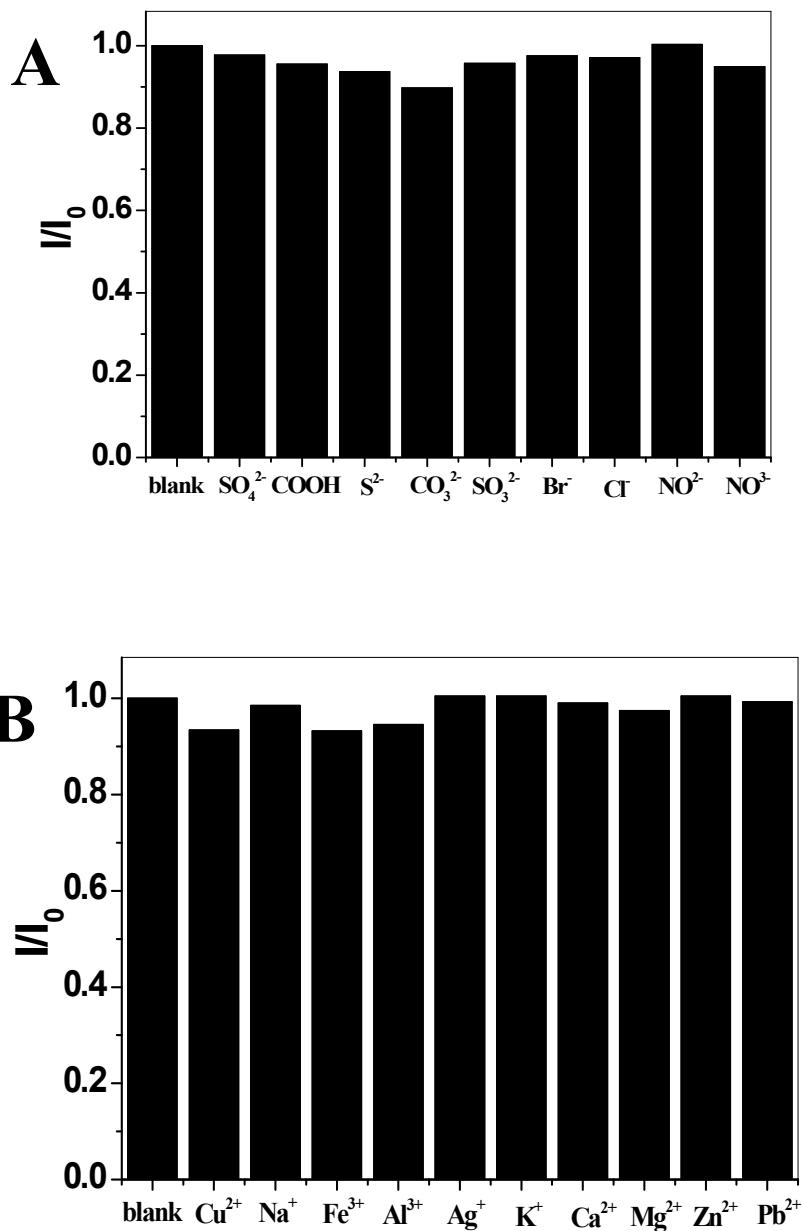
**Fig. S2** XRD pattern of the g-CNNs.



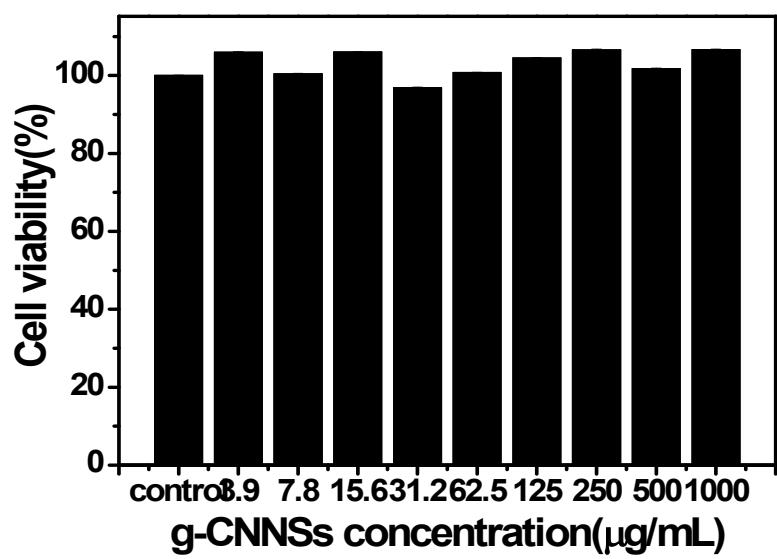
**Fig. S3** Emission spectra of the g-CNNs-1 (A) and g-CNNs-2 (B) recorded progressively longer excitation wavelength of 20 nm increments.



