

## **Supporting Information**

### **2,2'-bipyridine-4,4'-dicarboxylic acid ligand engineered CsPbBr<sub>3</sub> perovskite nanocrystals for enhanced photoluminescence quantum yield with stable display application**

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## **Instrumentation details**

### **1. Absorption and Emission (UV and PL) studies**

Optical studies, i.e., absorption and emission spectra were recorded at room temperature. UV-vis absorption spectra were recorded on Shimadzu UV-vis 1800 spectrophotometer in the 200-800 nm range. Photoluminescence spectra were collected by using Cary Eclipse Fluorescence Spectrophotometer.

### **2. Fourier Transform Infrared Spectroscopy (FTIR) studies**

Thermo Scientific Nicolet 6700 spectrometer was used to record FTIR spectra. The spectra were collected between 400 to 4000  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  by using KBr pellet-making technique.

### **3. X-ray Diffraction (XRD)**

Powder XRD was performed on Rigaku having a target Cu  $K\alpha$  with radiation of 1.54 Å and an accelerating voltage of 9 kW. The sample was scanned in the range of 10° to 50°. The sample was prepared in the form of a thin film by using the drop-casting method on the silica glass slide.

### **4. Field Emission Scanning Electron Microscopy (FE-SEM)**

FE-SEM Gemini 300 instrument was used to collect morphological images, Energy Dispersive X-ray (EDX), of corresponding elements. The drop-casting method was used to prepare a thin film of sample on a silica glass slide.

### **5. Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM)**

TEM study was performed on FEI TECHNAI G2 20 S-TWIN. A drop of diluted samples was deposited on a carbon-coated copper grid.

## **6. X-ray Photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS)**

Surface analysis of the thin film has been studied on XPS with model no. PHI 5000 Versa Probe III.

## **7. Photoluminescence Quantum Yield (PLQY)**

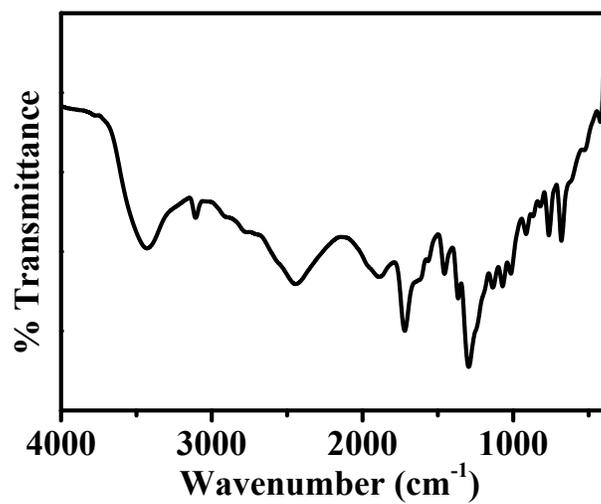
Absolute quantum yield was measured directly by using Edinburgh instruments FLS 980.

