

## Facile synthesis of highly fluorescent free-standing films comprising of graphitic carbon nitride ( $\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$ ) nanolayers

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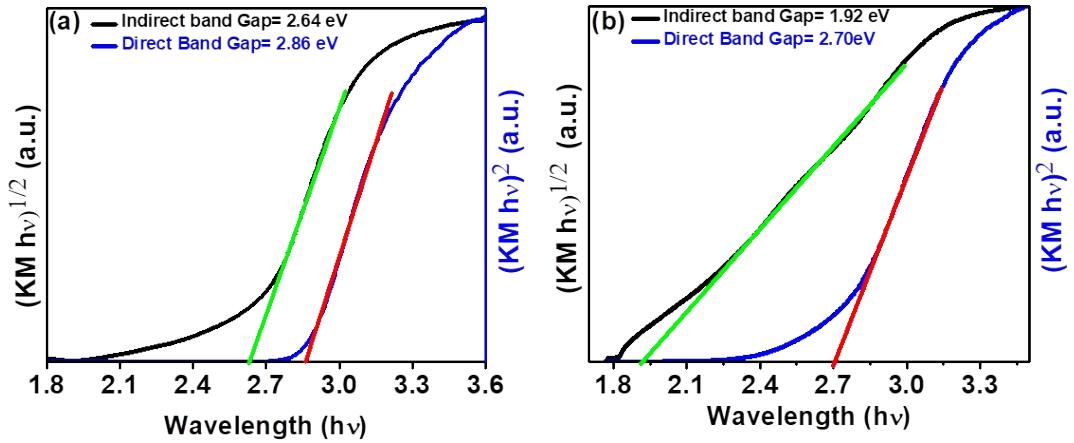
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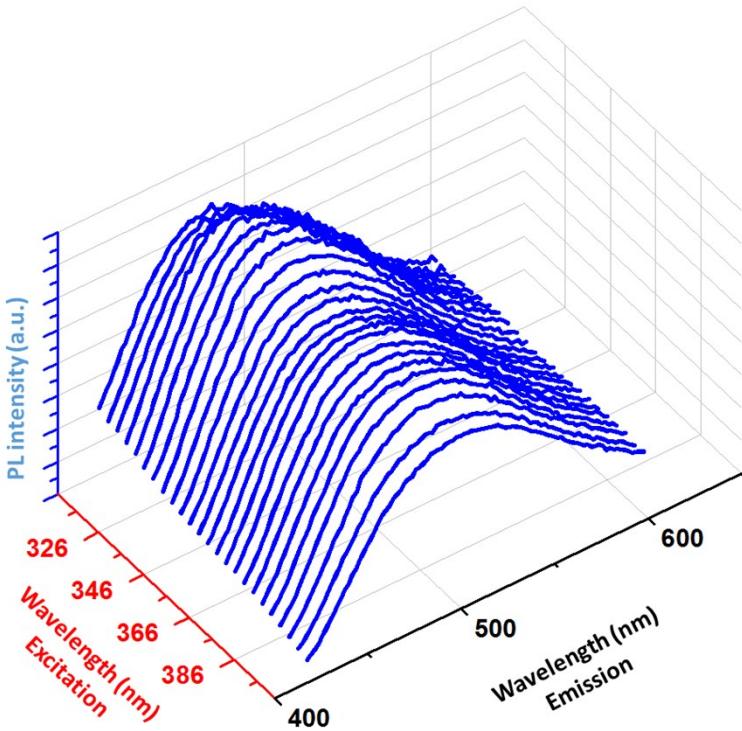
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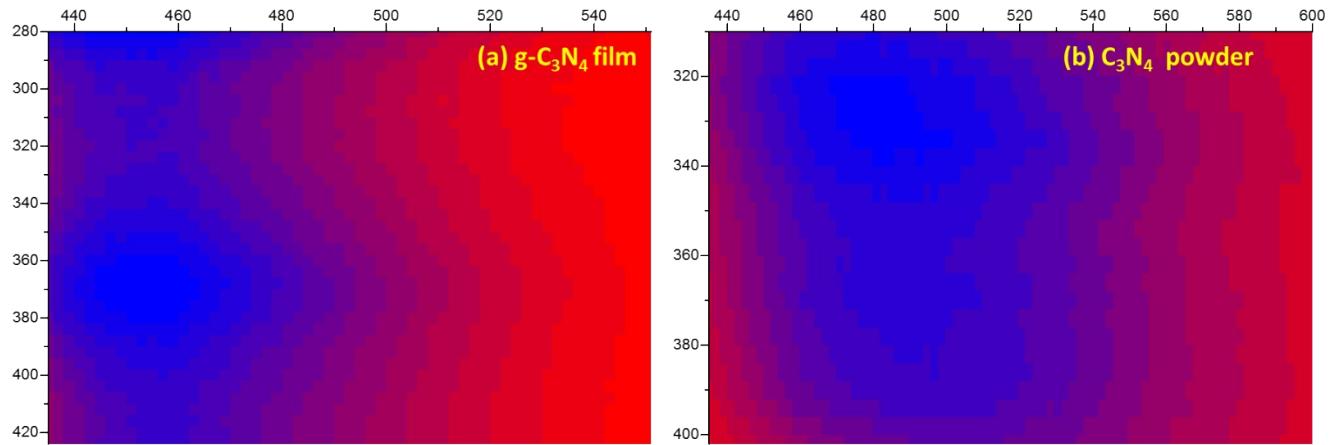
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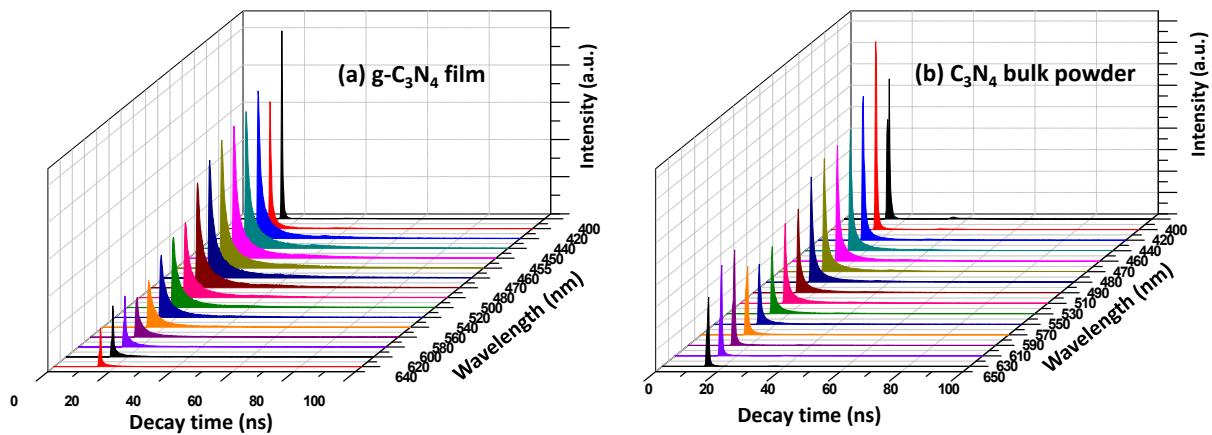
**Fig. S1:** Band gap Calculations using modified Kubelka–Munk (K–M) function (a) for g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> film and (b) g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> powder.



**Fig. S2** Excitation dependent PL emission spectra of g-C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub> powder.



**Fig. S3:** Emission profile of (a)  $\text{C}_3\text{N}_4$  film and (b)  $\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$  powder.



**Fig. S4** Fluorescence decay spectra of (a)  $\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$  film and (b)  $\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$  powder at different excitation wavelength.