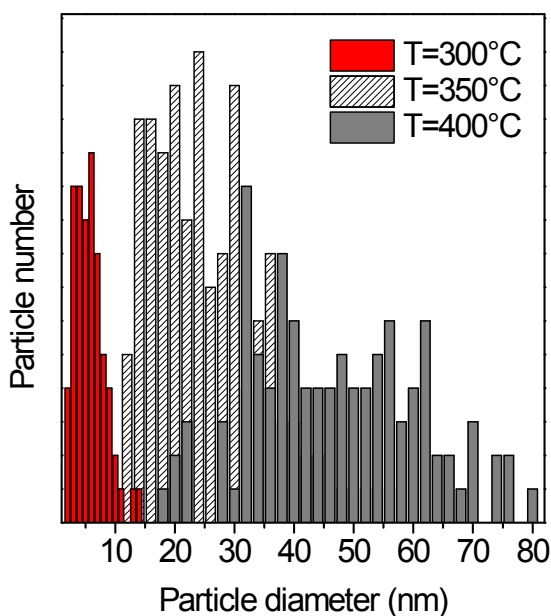
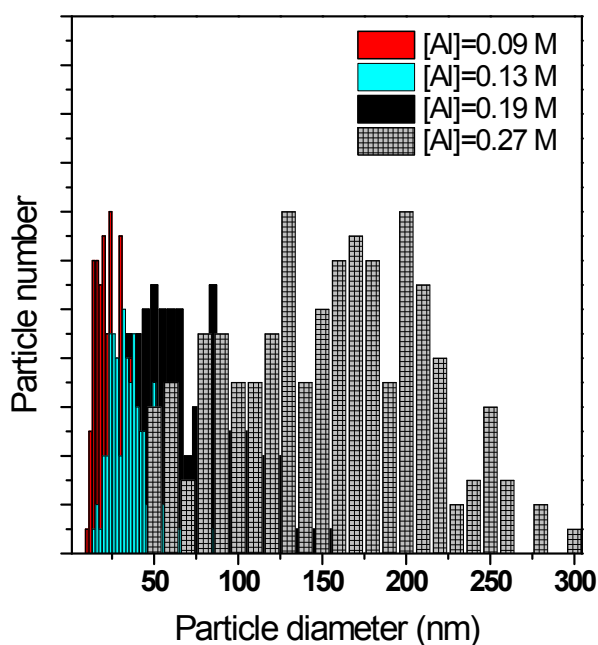


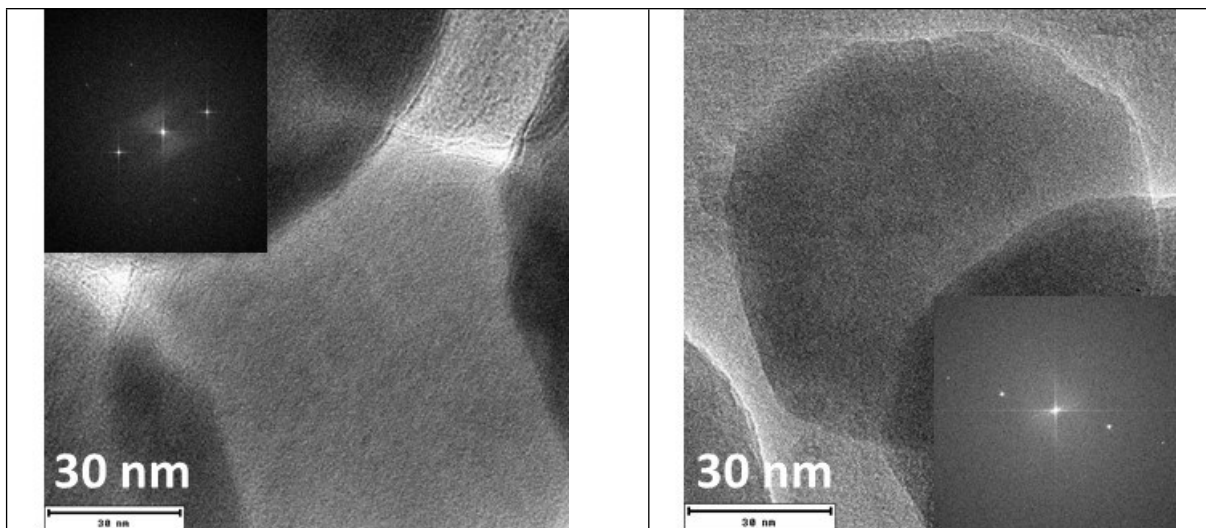
### Supplementary information



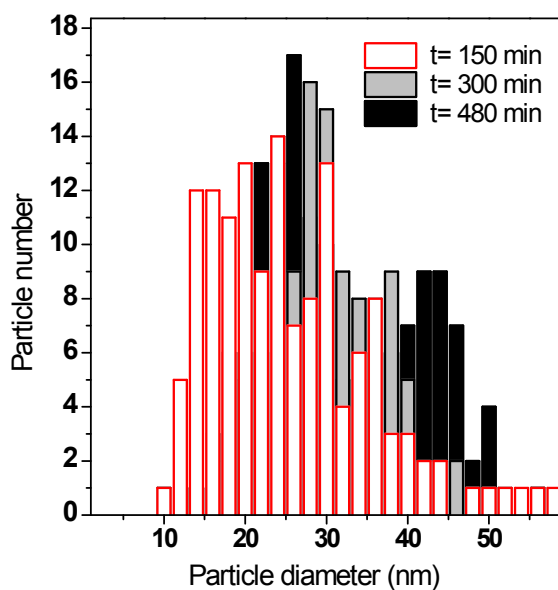
**Figure S1:** Size distribution of YAG:Ce nanocrystals obtained under different synthesis temperatures. Other parameters are kept constant:  $P = 200$  bar,  $[\text{Al}] = 0.09$  mol/L and  $t = 150$  min.



