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Red-emission over a wide range of wavelength at various temperatures from tetragonal BaCN₂:Eu²⁺

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Figure S3 Temperature dependence of powder XRD patterns for BaCN₂:Eu. Black triangles indicate diffraction lines attributed to an impurity phase.



Figure S4 Luminescence decay curves monitoring 650 nm emission of BaCN₂:Eu at different temperatures. All decay curves were fitted using a single exponential function as mentioned in Experimental Section.



Figure S5 Radiative rate constant (k_r) and nonradiative rate constant (k_{nr}) at different temperatures calculated using both the lifetime (T) and the estimated quantum efficiency (QE). The QE values at different temperatures were estimated from the integrated emission intensity ratio shown in Fig. 5b and the QE value at room temperature (42%).

The QE and τ are expressed as

$$QE = \frac{k_r}{k_r + k_{nr}} \tag{S1}$$

and

$$\tau = \frac{1}{k_r + k_{nr}} \tag{S2}$$

From equations S1 and S2, we calculated k_r and k_{nr} values at each temperature.

Chemical formula	BaCN ₂		
Formula weight, M_r (g mol ⁻¹)	177.37		
Crystal form, color	Plate, Translucent colorless		
Crystal size, mm ³	0.075×0.062×0.014		
Radiation wavelength, λ (nm)	0.071073		
Temperature, T (K)	90		
Crystal system	Tetragonal		
Space group	<i>I4/mcm</i> (No. 140)		
Unit-cell dimensions, <i>a</i> (nm)	0.60028(2)		
<i>c</i> (nm)	0.71519(3)		
Unit-cell volume, V (nm³)	0.25771(2)		
Z	4		
Calculated density, D_{cal} (Mg m ⁻³)	4.572		
Absorption coefficient, μ (mm-1)	15.057		
Absorption correction	MULTI-SCAN (TWINABS) ⁵²		
Limiting Indices	$-5 \le h \le 5$		
	$-7 \leq k \leq 7$		
	$-9 \le l \le 9$		
Number of reflections	228		
Weight parameters, a, b	0.0066, 7.6297		
Goodness-of-fit on F ² , S	1.195		
$R1, \omega R2(I > 2\sigma(I))$	0.0257, 0.0493		
R1,ωR2(all data)	0.0332, 0.0517		

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 $R1 = \Sigma ||F_0| - |F_c|| / \Sigma |F_0|. \ \omega R2 = [\Sigma \omega (F_0^2 - F_c^2)^2 / \Sigma (\omega F_0^2)^2]^{1/2}, \ \omega = 1 / [\sigma^2 (F_0^2) + (aP)^2 + bP], \ \text{where } F_0 \text{ is the observed structure factor, } F_c \text{ is the calculated structure factor, } \sigma \text{ is the standard derivation of } F_c^2, \ \text{and } P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2) / 3. \ S = [\Sigma \omega (F_0^2 - F_c^2)^2 / (n-p)]^{1/2}, \ \text{where } n \text{ is the number of reflections and } p \text{ is the total number of parameters refined.}$

Reference:

S2) TWINABS (version 2012/1). Bruker AXS Inc., Madison, Wisconsin (USA) 2012.

Atom	Site	Occ.	X	у	Z	U _{iso}
Ва	4 <i>a</i>	1	0	0	0.25	0.0060(3)
С	4 <i>d</i>	1	0.5	0	0	0.006(3)
N	8h	1	0.3548(14)	0.1452(14)	0	0.006(2)

Table 2 Atomic coordinates for $BaCN_2$ at 90 K.

 U_{iso} / ×10⁻² nm² (= Å²)