

## **ELECTRONIC SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

### **Salt assisted size-controlled synthesis and luminescence studies of single phase $\text{CaWO}_4:\text{Dy}^{3+}$ : An insight into morphological evolution, energy transfer and colour evaluation**

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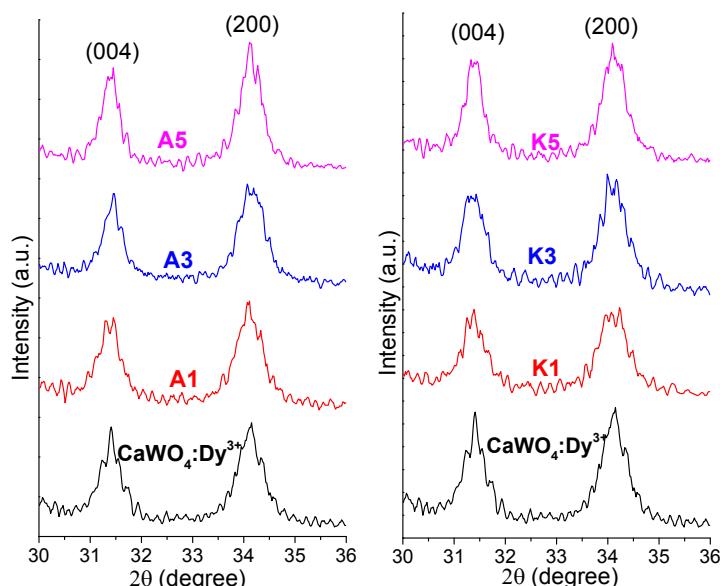


Figure S1. XRD patterns showing the variation of relative intensities of the (004) and (200) peaks of  $\text{CaWO}_4:\text{Dy}^{3+}$  samples prepared in the presence of (a)  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  and (b)  $\text{KCl}$ . A1, A3 and A5 refers to the samples prepared in the presence of 10, 30 and 50 mM  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  respectively. Whereas K1, K3 and K5 refers to the samples prepared in the presence of 10, 30 and 50 mM  $\text{KCl}$  respectively.

