## Enhanced photoluminescence of HF free novel NIR phosphor of

## K<sub>2</sub>ZnF<sub>4</sub>:Cr<sup>3+</sup> by lithium ions doping

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## **Figures**

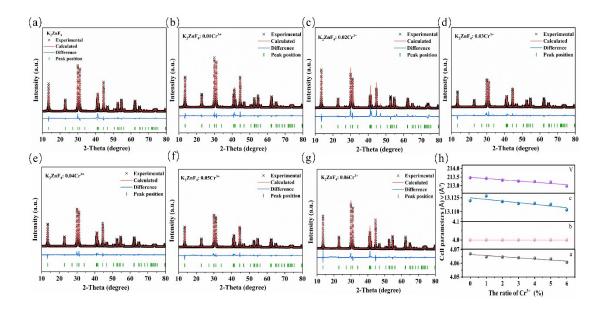


Figure S1: (a)-(g) XRD Rietveld refinement of  $K_2ZnF_4:xCr^{3+}$  (x = 0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06). (h) The cell parameters and volume change of  $K_2ZnF_4:xCr^{3+}$  (x = 0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05, 0.06).

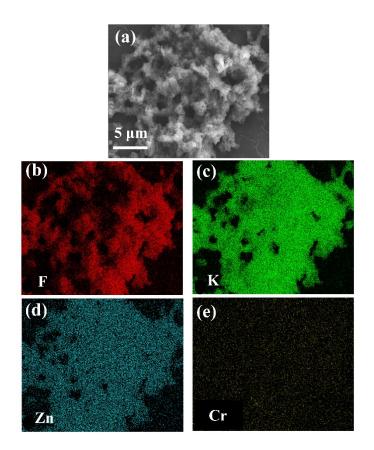


Figure S2: (a) SEM images of  $K_2ZnF_4:0.04Cr^{3+}, 0.04Li^+$  particles. (b)-(e) The corresponding element mapping of F, K, Zn and Cr.

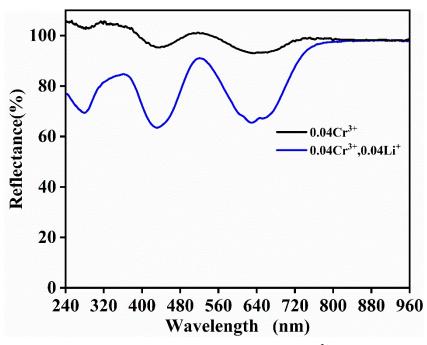


Figure S3: Diffuse reflectance spectra of K<sub>2</sub>ZnF<sub>4</sub>:0.04Cr<sup>3+</sup> and K<sub>2</sub>ZnF<sub>4</sub>:0.04Cr<sup>3+</sup>,0.04Li<sup>+</sup>.