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Color change upconversion mechanism of $Y_6O_5F_8$: Er_{3+}/Yb^{3+} microtubes by using time-resolve spectra *

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The mechanism of the upconversion processes in $Y_6O_5F_8$: $2\% Er^{3+}/X\% Yb^{3+}$ (X = 3, 10, 20) microtubes has been explored. The luminescent properties of the as prepared sample is investigated by utilizing up-/downconversion, decay and time resolve spectra. The results indicate that the red and green emission are clearly competitive depending on the Yb³⁺ concentration. High Yb³⁺ concentration induces the enhancement of the energy-backtransfer (EBT), process, which leads to the quenching of green emission and enhances the red emission. So it is possible to utilize the temporal evolutions of emission bands to deeply understand the color change UC mechanisms.

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