

## Surface states modulation of red emitting carbon dots for white light-emitting diode

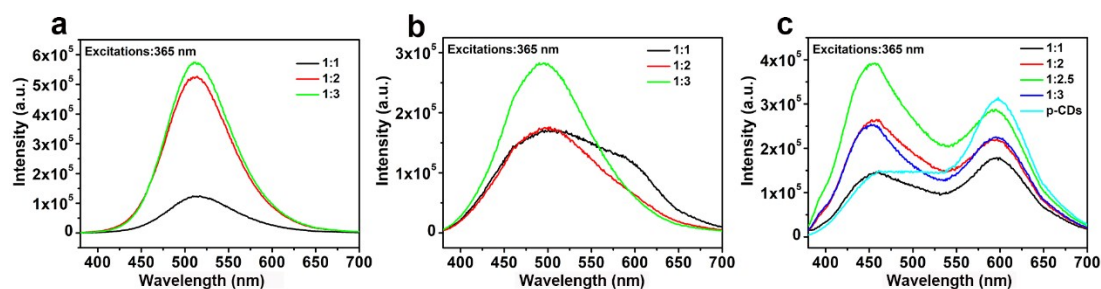
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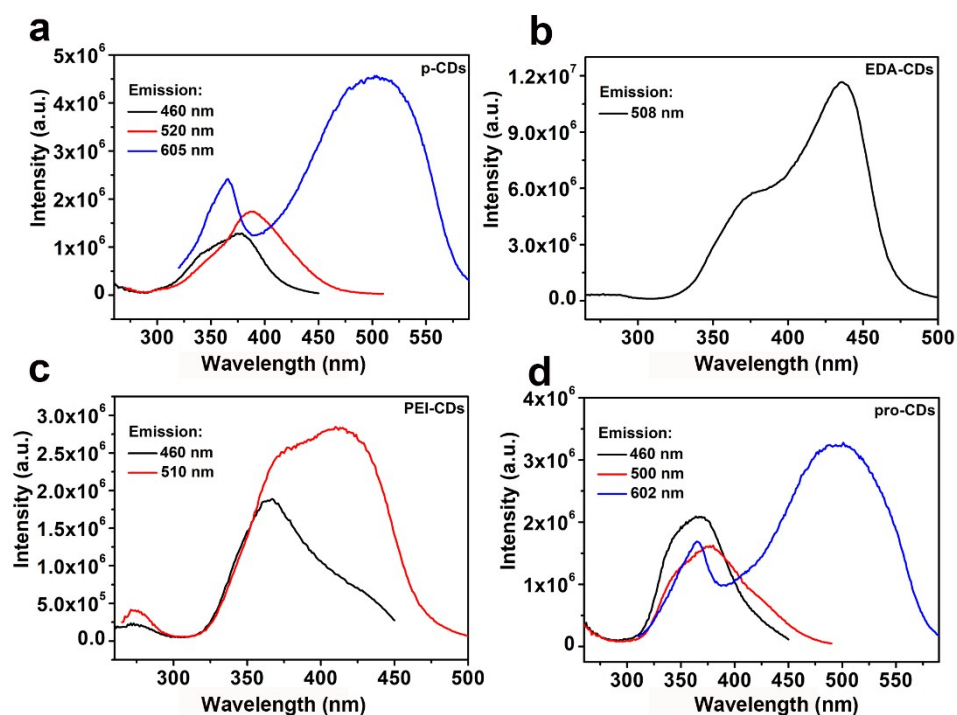
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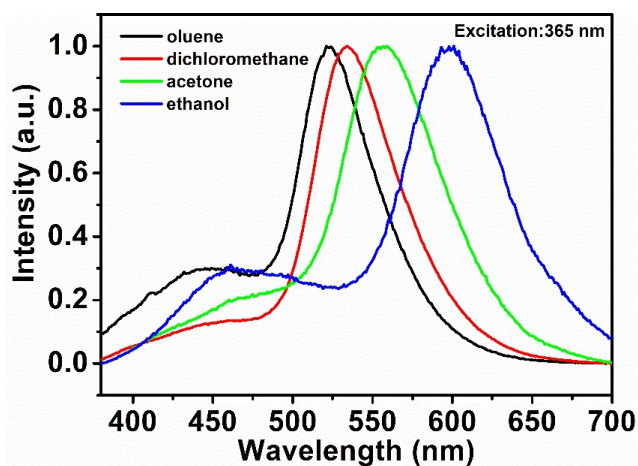
### Supporting information



