

## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

### **Impact of nanosizing a host matrix based on a metal–organic framework on solid-state fluorescence emission and energy transfer**

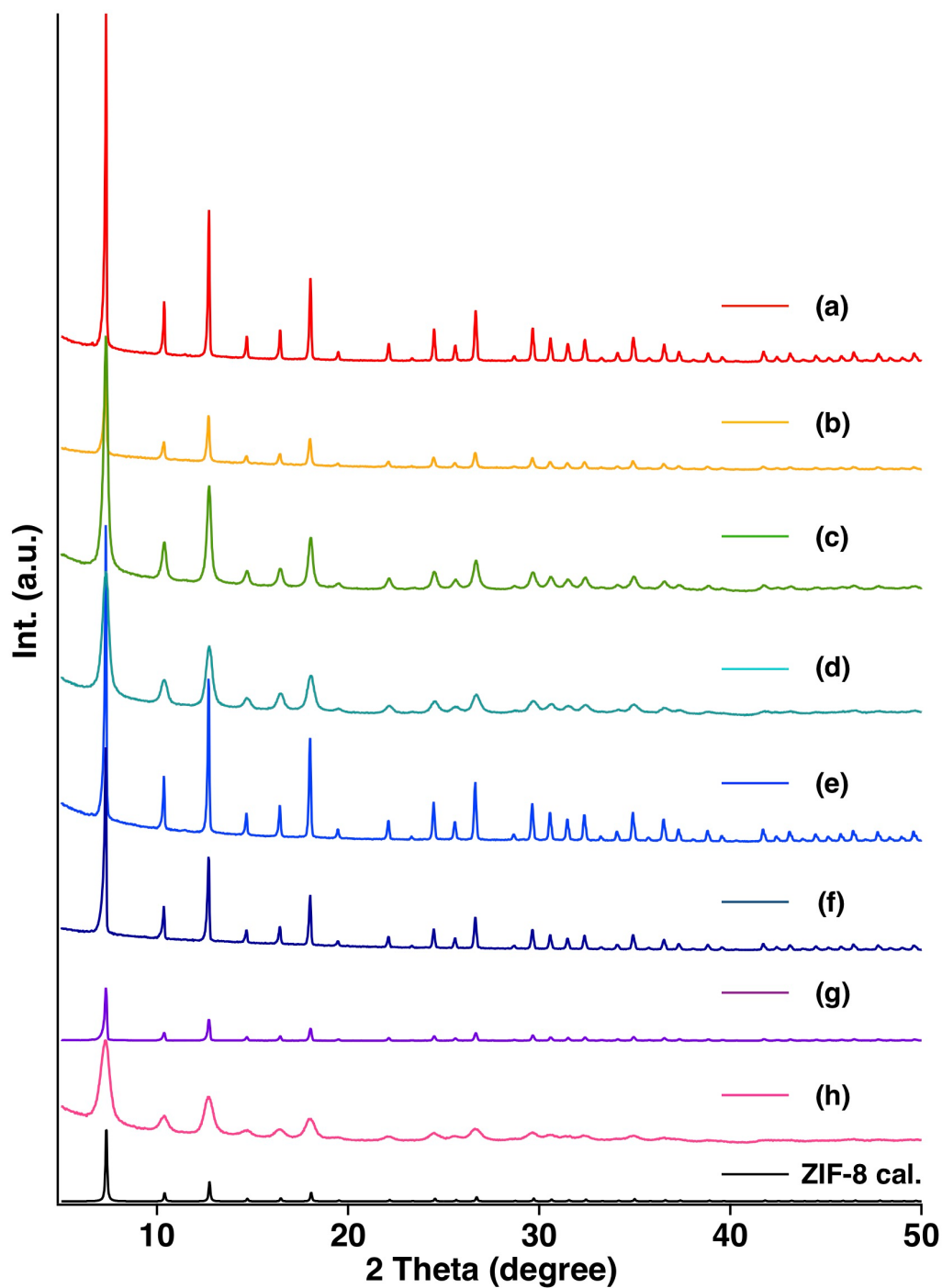
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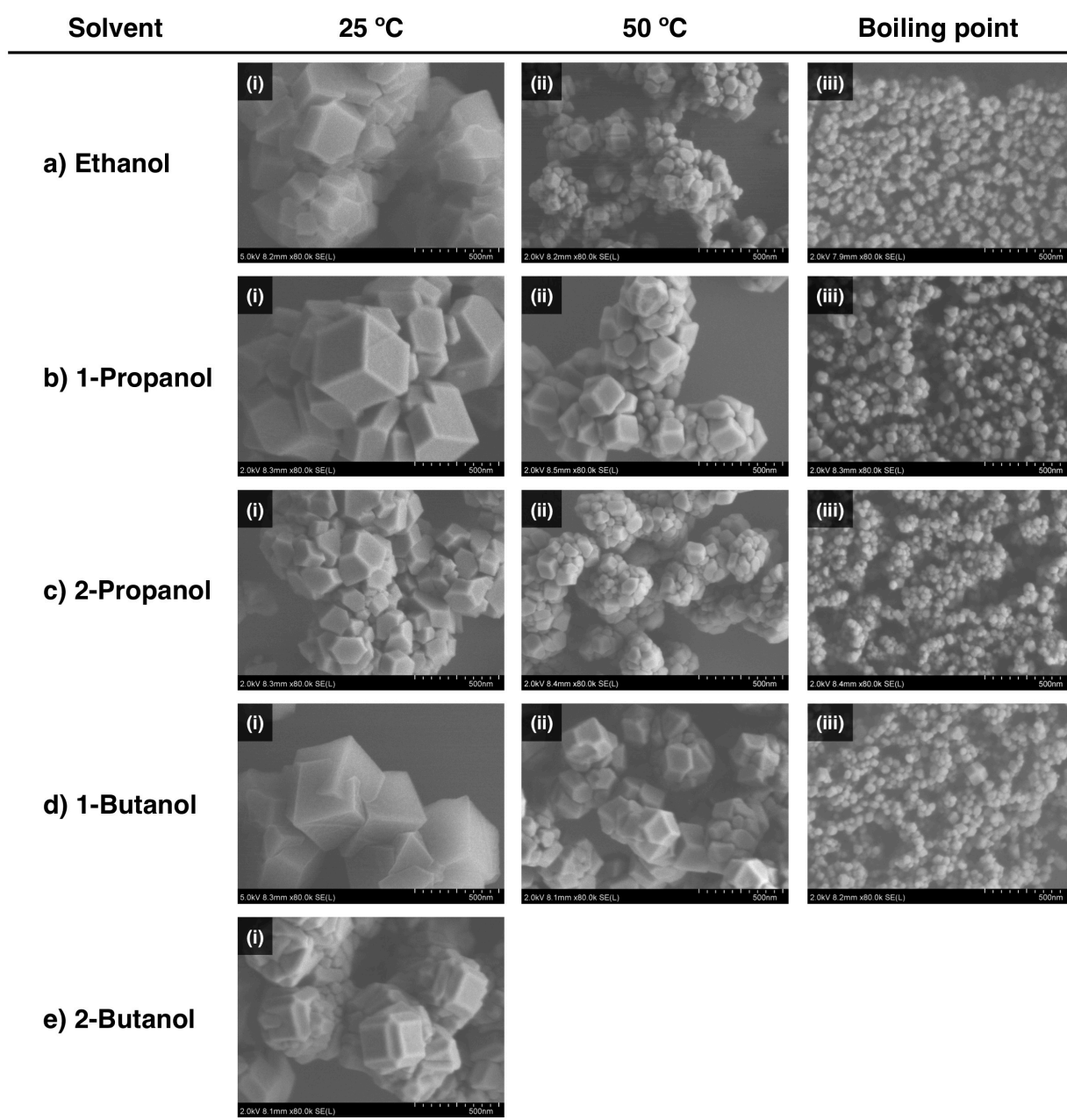
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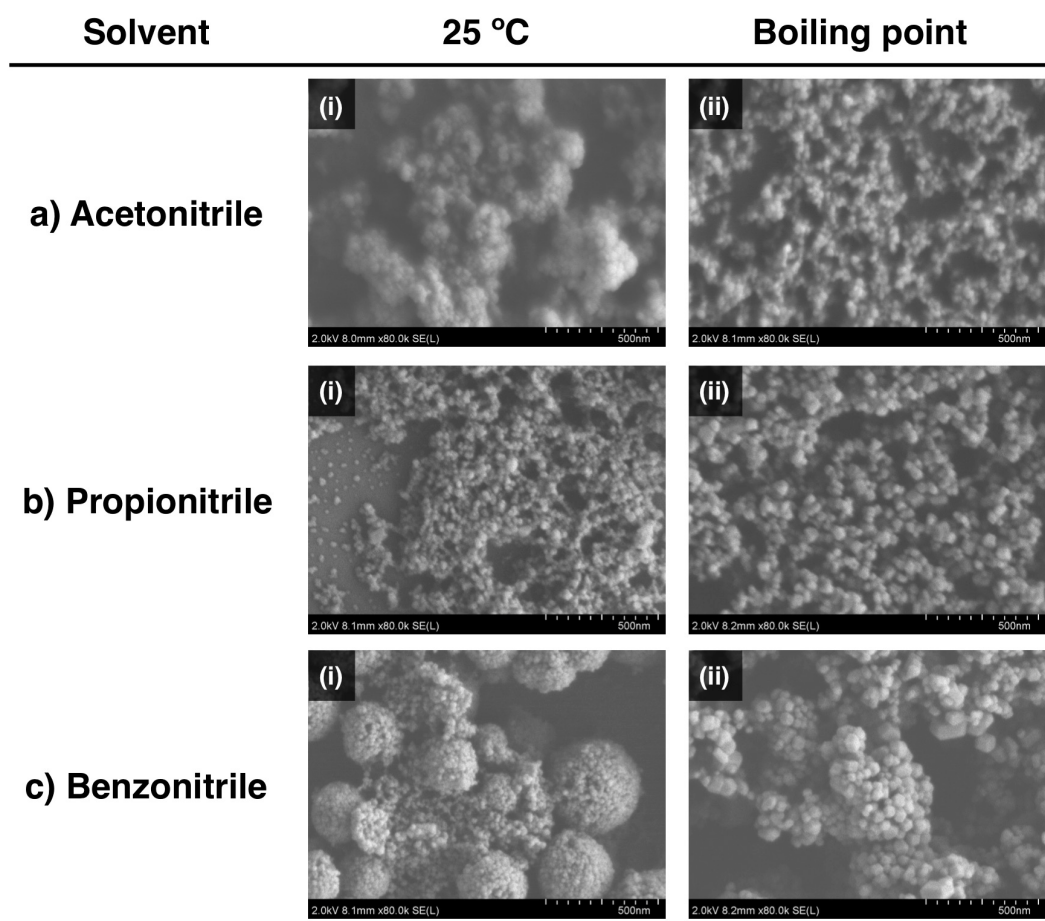
## Supporting Figures



