

Supporting Information

Moisture-resistant and highly efficient narrow-band red-emitting fluoride phosphor $K_2NaGaF_6:Mn^{4+}$ for warm white LED application

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Table S1 Selected bond lengths (\AA) for K_2NaGaF_6 .^a

Atoms	Distances	Atoms	Distances
Ga(1)-F(1)#1	1.885(3)	K(1)-F(1)#17	2.90755(19)
Ga(1)-F(1)#2	1.885(3)	K(1)-F(1)#8	2.90755(19)
Ga(1)-F(1)	1.885(3)	K(1)-F(1)#9	2.90755(19)
Ga(1)-F(1)#3	1.885(3)	K(1)-Na(1)#13	3.55508(13)
Ga(1)-F(1)#4	1.885(3)	Na(1)-F(1)#18	2.220(3)
Ga(1)-F(1)#5	1.885(3)	Na(1)-F(1)#17	2.220(3)
Ga(1)-K(1)#5	3.55508(13)	Na(1)-F(1)	2.220(3)
Ga(1)-K(1)#6	3.55508(13)	Na(1)-F(1)#15	2.220(3)
Ga(1)-K(1)#7	3.55508(13)	Na(1)-F(1)#19	2.220(3)
Ga(1)-K(1)#8	3.55508(13)	Na(1)-F(1)#20	2.220(3)
Ga(1)-K(1)#9	3.55508(13)	Na(1)-K(1)#21	3.55508(13)
Ga(1)-K(1)#10	3.55508(13)	Na(1)-K(1)#22	3.55508(13)
K(1)-F(1)#1	2.90755(19)	Na(1)-K(1)#23	3.55508(13)
K(1)-F(1)#4	2.90755(19)	Na(1)-K(1)#8	3.55508(13)
K(1)-F(1)#11	2.90755(18)	Na(1)-K(1)#20	3.55508(13)
K(1)-F(1)#12	2.90755(19)	Na(1)-K(1)#24	3.55508(13)
K(1)-F(1)#13	2.90755(19)	F(1)-K(1)#21	2.90755(18)
K(1)-F(1)#14	2.90755(18)	F(1)-K(1)#9	2.90755(18)
K(1)-F(1)#15	2.90755(18)	F(1)-K(1)#8	2.90755(18)
K(1)-F(1)#16	2.90755(19)		

^a Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: (#1) $y-1/2, z, x+1/2$; (#2) $-y+1/2, -z+1, -x+1/2$; (#3) $-z+1/2, -x+1/2, -y+1$; (#4) $z-1/2, x+1/2, y$; (#5) $-x, -y+1, -z+1$; (#6) $x, y-1/2, z-1/2$ (#7) $-x+1/2, -y+1, -z+3/2$; (#8) $-x+1/2, -y+3/2, -z+1$; (#9) $-x, -y+3/2, -z+3/2$ (#10) $x-1/2, y-1/2, z$; (#11) $y-1/2, z+1/2, x+1$; (#12) $z, x+1, y$; (#13) $x+1/2, y, z+1/2$; (#14) $-y+1, -z+1, -x+1$; (#15) $-z+1/2, -x+1, -y+3/2$; (#16) $-z+1, -x+1/2, -y+3/2$; (#17) $-y+1, -z+3/2, -x+1/2$; (#18) $y-1, z+1/2, x+1/2$; (#19) $z-1/2, x+1, y-1/2$; (#20) $-x, -y+2, -z+1$; (#21) $x-1/2, y, z-1/2$; (#22) $-x+1/2, -y+2, -z+3/2$; (#23) $x, y+1/2, z-1/2$; (#24) $x-1/2, y+1/2, z$.

