

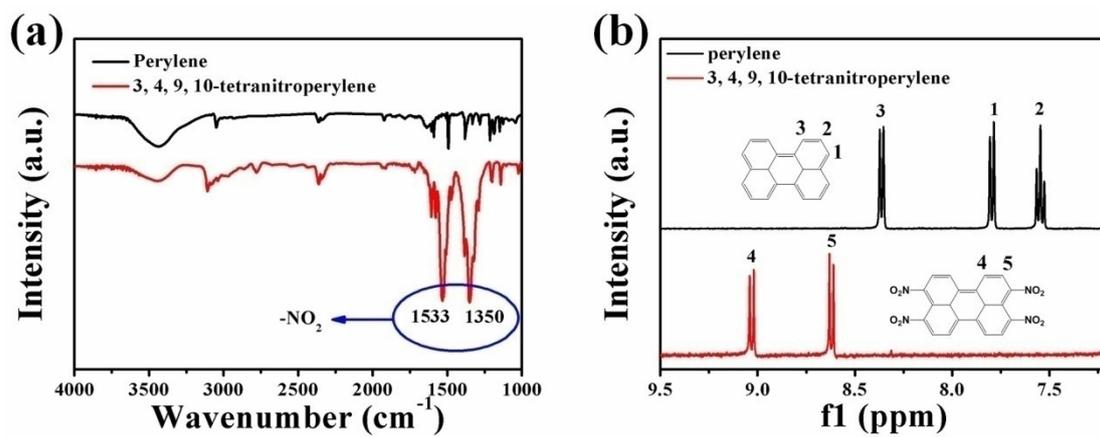
## **Highly Efficient Carbon Dots and Their Nanohybrids for Trichromatic White LEDs**

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**Fig. S1** The (a) FT-IR spectra and (b)  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra of perylene and 3, 4, 9, 10-tetranitroperylene.

