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## **Supporting Information**

## Highly Luminescent Polyethylene Glycol-passivated Graphene Quantum Dots for Light Emitting Diode

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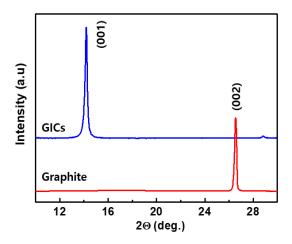


Figure S1. XRD patterns of the GICs (Graphite intercalation compounds) and Graphite

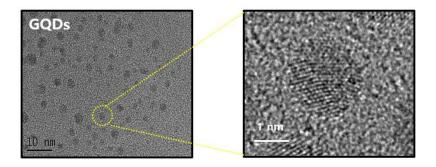


Figure S2. HR-TEM images of GQDs

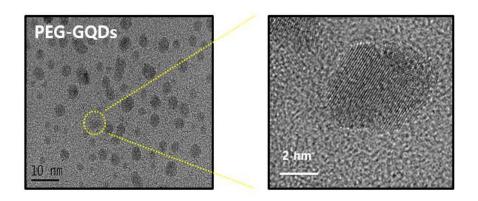


Figure S3. HR-TEM images of PEG-GQDs

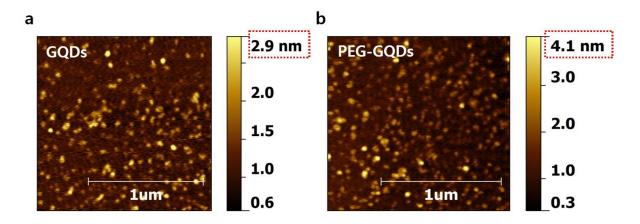


Figure S4. a. AFM image of GQDs. b. AFM image of PEG-GQDs

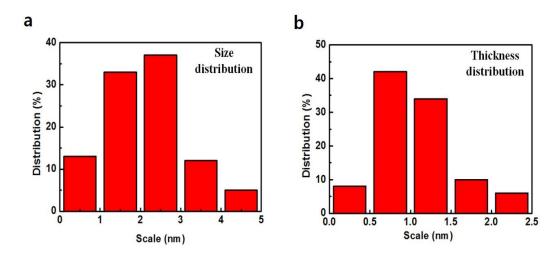
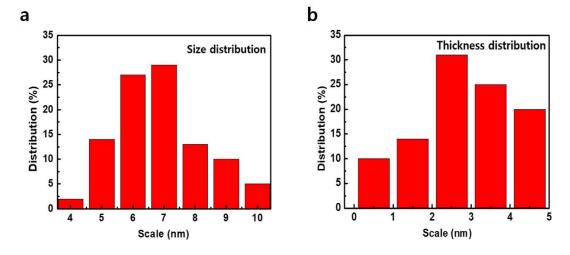
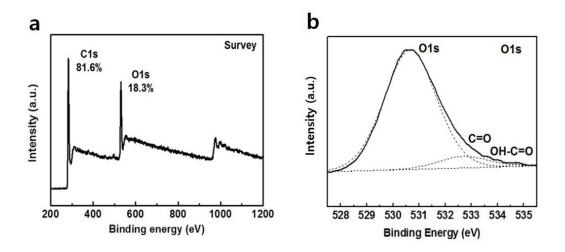


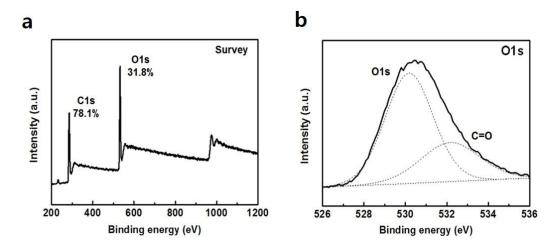
Figure S5. a. Size distribution of the GQDs. b. thickness distribution of the GQDs.



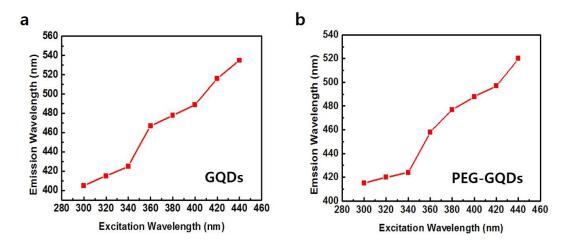
**Figure S6**. a. Size distribution of the PEG-GQDs. b. thickness distribution of the PEG-GQDs.



**Figure S7**. a. High-resolution XPS survey of GQDs. b. High-resolution XPS survey O1s spectra of GQDs.



**Figure S8**. a. High-resolution XPS survey of PEG-GQDs. b. High-resolution XPS survey O1s spectra of PEG-GQDs.



**Figure S9**. a. PL spectra of GQDs under different excitation wavelength. b. PL spectra of PEG-GQDs under different excitation wavelength.

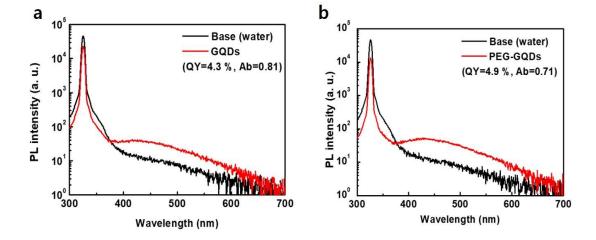
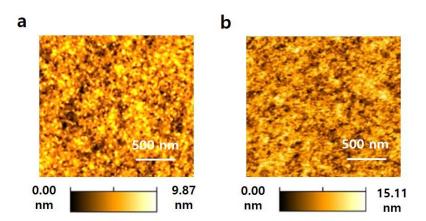
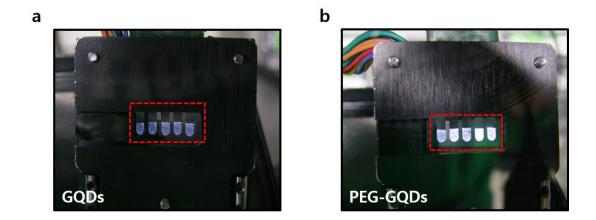


Figure S10. a. Quantum yields of GQDs. b. Quantum yields of PEG-GQDs.



**Figure S11**. a. AFM images of PVK matrix with GQDs. b. AFM images of PVK matrix with PEG-GQDs.



**Figure S12**. a. Electroluminescent image of GQDs, consisting of five emitting areas. b. Electroluminescent image of PEG-GQDs, consisting of five emitting areas.