

Supporting Information

(NH₄)₂AgX₃ (X=Br, I): 1D Silver Halides with Broadband White Light Emission and Improved Stability

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Table S1. Selected single crystal data and structure refinement parameters for (NH₄)₂AgBr₃ and (NH₄)₂AgI₃.

Formula	(NH ₄) ₂ AgBr ₃	(NH ₄) ₂ AgI ₃
Formula weight (g/mol)	383.68	524.65
Temperature (K)		295(2)
Radiation, wavelength (Å)		Mo K α , 0.71073
Crystal system		Orthorhombic
Space group		<i>Pnma</i>
<i>Z</i>		4
Unit cell parameters (Å)	<i>a</i> = 9.5890(3)	<i>a</i> = 10.1968(16)
	<i>b</i> = 4.5949(2)	<i>b</i> = 4.8347(7)
	<i>c</i> = 18.5212(6)	<i>c</i> = 19.847(4)
Volume (Å ³)	816.05(5)	978.4(3)
Density (ρ_{calc}) (g/cm ³)	3.123	3.562
Absorption coefficient (μ) (mm ⁻¹)	17.060	11.445
$\theta_{\text{min}} - \theta_{\text{max}}$ (°)	3.93 – 32.50	2.864 – 30.603
Reflections collected	18128	18780
Independent reflections	1796	1514
<i>R</i> ^a indices (<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>))	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0275	<i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0202
	<i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.0507	<i>wR</i> ₂ = 0.0389
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.006	1.069
Largest diff. peak and hole (e ⁻ /Å ³)	1.511 and -1.468	1.535 and -1.183

$${}^a R_1 = \frac{\sum ||F_0| - |F_c||}{\sum |F_0|}; WR_2 = \frac{|\Sigma|w(F_0^2 - F_c^2)|^2}{\Sigma |wF_0^2|^{1/2}},$$

where $w = 1/|\sigma^2 F_0^2 + (AP)^2 + BP|$, with $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ and weight coefficients *A* and *B*

Table S2. Atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (U_{eq}^a) for $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$ and $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$.

Atom	x	y	z	$U_{\text{eq}}, \text{\AA}^2$
$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$				
N1	0.2438(4)	0.250000	0.5426(2)	0.0385(8)
N2	0.5731(4)	0.250000	0.2119(2)	0.0371(8)
Ag	0.37369(4)	0.750000	0.36795(2)	0.04454(11)
Br1	0.50543(5)	0.250000	0.40239(3)	0.03634(11)
Br2	0.11781(4)	0.750000	0.42793(2)	0.03461(11)
Br3	0.30945(5)	0.750000	0.22524(2)	0.03436(11)
$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$				
N1	0.0743(4)	0.250000	0.7110(2)	0.0432(10)
N2	0.2519(5)	0.250000	0.4577(2)	0.0457(10)
Ag	0.36573(4)	0.750000	0.63506(2)	0.04790(11)
I1	0.50037(3)	0.250000	0.60023(2)	0.03764(9)
I2	0.30864(3)	0.750000	0.77602(2)	0.03687(9)
I3	0.11746(3)	0.750000	0.57080(2)	0.03735(9)

^a U_{eq} is defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized U_{ij} tensor.

Table S3. A comparison of bond distances and angles within the $1D_{\infty}^1[\text{AgX}_3]^{2-}$ chains in $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$ and $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$.

Atom pair	Distance (Å)	Label	Angle (°)
$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$			
Ag – Br1 (×2)	2.6983(3)	Br1-Ag-Br2	109.207(14)
Ag – Br2	2.6934(3)	Br1-Ag-Br3	109.664(14)
Ag – Br3	2.7139(6)	Br2-Ag-Br3	101.239(19)
$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$			
Ag – I1 (×2)	2.8647(4)	I1-Ag-I2	109.505(12)
Ag – I2	2.8576(8)	I1-Ag-I3	108.630(14)
Ag – I3	2.8345(7)	I2-Ag-I3	104.982(19)

Table S4. Summary of time-resolved photoluminescence (TRPL) refinement parameters for $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$ and $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$.