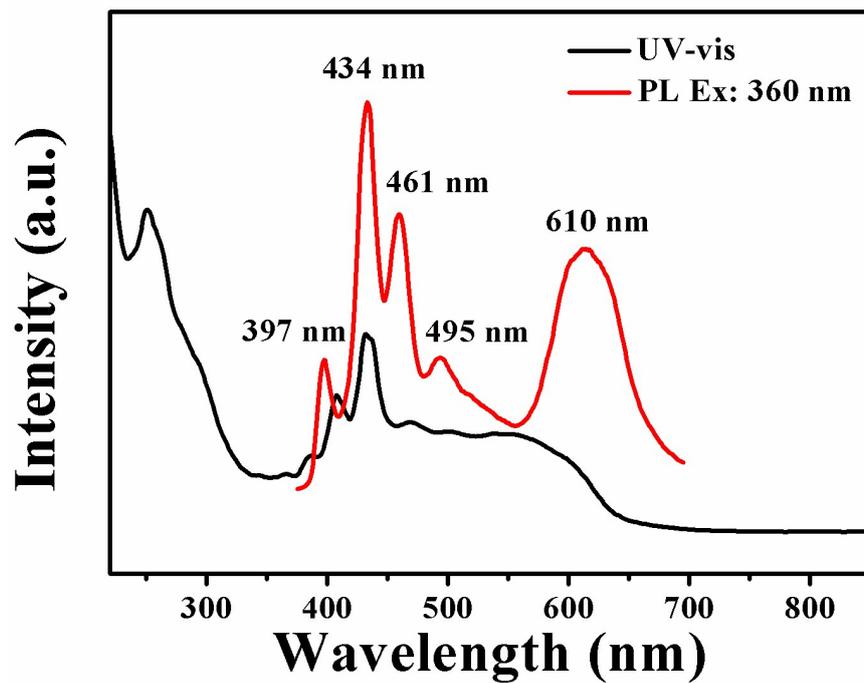
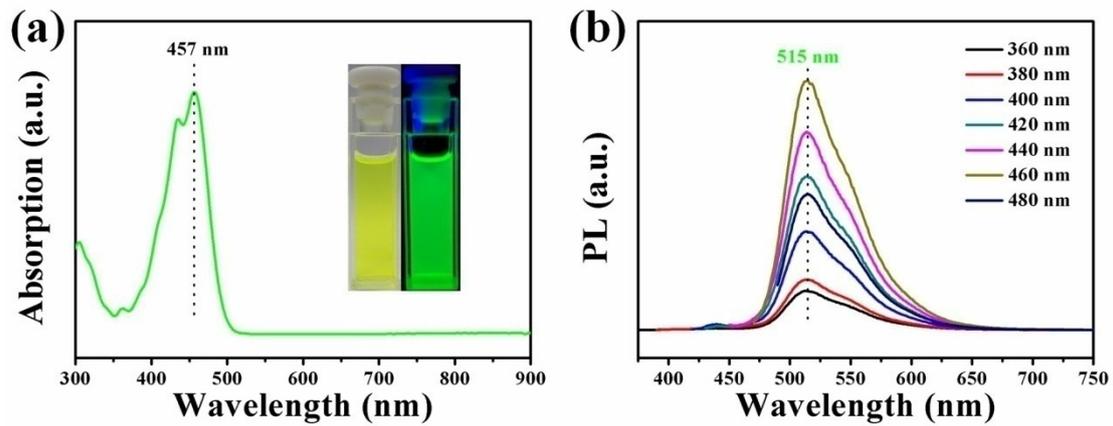
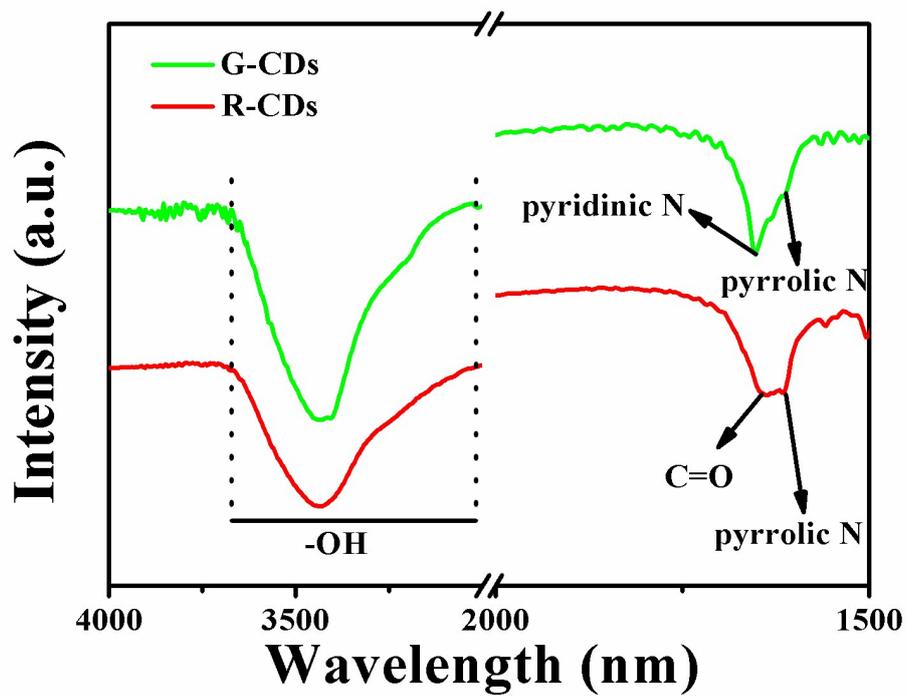