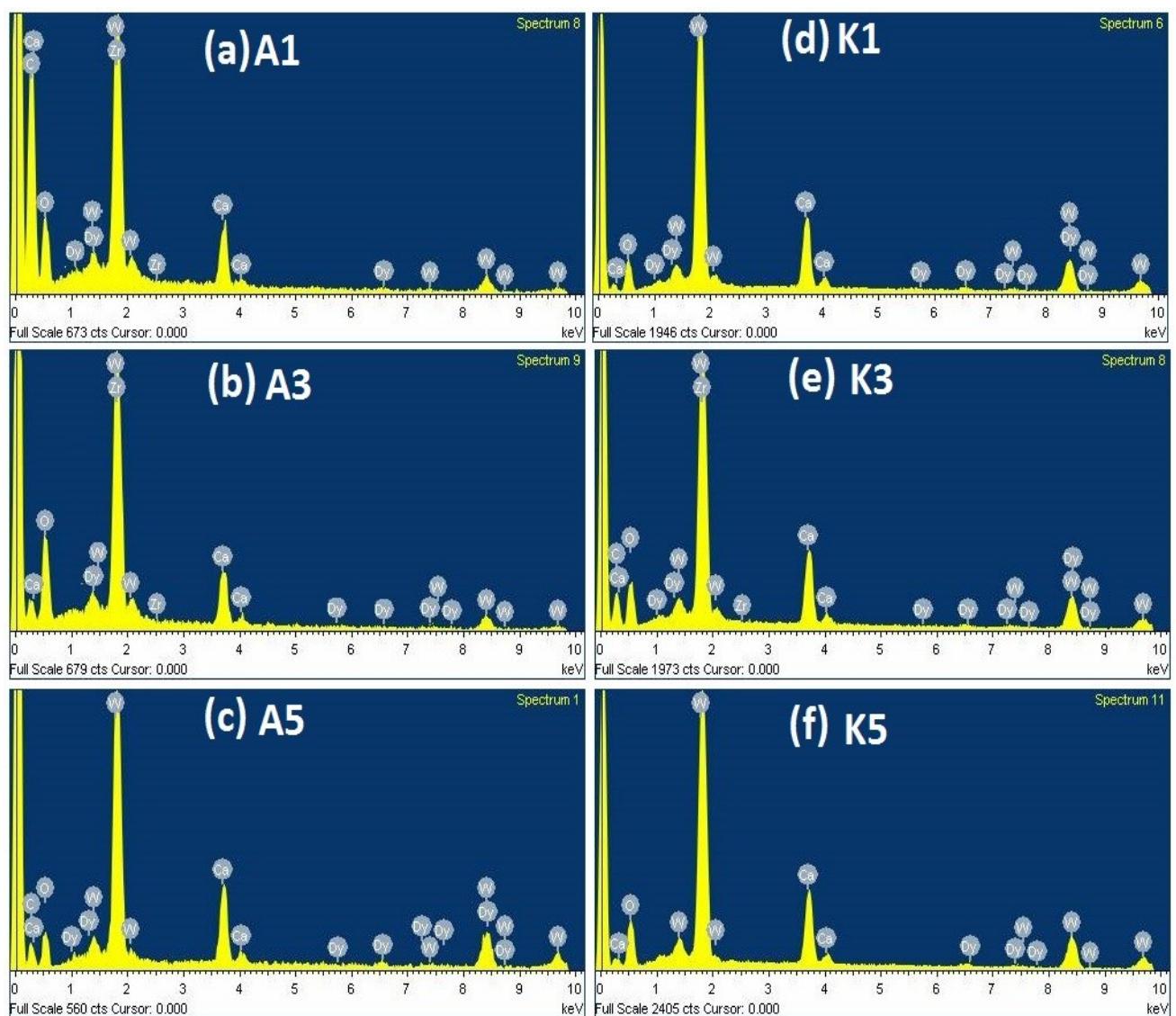


Fig S2. EDS spectra of the  $\text{CaWO}_4:\text{Dy}^{3+}$  samples prepared with the addition of (a, b, c)  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  (b)  $\text{KCl}$ .

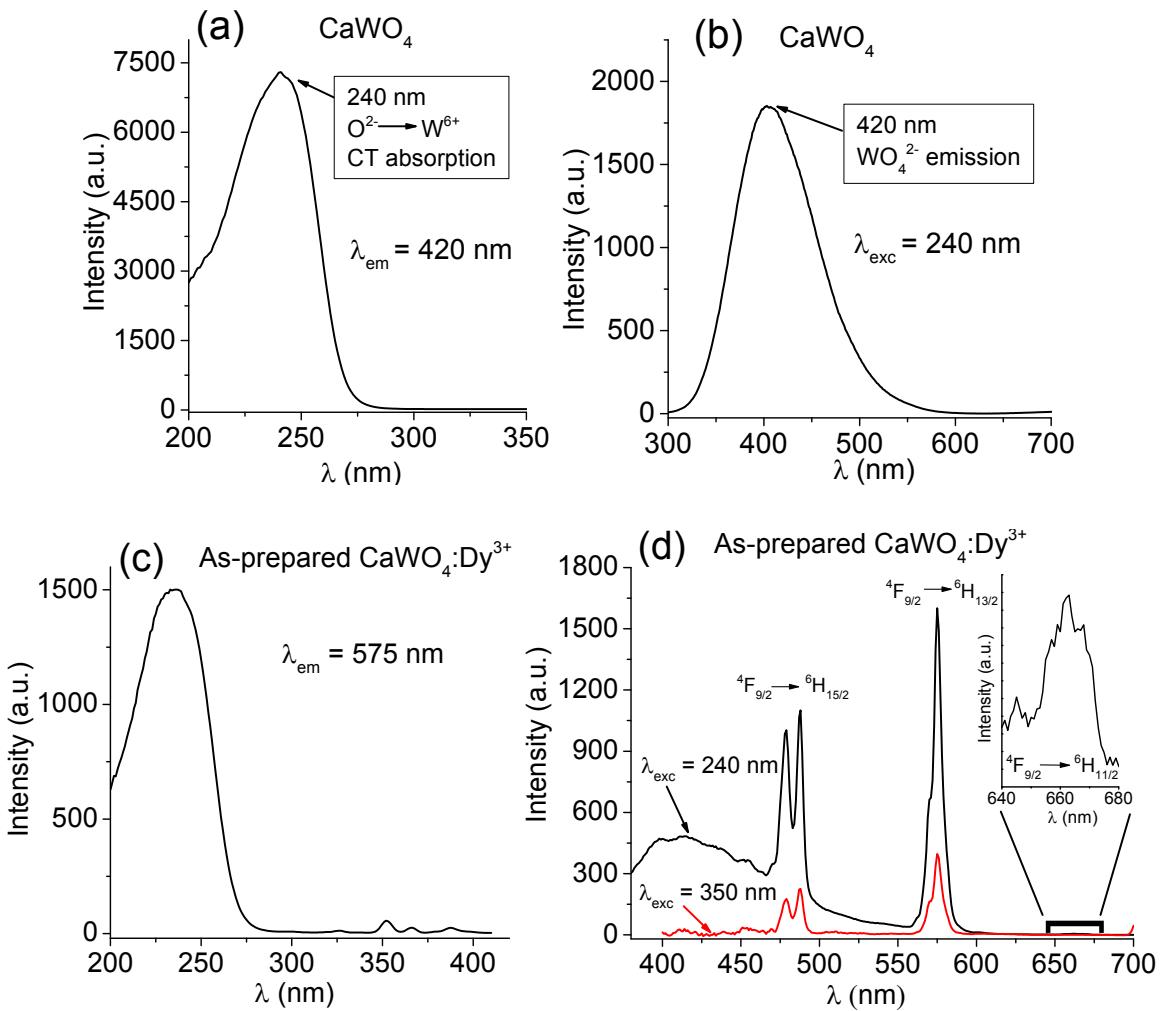


Figure S3. (a) Excitation and (b) emission spectra of undoped CaWO<sub>4</sub>. (c) Excitation and (d) emission spectra of as-prepared CaWO<sub>4</sub>:Dy<sup>3+</sup>.

