

## Supporting Information

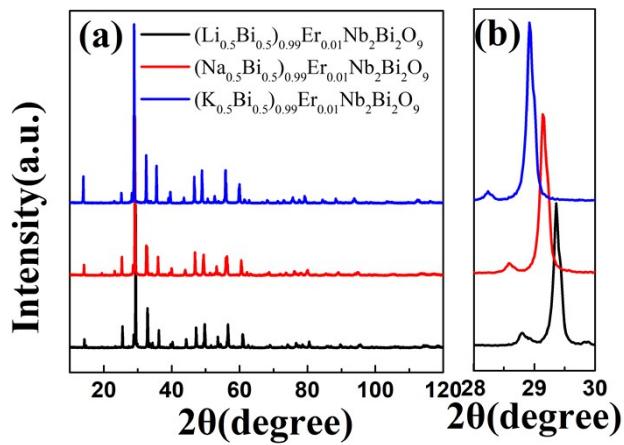
# Optical control of Er<sup>3+</sup> doped M<sub>0.5</sub>Bi<sub>2.5</sub>Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>9</sub> (M=Li, Na, K) materials for thermal stability and temperature sensing using photochromic reactions

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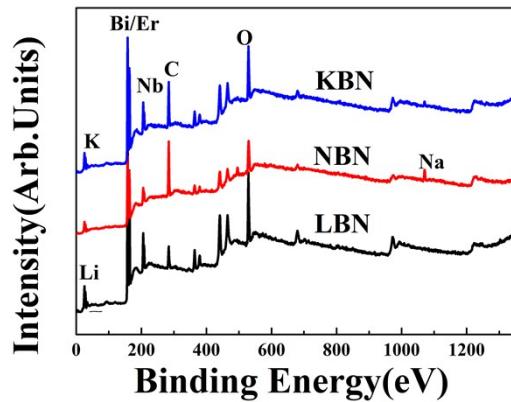
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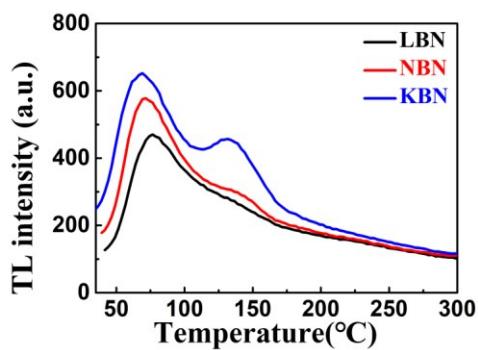
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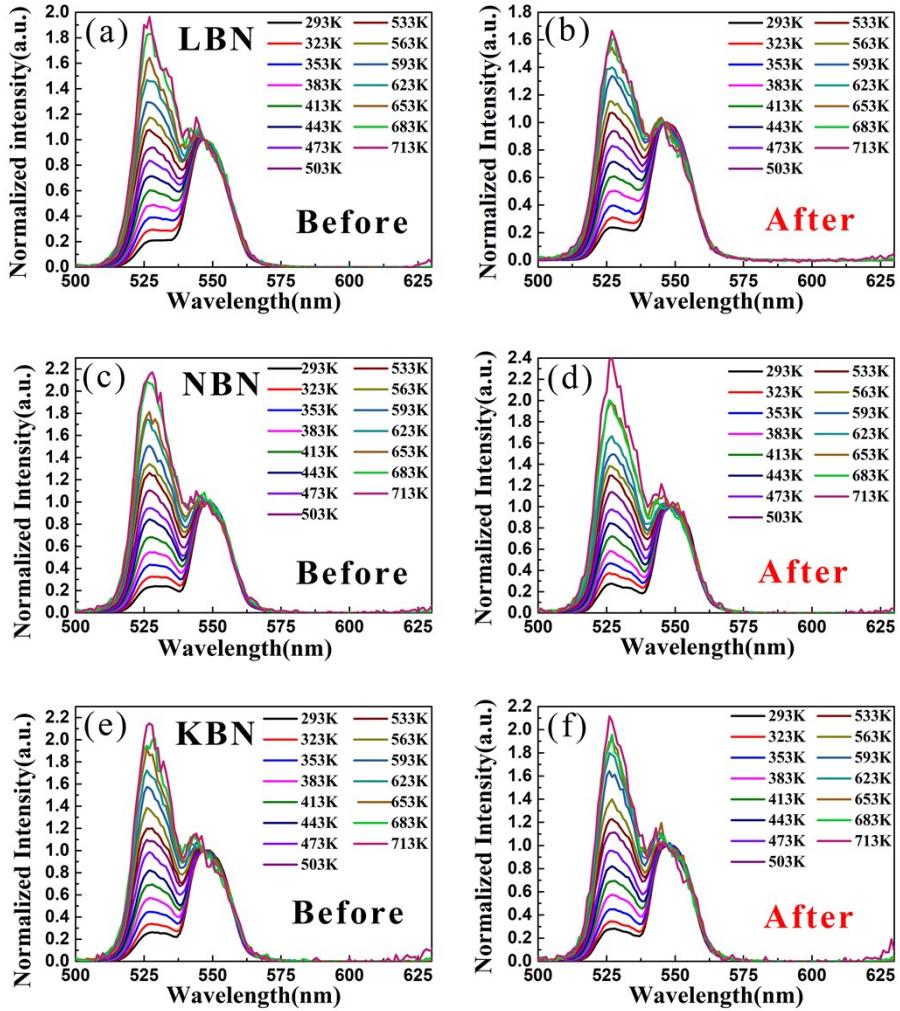
**Fig. S1.** (a) XRD patterns of Er doped  $M_{0.5}Bi_{2.5}Nb_2O_9$  ceramics. (b) zoomed XRD patterns at  $28\text{-}30^\circ$ .