## **8. $^1\text{H}$ Nuclear magnetic resonance ( $^1\text{H}$ NMR)**

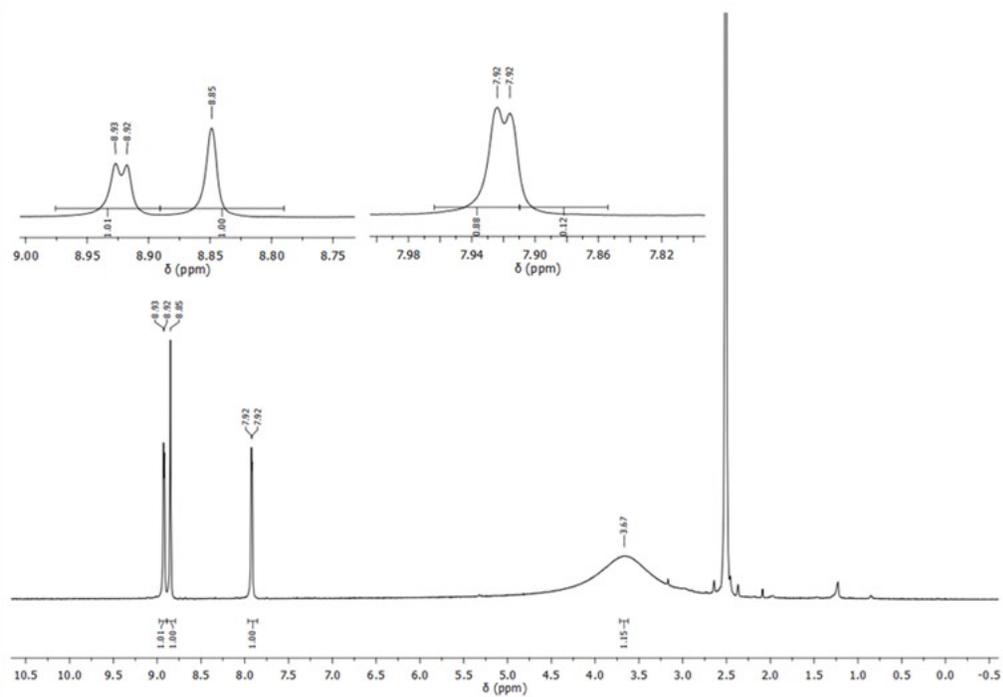
$^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra were recorded in DMSO  $d_6$  on the Bruker instrument with model AVANCE III 500 MHz.

## **9. Time-correlated single-photon counting (TCSPC) studies**

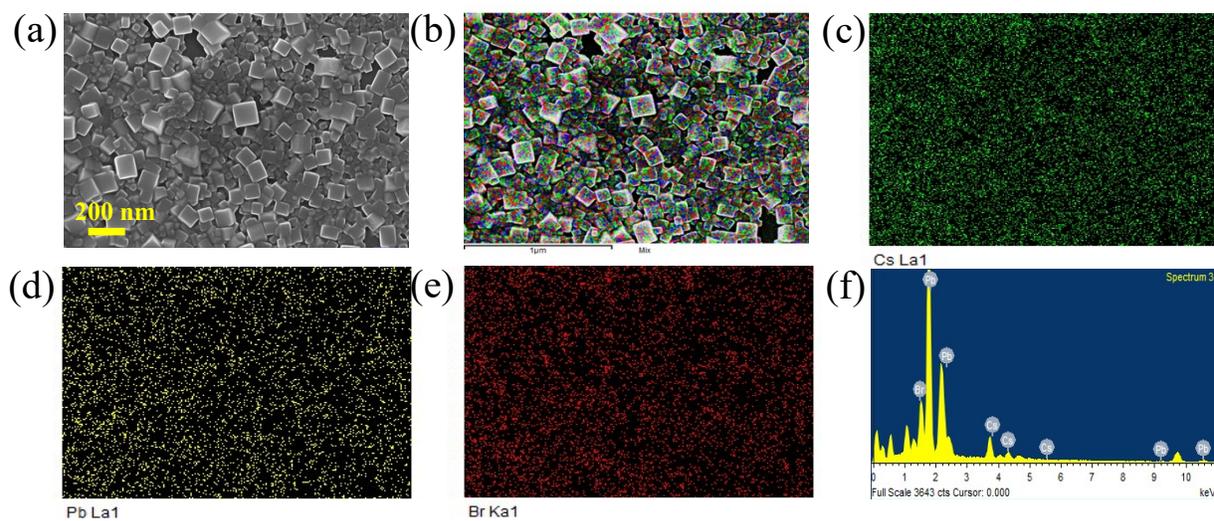
Fluorescence lifetime decay was measured by using Edinburgh instruments FLS 1000.



