## Luminescent materials for solar cell, display, and dosimetry applications



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The field emission display (FED) technology is one of the important technological challenges for the flat screen market. Oxide materials are, therefore, very suitable for FED fabrication due to their high melting point, chemical and radiation stability, long lifetimes, and high color purity, and oxides do not react with an air atmosphere. Rare earth ions generally have excellent cathodoluminescent (CL) properties and have been used in a number of display technologies due to their excellent emissions based on their 4f–4f or 5d–4f transitions. Yttrium oxide ( $Y_2O_3$ ) is a potential oxide host material due to its large bandgap, low phonon energy, and high thermal and chemical stability.

He worked on the gamma, beta, UV and heavy ion beam dosimetry properties of the yttria and aluminate-based materials by a thermally stimulated luminescence technique. Then improve the long persistent phosphors (LPPs) by co-dopant under the excitation of UV and blue light for an emergency lighting signs, dials display, luminous paints, children's toys, security displays, night-vision signage, in vivo bio-imaging, dosimetry and optical data storage.

