

## Supporting Information

### Synthesis of carbon nitride oligomer as a precursor of melon with improved fluorescence quantum yield

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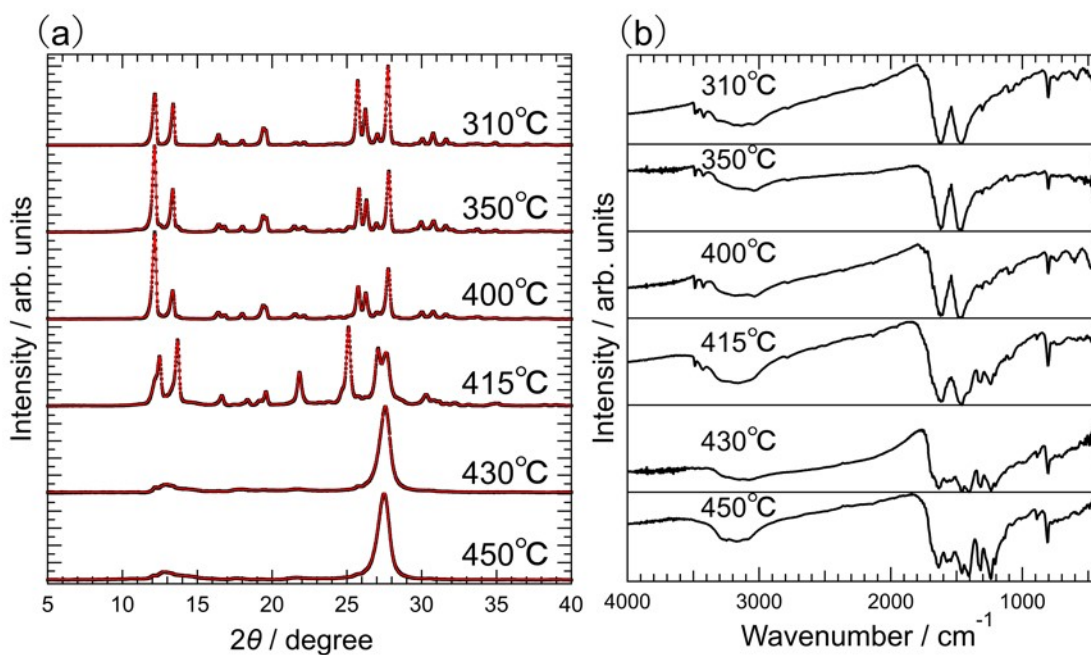


Fig. S1. XRD and FT-IR data of the products obtained by calcination at different temperatures using melamine as the starting material.

