

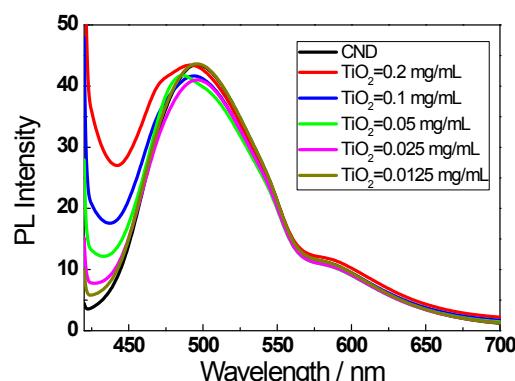
Supplementary Information for

## Efficient Electron Transfer in Carbon Nanodot-Graphene Oxide Nanocomposites

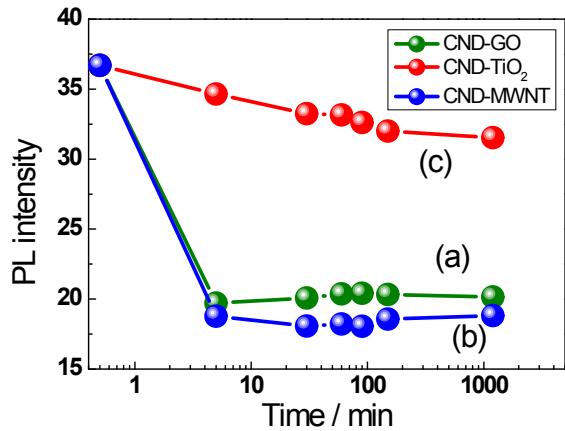
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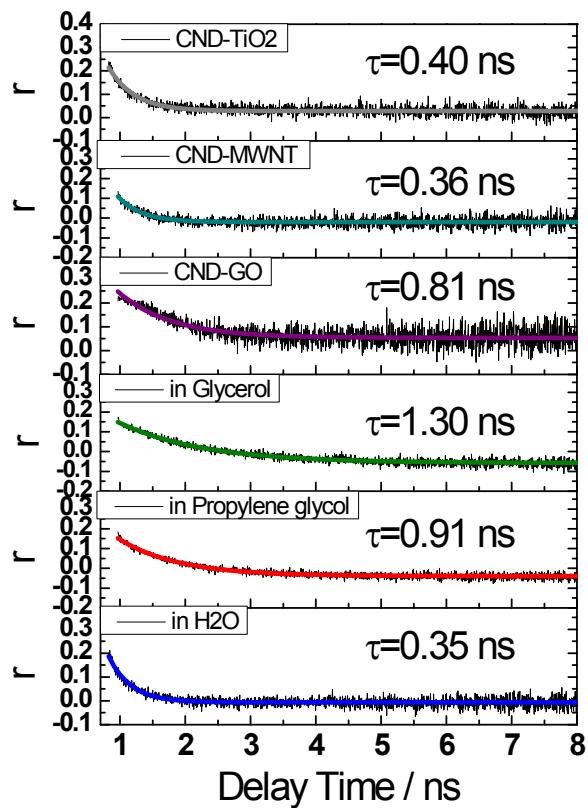
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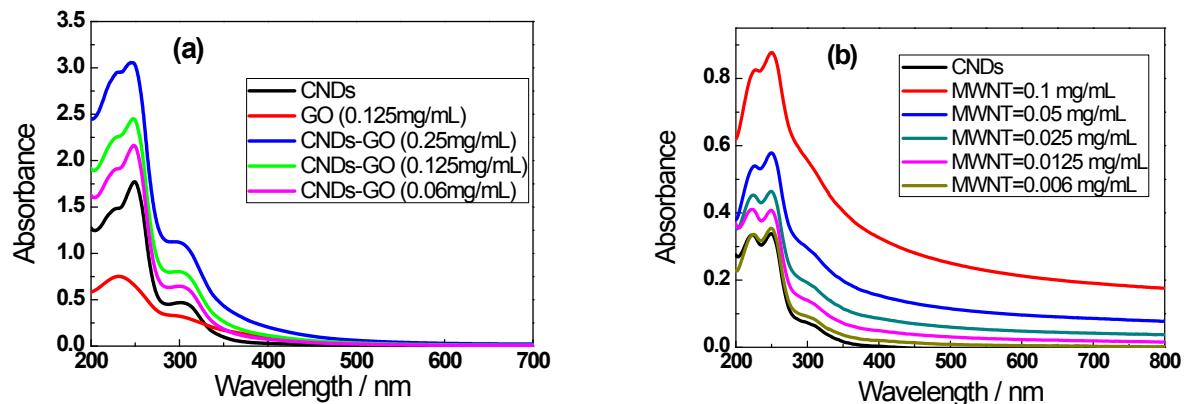
**Figure S1.** The fluorescence spectra of carbon nanodots (CNDs) mixed with various concentrations of  $\text{TiO}_2$  nanoparticles.



