

Supporting Information

Highly Efficient and Stable Cs₂TeCl₆:Cr³⁺ Perovskite Microcrystals for White Light Emitting Diodes

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Experimental section

Chemicals

Cesium chloride (CsCl, 99.9%), hydrochloric acid (HCl, 37 wt% in water, Sinopharm Chemical Reagent Co., Ltd.), tellurium dioxide (TeO₂, 99.99%), bismuth chloride (BiCl₃, 99%), manganese chloride tetrahydrate (MnCl₂·4H₂O, 99%), chromium chloride hexahydrate (CrCl₃·6H₂O, 99%), cadmium chloride hemi (CdCl₂·5/2H₂O, 98%), isopropyl alcohol, acetone (≥ 99.5%) and acetonitrile were purchased from Macklin. (CH₃COO)₃Ce·xH₂O (99.9%), (CH₃COO)₃Sm·xH₂O (99.9%), (CH₃COO)₃Eu·xH₂O (99.9%), (CH₃COO)₃Yb·4H₂O (99.9%) were purchased from Sigma-Aldrich. All chemicals were used as received without any further purification.

Synthesis of Cr³⁺ doped Cs₂TeCl₆ microcrystals (MCs)

The Cs₂TeCl₆:Cr³⁺ MCs were synthesized via a solvothermal method with some modification.^[1-2] 2 mmol CsCl, 1 mmol TeO₂ and a certain amount of CrCl₃·6H₂O were dissolved in 5 ml HCl and then stirred overnight at 30°C and transferred to a polytetrafluoroethylene (PTFE) container. Subsequently, the container was placed in the oven at 180 °C for 12 hours, it was cooled to room temperature at 6-8 °C/h. The products were centrifugation, washed with isopropyl alcohol, acetone and acetonitrile in sequence. Finally, the Cs₂TeCl₆:Cr³⁺ MCs were dried at 60 °C in a vacuum oven for 24 h before use.

Fabrication of WLEDs

The WLEDs were constructed using commercial UV LED chip (382 nm), yellow phosphor (Cs₂TeCl₆:Cr³⁺ MCs), and blue phosphor (BaMgAl₁₀O₁₇:Eu²⁺ MCs). The

two phosphors are thoroughly mixed with epoxy resin and then coated on the UV LED chips, finally solidified at 80 °C for 1 hour to fabricate the WLEDs.

Characterization

UV-visible absorption spectra were obtained with a Shimadzu UV-1700 PC UV/Visible scanning spectrophotometer in the range from 300 nm to 1100 nm. Powder X-ray diffraction (XRD) patterns were recorded by using a Rigaku TTRIII X-ray diffractometer at 200 mA and 40 kV with Cu K α radiation ($\lambda = 1.5406 \text{ \AA}$). The scan range was set from 5° to 70° with the scanning rate of 10°/min. The morphology of the products was recorded with a JEOL JSM-7500F scanning electron microscope (SEM) equipped with energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (EDS) analysis and mapping. Trace-Metal Analysis was carried out using inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES) on a Varian720-ES ICP-optical emission spectrometer. The X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) was performed on the Kratos Axis Ultra DLD spectrometer equipped with a monochrome Al K α X-ray source ($h\nu = 1486.6 \text{ eV}$), which was operated by a drive power of 150 W with a multichannel plate and a delay line detector under 1.0×10^{-9} Torr vacuum. Photoluminescence spectra were recorded on a Shimadzu RF-6000 spectrofluorometer. The PL decay curves were measured on a FLS 920-stm spectrometer Edinburgh Instruments and collected by PerkinElmer LS 55 fluorescence spectrometer. The PLQY of the samples were acquired using a fluorescence spectrofluorometer (FLS980, Edinburgh Instruments) equipped with an integrating sphere. All of the measurements were performed at room temperature.