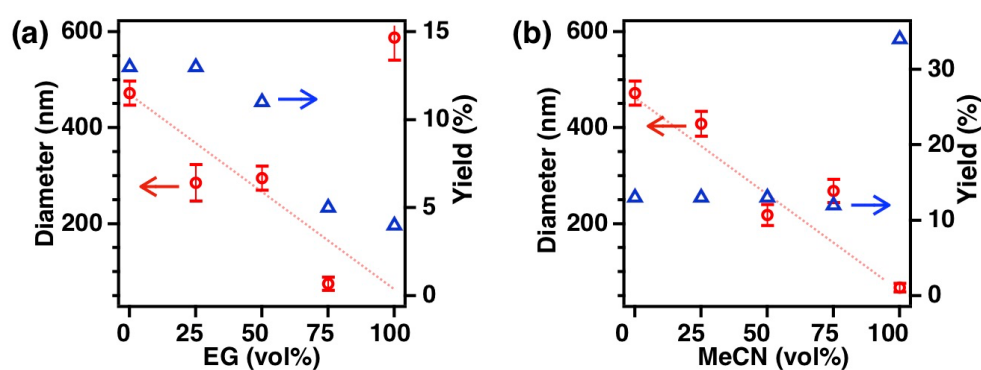
**Figure S1.** PXRD patterns of ZIF-8 synthesized with different conditions: (a) MeOH, (b) EtOH, (c) MeCN, (d) benzonitrile, (e) EG, (f) MeOH (4 °C), (g) MeOH (the precursor zinc solution without 1-MIm), and (h) MeOH with adding triethylamine (1 eq. amount based on 2-MIm), and calculated ZIF-8 reference (CCDC: 864309).