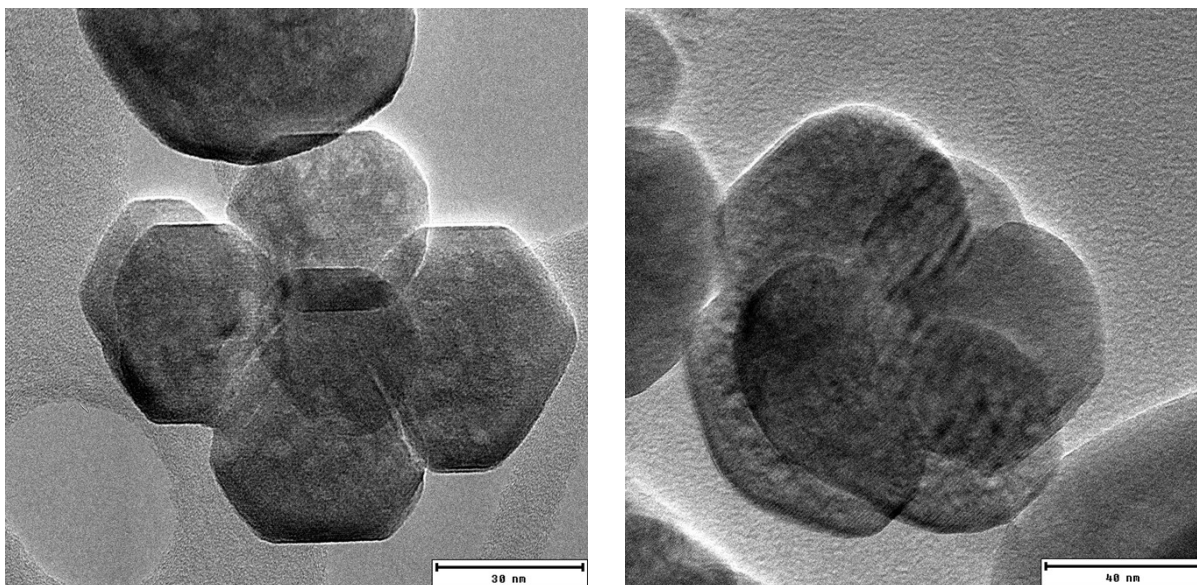
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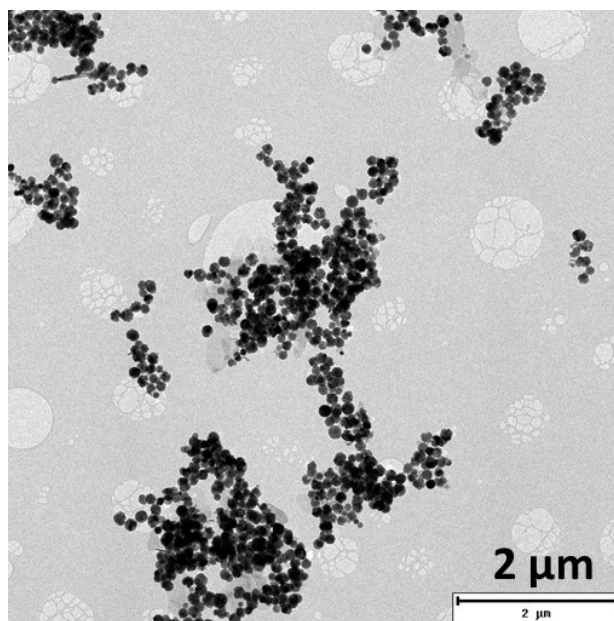
**Figure S3:** High resolution TEM images of YAG:Ce nanocrystals obtained on the following conditions :  $[Al] = 0.27 \text{ mol.L}^{-1}$ ,  $P = 200 \text{ bar}$ ,  $T = 350^\circ\text{C}$  and  $t = 150 \text{ min}$ . The Fourier Transforms have been added to underline the single-crystal character of these particles.



**Figure S4:** Size distribution of YAG:Ce nanocrystals obtained at  $P = 200 \text{ bar}$ ,  $T = 350^\circ\text{C}$  and  $[Al] = 0.09 \text{ mol.L}^{-1}$  for different reaction time.



**Figure S5:** TEM images of some YAG:Ce nanocrystals obtained under  $P = 200$  bar,  $T = 400^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $[\text{Al}] = 0.18 \text{ mol.L}^{-1}$  and  $t = 300$  min.



**Figure S6:** TEM image of YAG:Ce nanocrystals with an average size of 100 nm

Temperature (°C)	[Al] concentration (M)	Time (min)	Nanocrystal size (nm) determined by TEM imaging
300	0.09	150	6 , mainly gathered in aggregates
350	0.09	150	23 and a few aggregates
400	0.09	150	47 nm
350	0.02	150	6, mainly gathered in aggregates
350	0.13	150	35
350	0.18	150	65
350	0.27	150	180
350	0.09	70	15, mainly gathered in aggregates
350	0.09	300	29
350	0.09	480	34
350	0.18	300	50
350	0.18	480	110

**Table S1:** Summary of the synthesis conditions and the size of the resulting nanocrystals