Parameter	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$	$(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$
A_1 (Cnts)	532.3859	62.81477
τ_1 (μs)	0.521073 μs	5.994375 μs
A_2 (Cnts)	72.95995	434.3554
τ_2 (μs)	4.455118 μs	0.5617258 μs
Average lifetime	0.995 μs	1.25 μs

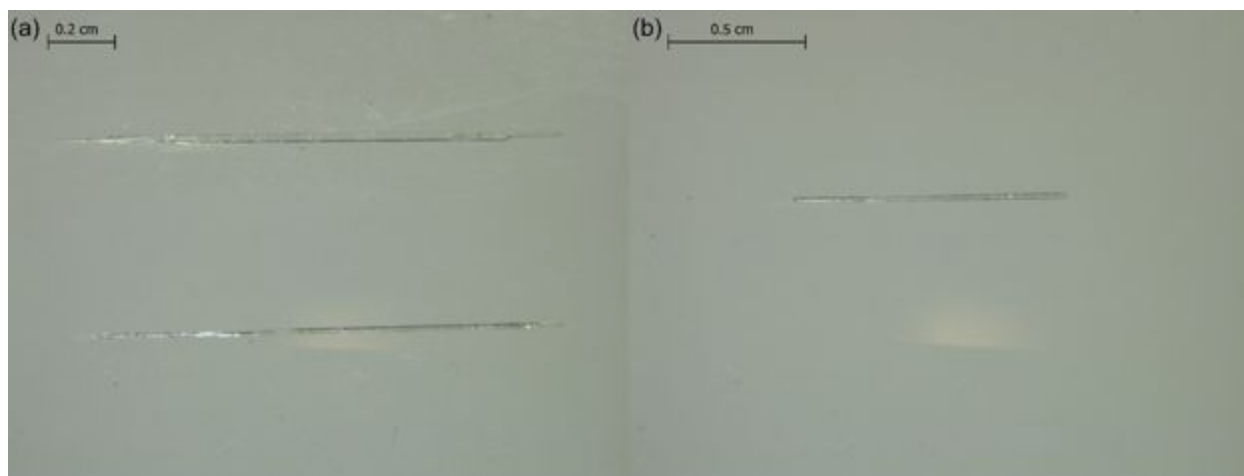


Figure S1. Photographs of (a) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$ and (b) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$ single crystals grown via hydrothermal synthesis method.

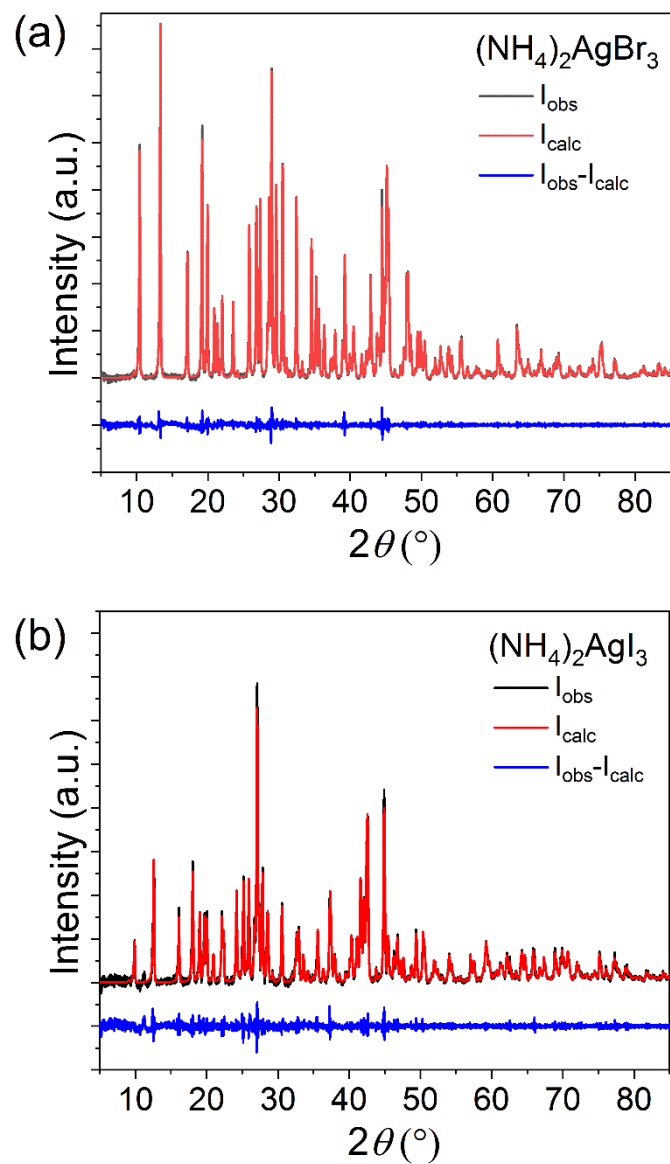


Figure S2. Room temperature PXRD patterns (black) fitted using the Pawley method (red) for (a) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$ and (b) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$ prepared through hydrothermal synthesis.