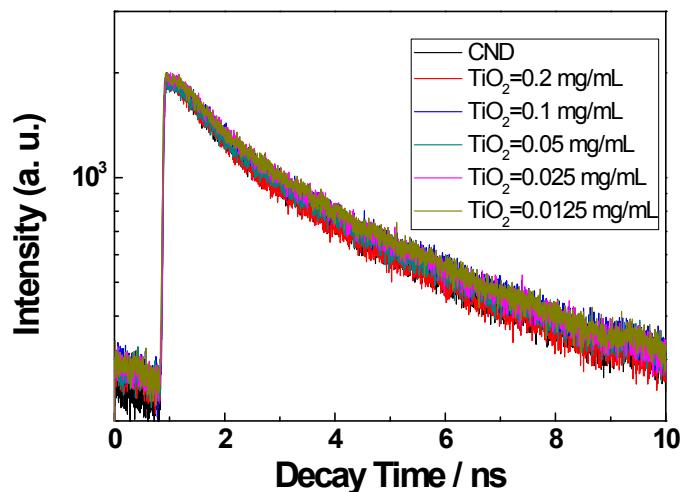
**Figure S2.** Fluorescence quenching of CNDs by (a) GO, (b) MWNTs and (c) TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles before and after being incubated with target as a function of time, respectively.



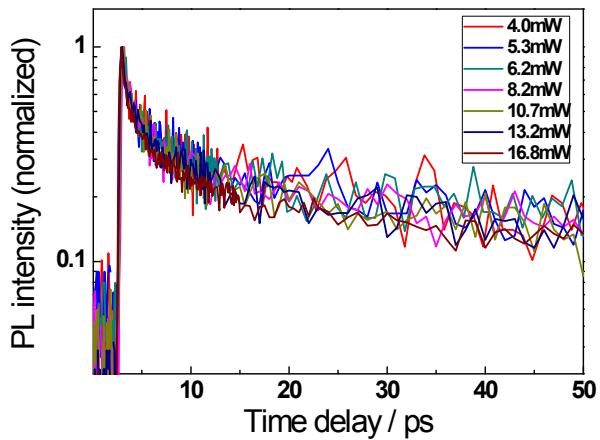
**Figure S3.** Fluorescence anisotropy decay of CNDs in water, propylene glycol and glycerol and CNDs-GO, CNDs-MWNTs and CNDs-TiO<sub>2</sub> NPs composites (from bottom to upper panel).



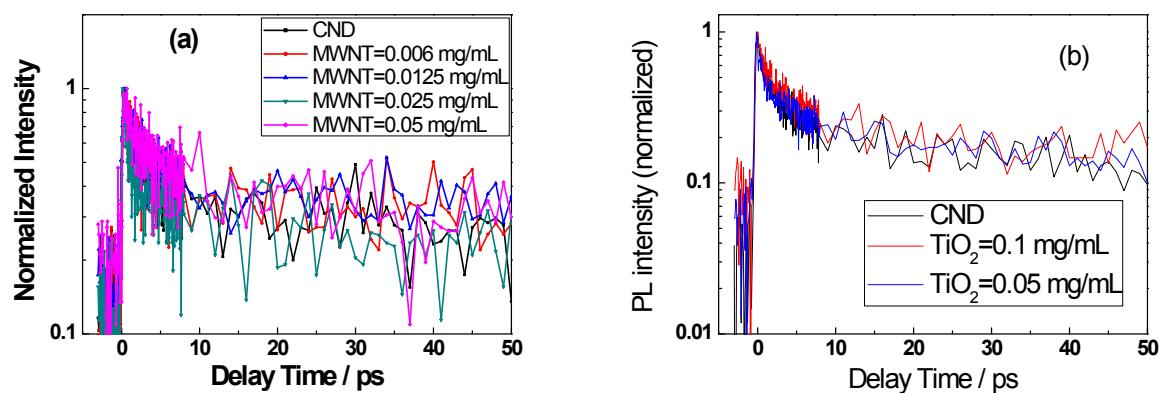
**Figure S4.** The Absorption spectra of CNDs mixed with various concentrations of (a) GO and (b) MWNTs, respectively.