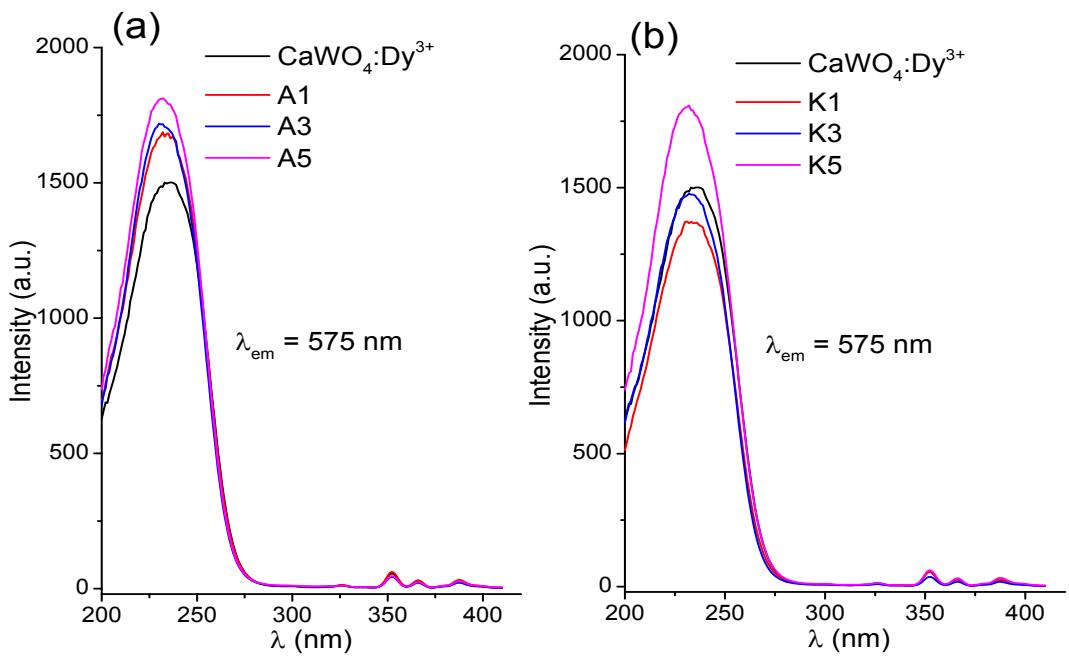


Figure S4. Excitation spectra of the as-prepared  $\text{CaWO}_4:\text{Dy}^{3+}$  samples prepared in the presence of (a)  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  and (b)  $\text{KCl}$ .

