

*Electronic Supporting Information*

**AIE-active polyanetholesulfonic acid sodium salts with room-temperature phosphorescence characteristics for Fe<sup>3+</sup> detection**

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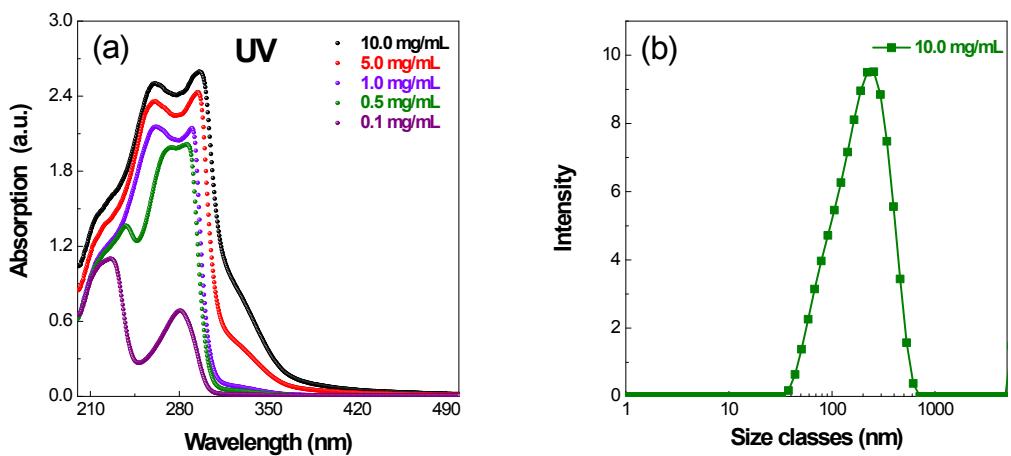
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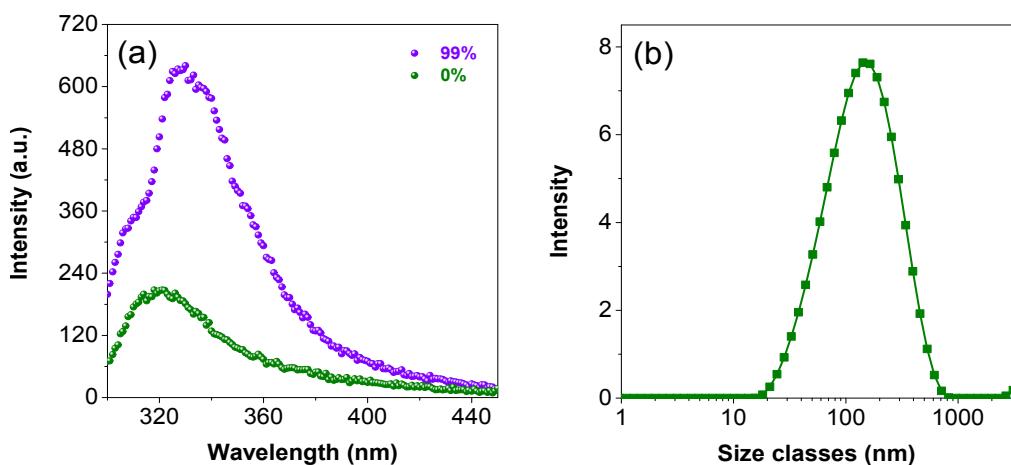