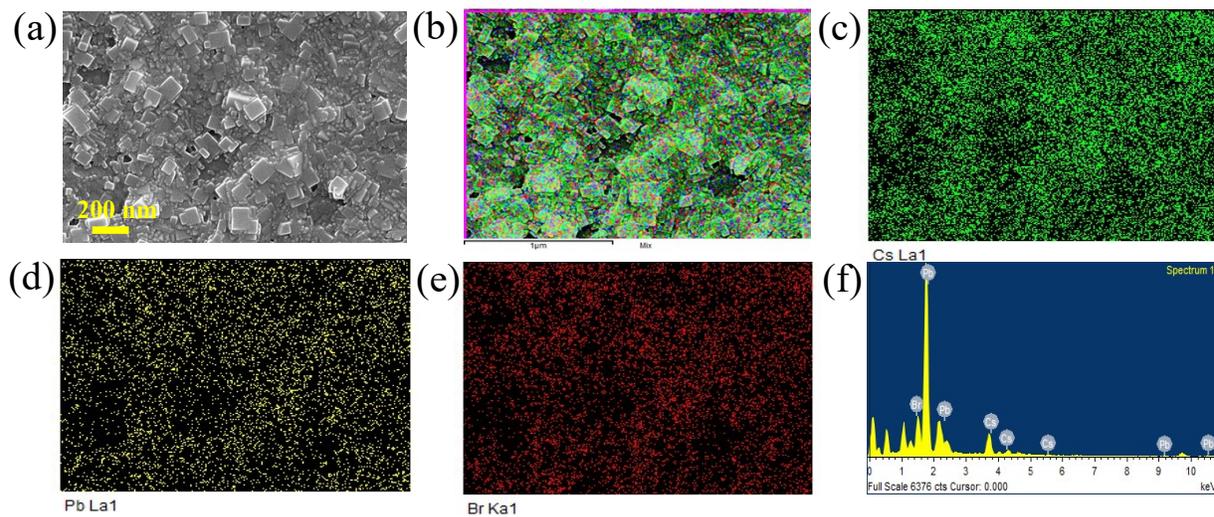
**Figure S1.** FTIR spectra of BPY.



**Figure S2.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of BPY.



**Figure S3.** (a) SEM image; (b-e) elemental mapping; (f) EDX spectra of pristine CsPbBr<sub>3</sub> PNCs.



**Figure S4.** (a) SEM image; (b-e) elemental mapping; (f) EDX spectra of BPY-CsPbBr<sub>3</sub> PNCs.

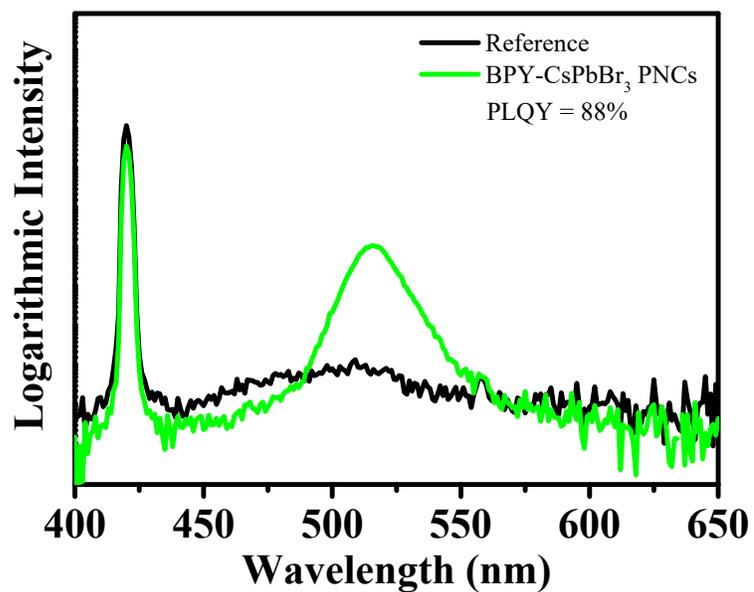


Figure S5. PLQY spectrum of BPY-CsPbBr<sub>3</sub> PNCs.

