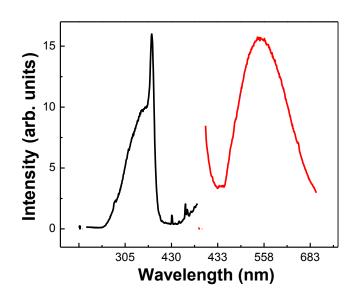
**Electronic Supplementary Information** 

## Studies on phase stability, mechanical, optical and electronic properties of a new Gd<sub>2</sub>CaZnO<sub>5</sub> phosphor system for LEDs

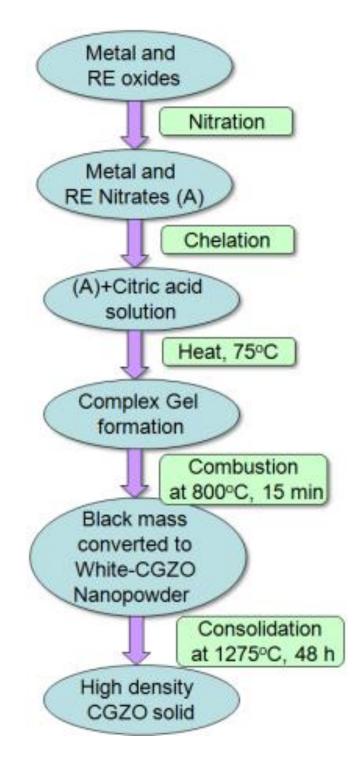
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**Photoluminescence Studies:** 



*Figure S1.* Photoluminescence excitation and emission spectra of  $Gd_2CaZnO_5$  phosphor when monitored under UV (377 nm) excitation. (Color figure online)

The photoluminescence excitation and emission spectra are recorded at room temperature using Edinburgh Luminescence Spectrometer (Model: F900) equipped with a xenon lamp. Spectra are monitored in the range 200-800 nm. Figure S1 shows the broad band emission spectrum of  $Gd_2CaZnO_5$  phosphor system with a maximum at ~560 nm upon UV (377 nm) excitation radiations. Broad emission of the undoped lattice could be attributed to the surface states and oxygen deficiency related defects.



*Figure S2.* Flow chart depicting the step-by-step process of making  $Gd_2CaZnO_5$  phosphor system. (Color figure online)