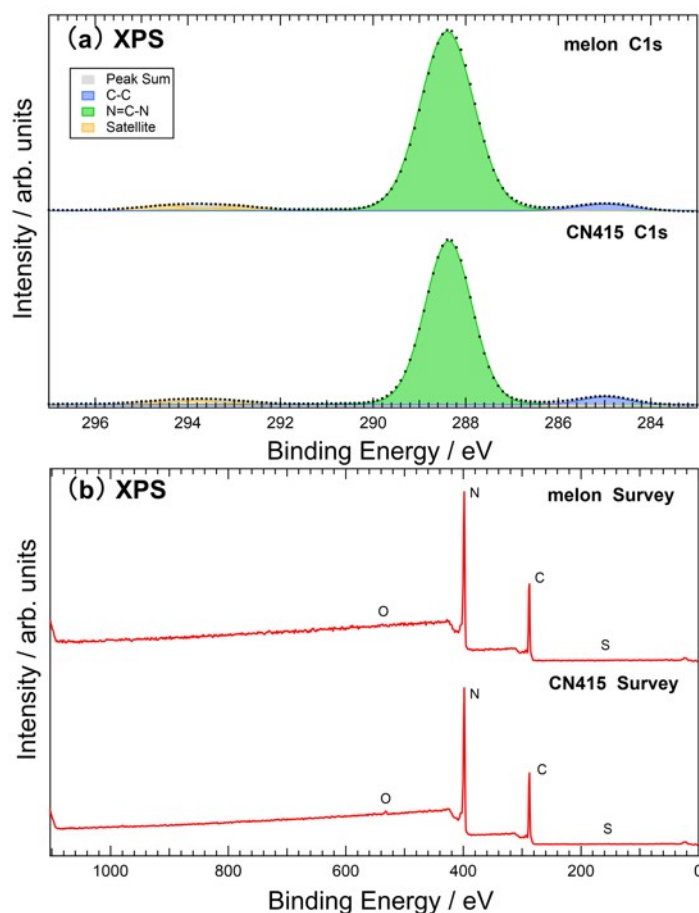


Fig. S2. (a) C 1s XPS data of melon and CN415. (b) XPS data of melon and CN415 obtained in a wide binding energy range (survey measurements). Ratio of C/N is calculated from the ratio of the peak area of N=C-N to the peak areas in N1s XPS data in Figs. 3(a) and 3(b). DMSO treatment was performed during the production of CN415, but no sulfur peaks were observed in the survey spectra. Therefore, DMSO did not remain in the sample and was completely removed by the cleaning process.

Table S1. Binding energies (eV) of nitrogen atoms in different chemical environments reported in prior studies<sup>13</sup>.

$N_i$ (C=N-C)	$N_{ii}$ (C-NH <sub>2</sub> )	$N_{iii}$ ((C) <sub>2</sub> -NH)	$N_{iv}$ ((C) <sub>3</sub> -N)
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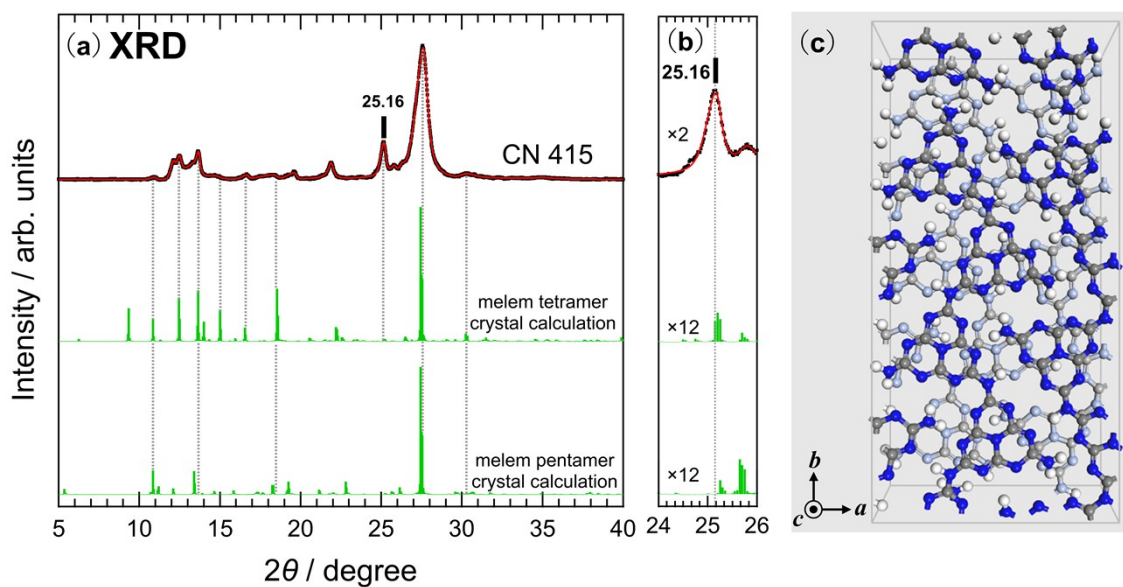


Fig. S3. (a) XRD profiles of melon and CN415 (identical to those in Fig. 2(a)) and calculated XRD patterns for CN415. The results of the XRD simulation for CN415 using the model structures with melem tetramer as a building unit (Fig. 4(c)) and melem pentamer (Fig. S3(c)) are shown. (b) Magnified view of the XRD profiles near  $2\theta = 25^\circ$ . (c) Unit cell of the model structure of CN415 using melem pentamer viewed from the  $c$ -axis direction.