**Figure S2.** SEM images of ZIF-8 synthesized with the different solvent: (a) EtOH, (b) 1-PrOH, (c) 2-PrOH, (d) 1-BuOH, and (e) 2-BuOH and different reaction temperatures (room temperature, 50 °C, and near the boiling point of each solvent) in each solvent.

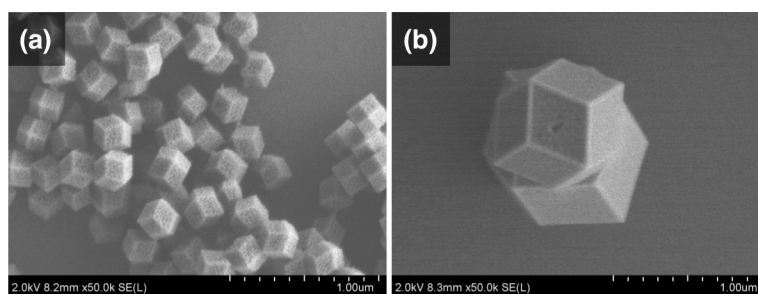


**Figure S3.** SEM images of ZIF-8 synthesized with (a) MeCN, (b) propionitrile, (c) benzonitrile, and different reaction temperatures (room temperature, 50 °C, and near the boiling point of each solvent) in each solvent.

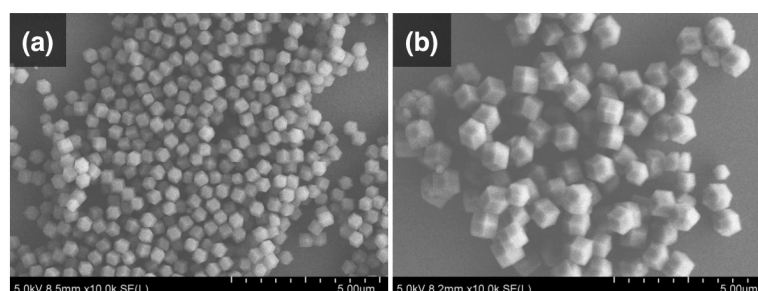


**Figure S4.** (a) Crystal size distribution and/or product yield versus the volume ratio of EG in MeOH, and (b) particle size distribution and/or product yield versus the volume ratio of MeCN in MeOH.

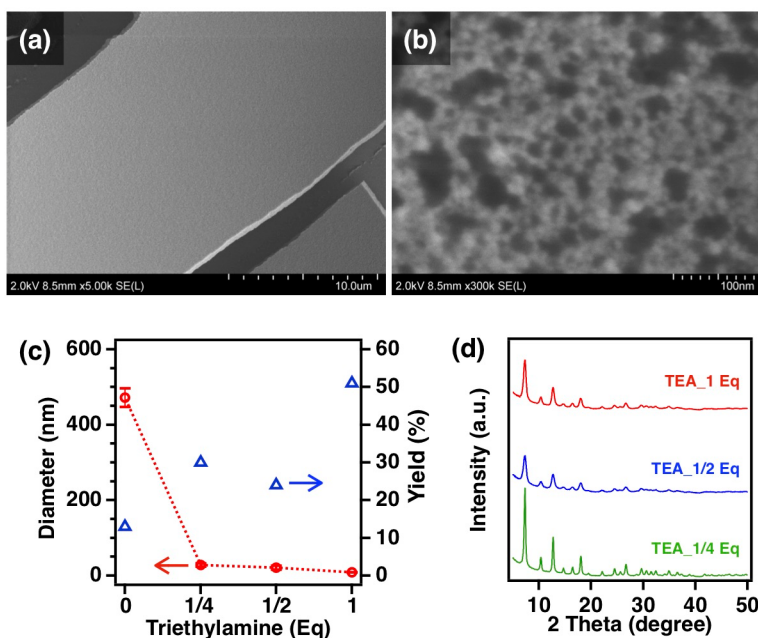




**Figure S5.** (a) SEM images of ZIF-8 synthesized in MeOH at 50 °C (a) and (b) 4 °C.



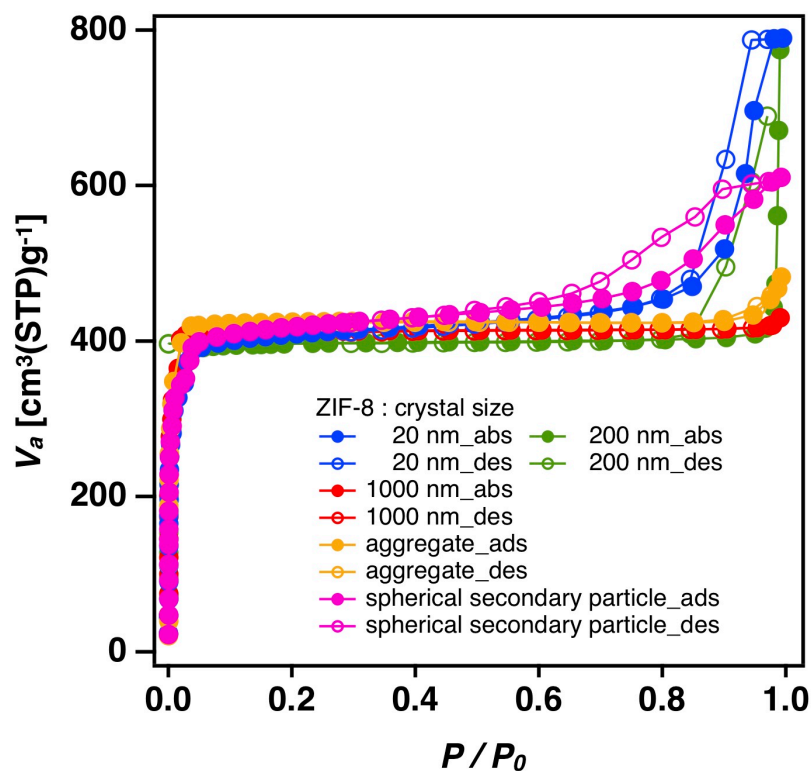
**Figure S6.** SEM images of ZIF-8 synthesized in MeOH at room temperature: (a) addition of 1-MIm to the precursor zinc solution, and (b) without 1-MIm.