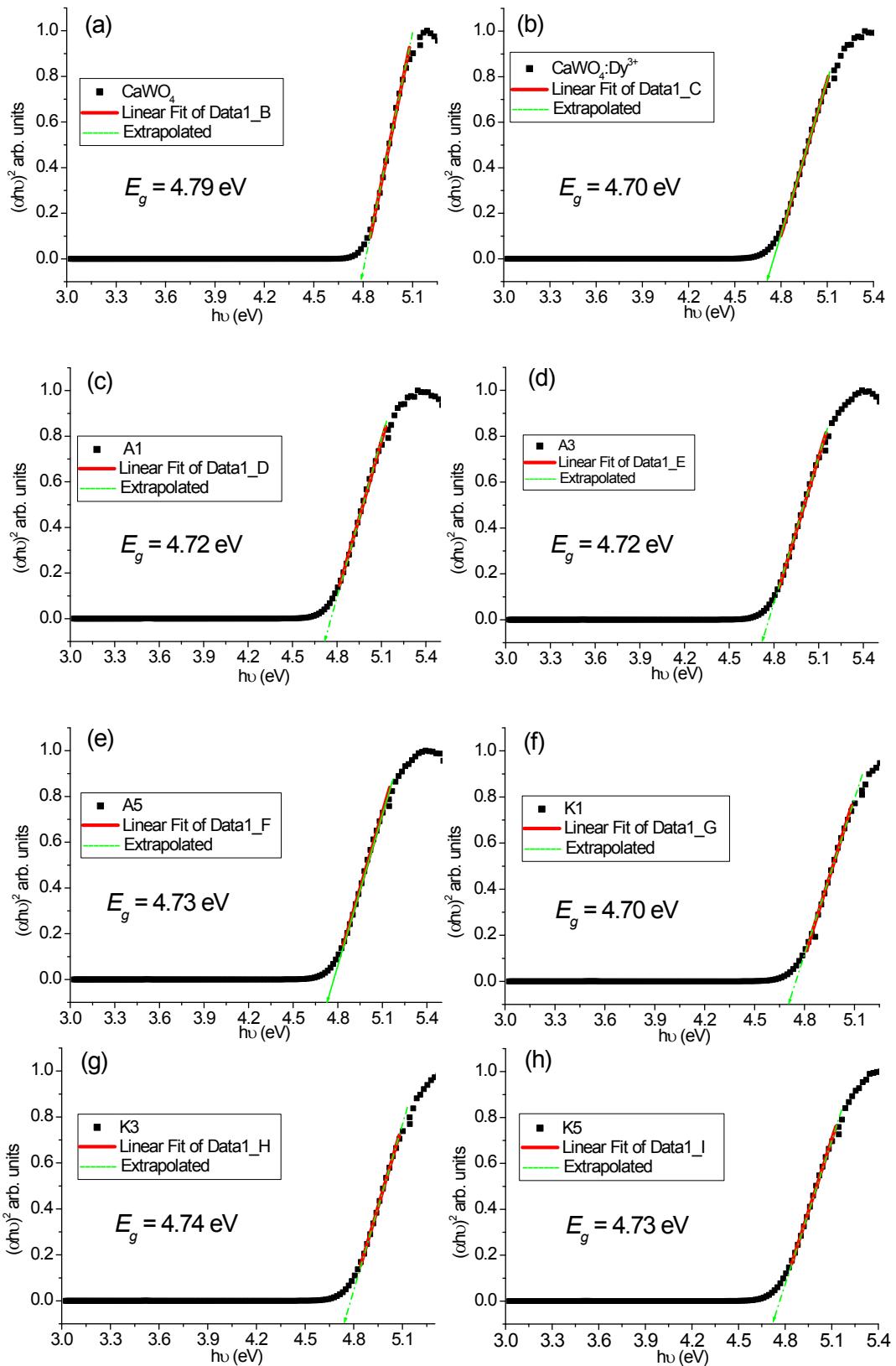


Figure S5. Tauc plot obtained from the excitation spectra of the CaWO<sub>4</sub> and CaWO<sub>4</sub>:Dy<sup>3+</sup> samples prepared in the absence and presence of salts.