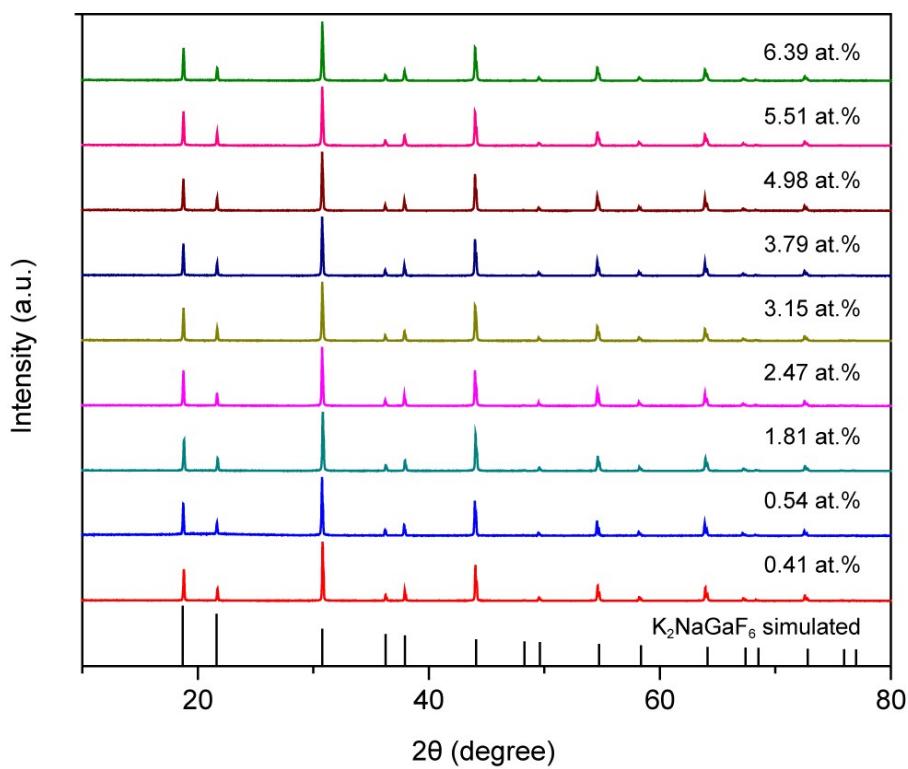


Figure S1 X-ray diffraction (XRD) patterns of $\text{K}_2\text{NaGaF}_6:\text{Mn}^{4+}$ red phosphors with various Mn^{4+} concentrations. All the patterns match well with the simulated XRD pattern derived from single crystal diffraction data of K_2NaGaF_6 crystal.