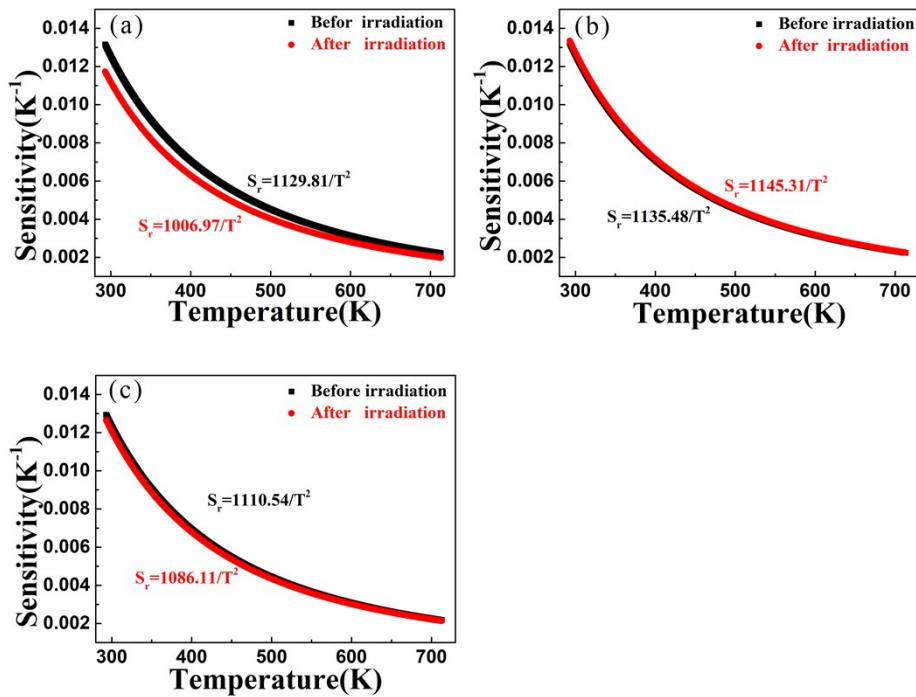
**Fig. S2** XPS full spectra of  $M_{0.5}Bi_{2.5}Nb_2O_9$  ( $M=\text{Li}, \text{Na}, \text{K}$ ) materials.