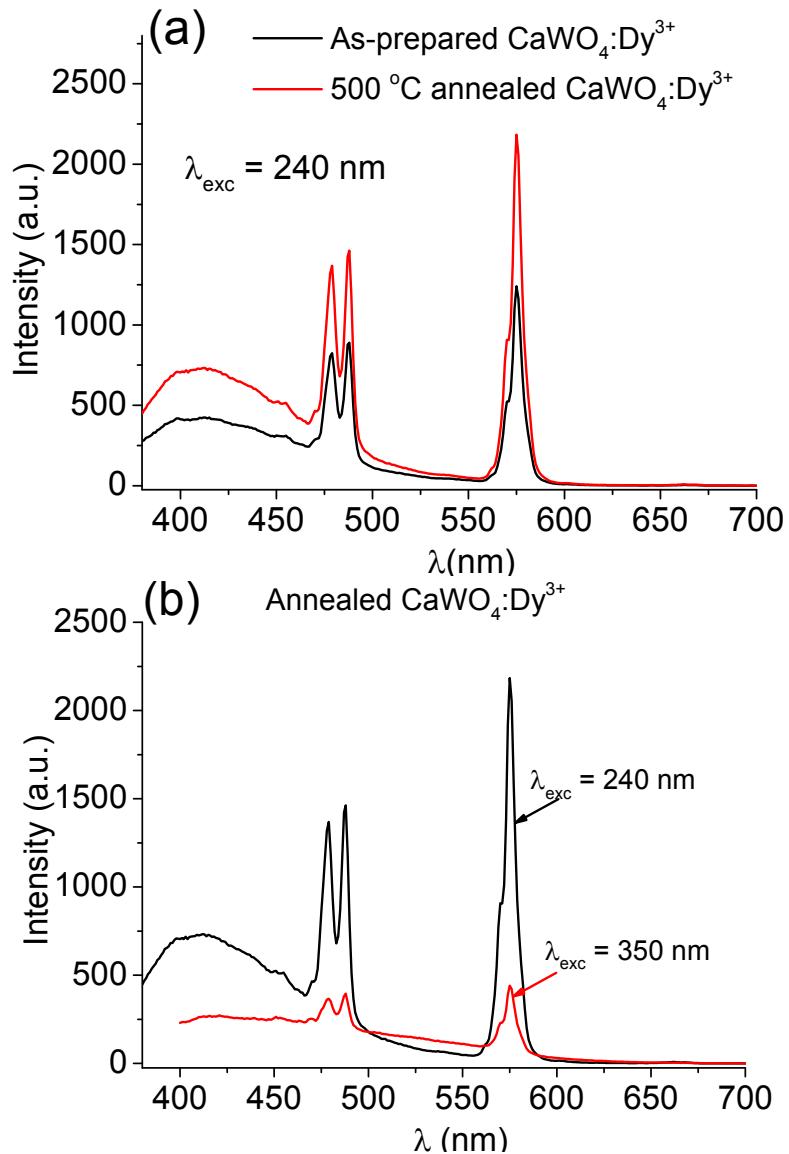


Fig. S6.(a) Emission spectra of the as-prepared and 500 °C annealed  $\text{CaWO}_4:\text{Dy}^{3+}$  after excitation at 240 nm. (b) Emission spectra of the 500 °C annealed  $\text{CaWO}_4:\text{Dy}^{3+}$  after excitation at 240 and 350 nm.

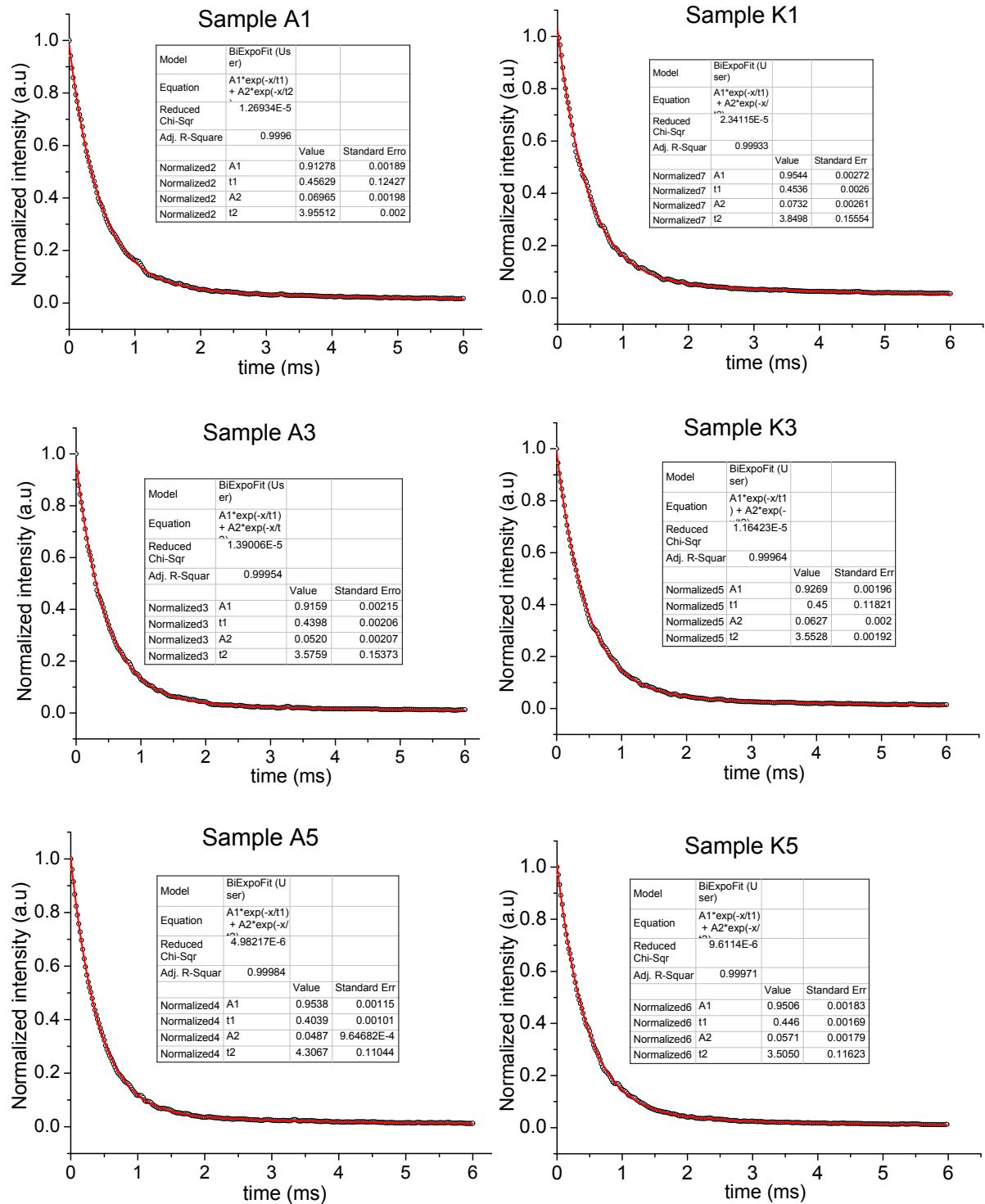


Fig. S7. Decay profiles of the as-prepared  $\text{CaWO}_4:\text{Dy}^{3+}$  samples prepared in the presence of  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  and  $\text{KCl}$ .