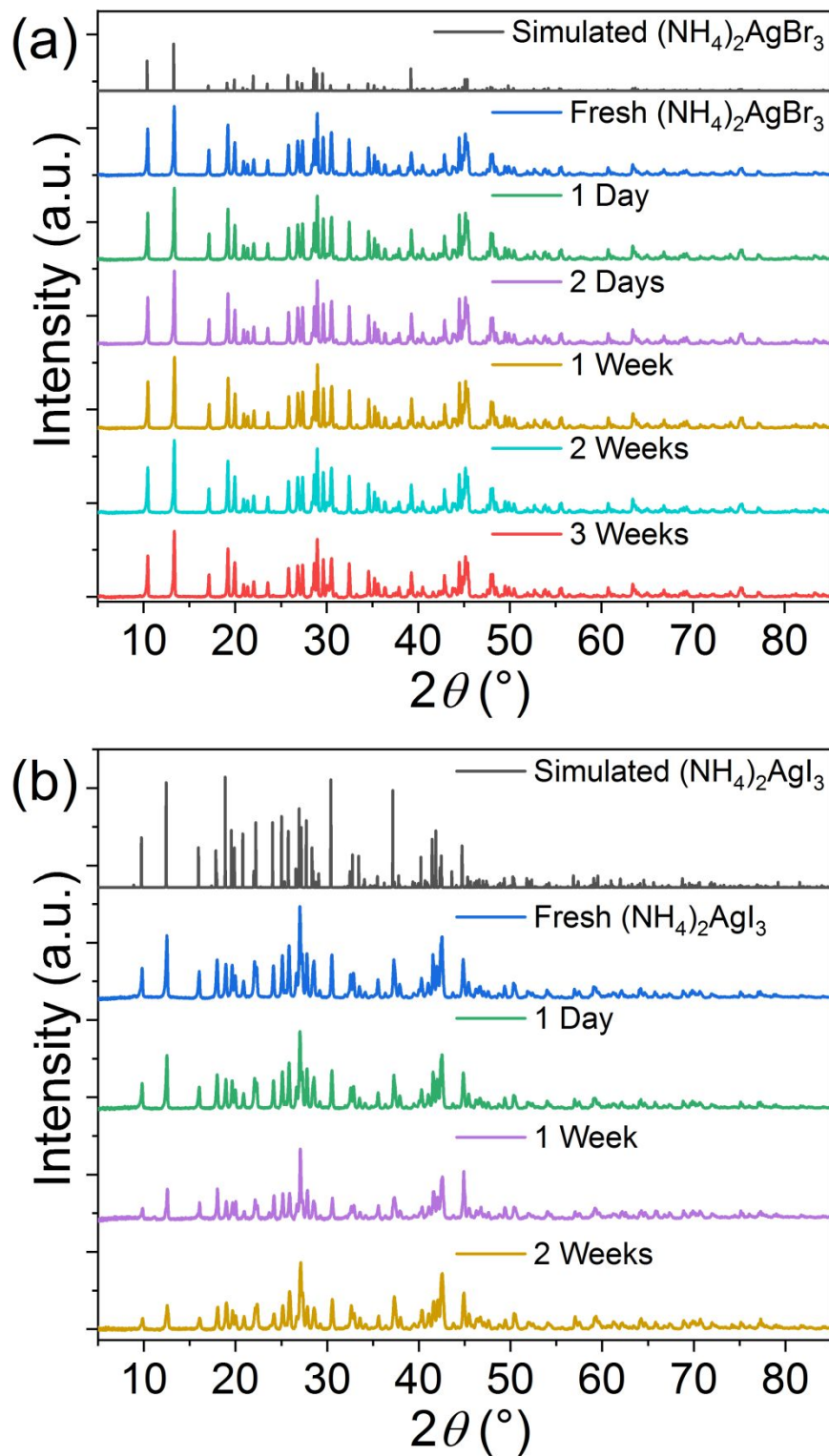


Figure S3. PXRD patterns of polycrystalline samples of (a) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$ and (b) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$ left in ambient air for 3 weeks.