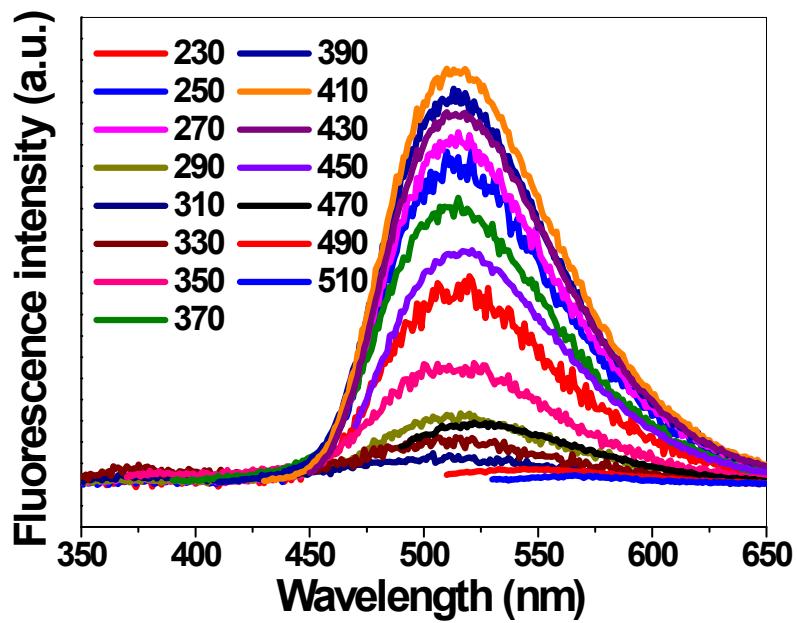
**Fig. S4** PL life time of g-CNNSs dispersed aqueous solution.



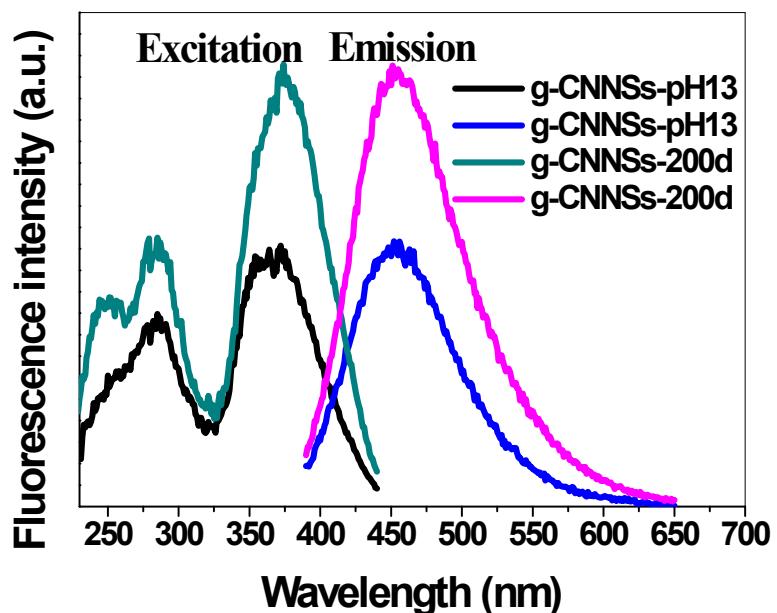
**Fig. S5** (A) Fluorescence changes of g-CNNSSs with different anions. The concentration of all anions is 500  $\mu\text{M}$ . (B) Fluorescence changes of g-CNNSSs with different metal ions. The concentrations of all metal ions are 50  $\mu\text{M}$ .  $I_0$  and  $I$  correspond to the fluorescence intensity of g-CNNSSs in the absence and presence of anions or metal ions.