Supplementary Figures and Tables:

Table S1 The data of metal ions (M) mole percent (mol %) in Cs₂TeCl₆:M MCs measured by ICP-OES.

| Sample | M:(Te+M) | Nominal/mol% | Actual/mol% |
|--------|----------|--------------|-------------|
| Cr | 1:200 | 0.5 | 0.03 |
| Cr | 1:50 | 2 | 0.66 |
| Cr | 1:20 | 5 | 1.34 |
| Cr | 1:10 | 10 | 3.57 |
| Cr | 3:20 | 15 | 4.89 |
| Cr | 1:5 | 20 | 6.73 |
| Mn | 3:20 | 15 | 5.12 |
| Cd | 3:20 | 15 | 4.96 |
| Bi | 3:20 | 15 | 4.77 |
| Ce | 3:20 | 15 | 2.63 |
| Yb | 3:20 | 15 | 2.84 |
| Sm | 3:20 | 15 | 2.58 |
| Eu | 3:20 | 15 | 2.71 |

Table S2 Atomic coordinates for Cs₂TeCl₆.

| Atom | Ox | wyck | site | x/a | y/b | z/c |
|------|----|------|------|-------|-----|-----|
| Te1 | 4 | 4a | m-3m | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Cs1 | 1 | 8c | -43m | 1/4 | 1/4 | 1/4 |
| Cl1 | -1 | 24e | 4m.m | 0.264 | 0 | 0 |

Table S3 Crystallographic data and parameters of the Rietveld refinement of Cs₂TeCl₆ and Cs₂TeCl₆:Cr³⁺ MCs.

| Sample | Cs ₂ TeCl ₆ | Cs ₂ TeCl ₆ :Cr ³⁺ |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 2 θ range | 10° ≤ θ ≤ 70° | |
| Temperature (K) | 298 | |
| Crystal system | Cubic | |
| Space group | Fm3-m | |
| <i>Z</i> | 4 | |
| a = b = c (Å) | 10.500 | 10.473 |
| $\alpha = \beta = \gamma$ (deg) | 90 | |
| Volume (Å ³) | 1157.798 | 1148.765 |
| X-ray source | Cu K α 1 | |
| Wavelength / Å | 1.5406 | |
| R _p (%) | 6.75 | 6.25 |
| R _{wp} (%) | 6.12 | 5.68 |
| χ^2 | 1.86 | 1.68 |

Table S4 Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg.) for Cs₂TeCl₆.

| Vector | Length | Angle | Degrees |
|--------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| Te1-Cs1 × 8 | 4.53500(4) | Cl1-Te1-Cl1 | 90.000(0) |
| Te1-Cl1 × 6 | 2.76947(3) | Cl1-Te1-Cl1 | 180.000(0) |
| Cs1-Cs1 × 6 | 5.23657(6) | Cs1-Cs1-Cl1 | 45.048(0) |
| Cs1-Cl1 × 12 | 3.70590(3) | | |

Table S5 Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg.) for Cs₂TeCl₆:Cr³⁺.

| Vector | Length | Angle | Degrees |
|--------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| Te1-Cs1 × 8 | 4.54686(1) | Cl1-Te1-Cl1 | 90.000(0) |
| Te1-Cl1 × 6 | 2.57832(1) | Cl1-Te1-Cl1 | 180.000(0) |
| Cs1-Cs1 × 6 | 5.25026(2) | Cs1-Cs1-Cl1 | 45.005(0) |
| Cs1-Cl1 × 12 | 3.71279(1) | | |

Table S6 The PLQY of Cr³⁺ doped Cs₂TeCl₆ MCs.

| Sample | PLQY(Vis) [%] |
|--|------------------|
| Cs ₂ TeCl ₆ | 6.7 |
| Cs ₂ TeCl ₆ :Cr ³⁺ (0.03 %) | 11.2 |
| Cs ₂ TeCl ₆ :Cr ³⁺ (0.66 %) | 29.3 |
| Cs ₂ TeCl ₆ :Cr ³⁺ (1.34 %) | 55.5 |
| Cs ₂ TeCl ₆ :Cr ³⁺ (3.57 %) | 73.9 |
| Cs ₂ TeCl ₆ :Cr ³⁺ (4.89 %) | 81.5 |
| Cs ₂ TeCl ₆ :Cr ³⁺ (6.73%) | 53.4 |