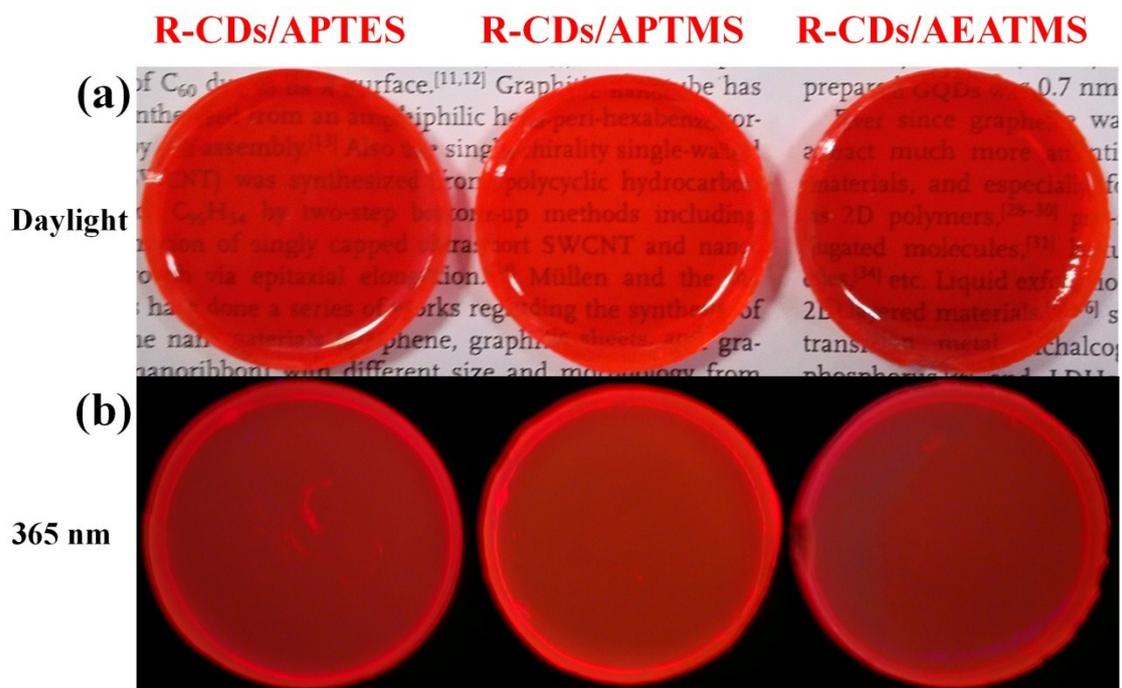
Fig. S2 The fluorescence and UV-vis absorption properties of the original CDs products.



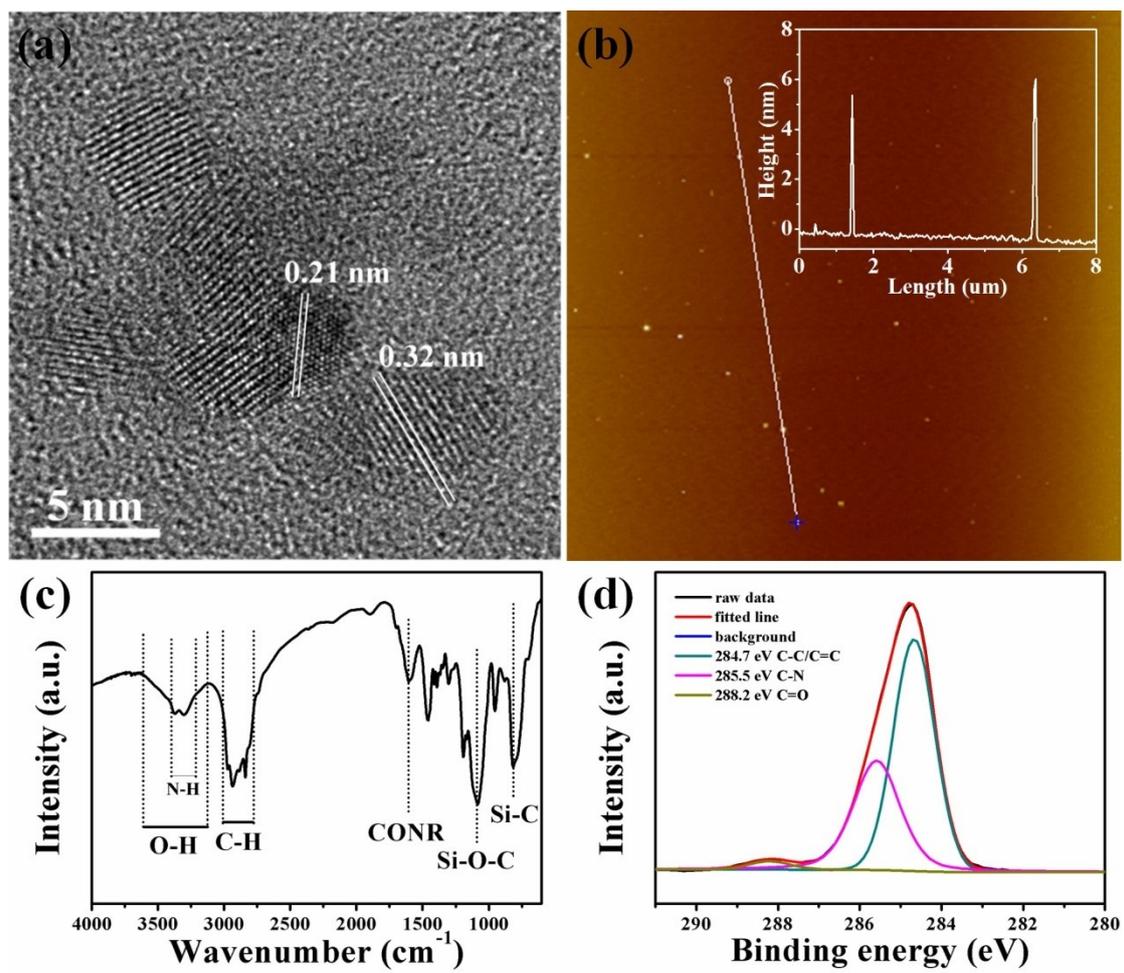
**Fig. S3** (a) UV-vis absorption spectrum of G-CDs (inset: the photo of G-CDs under daylight (left) and 365 nm UV light (right)), (b) PL spectra of G-CDs excited at different wavelengths.