**Fig. S6** The viability of Hep G2 cells with different concentrations of g-CNNSSs.

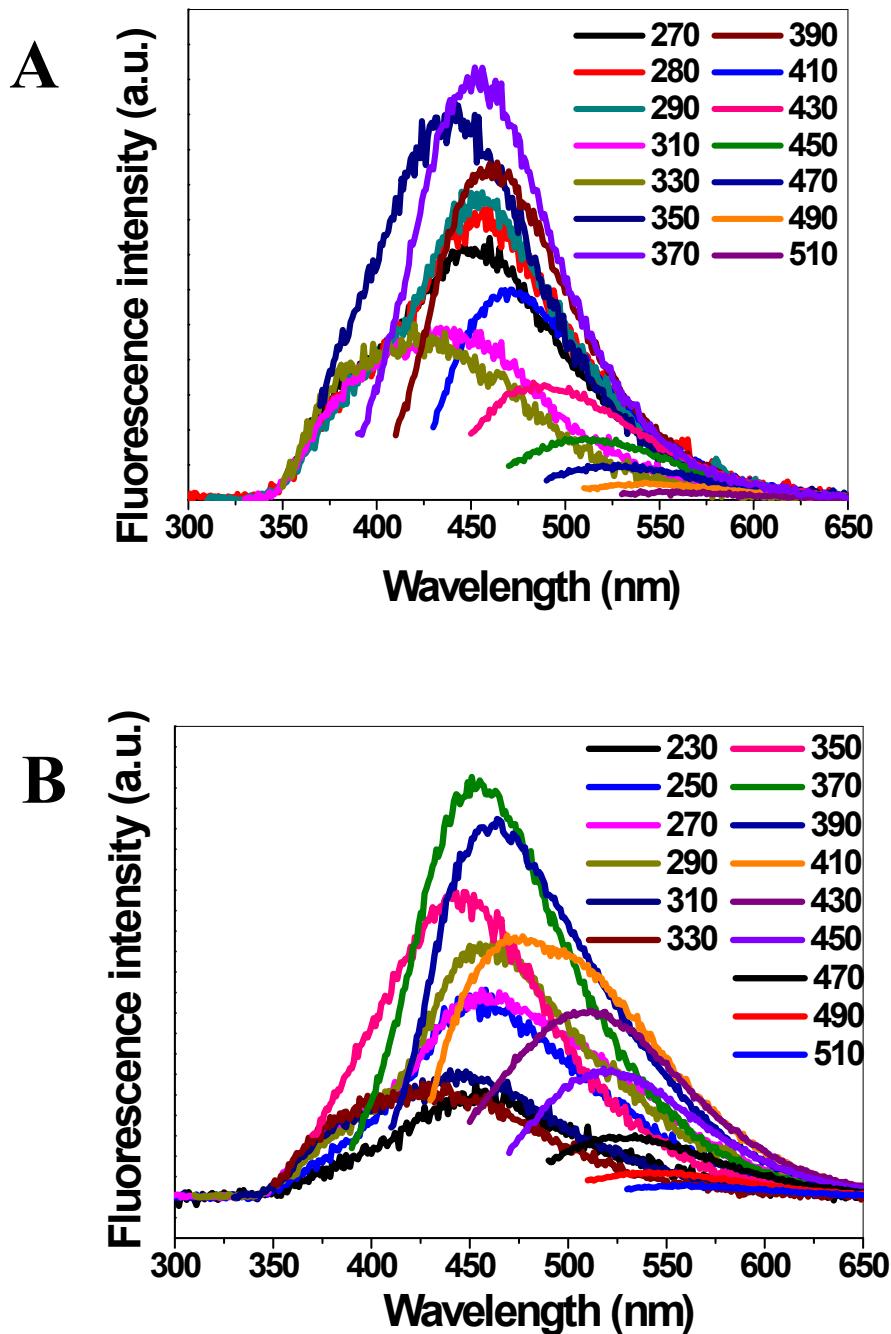


**Fig. S7** Emission spectra of the g-CNNSS-2 in ethanol recorded progressively longer excitation wavelength of 20 nm increments.

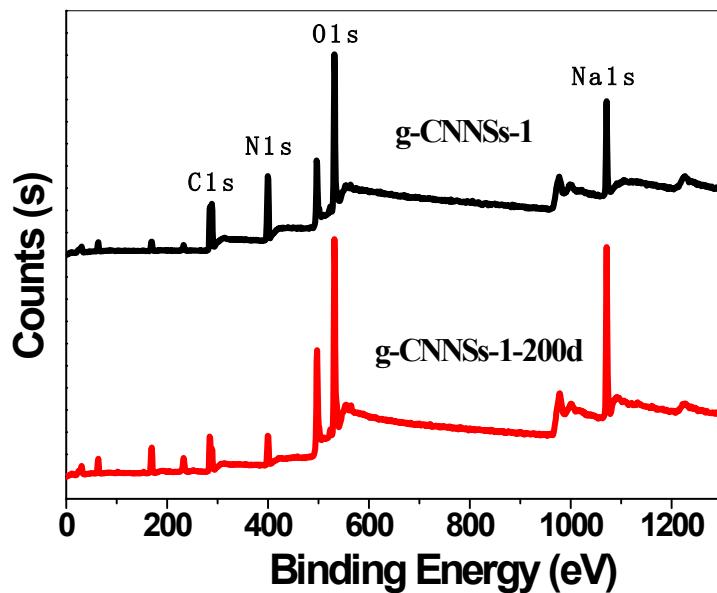


**Fig. S8** Excitation and emission spectra of the g-CNNSSs-1 in alkaline solution

(pH=13) and storage (200d).



**Fig. S9** Emission spectra of the g-CNNs-1 in alkaline solution (A, pH=13) and storage (B, 200d) recorded progressively longer excitation wavelength of 20 nm increments.



**Fig. S10** XPS analysis of g-CNNSS-1 and g-CNNSS-1-200d in full spectra.

**Table S1** XPS analysis of different atomic content in materials.

Materials	Atomic %		
	C1s	N1s	O1s
g-CNNSS-1	42.14	26.26	31.6
g-CNNSS-200d	33.59	14.12	52.29