

Supplementary Information

Sol-gel Preparation of Efficient Red Phosphor $\text{Mg}_2\text{TiO}_4:\text{Mn}^{4+}$ and XAFS Investigation on the Substitution of Mn^{4+} for Ti^{4+}

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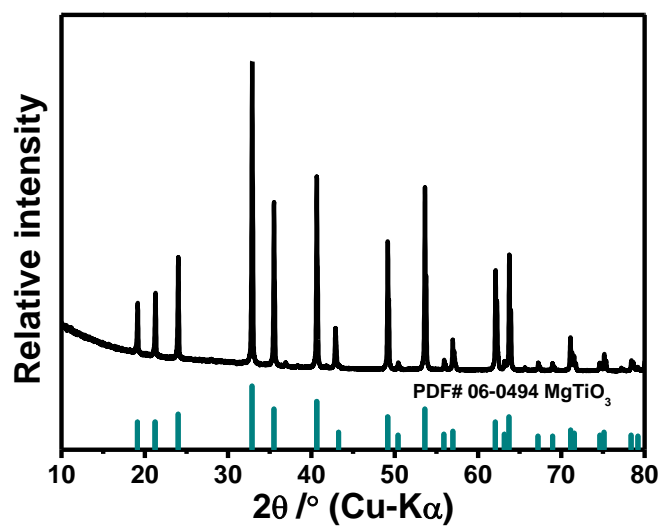


Fig. S1 XRD pattern of the sample with molar ratio Mg/Ti=1:1

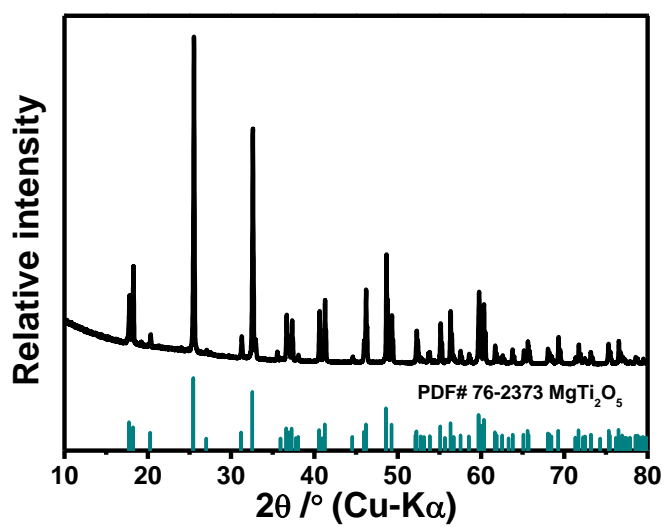


Fig. S2 XRD pattern of the sample with molar ratio Mg/Ti=1:2

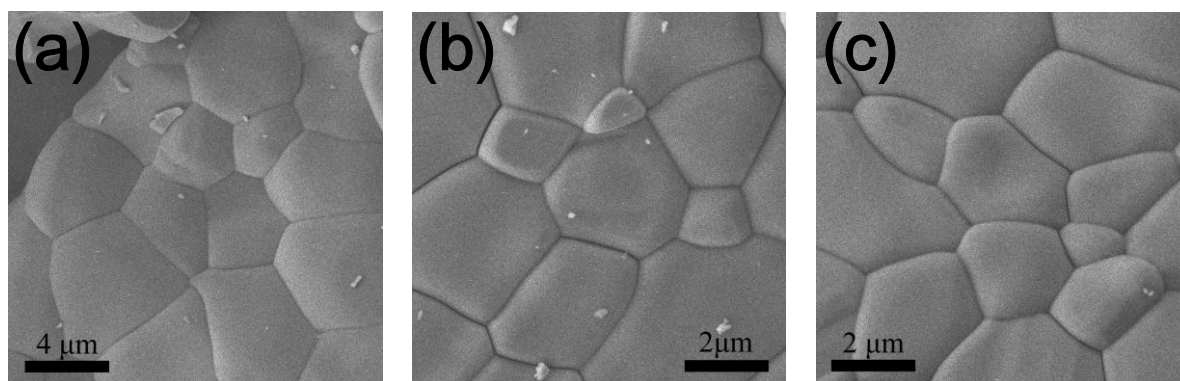


Fig. S3 SEM images of the samples with a molar ratio of (a) Mg/Ti=2:1, (b) Mg/Ti=1:1, and (c) Mg/Ti=1:2.