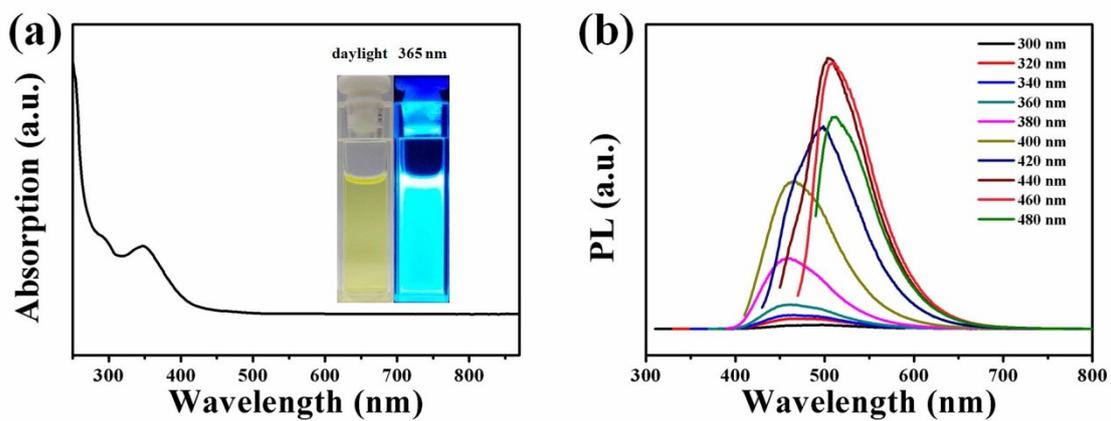
**Fig. S4** The FT-IR spectra of R-CDs and G-CDs.



