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Ultrasmall Water-stable CsPbBr₃ Quantum Dots with High Intensity Blue Emission Enabled by Zeolite Confinement Engineering

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Materials and Methods

Materials

All reagents were used without further purification. CsBr and PbBr₂ were purchased from Aladdin Industrial Corporation. Silicon tetraacetate and tetrapropylammonium hydroxide were purchased from Innochem Corporation. Sodium tungstate dihydrate (Na₂WO₄•2H₂O) and tetramethoxysilane were purchased from Aladdin Industrial Corporation. The ultrapure water was obtained from Milli-Q purification equipment.

Instruments

The transmission electron microscopy (TEM) and scanning TEM (STEM) images were taken on a Tecnai F20 electron microscope. Scanning electron microscopy (SEM) images were performed on a JSM-6510 (JEOL) electron microscope. The steady-state spectra and delayed photoluminescence spectra were measured using a HORIBA Scientific FluoroMax-4 spectrofluorometer. The quantum yields (QYs) were collected on an Edinburgh FLS920 with an integrating sphere. The FTIR absorption spectra were measured on a PerkinElmer spectrum 430 FT-IR spectrometer in the range of 400 to 4000 cm⁻¹ with KBr pellets and corrected baseline after measurement. UV-vis adsorption spectra were measured by a Shimadzu UV-2550 spectrophotometer. The ²⁹Si MAX NMR spectra were measured on a Bruker AVANCE III 400 MHz NMR spectrometer.

Synthesis of W-S-1 zeolite

W-S-1 zeolite was synthesized on the basis of reported literature with a few modifications. The synthesis process was as follows: First, 20 g tetraethyl orthosilicate and 23.4 g tetrapropyl ammonium hydroxide were added into A beaker, and stirred for about 2 h until tetraethyl orthosilicate hydrolyzed into transparent solution. In a beaker B, 1.8 g sodium tungstate and 15.8 g ultrapure water were added and stirred until the sodium tungstate dissolved. Then, the solution in beaker B was slowly added into beaker A, and stirred for 4 h. Finally, the solution was loaded into 100 mL Teflon-lined stainless-steel autoclave and crystallized in the oven at 150 °C for 15 h under static conditions. After the reaction, the as-synthesized solid product was centrifuged, washed

for several times, and then dried at 80 °C in the oven. Finally, the sample was calcined at 550 °C for 5 h to remove the organic templates.

Synthesis of CsPbBr₃@W-S-1 composite

First, CsBr and PbBr₂ with the same molar ratio were ground to mix evenly. Then, a small amount of CsBr/PbBr₂ mixture was spread on the bottom of the quartz boat, covered with graphite paper, and W-S-1 zeolite powder was placed on the graphite paper to ensure that the CsBr/PbBr₂ powder was not contact with the zeolite directly. After that, the quartz boat was put into the tube furnace, and blew with N₂. The tube furnace was programmatically heated to 700°C in a speed of 5°C/min, and kept for 30 min at 700°C and then cooled naturally to obtain a kind of white powder. Finally, the as-obtained with white powder was washed with water and ultrasound for 30 min to remove the bulk perovskite attached on the surface of zeolite.

Amino acid modification and silanization of CsPbBr₃@W-S-1 composite

The CsPbBr₃@W-S-1 composite was added to glycine aqueous solution, and drained by a vacuum oven, so that the glycine entered into zeolite channels and coordinated with perovskite, thus stabilizing the perovskite QDs in zeolite. Then amino acid modified CsPbBr₃@W-S-1 composite was silanized to avoid the loss of glycine in water via the reaction of tetramethyl orthosilicate with zeolite composite in toluene solvent at room temperature for 12-24 h.

Supplementary Figures and tables



Fig. S1. Reactions during the grinding and high temperature evaporation process.