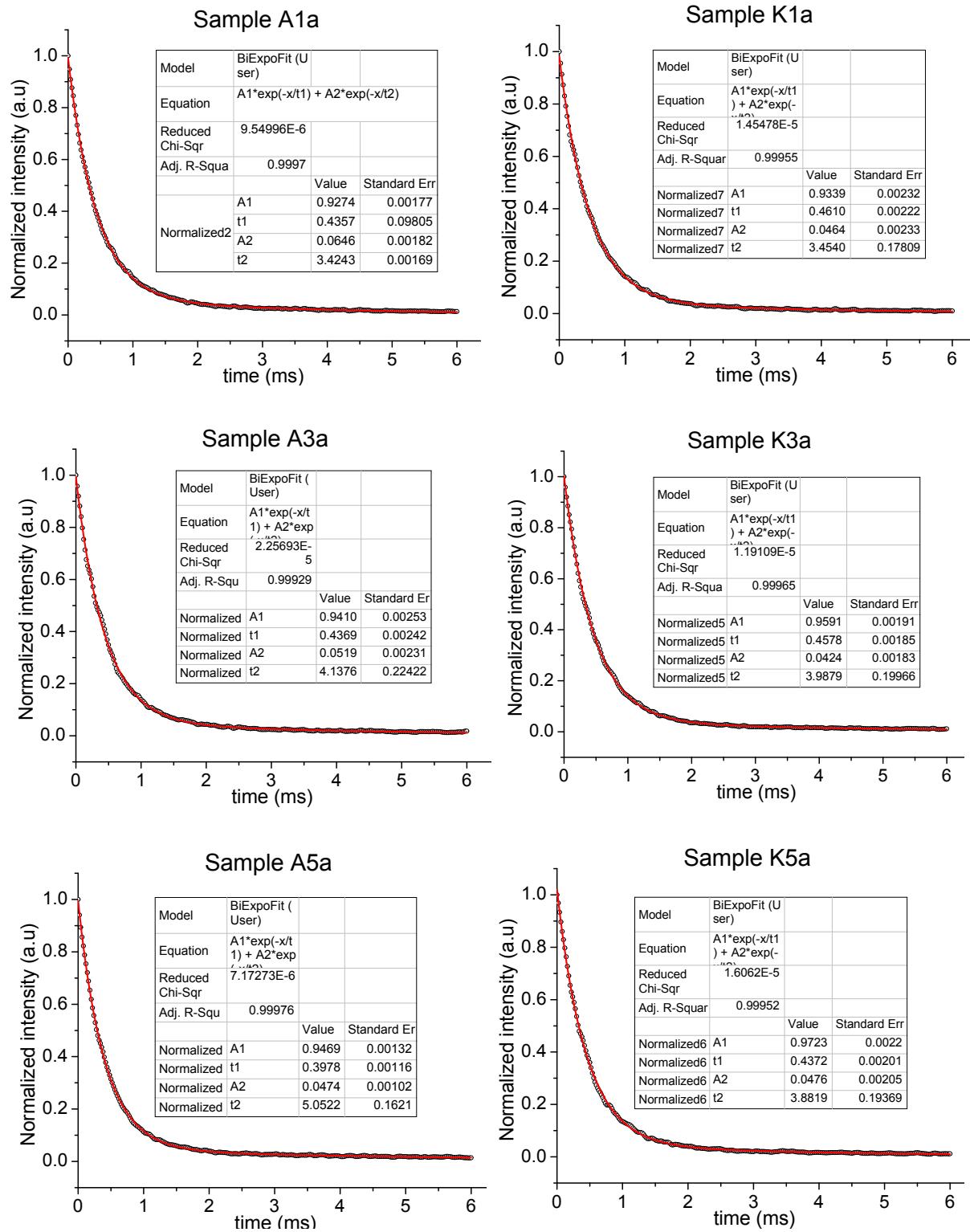


Fig. S8. Decay profiles of the annealed  $\text{CaWO}_4:\text{Dy}^{3+}$  samples prepared in the presence of  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$  and  $\text{KCl}$ .