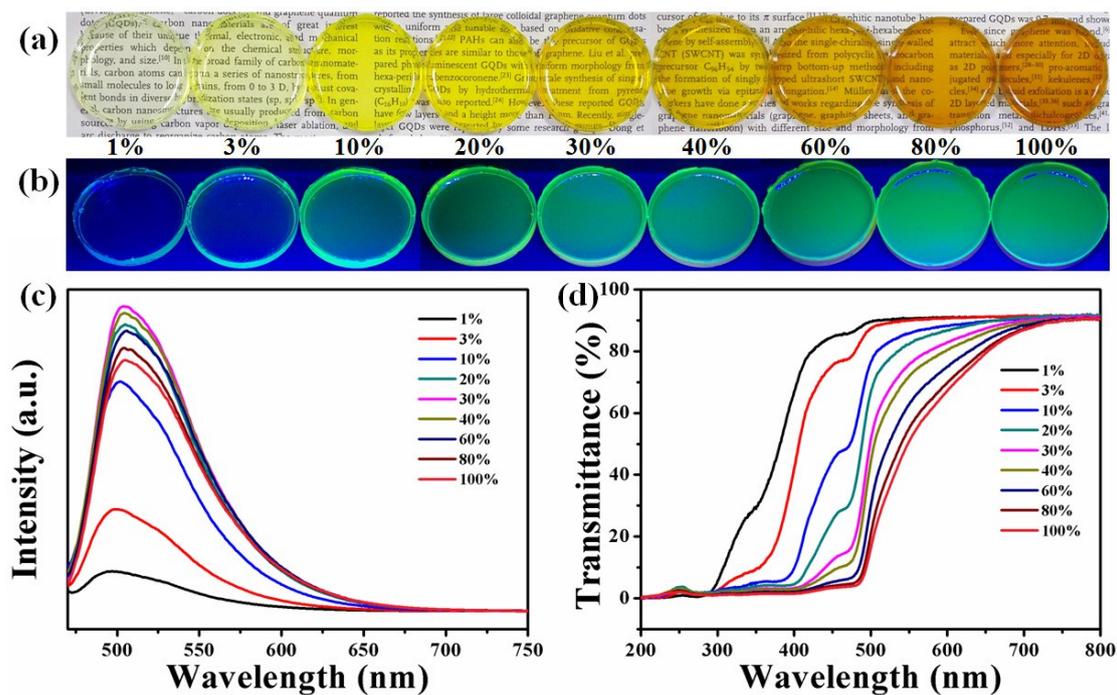
**Fig. S5** The pictures of R-CDs/APTES, R-CDs/APTMS and R-CDs/AEATMS gel-glasses under (a) daylight and (b) 365 nm UV light.



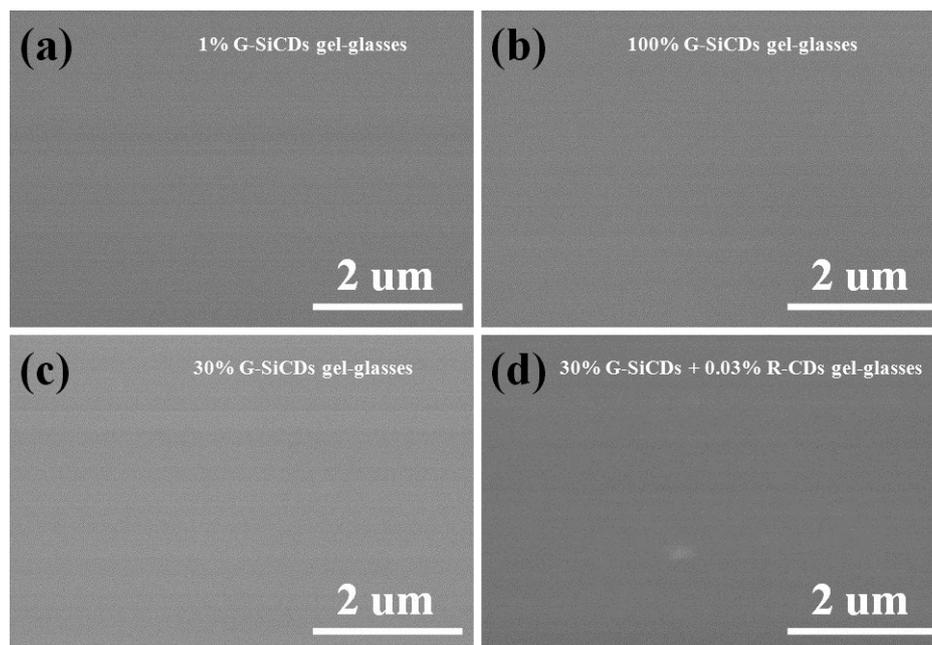
**Fig. S6** (a) TEM image, (b) AFM image and height along the line (inset), (c) FT-IR spectrum and (d) XPS C1s spectra of G-SiCDs.



**Fig. S7** (a) UV-vis absorption spectrum of G-SiCDs (inset: the photo of G-SiCDs under daylight (left) and 365 nm UV light (right)), (b) PL spectra of G-SiCDs excited at different wavelengths.



**Fig. S8** The pictures of G-SiCDs gel-glasses at different concentration under (a) daylight and (b) 460 nm blue light. The (c) PL spectra excited at 460 nm and (d) transmittance spectra of G-SiCDs gel-glasses at different concentration.