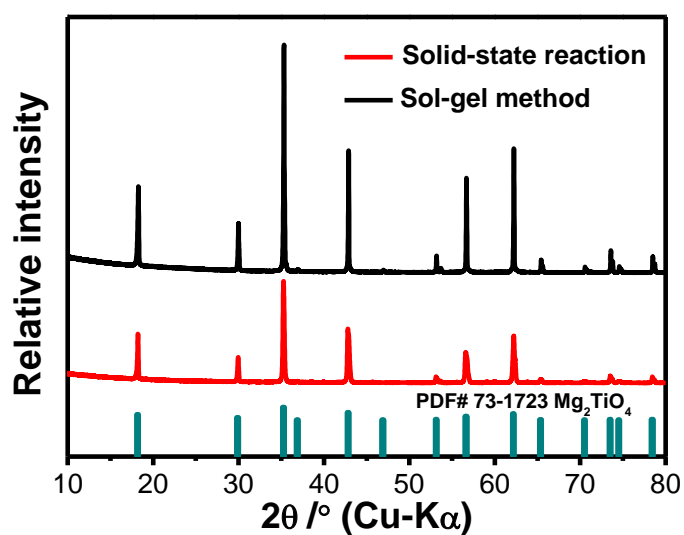


Fig. S4 The XRD pattern of the as-prepared sample Mg₂TiO₄:Mn⁴⁺
 $n_{\text{Mn}}/(n_{\text{Mn}}+n_{\text{Ti}})=0.10\%$ phosphor and the reference product Mg₂TiO₄:Mn⁴⁺
 $n_{\text{Mn}}/(n_{\text{Mn}}+n_{\text{Ti}})=0.10\%$ prepared from solid-state reaction

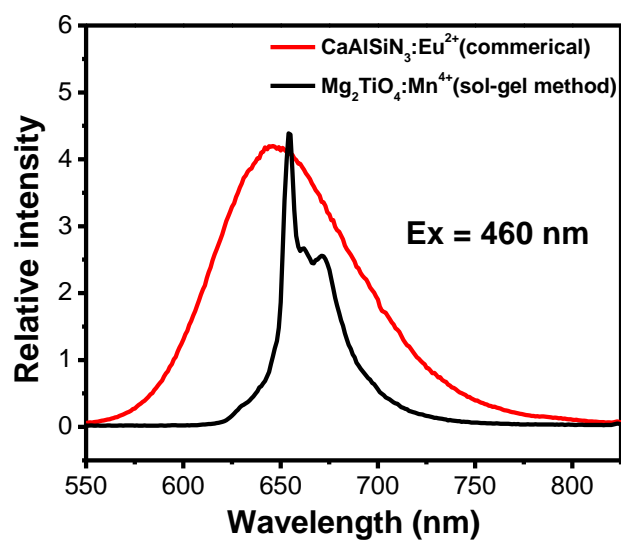


Fig. S5 The emission spectra of the as-prepared Mg₂TiO₄:Mn⁴⁺, $n_{\text{Mn}}/(n_{\text{Mn}}+n_{\text{Ti}})=0.10\%$ and the commercial phosphor CaAlSiN₃:Eu²⁺ purchased from Intematix company.

The excitation wavelength is 460 nm.

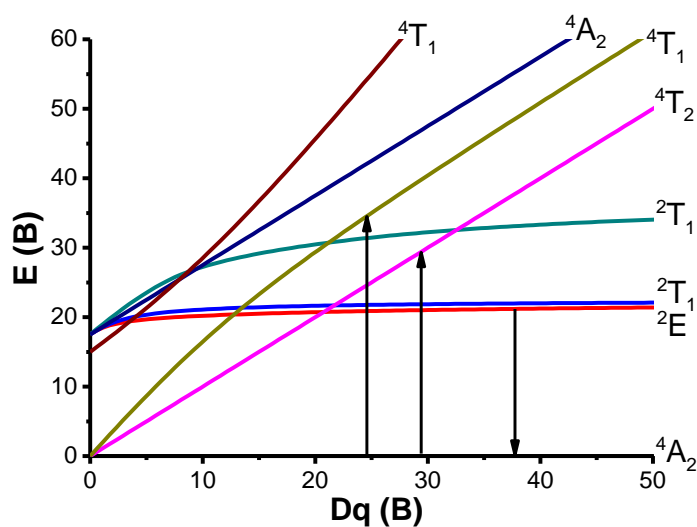


Fig. S6 Tanabe–Sugano energy level diagram for a 3d³ system in the octahedral symmetry Mn⁴⁺.