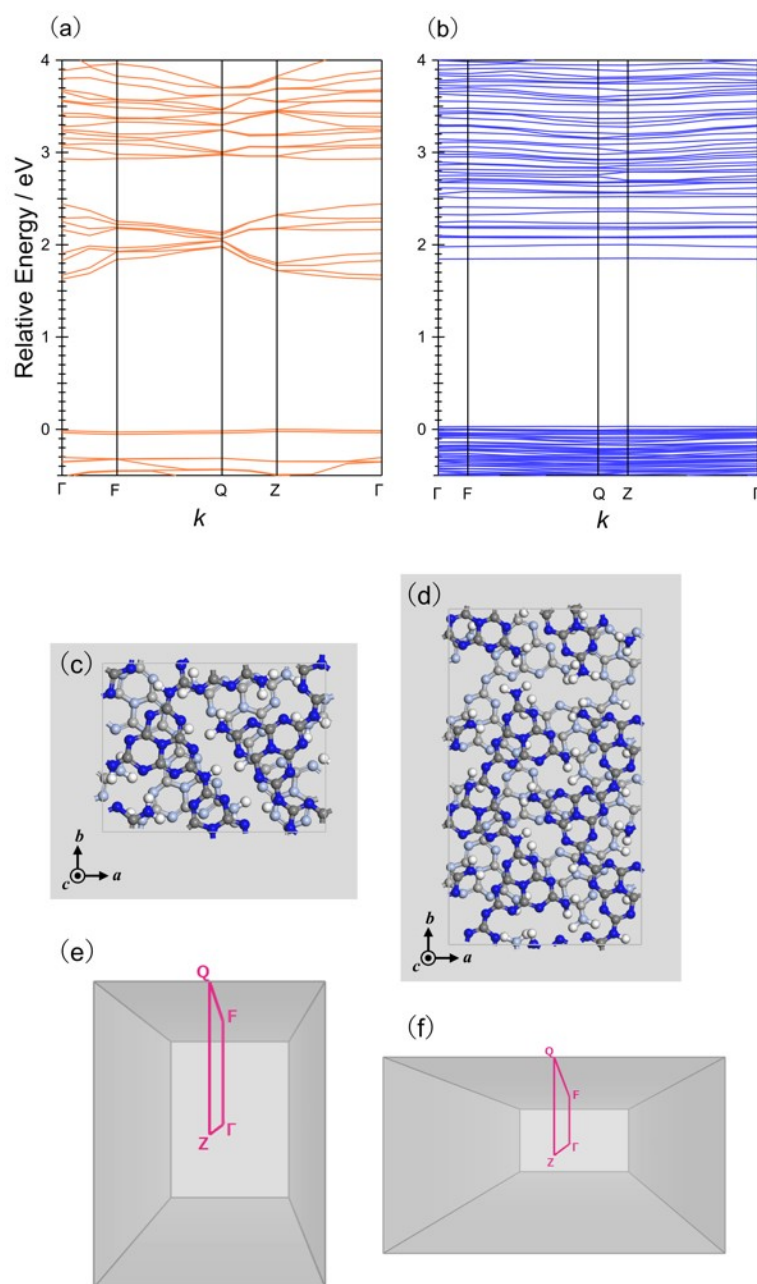


Fig. S4. (a) and (b) show the energy band structures of melon and MT, respectively. (c) and (d) represent the structural models of melon and MT, respectively. (e) and (f) exhibit the Brillouin zones of the melon and MT crystals, respectively. Calculated energy gaps of melon and MT are 1.66 eV and 1.82 eV, respectively.

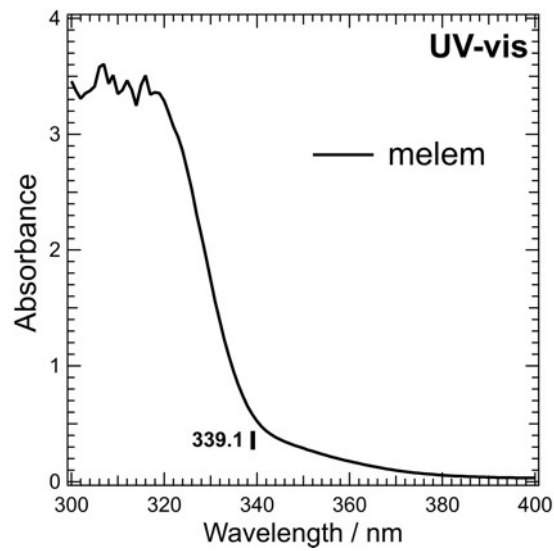


Fig. S5. UV-vis spectrum of the DMSO solution of melem.