**Fig. S9** SEM images of fractured sections of G-SiCDs gel-glasses (a) 1%, (b) 100% and (c) 30%, (d) G-SiCDs/R-CDs gel-glasses (30%+0.03%).

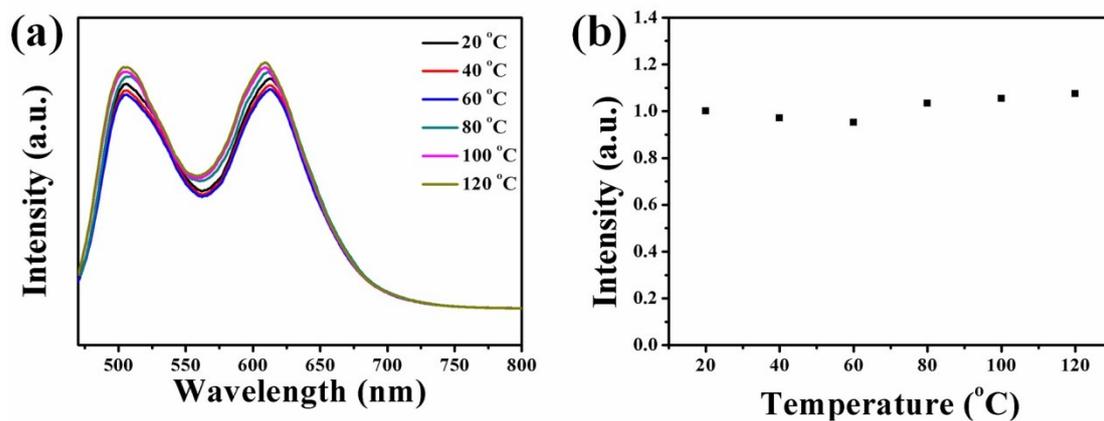
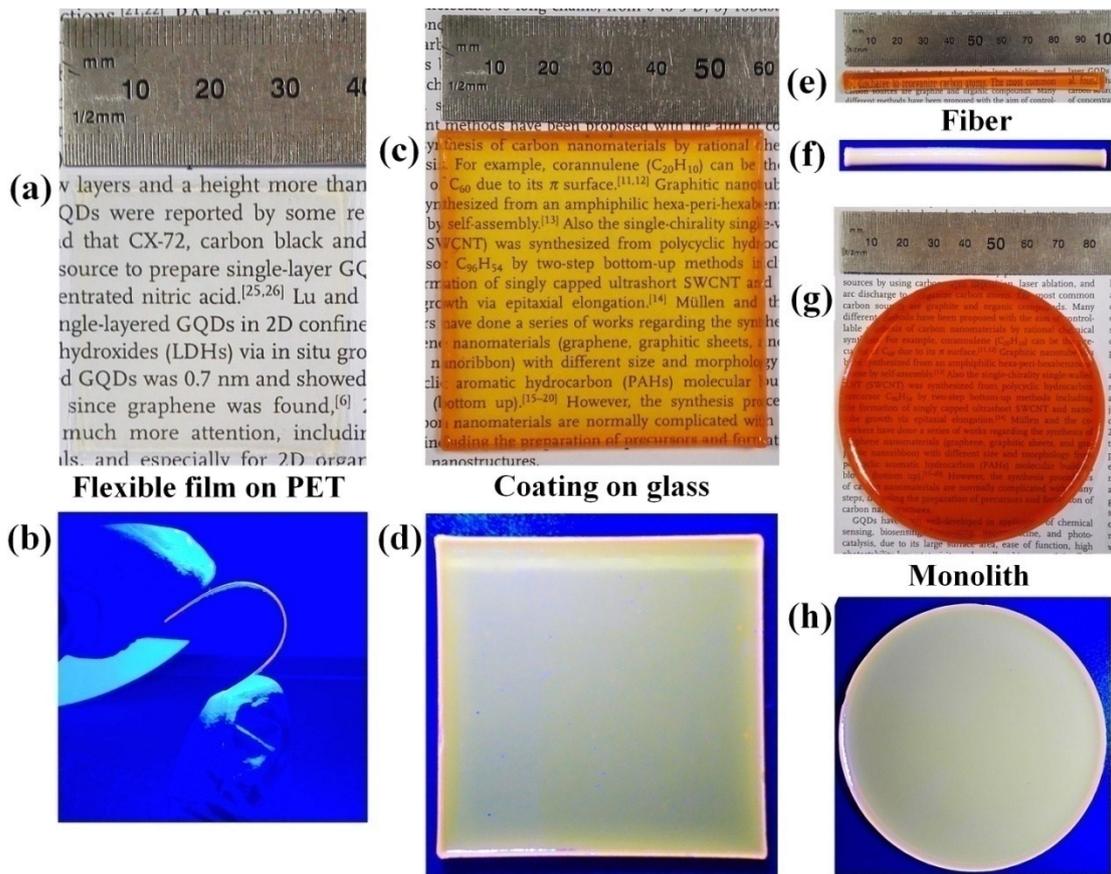
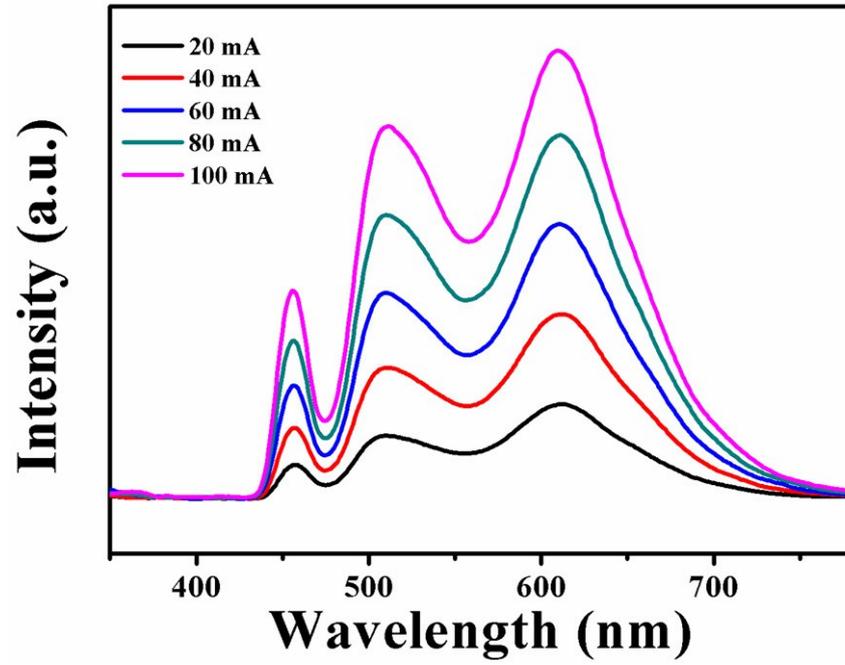