Table S7 Photometric results of the WLEDs working at different drive currents.

| Current(mA) | x | y | CCT (K) | R _a |
|-------------|--------|--------|---------|----------------|
| 5 | 0.3217 | 0.3506 | 5893 | 79.3 |
| 15 | 0.3208 | 0.3508 | 5779 | 79.9 |
| 25 | 0.3225 | 0.3503 | 5826 | 81.3 |
| 35 | 0.3216 | 0.3512 | 5801 | 81.7 |
| 45 | 0.3231 | 0.3520 | 5922 | 81.6 |
| 55 | 0.3209 | 0.3497 | 5703 | 81.8 |

Table S8. Summary of the optically excited WLEDs performance.

| Emitters | CIE (x, y) | CCT (K) | CRI | luminous efficiency (lm/W) | Ref. |
|---|---------------|------------|------|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Cs ₂ SnCl ₆ :1.1%Bi ³⁺ /0.2%Te ⁴⁺ | (0.34, 0.37) | 5233 | 73 | - | 3 |
| Cs ₂ SnCl ₆ :Bi ³⁺ /0.049%Te ⁴⁺ | (0.33, 0.33) | 5613 | - | 26.65 | 4 |
| Cs ₂ AgIn _{0.883} Bi _{0.167} Cl ₆ | (0.42, 0.39) | 3260 | 87 | - | 5 |
| CsCu ₂ I ₃ | (0.35, 0.36) | 5035 | - | - | 6 |
| Cs ₂ (Na, Ag)InCl ₆ :7.09%Ho ³⁺ | (0.39, 0.46) | - | 75.4 | - | 7 |
| Cs ₂ HfCl ₆ :Bi ³⁺ /0.01%Te ⁴⁺ | (0.31, 0.32) | 6866 | 84.5 | 4.25 | 8 |
| Cs ₂ ZrCl ₆ :1.5%Sb ³⁺ | (0.32, 0.33) | 5438 | 96 | - | 9 |
| (NH ₄) ₂ SnCl ₆ :0.5%Te ⁴⁺ | (0.39, 0.38) | 3855 | 83 | 31 | 10 |
| Cs ₂ SnCl ₆ :2.75%Bi ³⁺ | (0.36, 0.37) | 4486 | - | - | 11 |
| Cs ₂ TeCl ₆ :4.89%Cr ³⁺ | (0.32, 0.35) | 5826 | 81.3 | 19.34 | This work |

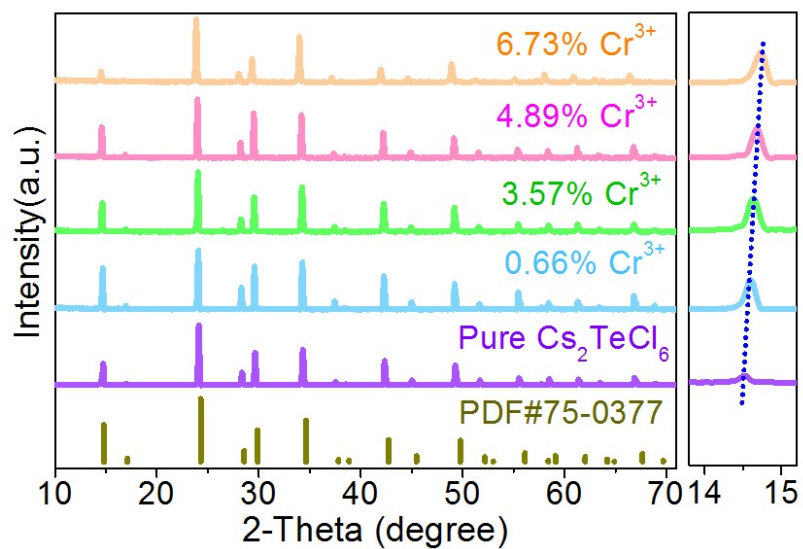


Fig. S1 XRD patterns of pure Cs_2TeCl_6 and various Cr^{3+} doped Cs_2TeCl_6 MCs.