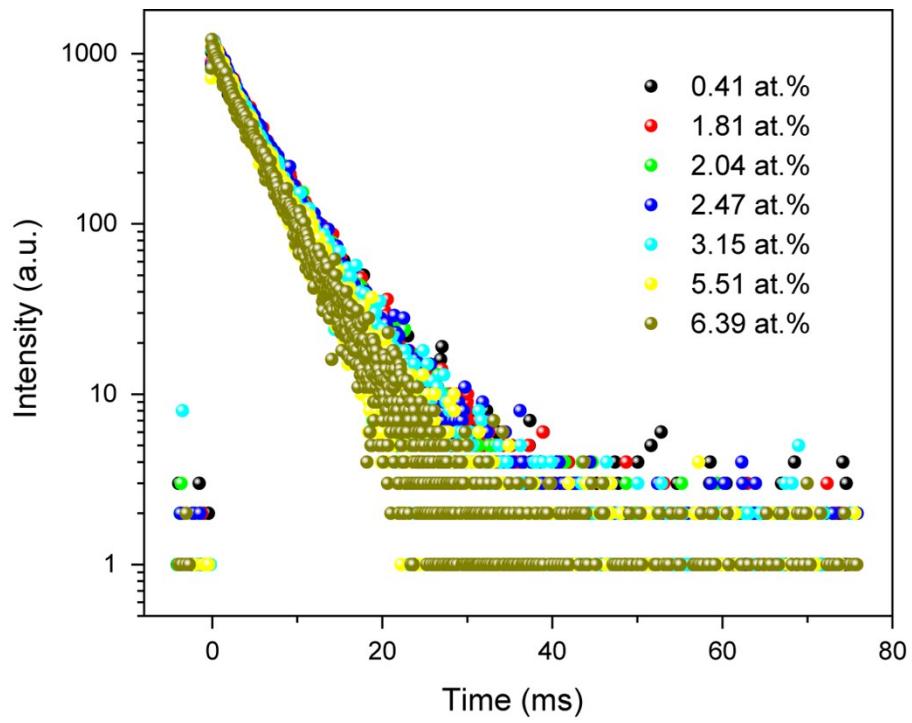


Figure S2 Photoluminescence (PL) decay curves from ²E energy state of Mn⁴⁺ ions in K₂NaGaF₆:Mn⁴⁺ samples with various Mn⁴⁺ concentrations by monitoring 631 nm emission at room temperature (RT).

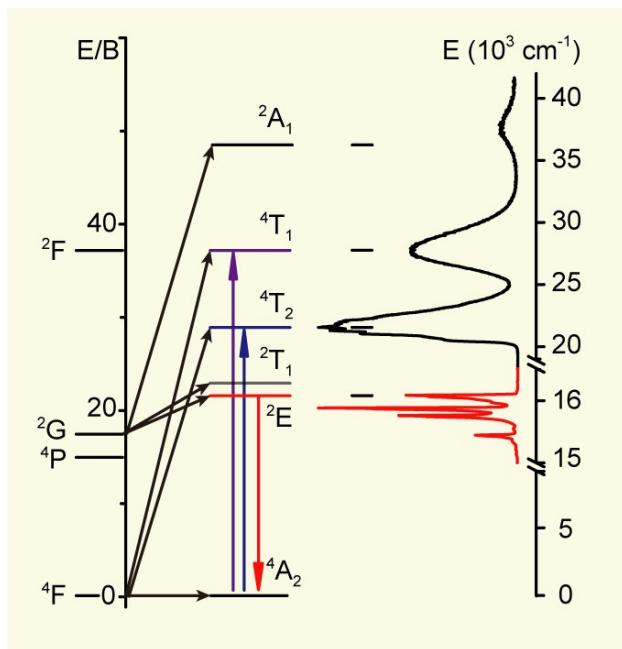


Figure S3 Excitation and emission spectra of the $\text{K}_2\text{NaGaF}_6:\text{Mn}^{4+}$ (0.54 at.%) sample measured at 10 K.

Supplementary Discussion

The values of D_q , B and C can be calculated based on experimentally measured excitation and emission spectra, according to the following equations¹⁻²:

$$E(^4T_2 - ^4A_2) = 10D_q \quad (1)$$

$$\frac{B}{D_q} = \frac{(\Delta E/D_q)^2 - 10(\Delta E/D_q)}{15(\Delta E/D_q - 8)} \quad (2)$$

$$E(^2E - ^4A_2) = 9B + 3C - 90B^2/(10D_q) \quad (3)$$

Where $\Delta E = E(^4T_1(^4F)) - E(^4T_2)$.

The energies of 4T_1 , 4T_2 and 2E were experimentally determined to be 27778 cm^{-1} , 21580 cm^{-1} and 16088 cm^{-1} , respectively. From equations (1)-(3), the value of D_q , B , and C were calculated to be 2158 cm^{-1} , 574 cm^{-1} and 4099 cm^{-1} , respectively.

$$E(^2T_1 - {}^2E) = 66B^2/(10D_q) = 1008\text{ cm}^{-1} \quad (4)$$

$$E({}^2A_1 - {}^4A_2) = 10D_q + 4B + 3C = 36173\text{ cm}^{-1} \quad (5)$$

From equations (4)-(5), the value of 2T_1 , 2A_1 were calculated to be 17096 cm^{-1} , and 36173 cm^{-1} , respectively.

Supplementary References

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