Fig. S10 The (a) PL spectra and (b) thermal stability of PL emission of G-SiCDs/R-CDs nanohybrids (30% + 0.01%) excited at 460 nm.



**Fig. S11** The pictures of G-SiCDs/R-CDs in different nanostructures, film (a) under daylight and (b) under 460 nm blue light, coating (c) under daylight and (d) under 460 nm blue light, fiber (e) under daylight and (f) under 460 nm blue light, monolith (g) under daylight and (h) under 460 nm blue light.



**Fig. S12** The EL spectra of the warm WLED with enhancing the drive current from 20 to 100 mA.

**Table S1** The luminous efficiency, CIE color coordinate, CCT and CRI of the warm WLED with enhancing the drive current from 20 to 100 mA.

<b>Current (mA)</b>	<b>LE (lm/W)</b>	<b>x</b>	<b>y</b>	<b>CCT (K)</b>	<b>CRI</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>68.58</b>	<b>0.4404</b>	<b>0.4306</b>	<b>3148</b>	<b>90.2</b>
<b>40</b>	<b>65.82</b>	<b>0.4343</b>	<b>0.4321</b>	<b>3260</b>	<b>90.6</b>
<b>60</b>	<b>63.39</b>	<b>0.428</b>	<b>0.432</b>	<b>3369</b>	<b>91.1</b>
<b>80</b>	<b>61.86</b>	<b>0.4233</b>	<b>0.4331</b>	<b>3460</b>	<b>91.5</b>
<b>100</b>	<b>60.22</b>	<b>0.4169</b>	<b>0.4348</b>	<b>3590</b>	<b>91.6</b>