**Figure S7.** SEM images of ZIF-8: each magnification is (a) x5k, (b) x300k, and crystal size distribution and/or product yield versus the equivalent amount of triethylamine (TEA) to Zn-ion content. (d) XRD patterns of ZIF-8 synthesized with different amount of TEA: (red) 1 eq., (blue) 0.5 eq., and (green) 0.25 eq..

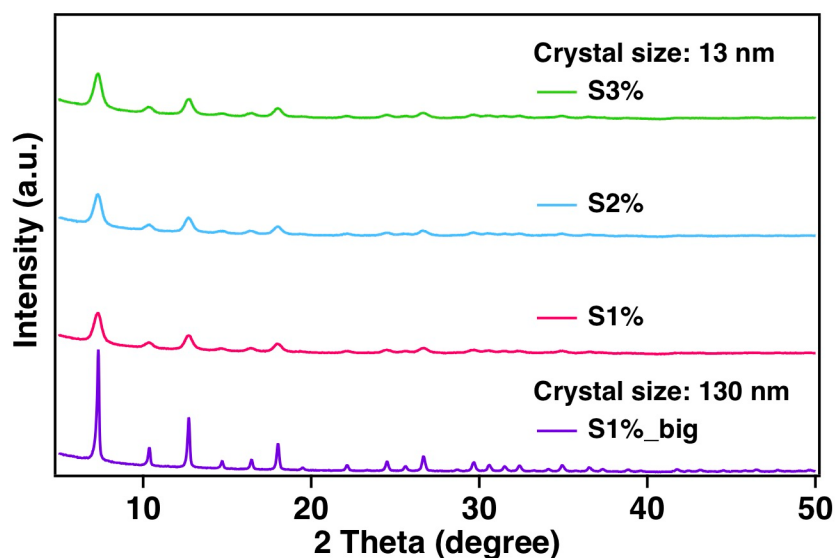
**Table S1.** Crystal size of ZIF-8 synthesized with different conditions

solvent	Temperature (°C)	TEA (ep)	Diameter (nm)	Yield (%)
Methanol	3–4	—	1041 ± 110	11
Ethylene glycol	r.t.	—	588 ± 47	5
Methanol	r.t.	—	472 ± 25	13
Methanol	50	—	256 ± 16	15
Ethanol	70	—	72 ± 15	12
Acetonitrile	r.t.	—	55 ± 8	34
Methanol	r.t.	1/4	28 ± 4	30
Methanol	r.t.	1/2	21 ± 5	23
Acetonitrile	r.t.	1	17 ± 3	70
Methanol	r.t.	1	9	51

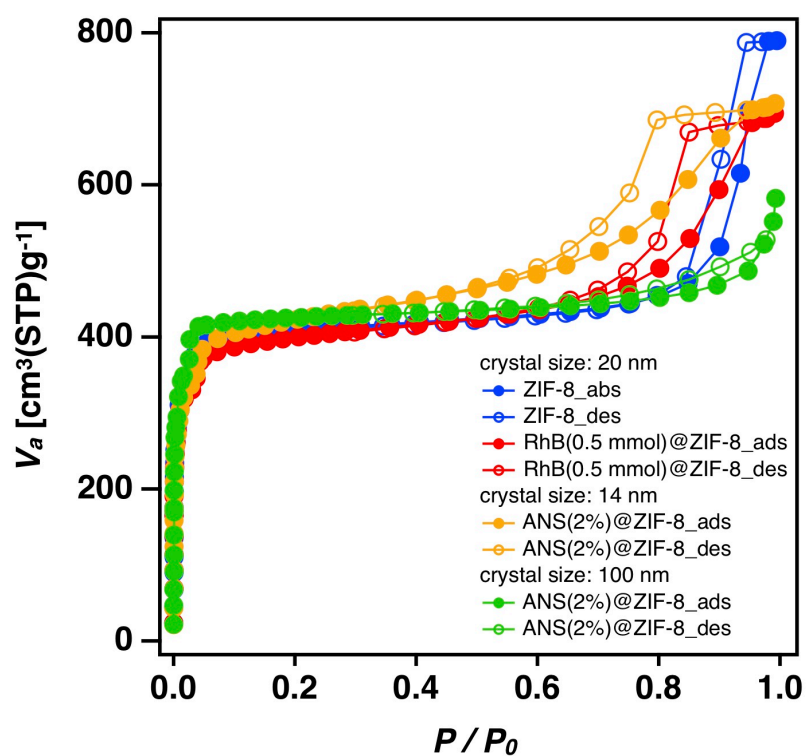
**Figure S8.** Nitrogen adsorption (solid symbol) and desorption (open symbol) isotherms of ZIF-8: crystal size\_(blue) ca. 20 nm, (green) ca. 200 nm, (red) ca. 1000 nm, (yellow) 500-nm-sized aggregate (Figure S2a\_r.t.) and (purple) spherical secondary nanoparticle (Figure S3c-i).

