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## **Supporting information:**

## Fabrication of Nitrogen-Doped Graphene Quantum Dot from MOFs-Derived Porous Carbon and its Application for Highly Selective Fluorescent Detection of Fe<sup>3+</sup>

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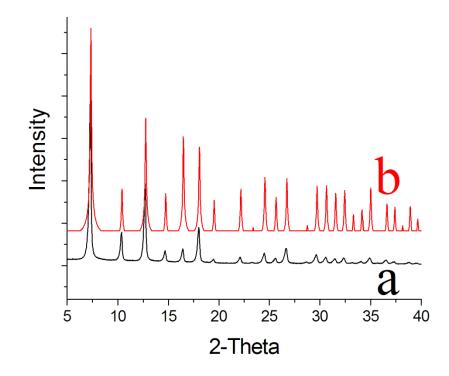
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	Detected	Added	Detected	Recovery	RSD
	(µM)	(µM)	(µM)	(%)	(%)
Sample 1	0	10	$10.1 \pm 0.8$	101.0	7.7
Sample 2	0	30	$31.7 \pm 1.1$	105.7	3.3
Sample 3	0	50	$49.3 \pm 3.6$	98.6	7.3

**Table S1.** Determination of  $Fe^{3+}$  concentration in tap water samples. (n=3)



**Figure S1.** (a) XRD pattern of as-synthesized ZIF-8 nanocrystals. (b) Simulated XRD pattern from the published crystal structure data.<sup>[1]</sup>

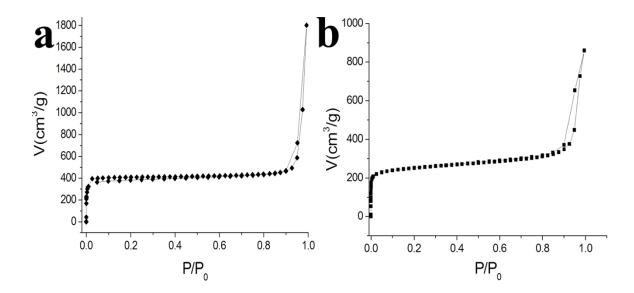


Figure S2. N<sub>2</sub> adsorption-desorption isotherms of (a) ZIF-8 and (b) ZIF-8C.

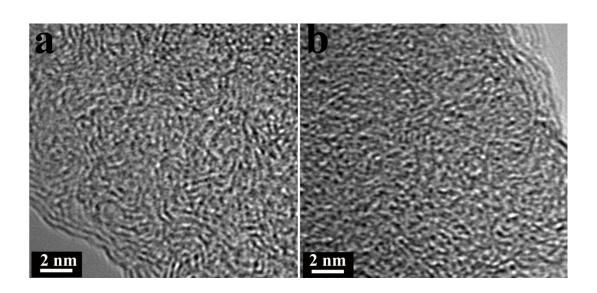


Figure S3. High-resolution TEM images representing the porous structures of (a) ZIF-8 and (b) ZIF-8C.

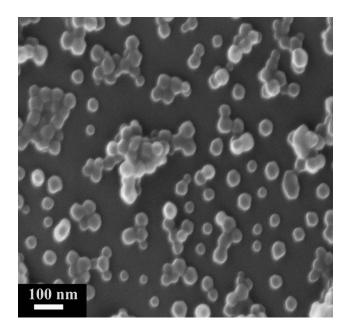
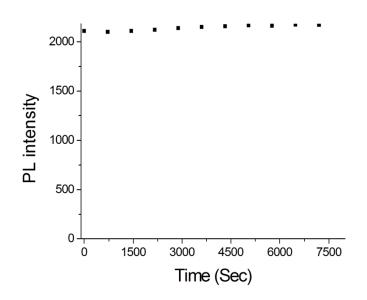
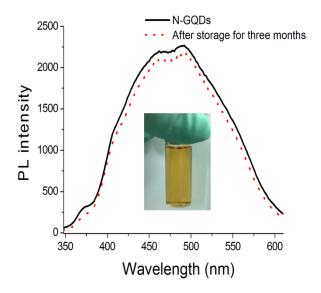


Figure S4. SEM image of the sphere-like ZIF-8C powder obtained after the acid vapor cutting.



**Figure S5.** Time-dependent photoluminescence spectrum of a N-GQDs solution under 330 nm excitation at 25°C (Xe lamp, 150W).



**Figure S6.** PL emission spectra of the freshly prepared N-GQDs (solid line) and the N-GQDs after storage for three months (dotted line). Inset: A photograph of the N-GQDs solution stored for three months.

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