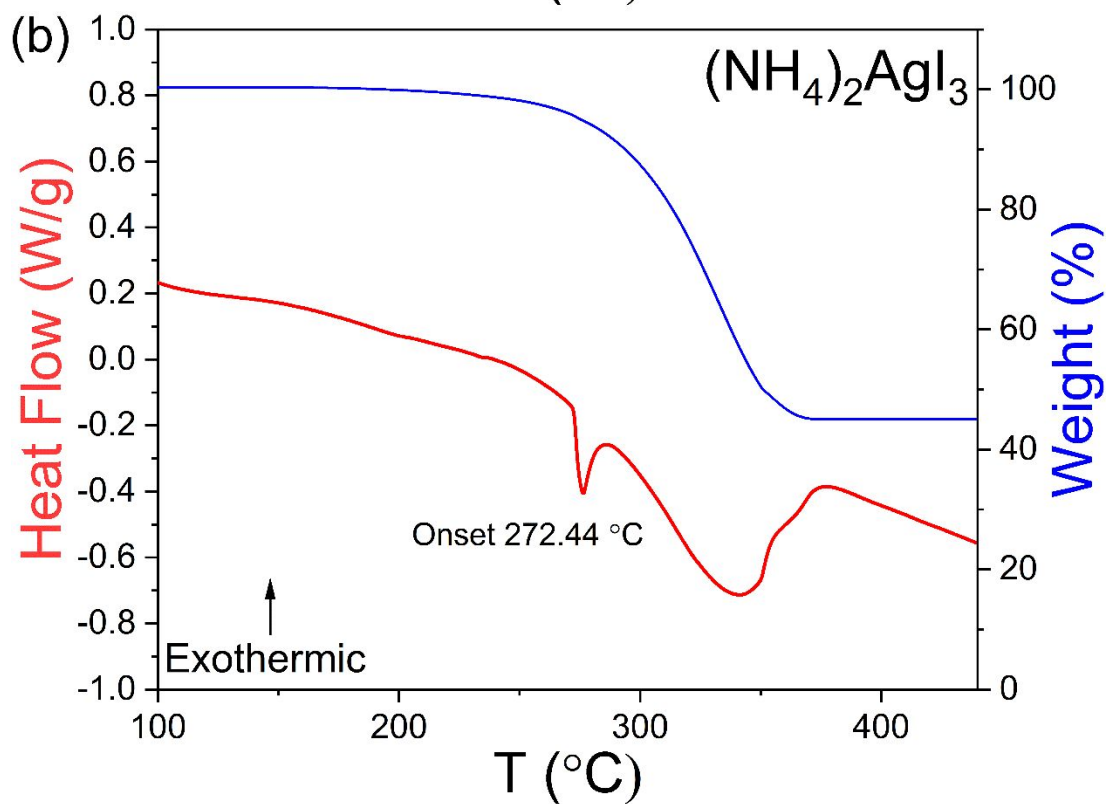
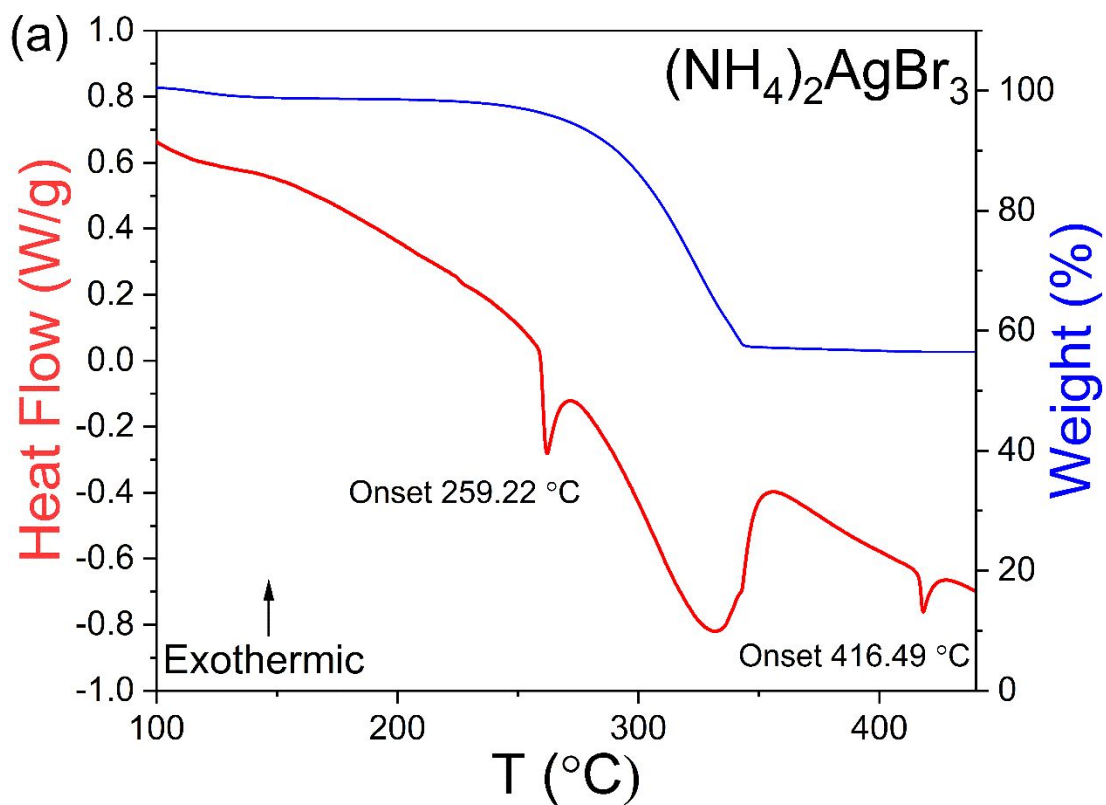