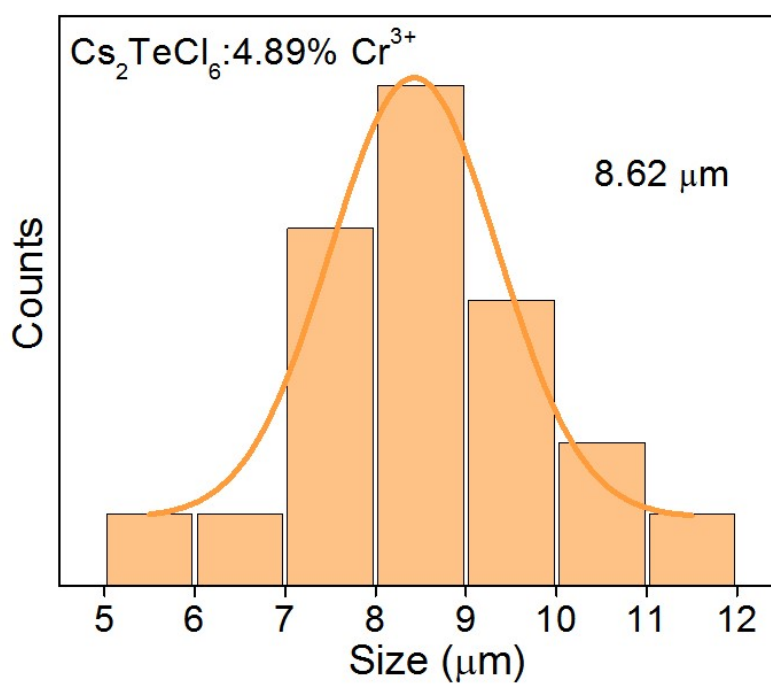


Fig. S2 Diameter distribution of $\text{Cs}_2\text{TeCl}_6:\text{Cr}^{3+}$ (4.89 %) MCs.

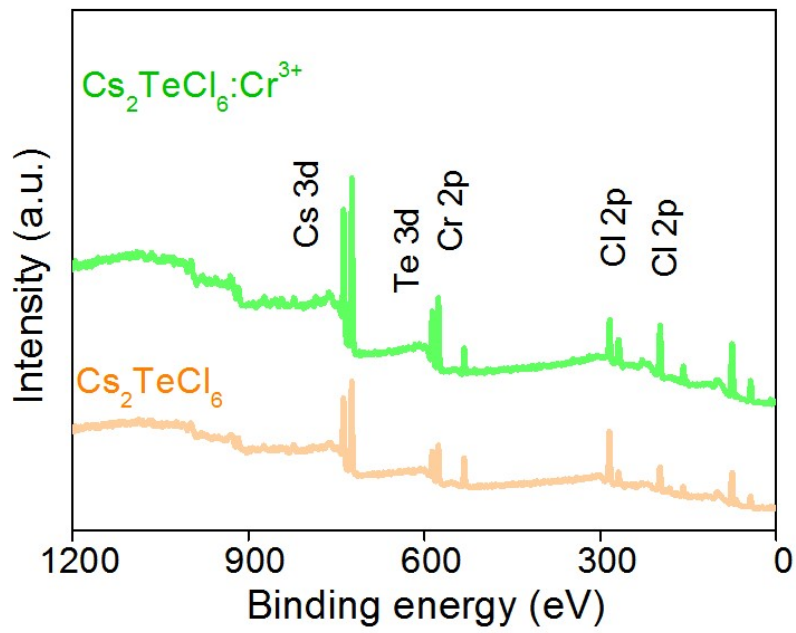


Fig. S3 High-resolution XPS analysis of pure Cs_2TeCl_6 and $\text{Cs}_2\text{TeCl}_6:\text{Cr}^{3+}$ MCs.