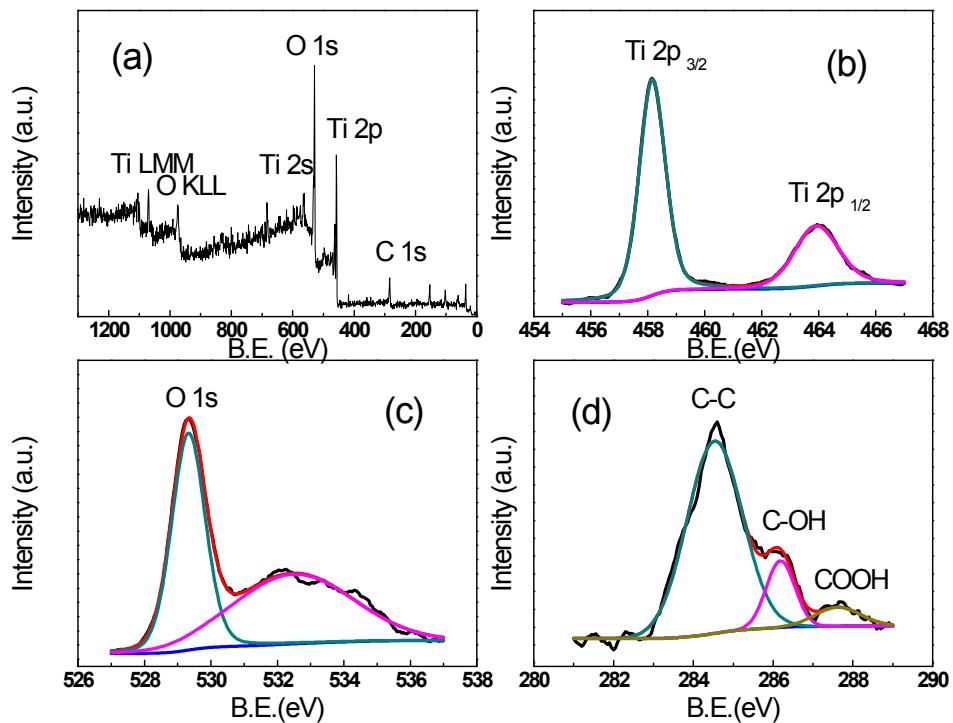
**Figure S5.** The fluorescence evolution of CNDs and mixed with various concentrations of  $\text{TiO}_2$  nanoparticles at 500 nm measured by the TCSPC technique.



**Figure S6.** PL up-conversion traces recorded at different pump fluence from CND solution. The fast time constant does not vary with increasing pump fluence.



**Figure S7.** The fluorescence evolutions of CNDs and mixed with various concentrations of (a) MWNTs and (b)  $\text{TiO}_2$  nanoparticles at 500 nm measured by up-conversion technique, respectively.



**Figure S8.** (a) Whole XPS spectrum of the  $\text{TiO}_2$  nanoparticles, (b-d) are the corresponding  $\text{Ti}2\text{p}$  spectrum,  $\text{O}1\text{s}$  spectrum and  $\text{C}1\text{s}$  spectrum of  $\text{TiO}_2$  nanoparticles. The  $\text{C}1\text{s}$  XPS shows three carbon peaks ( $\text{C}-\text{C}$ ,  $\text{C}-\text{OH}$  and  $\text{C}=\text{O}$ ) with binding energy of 284.5, 285.9 and 287.6 eV, respectively.