Figure S4. Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC, in red) and thermogravimetric analysis (TGA, in blue) plots for (a) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$ and (b) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$.

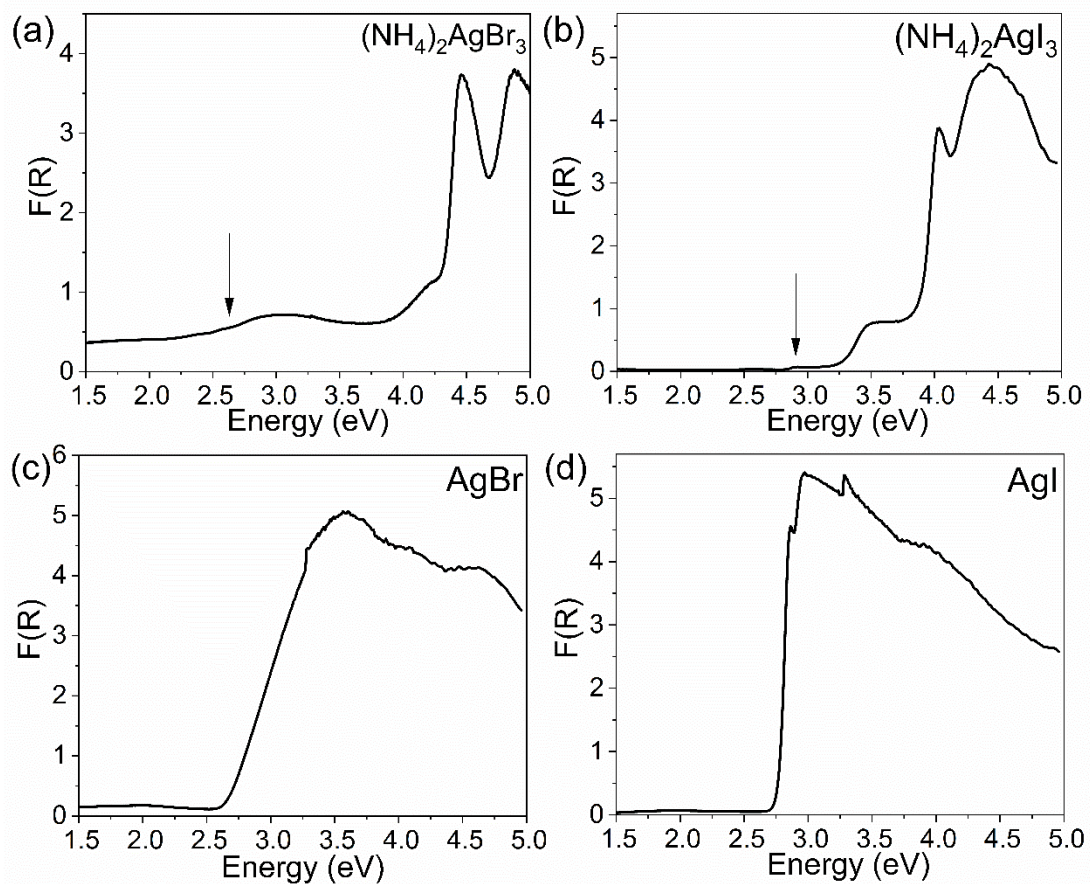


Figure S5. Kubelka-Munk transformed diffuse reflectance plots for (a) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$, (b) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$, (c) AgBr , and (d) AgI . Arrows indicate minor impurities of AgX in $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgX}_3$.

