**Supplementary Information** 

## Long-lived and Well-resolved Mn<sup>2+</sup> Ion Emissions in CuInS-ZnS Quantum Dots

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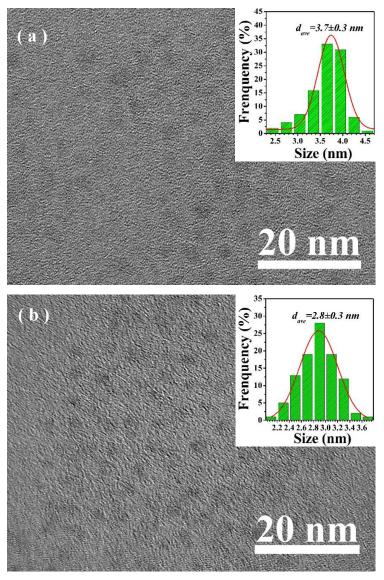


Figure S1 Typical TEM images and the corresponding size distributions (insets) of the  $Mn^{2+}$ -doped CIS-ZnS QDs (a) and CIS cores coated with a  $Zn_{1-x}Mn_xS$  shells obtained after the second step in the hot-injection method (b). It should be pointed out that the pure CIS cores obtained after the first step in the hot-injection method are too small to be clearly detected by TEM.

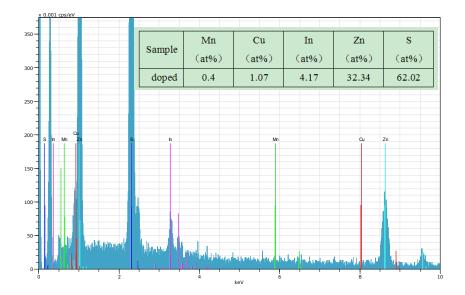


Figure S2 Typical EDX spectrum of Mn<sup>2+</sup>-doped CIS-ZnS QDs. The inset shows the detailed chemical compositions.

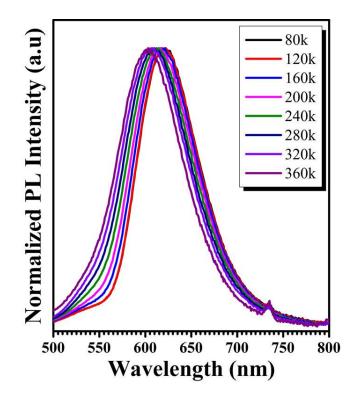
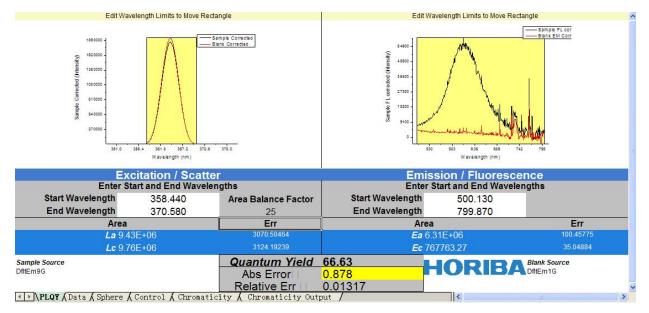
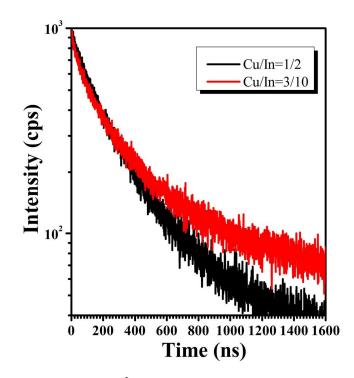


Figure S3 The normalized temperature-dependent PL spectra of  $Mn^{2+}$ -doped CIS-ZnS QDs recorded in the range from 80 to 360 K. The PL peaks are blue shifted systematically with the increase of temperatures, which is consistent with a typical emission of  $Mn^{2+}$  ion in II-VI semiconductor QDs due to its *d-d* transition

