

Supporting Information

Efficient visible and near-infrared photoluminescent attapulgite-based lanthanide one-dimensional nanomaterials assembled by ion-pairing interactions

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Jun Xu,^{a,b} Hao Chen,^a Weisheng Liu^a and Yu Tang^{*a}**Table S1.** The composition analysis of the materials **2**, **3** and **4a-e**.

| Materials | C (%) | H (%) | N (%) | Ln(%) |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2 | 6.04 | 2.12 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 6.39 | 2.04 | 3.01 | 0 |
| 4a | 6.95 | 2.01 | 2.07 | 1.85 |
| 4b | 6.94 | 1.99 | 2.10 | 1.82 |
| 4c | 7.02 | 2.04 | 2.11 | 1.87 |
| 4d | 6.99 | 2.06 | 2.17 | 1.89 |
| 4e | 6.90 | 2.09 | 2.15 | 1.85 |

10 **Table S2** The luminescence decay times and the average lifetimes of hybrid materials **4a**, **4b**, **4c**, **4d**, and **4e**^a

| Samples | Transitions | τ_1 (μ s) | τ_2 (μ s) | $\langle\tau\rangle$ (μ s) |
|-----------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| 4a | $^5D_0 \rightarrow ^7F_2$ | 240.31(22.43%) | 635.52(77.57%) | 596.57 |
| 4b | $^4G_{5/2} \rightarrow ^6H_{9/2}$ | 36.16(43.10%) | 95.61(56.90%) | 82.37 |
| 4c | $^4F_{3/2} \rightarrow ^4I_{9/2}$ | 0.42(81.62%) | 1.81(18.37%) | 1.10 |
| 4d | $^4I_{13/2} \rightarrow ^4I_{15/2}$ | 1.52(70.93%) | 2.71(29.07%) | 2.02 |
| 4e | $^2F_{5/2} \rightarrow ^2F_{7/2}$ | 6.41(9.43%) | 12.46(90.57%) | 12.15 |

^a Lifetimes (τ) and average lifetimes $\langle\tau\rangle$.

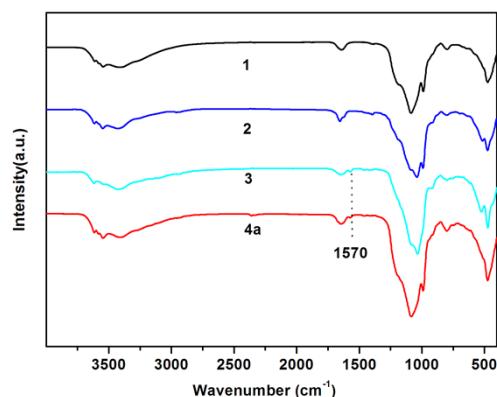


Fig. S1 Fourier transform infrared spectra of materials **1**, **2**, **3**, and **4a**.

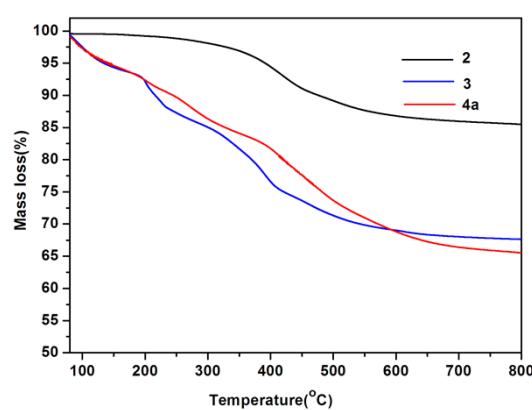


Fig. S2 Thermogravimetry (TG) curves of the obtained hybrid materials **2**, **3** and **4a**.

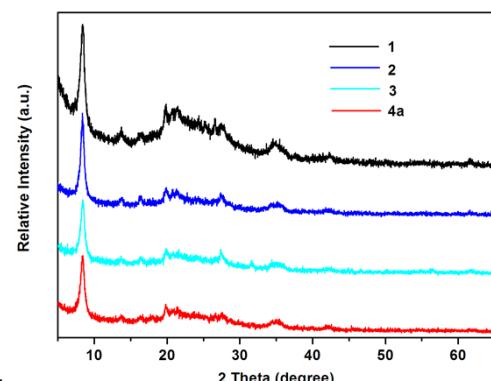


Fig. S3 Powder X-ray diffraction patterns for the obtained materials **1**, **2**, **3**, and **4a**.

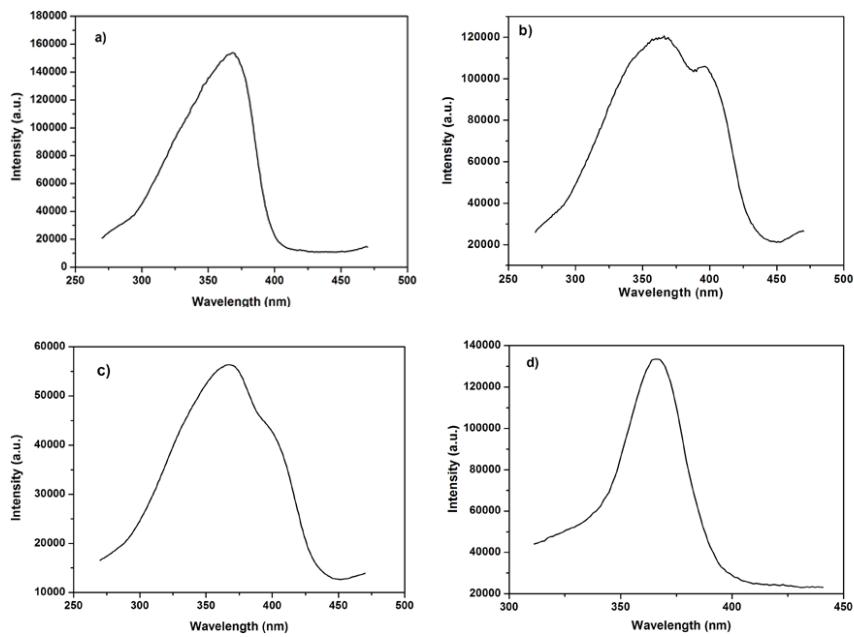
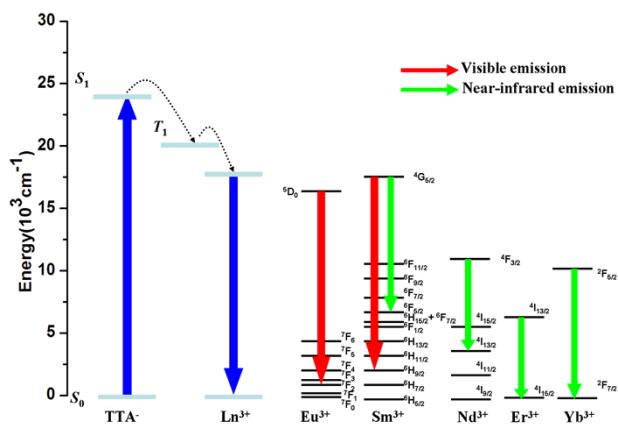


Fig. S4 Excitation spectra of the hybrid materials: (a) **4b**, (b) **4c**, (c) **4d**, and (d) **4e**.



5 Fig. S5 The major energy transfer during the sensitization and primary energy levels of the lanthanide ions.