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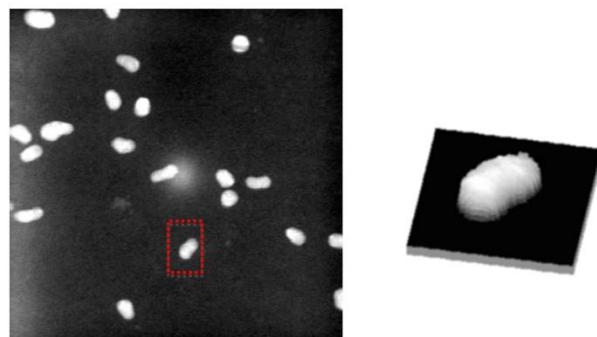
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## Creation and Luminescence of Size-selected Gold Nanorods

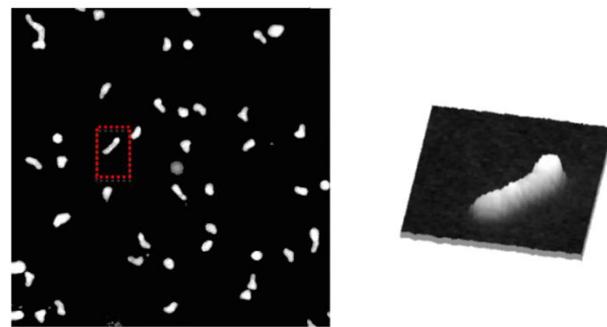
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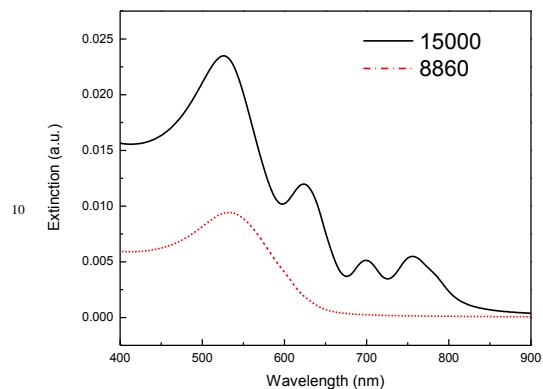
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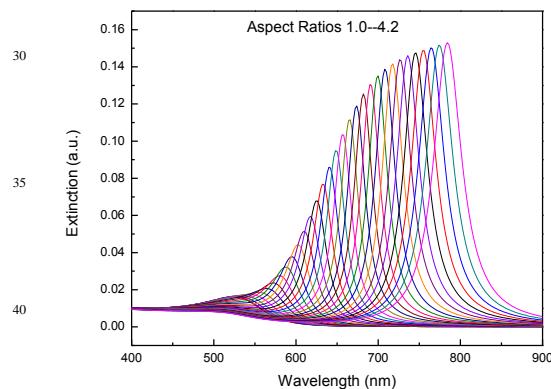
**Fig. S1** Electron micrograph taken from  $\text{Au}_{8860}$  nanoparticles on an amorphous carbon TEM support using scanning transmission electron microscopy with a high angle annular dark field detector and an intensity 3D plot of one particle as labelled.



**Fig. S1** Electron micrograph taken from  $\text{Au}_{15000}$  nanoparticles on an amorphous carbon TEM support using scanning transmission electron microscopy with a high angle annular dark field detector and an intensity 3D plot of one particle as labelled.



**Fig. S2a** Calculated extinction spectra of  $\text{Au}_{15000}$  and  $\text{Au}_{8860}$  nanocluster ensembles with aspect ratio distributions as shown in fig. 1b and fig. 2c.



**Fig. S2b** Calculated extinction spectra of elongated ellipsoid with varying aspect ratios and sphere using Mie theory in the dipole approximation [SR1] with dielectric function of gold from SR2.

### 15 Notes and references

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