**Table S2. Nitrogen gas adsorption/desorption analysis of ZIF-8 crystals**

crystal size (nm)	specific surface area, $S_{\text{BET}}$ ( $\text{m}^2/\text{g}$ )	pore volume ( $\text{cm}^3/\text{g}$ )	pore diameter (nm)
20	1600	1.2	3.0
200	1600	1.2	3.0
1000	1640	0.7	1.6
aggregate	1740	0.7	1.7
spherical secondary nanoparticle	1630	0.9	2.3



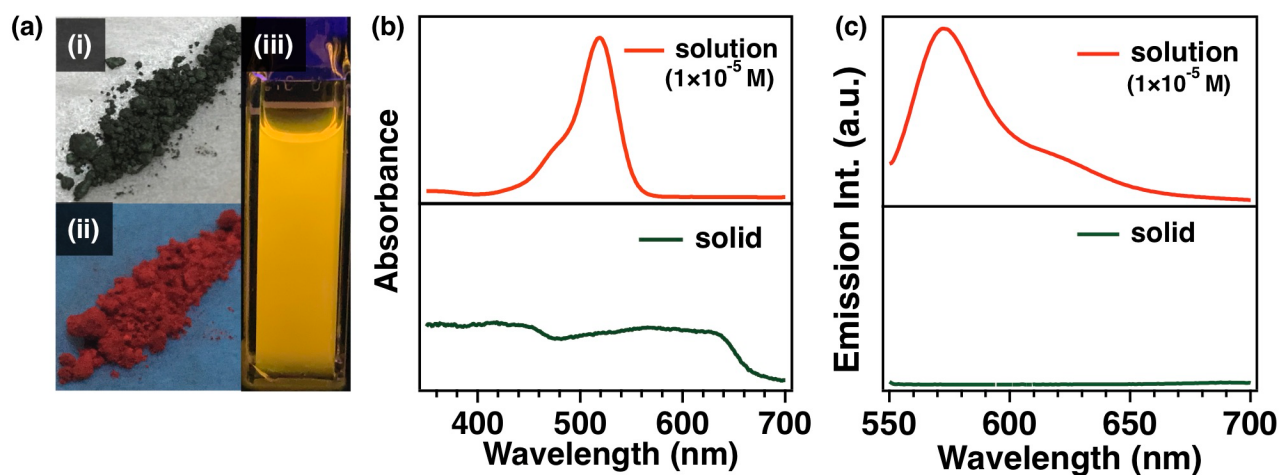
**Figure S9.** XRD patterns of ANS@ZIF-8 with different crystal sizes and amounts of ANS in ZIF-8: (green) 13 nm\_S3%, (blue) 13 nm\_S2%, (pink) 13 nm\_S1%, (violet) 130 nm\_S1%. The content of sulfur due to ANS was determined with atomic% (at%) relative to Zn-ion in ZIF-8 by STEM-EDX analysis.



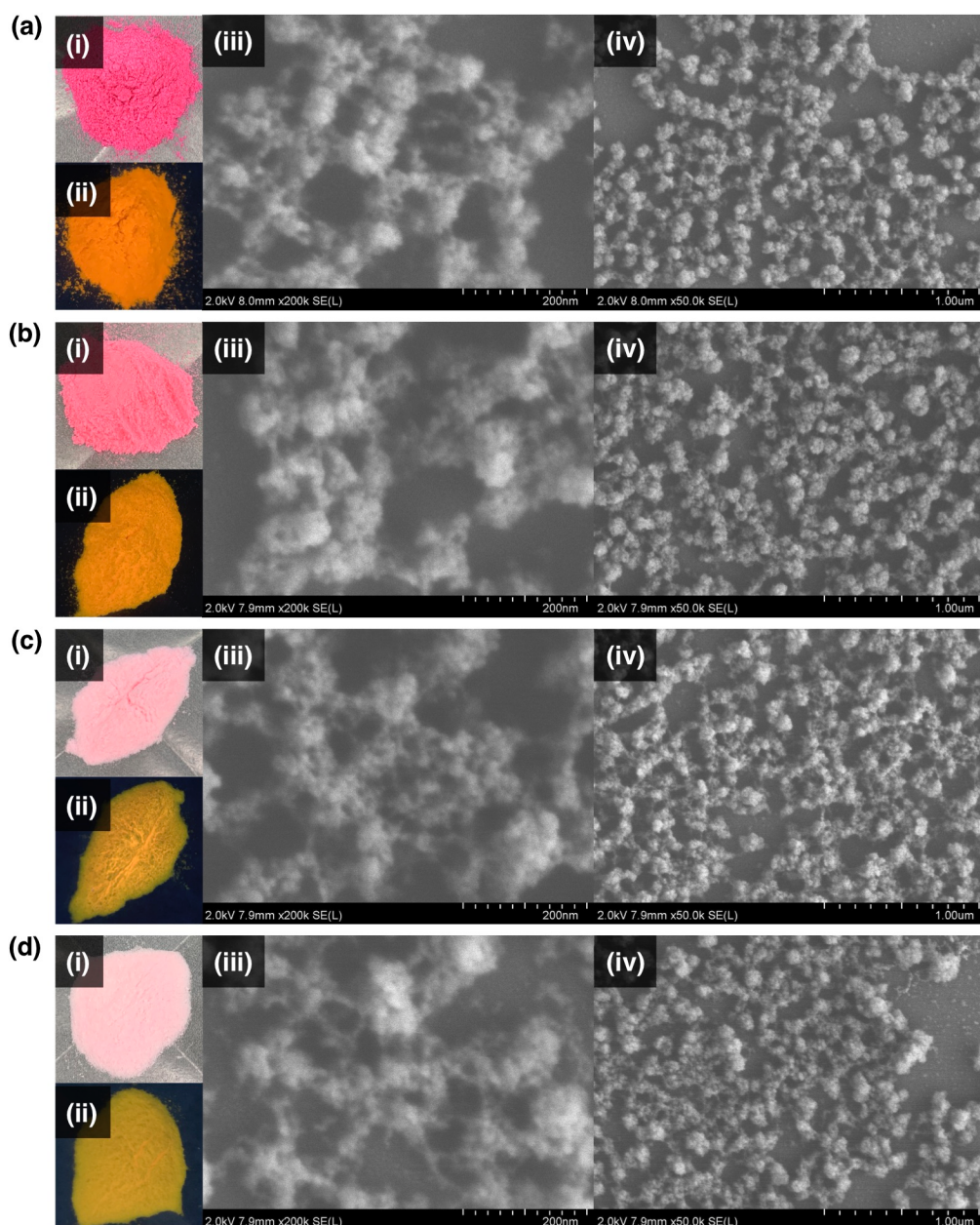
**Figure S10.** Nitrogen adsorption (solid symbol) and desorption (open symbol) isotherms of Samples: (blue) 20 nm sized ZIF-8, (red) RhB(0.5 mmol)@ZIF-8, (yellow) 14 nm sized ANS(2%)@ZIF-8 and (green) 100 nm sized ANS(2%)@ZIF-8.