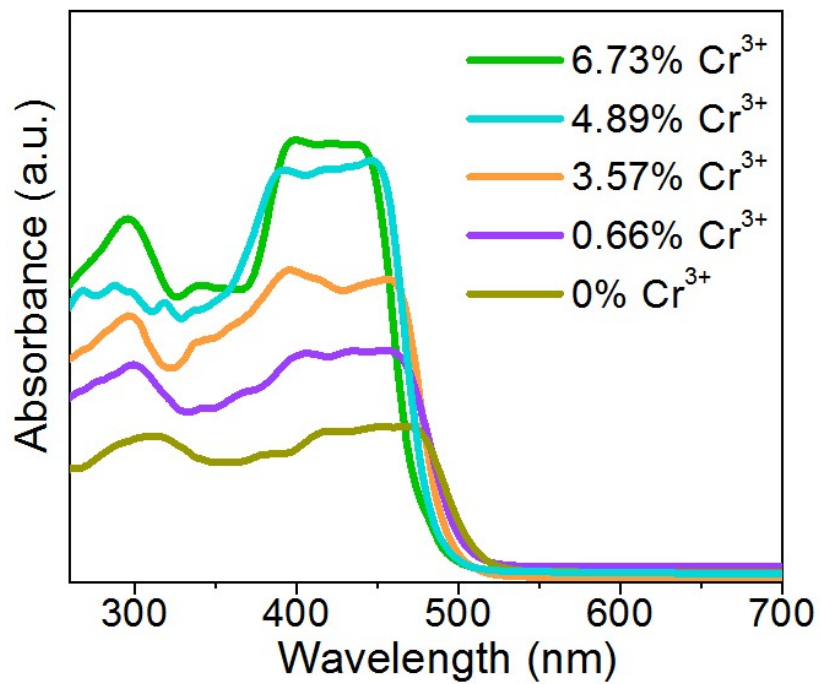


Fig. S4 Absorption spectra of various Cr^{3+} doped Cs_2TeCl_6 MCs.

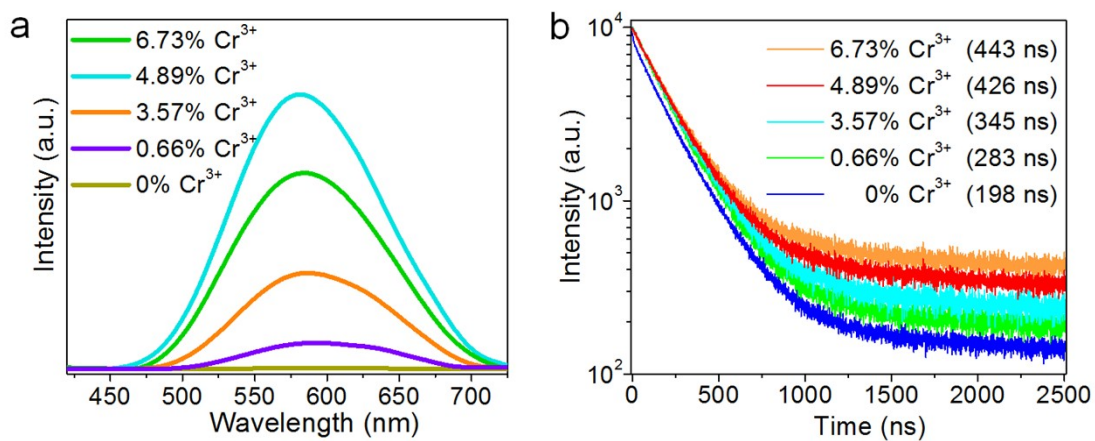


Fig. S5 (a) Emission spectra. (b) Emission dynamics of pure and various Cr³⁺ doped Cs₂TeCl₆ MCs monitored at 590 nm.