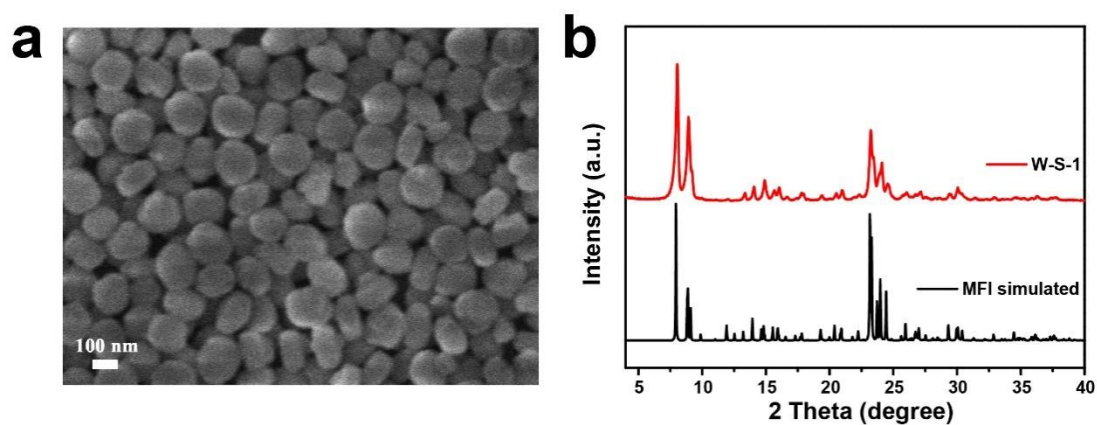


Fig. S2. (a) SEM image and (b) PXRD pattern of W-S-1 zeolite.

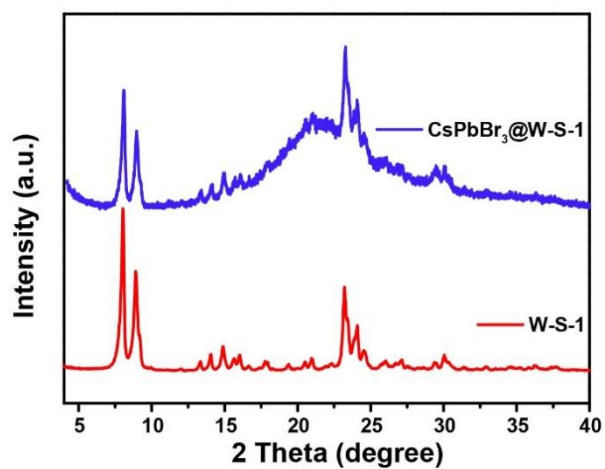


Fig. S3. PXRD patterns of W-S-1 and CsPbBr₃@W-S-1 composite.

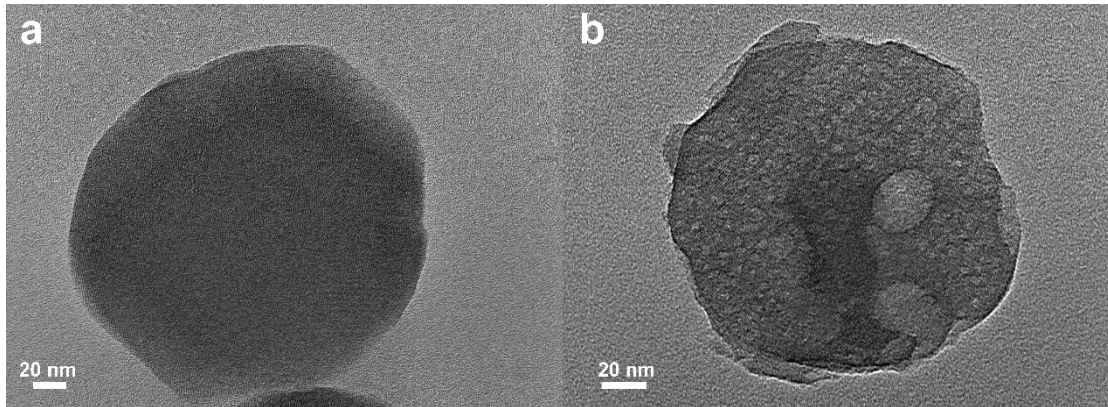


Fig. S4. TEM images of (a) W-S-1 and (b) CsPbBr₃@W-S-1 composite.

