

# Photoluminiscent effect of Sm on the intensity of Europium complexes R.M.Meshram

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# Abstract:

In the recent trends multidisciplinary scenario exhibits so many uses. In this paper materials are synthesized on the based chemistry, characterized on the basis of physics and used as well as applied in the field of electronics. The main application of Electroluminescent device are in the area of light emitting displays which is of great interest. In this paper, the quaternary rare-earth complex  $Eu_x(Sm_{1-x})(TTA)_3$  phen and  $Eu_x(Sm_{1-x})(TTA)_3$  phen were successfully prepared by using the method of chemical Co-precipitation. According to the general formula Eu<sub>x</sub>A<sub>1-x</sub>(TTA)<sub>3</sub>Phen (A denotes Sm, Gd, Bi and x denotes mole fraction of doping ion) a series of samples were prepared. The doping ions Sm<sup>3+</sup>, Gd<sup>3+</sup>and Bi<sup>3+</sup> can enhance luminescent intensity of the complexes. The Eu<sup>3+</sup> ion emission line at 613nm due to  ${}^{5}D_{0} \rightarrow {}^{7}F_{2}$  transition is observed in red region. This enhancement in the emission intensity supposed to be due to energy transfer  $fromSm^{2+}$  to  $Eu^{3+}$  ion. The emission intensity of fluorescence is enhanced by adding the doping ions. Among all the complexes in EuSm combination.  $Eu_{0.2}$  Sm<sub>0.8</sub> (TTA)<sub>3</sub> Phen complex has the strongest fluorescent intensity while Eu<sub>0.4</sub> Sm<sub>0.6</sub> (TTA)<sub>3</sub> Phen has the strongest fluorescent intensity in EuSm Combination. Characterizations of these complex were performed by using photoluminescence, XRD. This complex show very better results than common ternary complexes for light-emitting performance and luminescence properties.

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# **1.Introduction:**

The main advantages of Rare earth Luminescent materials is due to narrow emission band, high light absorption ability and conversion efficiency [1, 2],

Some rare-earth them have excellent optical properties and hence are widely used in highperformance luminescence devices and as catalyst supports. Trivalent rare-earth ions such as

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 $Eu^{3+}$ ,  $Tb^{3+}$ , and  $Tm^{3+}$ -doped in a suitable host material show strong emission based on electron transition between the 4*f* orbitals (3). Europium ternary chelates have been well known for their enhanced luminescence characteristics based on 4*f* electronic transitions of Eu3+ ion(4).

Using two types of ligands and the technique of co-luminescence, a new type of ternary rare earth complexes with emitting strong fluorescence under ultraviolet was synthesized(5)

The luminescence properties depend strongly on the chemical composition and crystal structure of the host material. Some reports on red-emitting OLEDs using  $Eu^{3+}$  organic complexes are also available. Earlier, Kido et al. reported the fabrication of Electroluminescence (EL) cell by using an evaporation process with the Eu(TTA)<sub>3</sub>phen as an emitting material [6,7].

The synthesis process is based on the concept of a synergistic effort. Synergism, which is known in analytical chemistry, is the effect of introducing a second ligand into metal complexes to neutralize and saturate the coordination number of metal complexes.

## 2. Experimental:

#### 2.1 Synthesis of Eu(TTA)<sub>3</sub>Phen:

3 mmol of ligand TTA and 1 mmol of EuCl<sub>3</sub>\_6H<sub>2</sub>O were dissolved in 20 mL of anhydrous ethanol, and the mixture was stirred constantly until a homogeneous solution was obtained. The 3 mmol of triethylamine was added dropwise to the above solution and then 1 mmol of phen ethanol solution was added, with constant stirring, white precipitates of Eu(TTA)<sub>3</sub>Phen were generated. The precipitates were suction filtered and washed several times with ethanol, dried in air and then placed in a desiccators for use. To prepare Sm-doped lanthanide complexes Eu<sub>x</sub>Sm<sub>1-x</sub>(TTA)<sub>3</sub>Phens, 1 mmol of the reaction material of EuCl<sub>3</sub>\_6H<sub>2</sub>O was changed as x mmol of EuCl<sub>3</sub>\_6H<sub>2</sub>O and (1 - x) mmol of SmCl<sub>3</sub>\_6H<sub>2</sub>O, where x = 1.0, 0.8, 0.6, 0.4, 0.2. The other steps were the same as those used to prepare the pure Eu(TTA)<sub>3</sub>phen.

### 2.2 Synthesis of quaternary complex Eu<sub>x</sub>Sm<sub>x-1</sub>(TTA)<sub>3</sub>Phen:

For preparation of  $Eu_xSm_{x-1}(TTA)_3Phen$ ,  $Eu_2O_3,Sm_2O_3$  was weighted precisely and dissolved in concentrated hydrochloric acid, then excessive hydrochloric acid was vaporized, finally solutions with concentration 0. 2 and 0.5 mol were obtained. According to the general

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formula  $Eu_xSm_{x-1}(TTA)_3Phen$  (x denotes mole fraction of doping ion) a series of samples were prepared. Thenoyltrifluoracetone and phenanthroline were weighted precisely and dissolved in ethanol and added to a 150 mL three- necked flask with drop-funnel and thermometer. The flask was placed in water-bath and kept definite temperature, 20 mL ethanol solution containing 4. 0 mmol europium chloride and 1.0 mmol samarium chloride were added in dropwise, the solution was stirred and refluxed for 2.5 h. White deposit was filtered, washed with distilled-water and ethanol successively, and then dried in vacuum oven.