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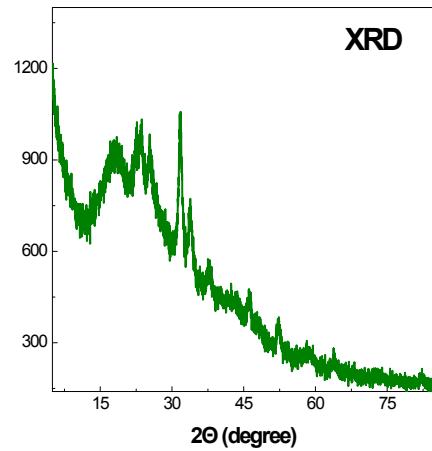
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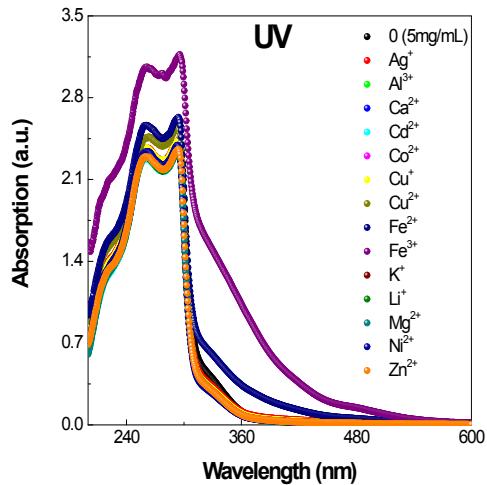
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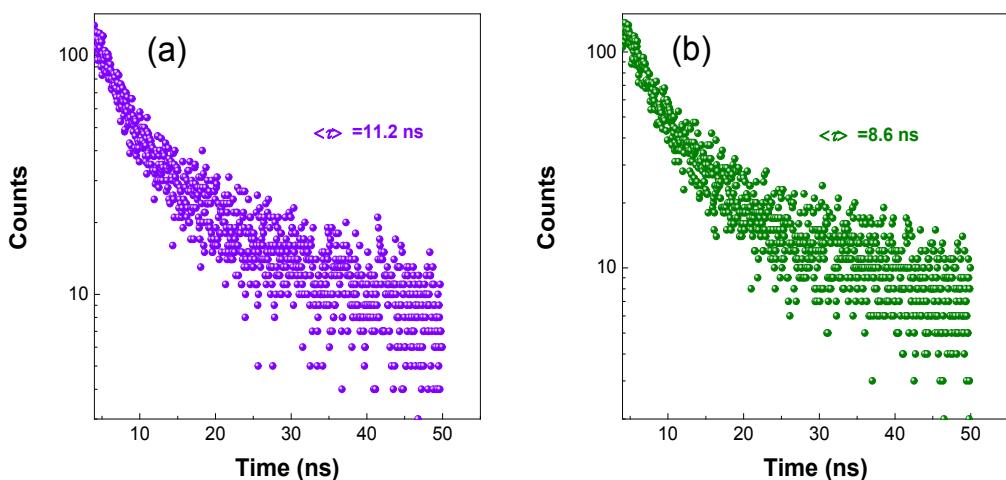
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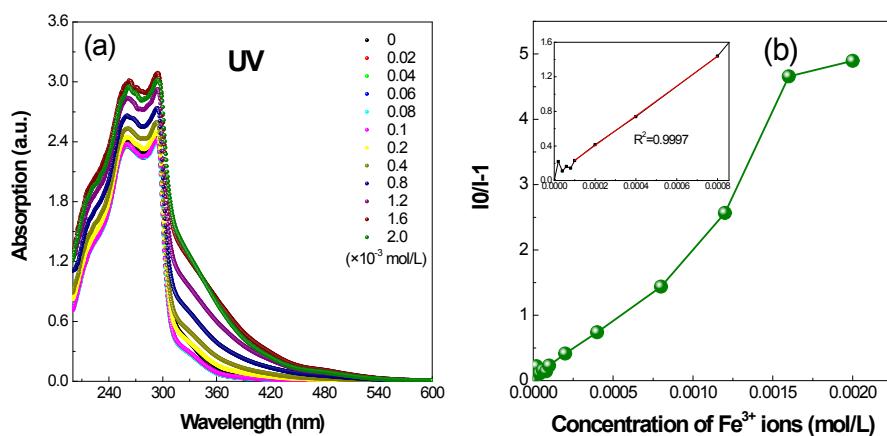
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