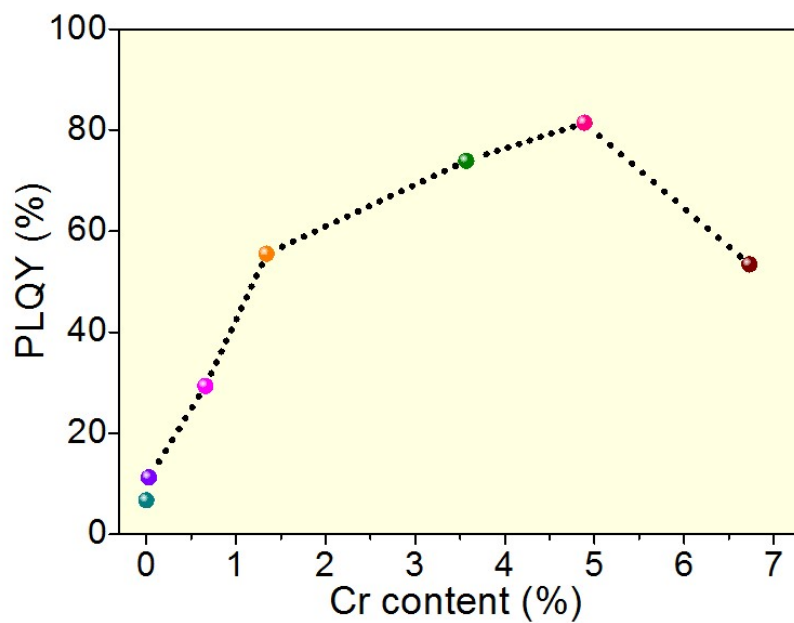


Fig. S6 PLQY of various Cr³⁺ doped Cs₂TeCl₆ MCs.

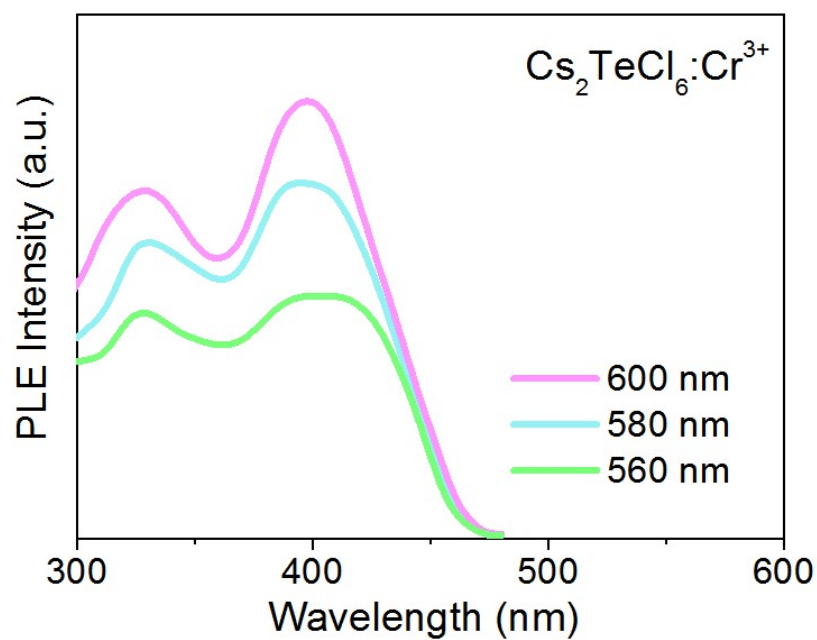


Fig. S7 The excitation spectra monitored at 560, 580, and 600 nm for $\text{Cs}_2\text{TeCl}_6:\text{Cr}^{3+}$ MCs.