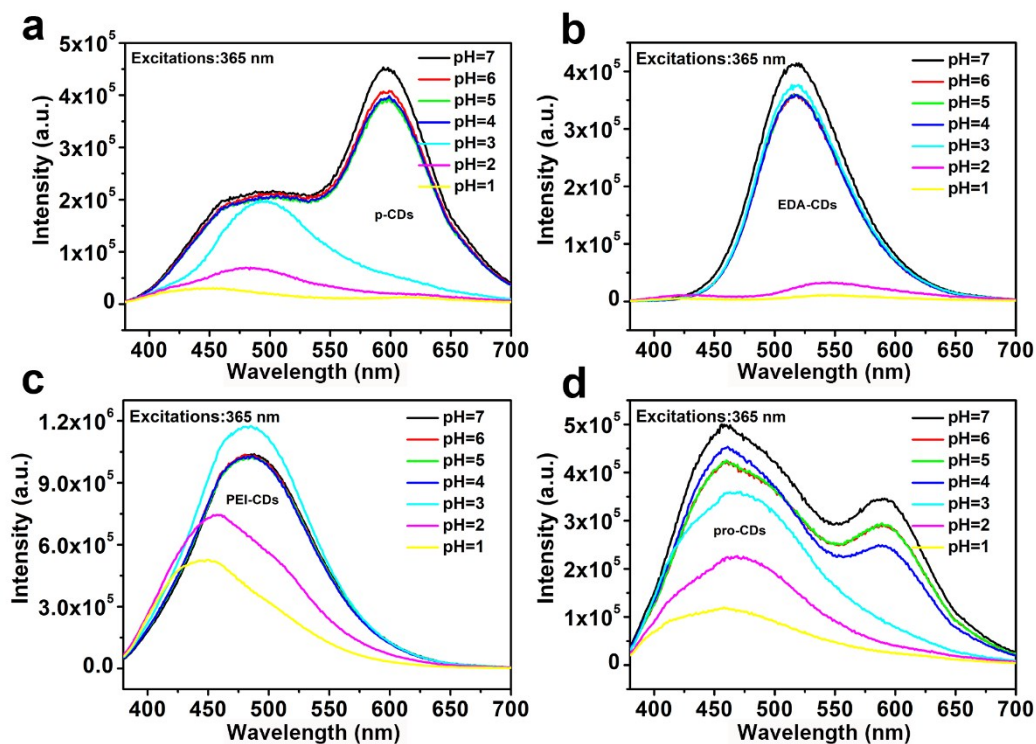
**Figure S1.** Fluorescence emission spectra of CDs with different molar ratios of raw materials excited by 365 nm. (a) Fluorescence emission spectra of EDA-CDs with different molar ratios of PDDA to EDA. (b) Emission spectra of PEI-CDs with different molar ratios of PDDA to PEI. (c) Fluorescence emission spectra of pro-CDs with different molar ratios of PDDA to L-proline.