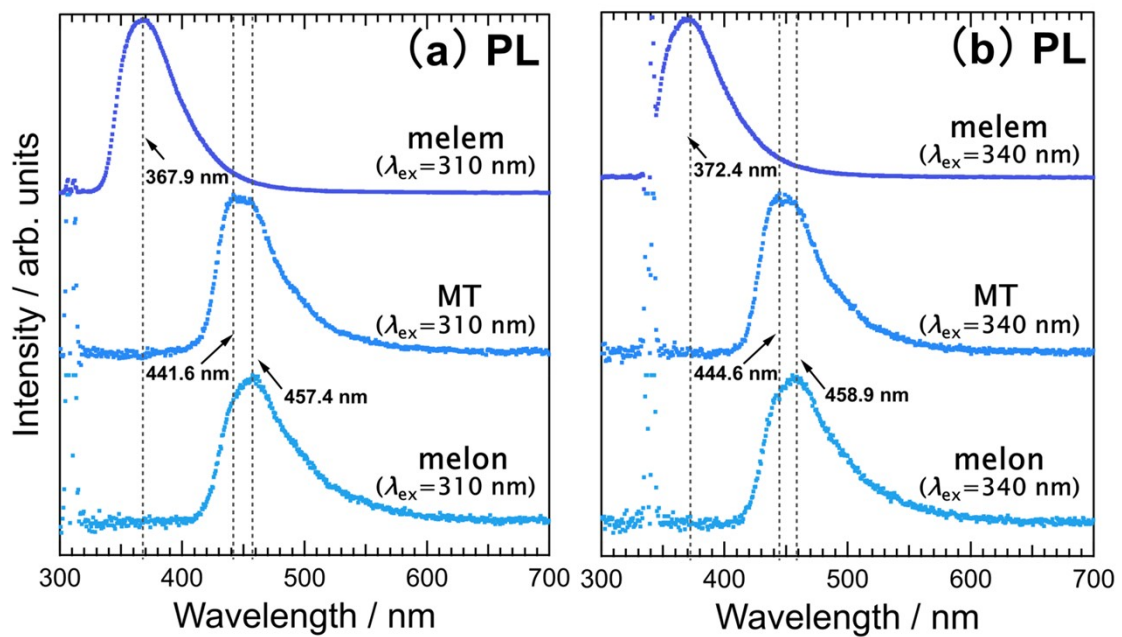


Fig. S6. PL spectra of the powder samples of melem, MT, and melon measured at room temperature. The excitation wavelength  $\lambda_{\text{ex}}$  are  $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 310$  nm (a) and 340 nm (b).

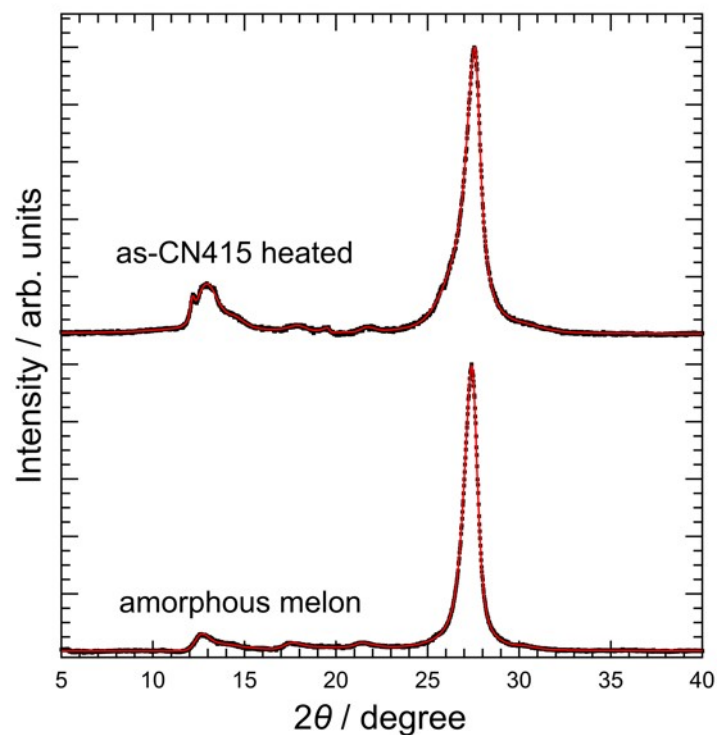


Fig. S7. XRD data of the as-CN415 sample reheated in a tube furnace at 415 °C. The width of the diffraction peak increases and the peak becomes broader in comparison to that for the amorphous melon prepared by reheating melon at 450 °C. This suggests that reheating of MT yields melon with disordered crystal structure, supporting that MT is an intermediate to melon.

Table S2. Atomic coordinates of CN415 (MT). Unit cell parameters:  $a = 16.3 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $b = 28.4 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $c = 6.49 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$ .

Atom	x	y	z
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