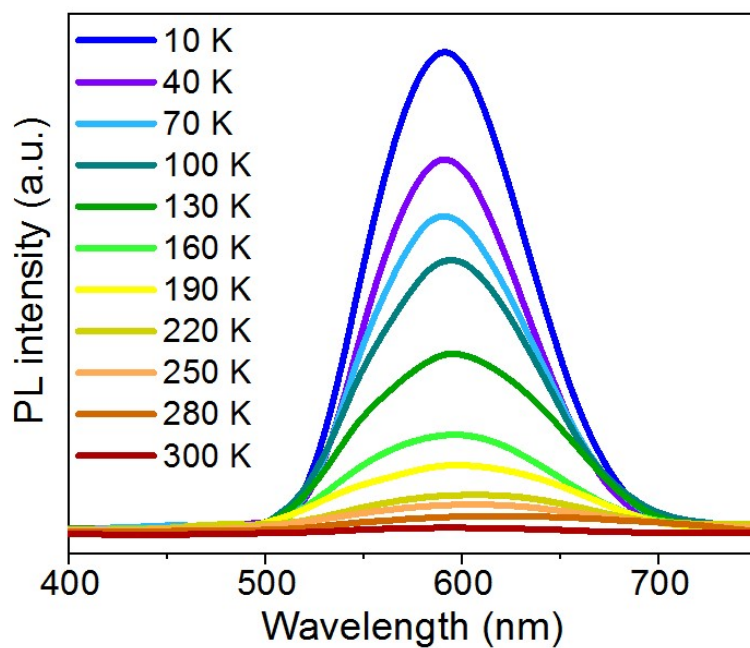


Fig. S8 Temperature-dependent PL spectra ($T = 10\text{-}300$ K) for Cs_2TeCl_6 MCs.

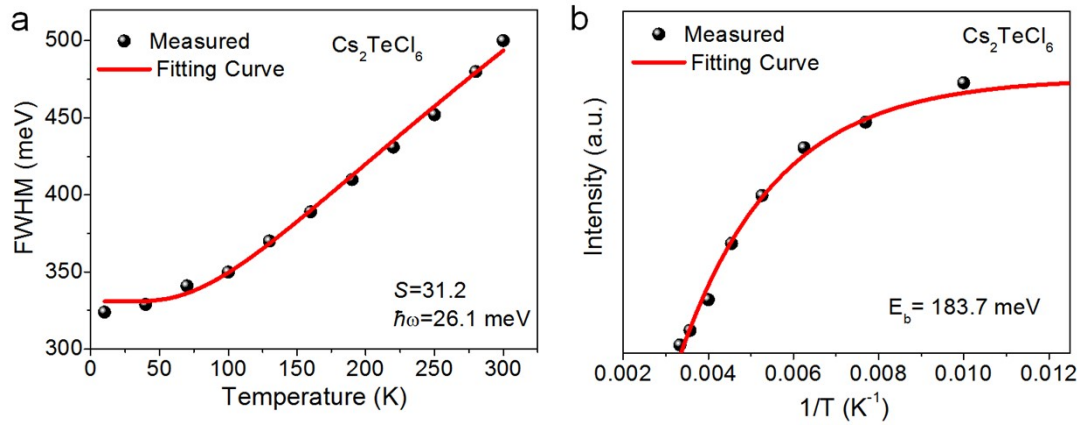


Fig. S9 (a) Fitting curve of the FWHM as a function of temperature. (b) Extracted PL intensity versus $1/T$ and the corresponding fitting result.

