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Supporting information (SI) for

Influence of local structure on photoluminescence properties of Eu<sup>3+</sup> doped CeO<sub>2</sub> red phosphors through induced oxygen vacancies by contrasting rare earth substitutions

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## Figure S1.

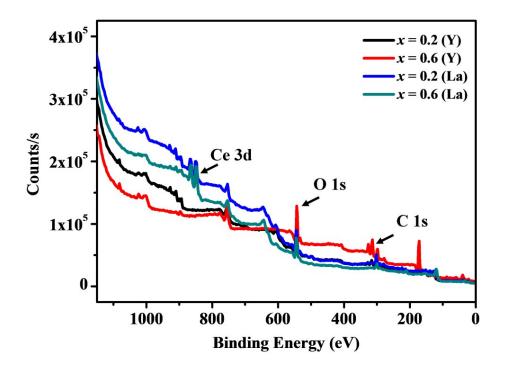
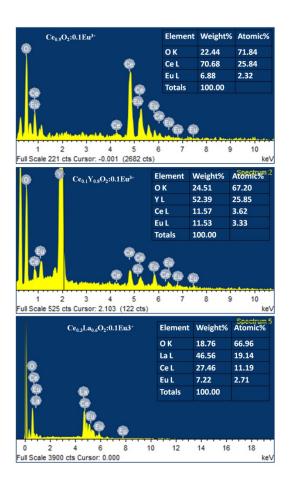


Fig. S1 XPS survey spectra of  $Ce_{0.9-x}RE_xO_{2-\delta}$ :0.1Eu<sup>3+</sup> (RE = Y and La; x = 0.2 and 0.6) red phosphors.

## Figure S2.



**Fig. S2.** EDS spectra of  $Ce_{0.9}O_{2-\delta}$ :  $0.1Eu^{3+}$ ,  $Ce_{0.1}Y_{0.8}O_{2-\delta}$ :  $0.1Eu^{3+}$  and  $Ce_{0.3}La_{0.6}O_{2-\delta}$ :  $0.1Eu^{3+}$ 

red phosphors which identifies the presence of all expected elements.

Figure S3.

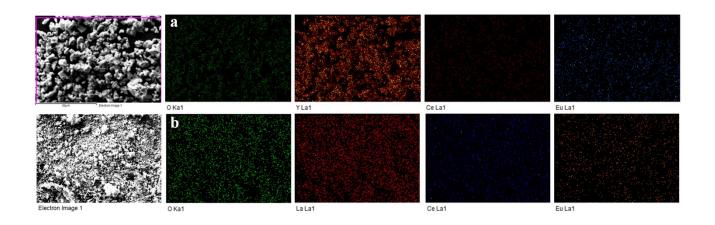


Fig. S3 Elemental mapping of typical a)  $Ce_{0.1}Y_{0.8}O_{2-\delta}$ : 0.1Eu<sup>3+</sup> and b)  $Ce_{0.3}La_{0.6}O_{2-\delta}$ 

 $_{\delta}$ :0.1Eu<sup>3+</sup>red phosphor. This confirms that all the elements are uniformly distributed in the

lattice.

Figure S4.

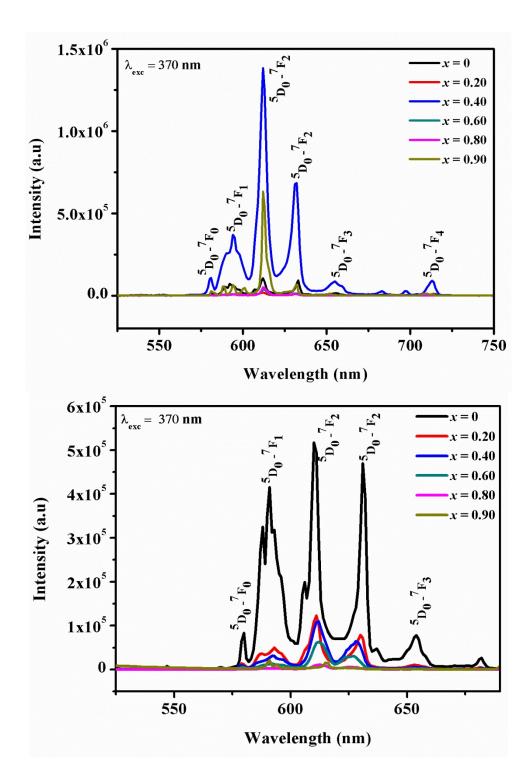


Fig S4. Emission spectra a)  $Ce_{0.9-x}Y_xO_{2-\delta}:0.1Eu^{3+}$  b)  $Ce_{0.9-x}La_xO_{2-\delta}:0.1Eu^{3+}$  where (x = 0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, and 0.90) red phosphors excited at 370 nm.