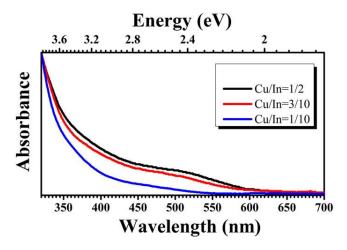


**Figure S4** Details for the measurement on the PL QY of the Mn<sup>2+</sup>-doped CIS-ZnS QDs. The Mn<sup>2+</sup> ions dopant emissions in our QDs exhibit a QY up to 66%, which can be comparable to the best one of

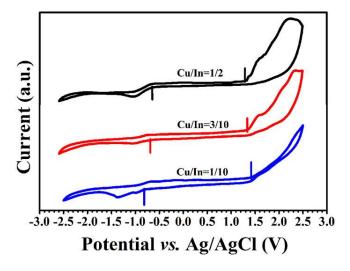
Mn<sup>2+</sup>-doped semiconductor QDs ever reported.



**Figure S5** Typical decay curves of the Mn<sup>2+</sup>-doped CIS-ZnS QDs at the Cu/In molar ratio of 1/2(black line) and 3/10(red line), respectively.

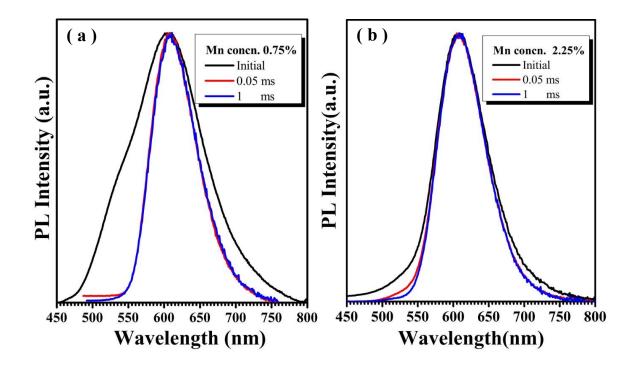


**Figure S6** The representative UV-vis absorption spectra of Mn<sup>2+</sup>-doped CIS-ZnS QDs at the Cu/In ratios of 1/2, 3/10 and 1/10, respectively. The absorption band edges show blue shifts with the decrease of the Cu/In ratios, indicating the corresponding increase of the bandgap energy.



**Figure S7** Typical cyclic voltammograms of  $Mn^{2+}$ -doped CIS-ZnS QDs at the Cu/In ratios of 1/2, 3/10 1/10, respectively. These experimental results imply that, with the decrease of Cu/In ratios, the absolute value of the onset oxidation potential ( $E_{ox}$ ) and reduction potential ( $E_{red}$ ) become larger, which indicates

the increase of the bandgap energy, and consistent with the UV-vis absorption spectra.



**Figure S8** Normalized time-resolved PL spectra of Mn<sup>2+</sup>-doped CIS-ZnS QDs with the nominal Mn<sup>2+</sup> concentrations of 0.75% and 2.25%. The delay times are 0.05 ms (red lines) and 1 ms (blue lines), respectively, as compared to the initial emission.

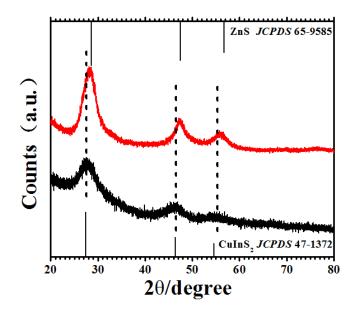
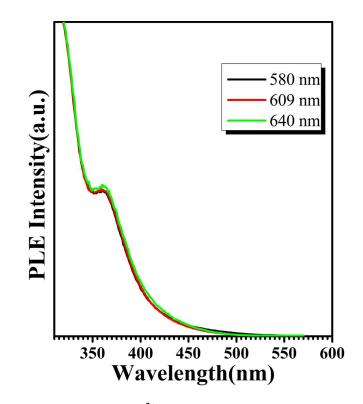


Figure S9 XRD patterns of the CIS cores coated with a  $Zn_{1-x}Mn_xS$  shells (black) obtained after the second step in the hot-injection method and  $Mn^{2+}$ -doped CIS-ZnS QDs (red).



**Figure S10** Normalized PLE spectra of Mn<sup>2+</sup>-doped CuInS-ZnS QDs detected at different emission wavelengths, disclosing the homogeneous local environments of the emission centers.