**Table S3.** Nitrogen gas adsorption/desorption analysis of Samples

sample	crystal size (nm)	specific surface area, $S_{\text{BET}}$ ( $\text{m}^2/\text{g}$ )	pore volume ( $\text{cm}^3/\text{g}$ )	pore diameter (nm)
nanoZIF-8	20	1600	1.2	3.0
RhB(0.5 mmol)@ZIF-8	20	1460	1.0	2.9
ANS(2%)@ZIF-8	14	1580	1.1	2.8
	100	1680	1.0	2.1

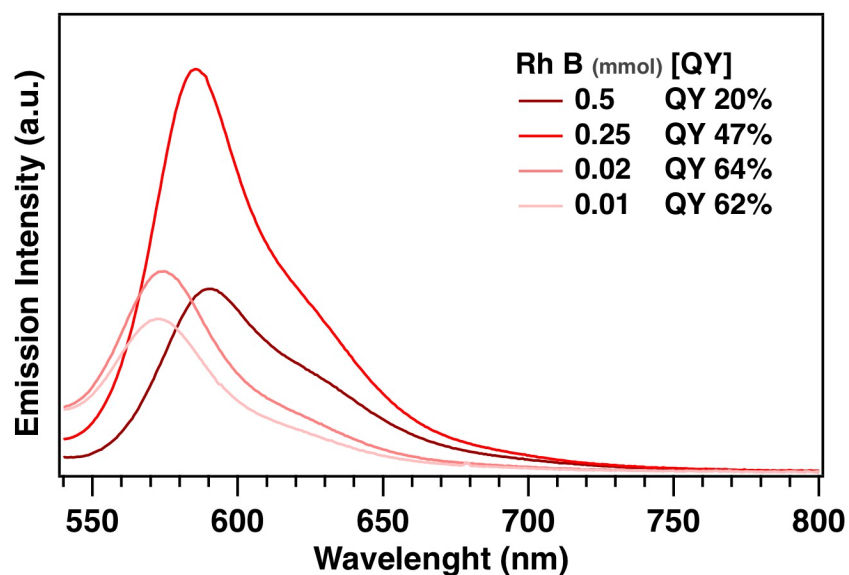


**Figure S11.** Photographs of solid-state RhB under visible light (a-i), under UV light (a-ii), RhB solution in MeCN ( $10\ \mu\text{mol/L}$ ) under UV light (a-iii). (b) UV-vis absorption spectra and (c) fluorescence spectra of (red) RhB in MeCN solution state and (green) RhB in solid state.

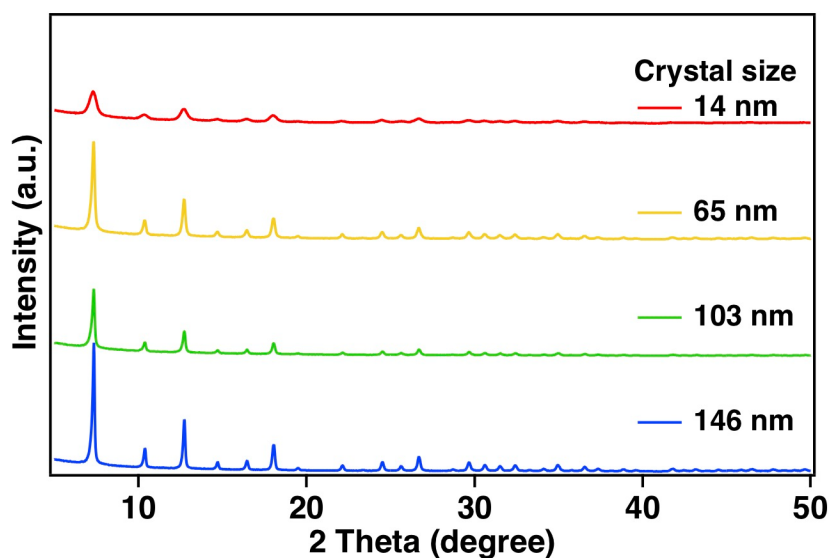


**Figure S12.** Photographs of 14 nm-sized RhB@ZIF-8 under visible light (i), under UV light (ii), and SEM images at x200k (iii) and x50k (iv) magnification: The initial concentrations of RhB are (a) 0.5 mmol, (b) 0.25 mmol, (c) 0.02 mmol, (d) 0.01 mmol, respectively.