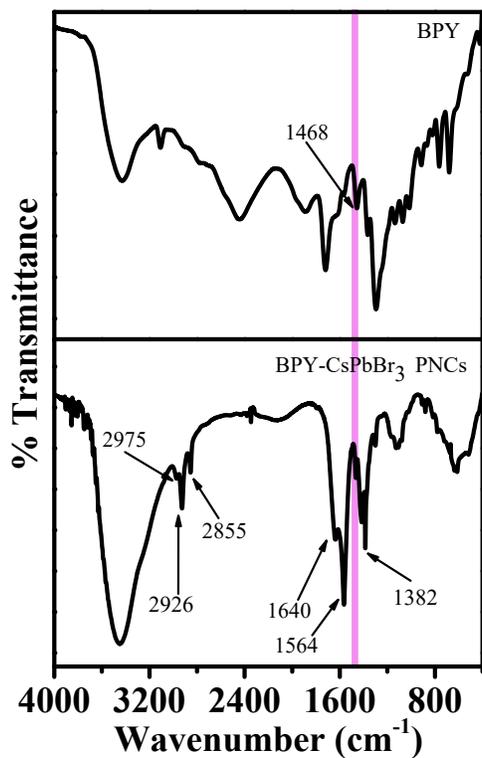
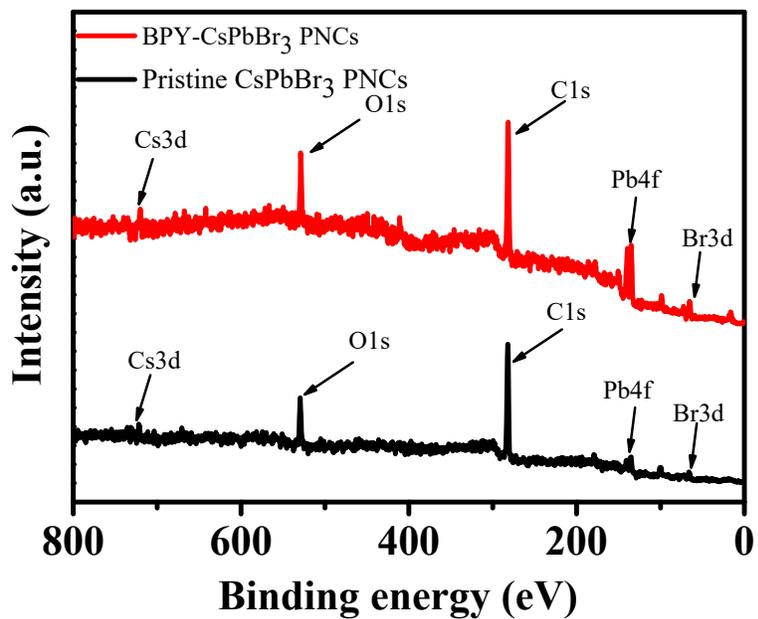
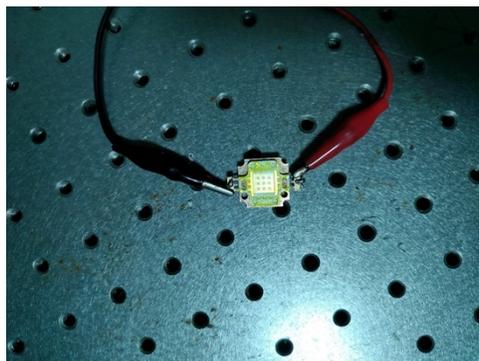


Figure S6. Combined FTIR spectra of BPY and BPY-CsPbBr<sub>3</sub> PNCs.



**Figure S7.** Survey spectrum of pristine CsPbBr<sub>3</sub> PNCs and BPY-CsPbBr<sub>3</sub> PNCs.



**Figure S8.** Photographs of down-converted LED under daylight.

**Table S1. List of different bidentate ligands.**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Material used</b>	<b>Bidentate ligand used</b>	<b>PLQY (%)</b>	<b>PL stability</b>	<b>UV stability</b>	<b>Thermal stability</b>	<b>Reference No.</b>
1.	CsPbI <sub>3</sub>	IDA	95	15 days	–	–	1
2.	CsPbCl <sub>3</sub> CsPbBr <sub>3</sub> CsPbI <sub>3</sub>	Phthalimide	5.8 100 97	4 months 1 year 1 week	2 days 2 days 2 days	– – –	2
3.	CsPbBr <sub>3</sub>	DTDB	92	–	4.5 hr	80°C	3
4.	CsPbBr <sub>3</sub>	Aminocaproic acid	59	–	–	–	4
5.	Mn-doped CsPbCl <sub>3</sub>	BPY	70	1 month	24 hr	60°C	5
6.	CsPbBr <sub>3</sub>	BPY	88	2 months	24 hr	60°C	This work