**Fig. S3** TL curves of Er doped  $(A_{0.5}Bi_{0.5})Nb_2Bi_2O_9$  ( $A=\text{Li}, \text{Na}, \text{K}$ ) ceramics.



**Fig. S4.** (a), (c) and (e) The normalized temperature-dependent UC emission spectra of Er<sup>3+</sup> doped M<sub>0.5</sub>Bi<sub>2.5</sub>Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>9</sub> ceramics at various temperatures of 293-713 K before 405nm irradiation. (b), (d) and (f) The normalized temperature-dependent UC emission spectra of Er<sup>3+</sup> doped M<sub>0.5</sub>Bi<sub>2.5</sub>Nb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>9</sub> ceramics after 405nm irradiation.



**Fig. S5.** The relative sensitivity ( $S_r$ ) dependence on temperature before and after irradiation, (a) LBN, (b) NBN, and (c) KBN.

**Table S1.** The fitted parameters of Er doped  $M_{0.5}Bi_{2.5}Nb_2O_9$  ( $M=Li, Na, K$ ) materials based on the

Samples	LBN	NBN	KBN
a(Å)	5.4489	5.4950	5.4982
b(Å)	5.4412	5.4578	5.4958
c(Å)	24.7942	24.9311	25.2255
V(Å <sup>3</sup> )	735.1126	747.6933	762.2444
W <sub>tp</sub>	0.1604	0.1286	0.1457
R <sub>p</sub>	0.1150	0.936	0.1112
X <sup>2</sup>	1.756	1.234	1.646

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**Table S2.** Fitting parameters of the O<sub>1s</sub> spectra of Er doped  $M_{0.5}Bi_{2.5}Nb_2O_9$  ( $M=Li, Na, K$ ) materials.

Samples	Lattice O (O <sup>2-</sup> )	Absorbed O (*Vo)	Vo/O <sup>2-</sup>
Li <sub>0.5</sub> Bi <sub>2.5</sub> Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>9</sub>	529.55	531.33	1.6295
Na <sub>0.5</sub> Bi <sub>2.5</sub> Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>9</sub>	529.41	531.31	1.0473
K <sub>0.5</sub> Bi <sub>2.5</sub> Nb <sub>2</sub> O <sub>9</sub>	529.54	531.31	0.8604

**Table S3.** The distribution of the defect depths for LBN, NBN, and KBN samples

Samples	$\Delta E_1$ (eV)	$\Delta E_2$ (eV)	$\Delta E_3$ (eV)	$\Delta E_4$ (eV)
LBN	0.69(342.79K)	0.72(361.47K)	0.79(396.53K)	0.93(462.74K)
NBN	0.68(338.79K)	0.71(357.23K)	0.80(342.79K)	0.93(462.89K)
KBN	0.67(333.10K)	0.70(352.80K)	0.81(403.49K)	0.94(467.88K)

**Table S4.** Fitting parameters of the decay lifetime curves in  $\text{Er}^{3+}$  doped  $\text{M}_{0.5}\text{Bi}_{2.5}\text{Nb}_2\text{O}_9$  ceramics

Samples	$\tau_1$ ( $\mu$ s)		$\tau_2$ ( $\mu$ s)		$\chi^2$	$\tau$ ( $\mu$ s)	
	before	after	before	after		before	after
LBN	77.3571	73.4623	249.8923	248.0094	1.191	1.252	106.8445
NBN	84.8503	79.8672	264.3951	262.6132	1.129	1.258	118.2152
KBN	95.5833	92.8704	286.0412	264.6992	1.249	1.218	118.5063
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