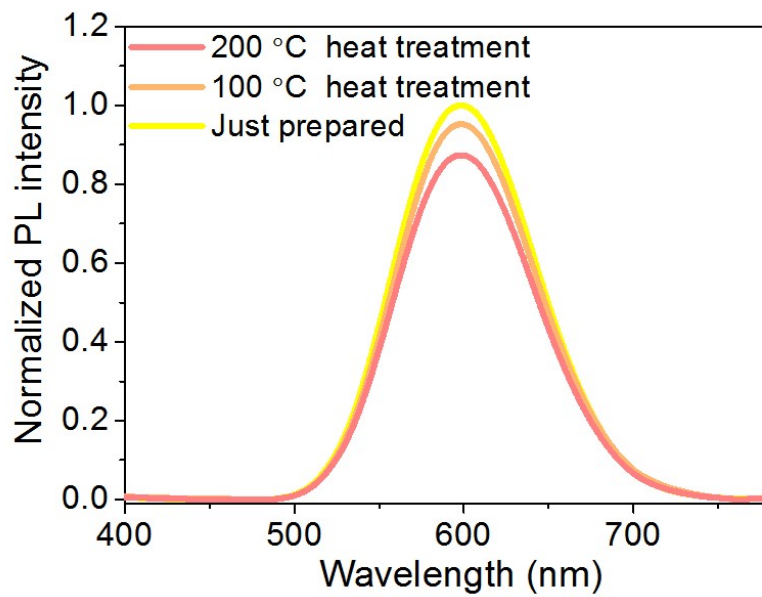


Fig.S10 Normalized PL spectra of just-prepared and heat-treated $\text{Cs}_2\text{TeCl}_6:4.89\%\text{Cr}^{3+}$ samples.

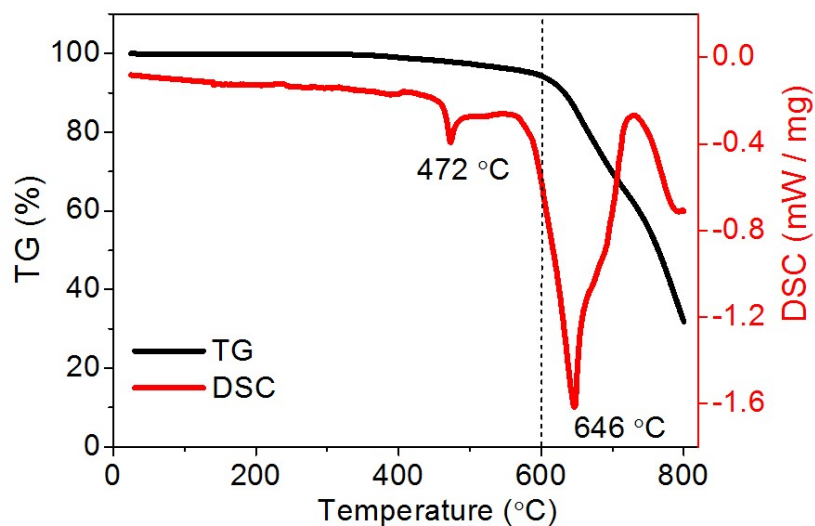


Fig.S11 TG and DSC curves of $\text{Cs}_2\text{TeCl}_6:4.89\%\text{Cr}^{3+}$ MCs.

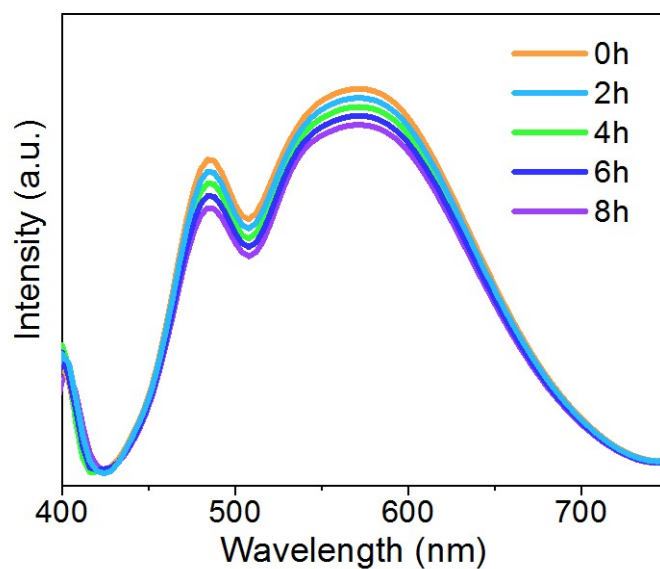


Fig. S12 EL spectra of the WLEDs at different operating times driven the current of 25 mA.

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