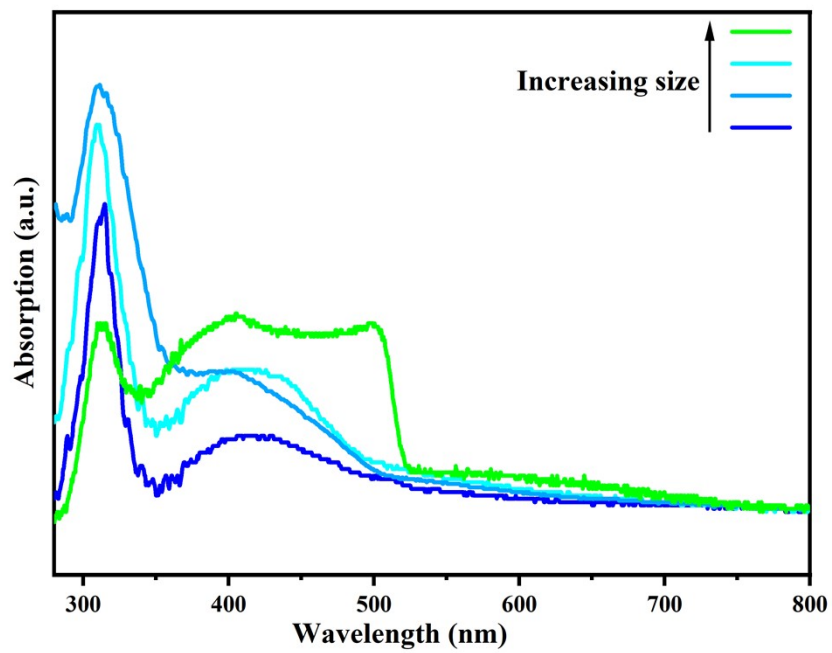


Fig. S5. UV-vis absorption spectra of CsPbBr₃@W-S-1 composites obtained in different conditions.

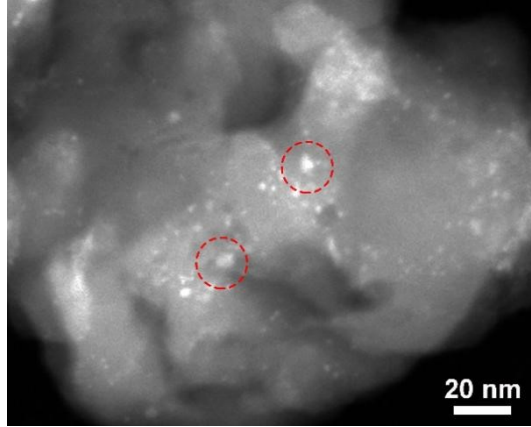


Fig. S6. STEM image of CsPbBr₃@W-S-1 composite.

Table S1. Synthetic condition of different sized CsPbBr₃ in zeolite matrix.

Average Size (nm)	Wavelength (nm)	Lifetime (ns)	CsBr+PbBr ₂ (g)	Temperature (°C)	Time (min)
2	468	5.16	0.005	700	40
2.5	476	6.31	0.01	700	30
3.6	487	8.66	0.1	700	20
6	508	10.87	0.2	700	20

Table S2. The PL emission center and QYs of CsPbBr₃@W-S-1 composite (before modification and after modification).

Before modification		After modification	
Wavelength (nm)	QYs (%)	Wavelength (nm)	QYs (%)
460	11.24	468	39.32
474	12.36	476	48.21
486	10.95	487	76.93
509	28.40	508	57.71