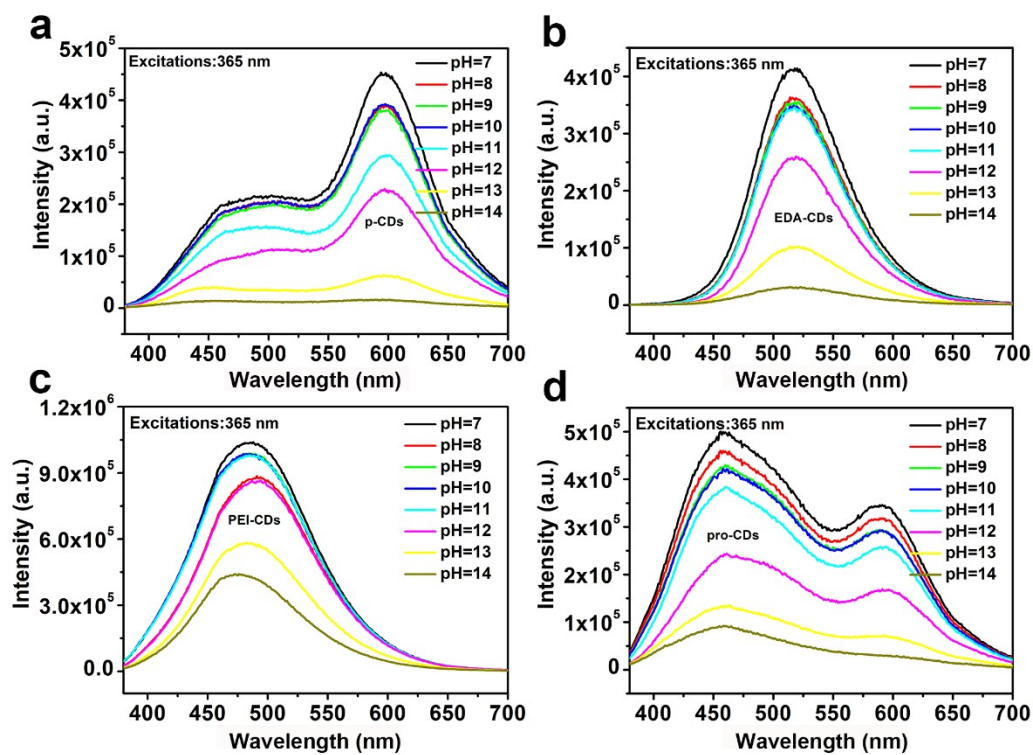
**Figure S2.** Fluorescence excitation spectra of (a) p-CDs, (b) EDA-CDs, (c) PEI-CDs, (d) pro-CDs.



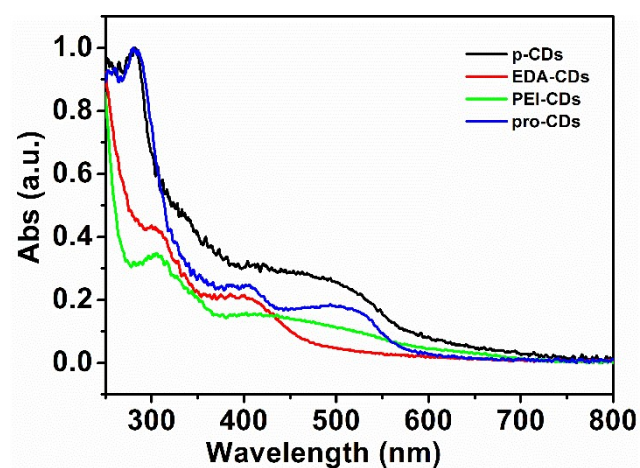
**Figure S3.** Photoluminescence spectra of the p-CDs in different solvents excited by 365 nm.