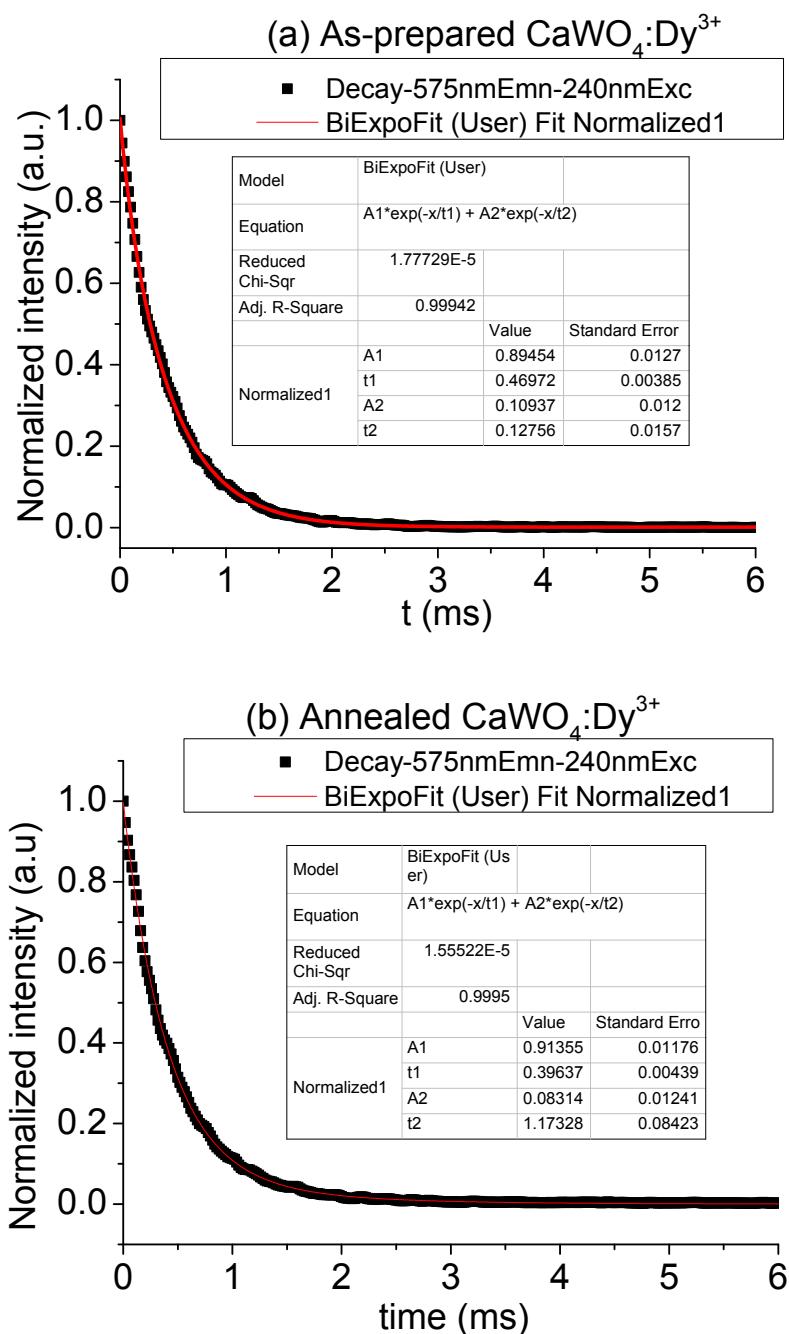


Fig. S9. Decay profiles of the (a) as-prepared and (b) annealed  $\text{CaWO}_4:\text{Dy}^{3+}$  samples prepared in the absence of any salt.

