

Supplementary Information for

Electrospinning Preparation and Properties of Magnetic-photoluminescent Bifunctional Coaxial Nanofibers

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1. Hysteresis loops of the Fe₃O₄/Eu(BA)₃phen/PVP composite nanofibers containing different mass ratios of Fe₃O₄ NPs

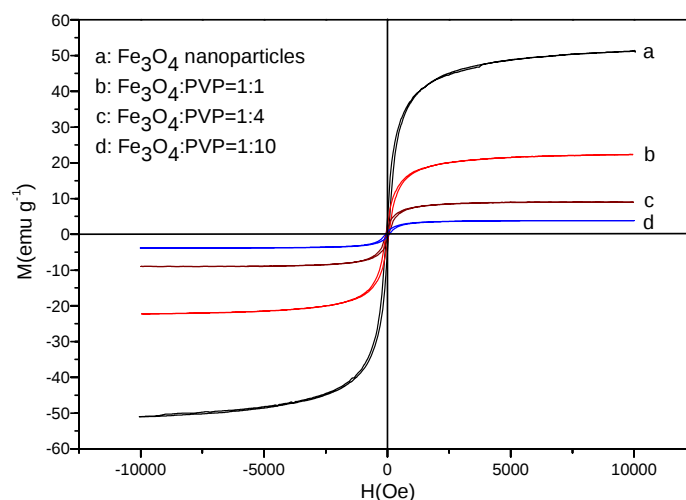


Fig. S1 Hysteresis loops of the (a) Fe₃O₄ nanoparticles and Fe₃O₄/Eu(BA)₃phen/PVP composite nanofibers containing different mass ratios of Fe₃O₄ to PVP as (b) 1:1, (c) 1:4, (d) 1:10

It was found from Fig. S1 that saturation magnetization of the Fe₃O₄/Eu(BA)₃phen/PVP composite nanofibers was decreased with the decrease of Fe₃O₄ nanoparticles content.

2. Preparation of the electrospinneret

The coaxial electrospinneret was composed of inner and outer injectors. A 5-ml syringe with a truncated 7 # stainless steel needle was adopted as the inner injector. A 10-ml syringe with a truncated 14 # stainless steel needle was used as outer injector. Then the inner injector was inserted into the outer one and ensures that the two needle tips were set on the same plane and adjusted to coaxial state. During the electrospinning process, it just depending on gravity and electric field force to maintain the precursor solution to flow out and no syringe pump was required.

A traditional single-electrospinneret was used when $\text{Eu}(\text{BA})_3\text{phen}/\text{PVP}$ nanofibers and $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4/\text{Eu}(\text{BA})_3\text{phen}/\text{PVP}$ composite nanofibers were prepared. It consisted of a 5-ml syringe with a truncated 7 # stainless steel needle.

3. The effect of the introduction of Fe_3O_4 NPs into the composite nanofibers on the fluorescence spectra

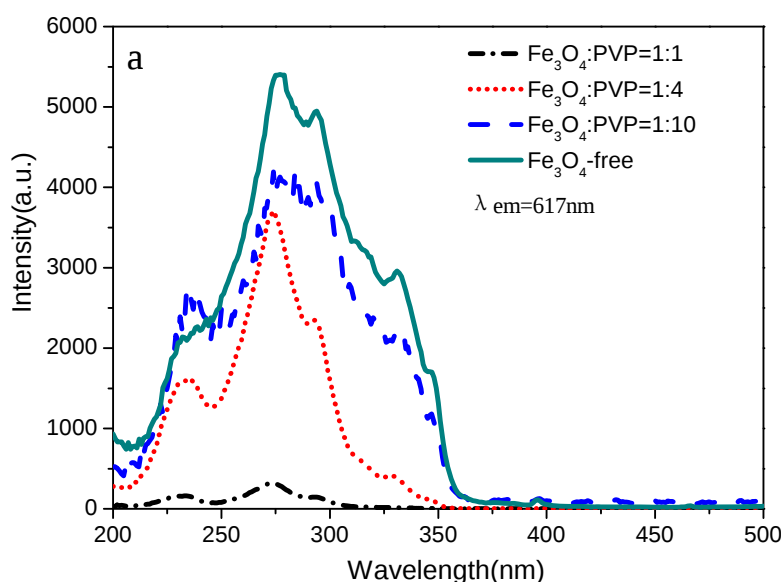


Fig. S2 Excitation spectra of $\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4/\text{Eu}(\text{BA})_3\text{phen}/\text{PVP}$ composite nanofibers containing different mass ratios of Fe_3O_4 nanoparticles

Many complex factors affect excitation spectra, such as the absorption of ligands, the absorption of Eu^{3+} ion, other substances in the sample and the surface characteristics of sample, etc. Combined with analysis of Fig. 4a in the main text and Fig. S2, the excitation peak at 235 nm became apparent after Fe_3O_4 nanoparticles were added into the composite nanofibers. When a small amounts of Fe_3O_4 nanoparticles were introduced into the composite nanofibers ($\text{Fe}_3\text{O}_4:\text{PVP}$ as 1:10), the excitation peak at 235 nm would enhance comparing with the $\text{Eu}(\text{BA})_3\text{phen}/\text{PVP}$ nanofibers. This phenomenon might cause by the absorption Fe_3O_4 nanoparticles. As for the breadth of excitation spectrum, many factors can influence the breadth, furthermore, it is not important to compare the breadth of excitation spectra.