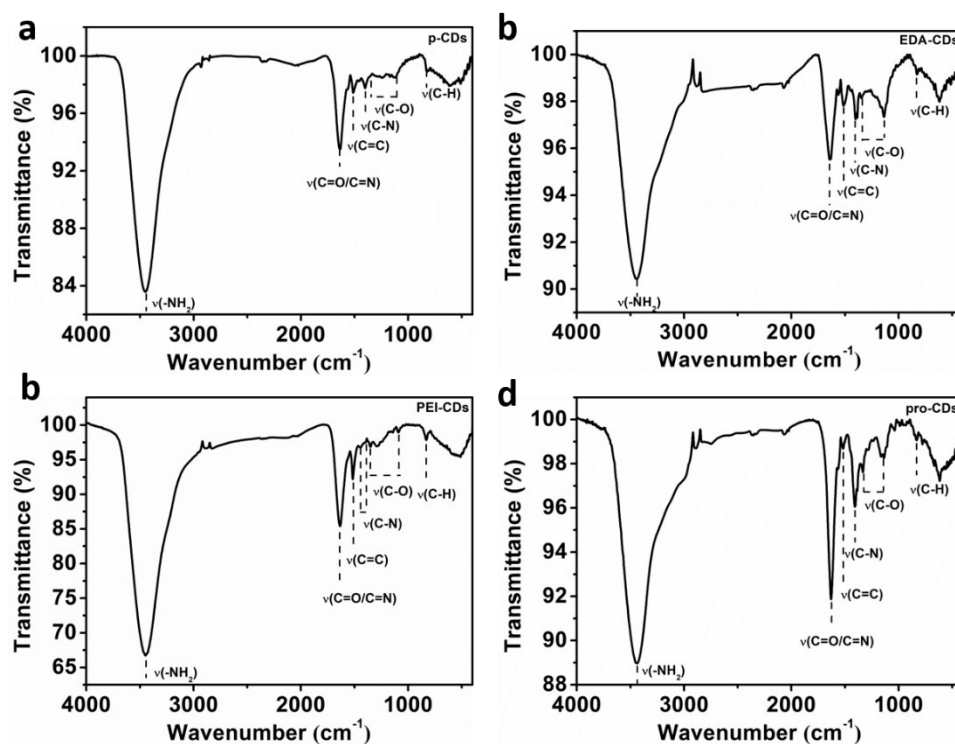
**Figure S4.** Emission spectra of the four CDs by changing pH values (1–7) with addition of HCl.



**Figure S5.** Emission spectra of the four CDs by changing pH values (7–14) with addition of NaOH.



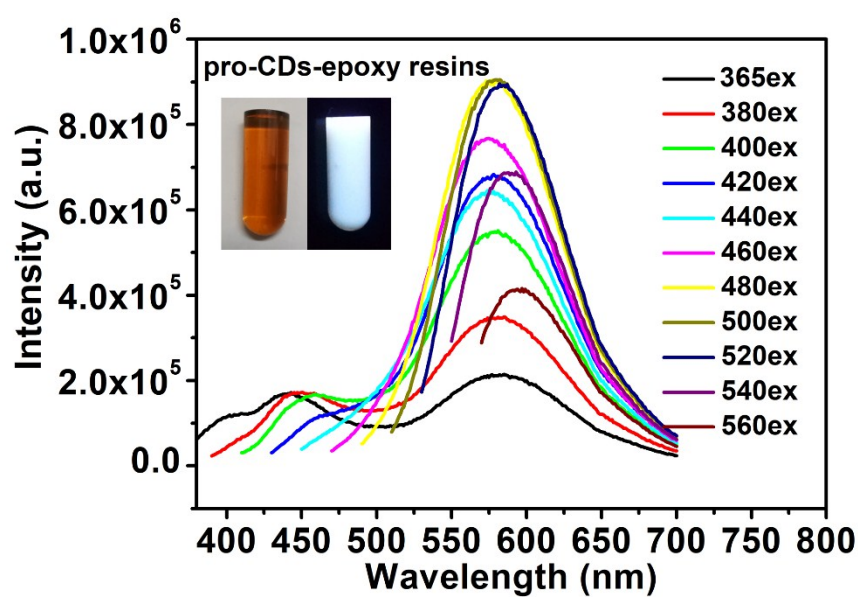
**Figure S6.** The UV-Vis absorption spectra of p-CDs, EDA-CDs, PEI-CDs and pro-CDs, respectively.



**Figure S7.** FTIR spectra of (a) p-CDs, (b) EDA-CDs, (c) PEI-CDs and (d) pro-CDs, respectively.

**Table S1.** The atomic percent of four kinds of CDs.

	C (atm. %)	N (atm. %)	O (atm. %)
p-CDs	84.60	4.76	9.50
EDA-CDs	70.33	17.54	10.34
PEI-CDs	70.64	12.85	12.45
pro-CDs	73.30	11.13	14.58



**Figure S8.** Fluorescence emission spectra of pro-CDs in epoxy resins under various excitation wavelengths, insets show the photograph of the pro-CDs in epoxy resins under natural light (left) and 365 nm excitation (right).