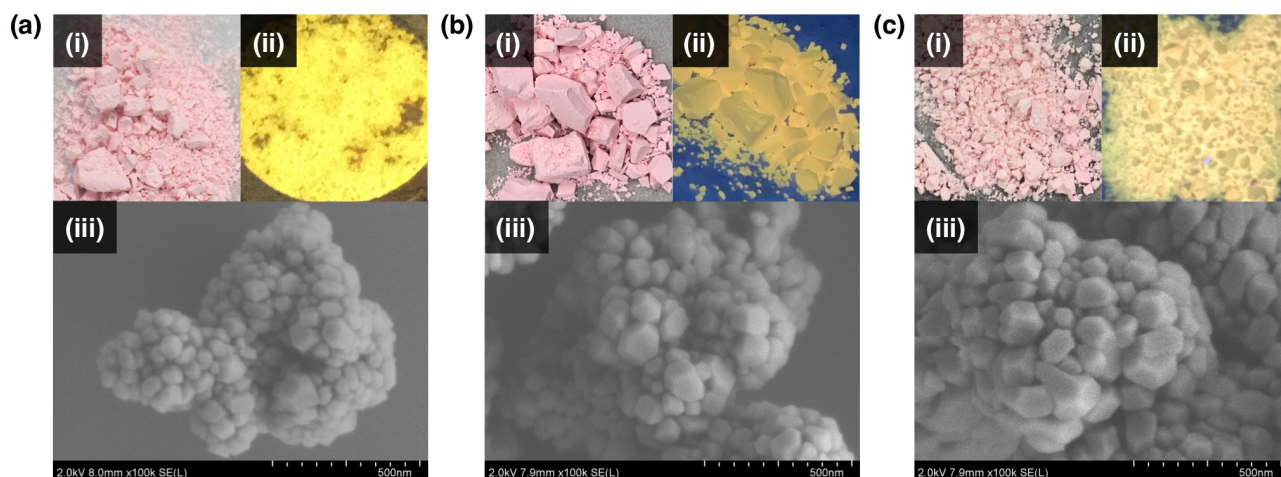




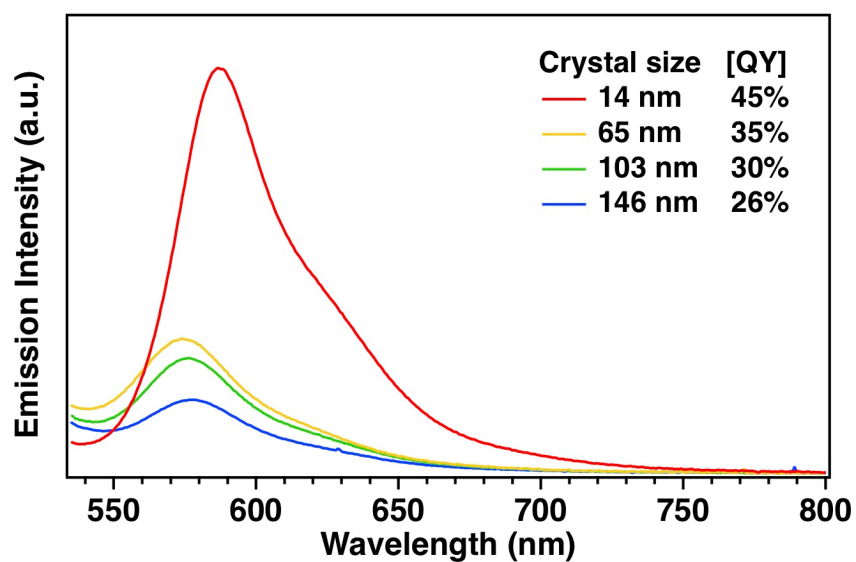
**Figure S13.** Solid-state fluorescence spectra of RhB@ZIF-8 with different encapsulation amounts of RhB: The initial concentration of RhB are (dark red) 0.5 mmol, (b) 0.25 mmol, (c) 0.02 mmol, (d) 0.01 mmol.



**Figure S14.** PXRD patterns of RhB(0.25 mmol)@ZIF-8 with different crystal sizes: Crystal size are (red) 14 nm, (yellow) 65 nm, (green) 103 nm, (blue) 146 nm, respectively.

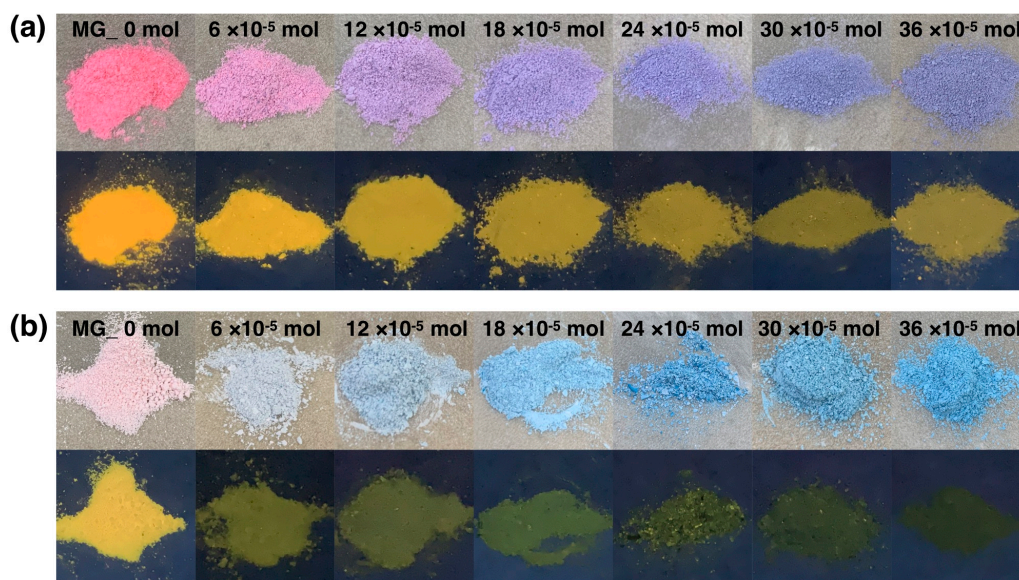


**Figure S15.** Photographs of RhB(0.25 mmol)@ZIF-8 with different crystal sizes under visible light (i), under UV light (ii), and SEM images (iii): Crystal size are (red) 14 nm, (yellow) 65 nm, (green) 103 nm, (blue) 146 nm.