### 3. Result and Discussion:

### 3.1 PL Measurements:

The excitation and emission spectra of powder were recorded at room temperature by using spectrofluorometer. All excitation spectra were recorded by monitoring the Eu<sup>3+</sup> fluorescence centered at 613 nm, similarly all emission spectra of complexes were obtained by exciting these complexes using 378 nm ultraviolet.

The excitation and emission spectra of all complexes with different doping ions and different content have observed as shown in comparisons graph in fig 1,2. This observed from the Fig.1, Among all the complexes,  $Eu_{0.2}$  Sm<sub>0.8</sub> (TTA)<sub>3</sub> Phen complex has the strongest fluorescent intensity. Five typical  $Eu^{+3}$  fluorescence shoulder peaks appear at 581nm,591nm,598nm,613nm,619nm respectively, which belong to  $5D_0 \rightarrow 7F_0$ ,  $5D_0 \rightarrow 7F_1$ ,  $5D_0 \rightarrow 7F_2$ ,  $5D_0 \rightarrow 7F_3$  and  $5D_0 \rightarrow 7F_4$ , respectively. Of all the fluorescent emissions, the relative intensity of  $5D_0 \rightarrow 7F_2$  is the strongest. Moreover, the positions of emission peak of all doping complexes are the same as those of Eu(TTA)3Phen basically, which indicates that there is typical  $Eu^{+3}$  fluorescent emission. All complexes with general formula  $Eu_xSm_1$ . <sub>x</sub>(TTA)<sub>3</sub>Phens show strong excitation peaks corresponding to absorption of ligands, indicating that only ligand is excited in the complexes under ultraviolet excitation because absorption of rare earth ions is weak. The similarity of the fluorescence excitation and emission spectra between doping complexes and no-doping complexes shows that the addition of doping elements has no influence on the process of energy transfer.

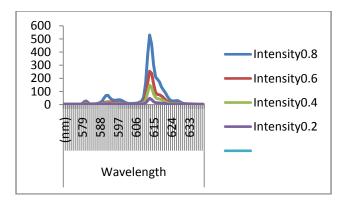


Figure 1: Emission spectra of Eu<sub>x</sub>Sm<sub>1-x</sub>(TTA)<sub>3</sub>Phen

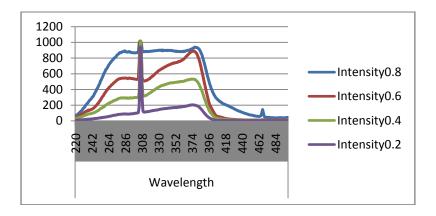


figure2: Excitation spectra of Eu<sub>x</sub>Sm<sub>1-x</sub>(TTA)<sub>3</sub>Phen

# 3.2 XRD Measurement:

XRD pattern of  $Eu_{0.2}Sm_{0.8}(TTA)_3$ Phen powders were recorded on omega PW3071 Powder Difractometer as shown in figure3. The XRD spectrum shows many well resolved peaks for  $Eu_{0.2}Sm_{0.8}(TTA)_3$ Phen powder. Observance of many distinct peaks confirms the crystalline behaviour of  $Eu(TTA)_3$ (phen) powder.

The d-values and peak intensity in XRD measurement are given in table1. It observed that 100% relative intensity corresponds to d- value of 2.82251Å.

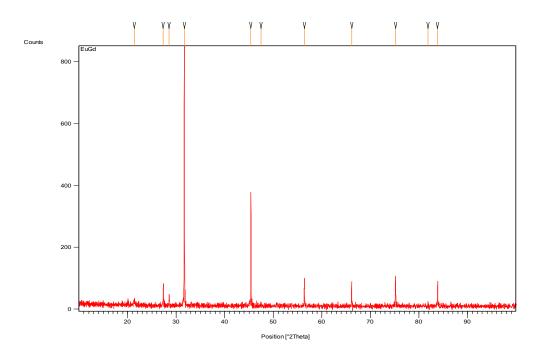


Figure3: XRD of Eu<sub>0.2</sub>Sm<sub>0.8</sub>(TTA)<sub>3</sub>Phen

Pos. [°2Th.]	Height [cts]	FWHM [°2Th.]	d-spacing [Å]	Rel. Int. [%]
21.4042	12.84	0.4896	4.14803	2.54
27.3391	59.86	0.1224	3.25953	11.86
28.5542	32.18	0.1224	3.12353	6.37
31.6753	504.96	0.2448	2.82251	100.00
45.3871	321.49	0.1224	1.99662	63.67
47.4829	10.73	0.1224	1.91326	2.13
56.3807	74.74	0.1632	1.63060	14.80
66.1217	59.02	0.1224	1.41202	11.69
75.1554	96.81	0.1224	1.26312	19.17
81.8655	5.93	0.2448	1.17572	1.18
83.8251	50.39	0.2448	1.15315	9.98

Table1: d-value and peak intensity in XRD measurement

# 4. Conclusion:

1) Using co-precipitating method, a series of  $Eu_xSm_{1_x}(TTA)_3Phens$  complex lightconversion agents with emitting red strong fluorescence by doping relative cheap fluorescent inert ions can be synthesized.

2) The doping ions  $\text{Sm}^{3+}$  can enhance luminescent intensity of the complexes.

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3) The Eu<sup>3+</sup> ion emission line at 613nm due to  ${}^{5}D_{o} \rightarrow {}^{7}F_{2}$  transition is observed in red region.

4) The properties of quaternary complexes of Eu3+ are significantly better than their ternary complexes.

5) Emission wavelength was found to be maximum for  $Eu_{0.2}Sm_{0.8}(TTA)_3$ Phen among all the synthesized complexes.

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