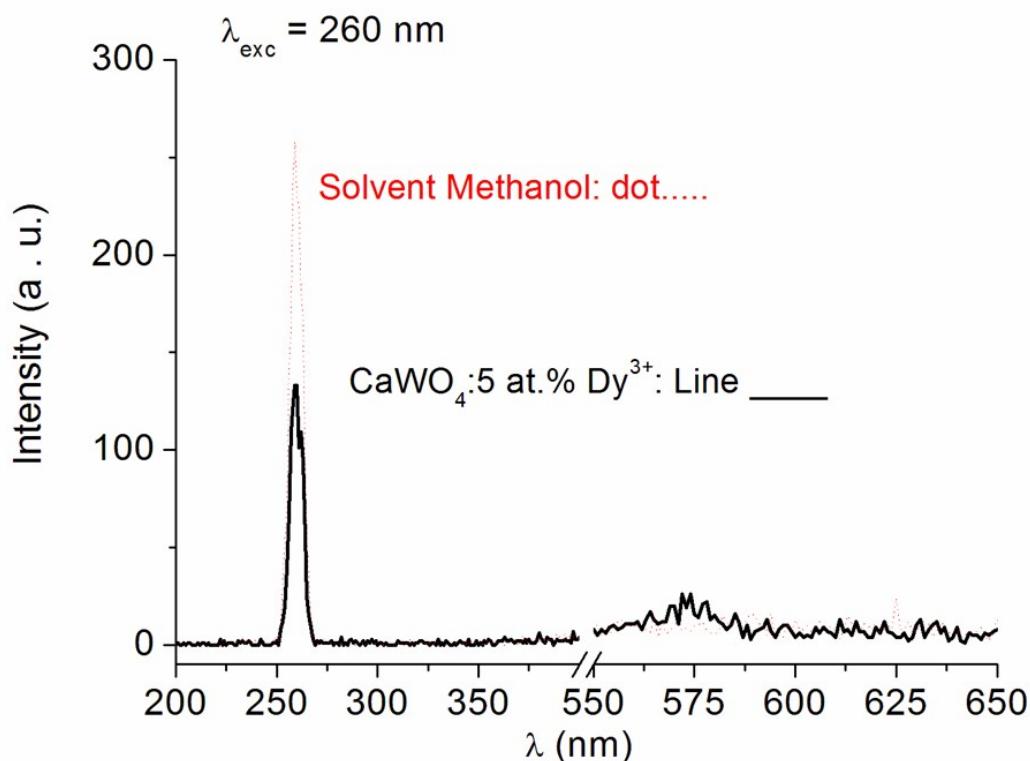


Figure S10. Typical spectra of methanol and sample (CaWO<sub>4</sub>: 5 at.% Dy<sup>3+</sup>) for QY calculation.

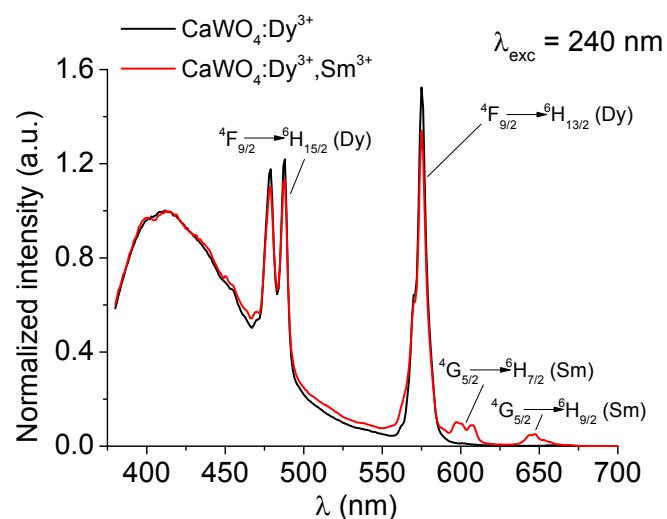


Figure S11. Emission spectra of the as-prepared CaWO<sub>4</sub>:Dy<sup>3+</sup>(5 at.%) and CaWO<sub>4</sub>:Dy<sup>3+</sup>(5 at.%), Sm<sup>3+</sup>(5 at.%). The samples are excited at 240 nm.

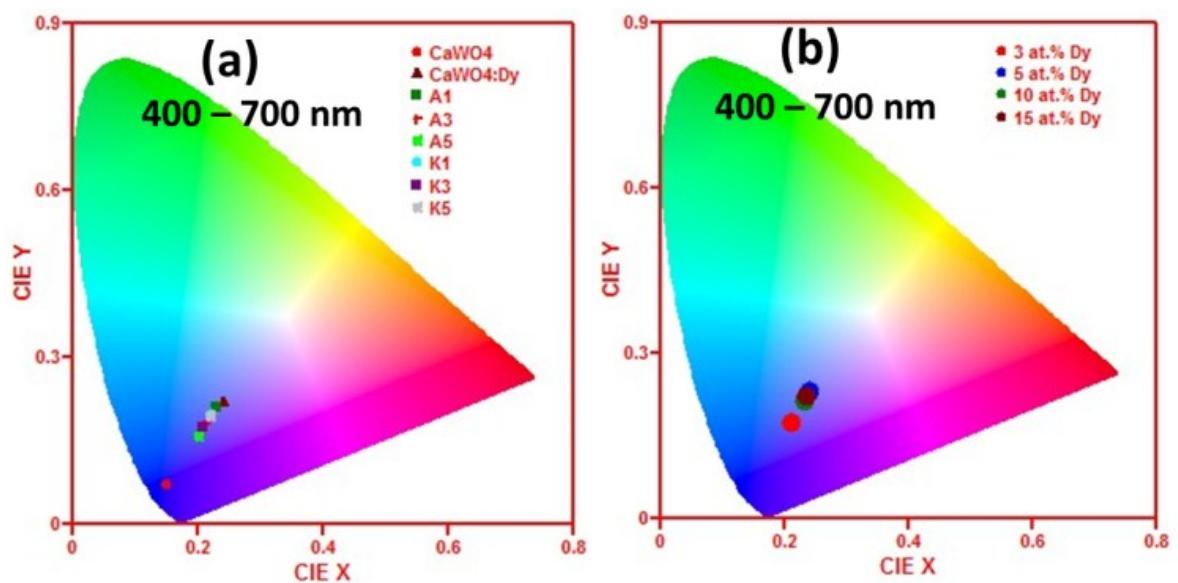


Figure S12. CIE coordinates of the CaWO<sub>4</sub>:Dy<sup>3+</sup> samples.