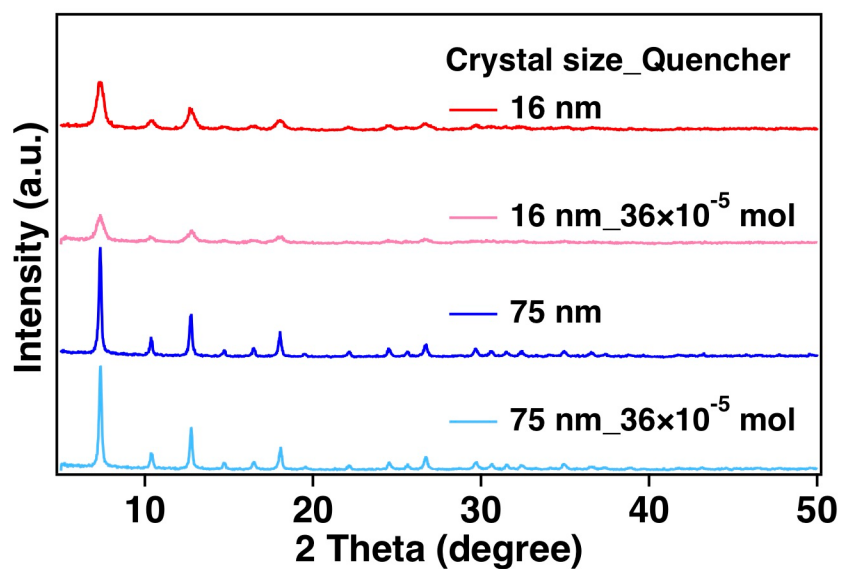


**Figure S16.** Solid-state fluorescence spectra of RhB(0.25 mmol)@ZIF-8 with different crystal sizes: Crystal size are (red) 14 nm, (yellow) 65 nm, (green) 103 nm, (blue) 146 nm.

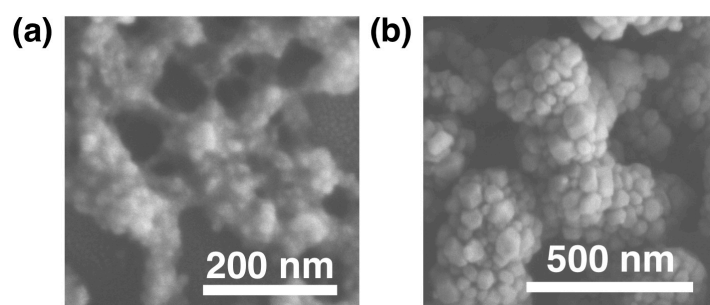




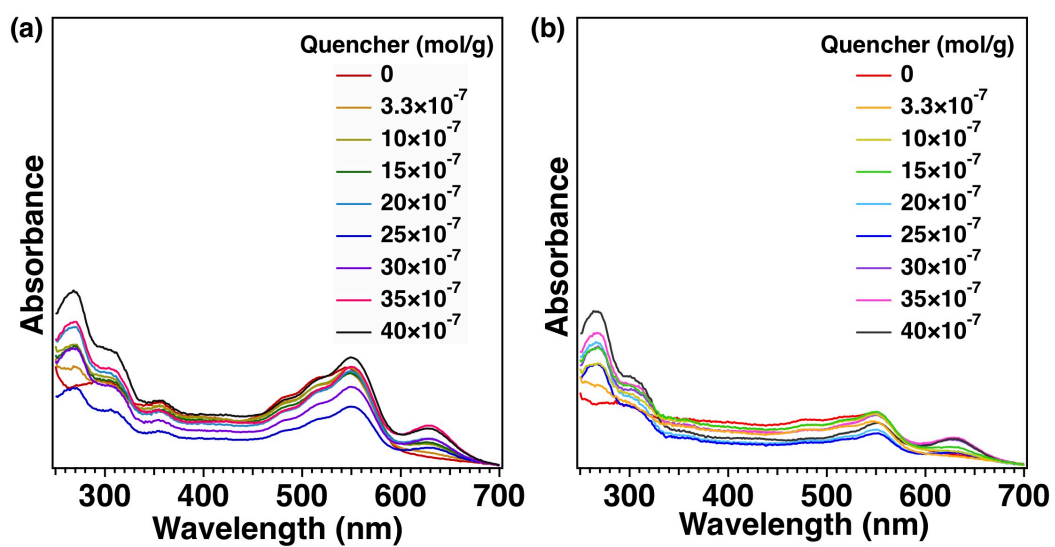
**Figure S17.** Photographs of (a) 16 nm-sized MG-RhB@ZIF-8 and (b) 75 nm-sized MG-RhB@ZIF-8.



**Figure S18.** PXRD patterns of samples: (red) 16 nm-sized Rh B@ZIF-8 was obtained without quencher, (pink) Rh B@ZIF-8 with adsorbed MG ( $36 \times 10^{-5}$  mol), (blue) 75 nm-sized Rh B@ZIF-8 was obtained without quencher, (light blue) Rh B@ZIF-8 with adsorbed MG ( $36 \times 10^{-5}$  mol).



**Figure S19.** SEM images of (a) 16 nm-sized Rh B@ZIF-8 and (b) 75 nm-sized Rh B@ZIF-8.



**Figure S20.** Solid-state UV-vis absorption spectra of (a) 16 nm-sized Rh B@ZIF-8 and (b) 75 nm-sized Rh B@ZIF-8.

**Table S4.** Quenching efficiency of RhB solution, 16 nm-sized RhB@ZIF-8 and 75 nm-sized RhB@ZIF-8.

Rh B solution		RhB@ZIF-8		
Quencher concentration (10 <sup>-9</sup> mol)	Quantum yield (%)	Quencher concentration (10 <sup>-5</sup> mol)	Nano crystal Quantum yield (%)	Sub-micro crystal Quantum yield (%)
0	32	0	50	38
2	21	1.5	34	29
4	15	3	29	22
6	11	6	23	16
8	9	9	14	8
10	8	12	10	7
12	7	18	11	3
16	6	24	8	2
20	5	30	6	1
24	4	36	6	0