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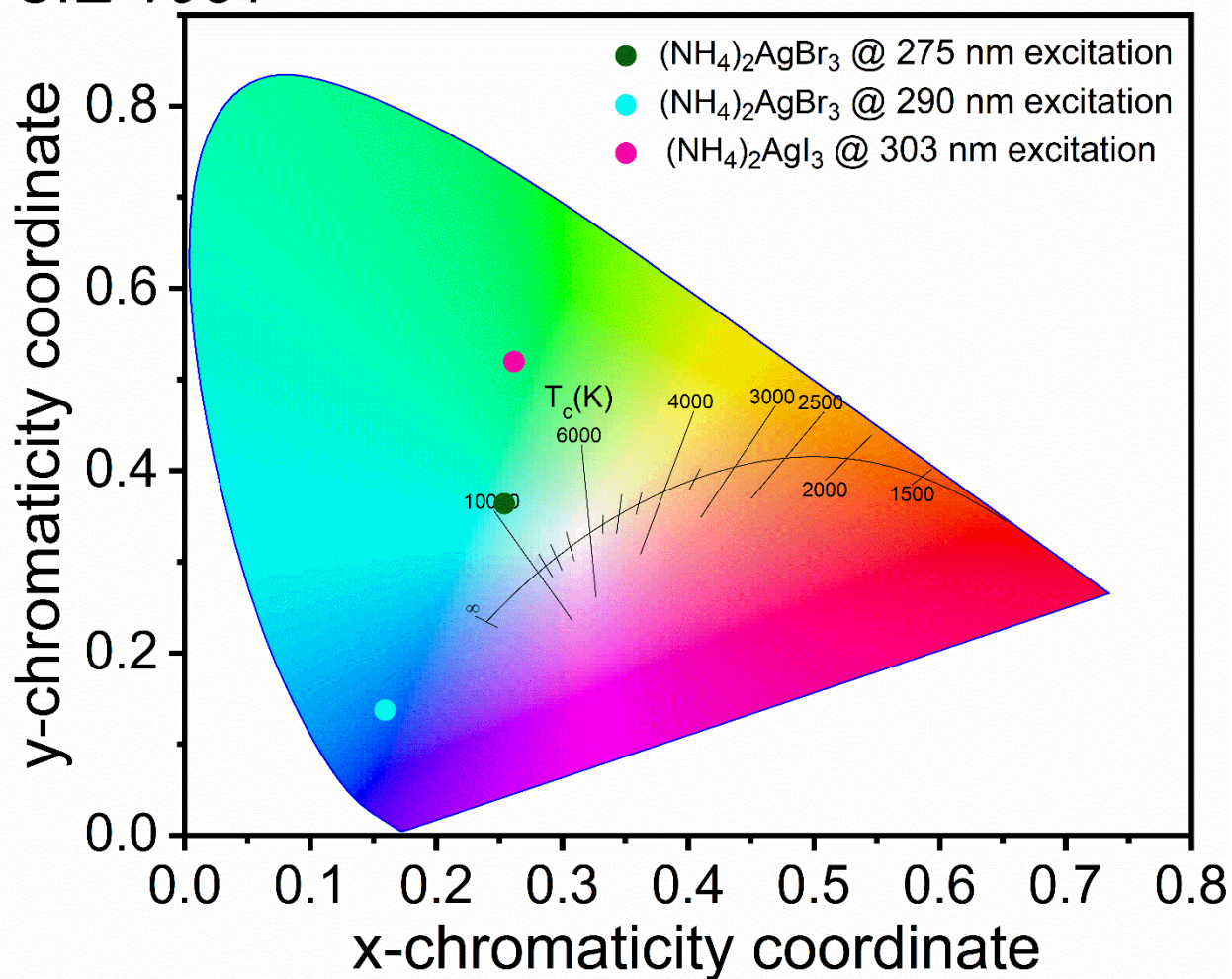


Figure S6. The Commission Internationale de l'Eclairage (CIE) color coordinates of $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$ and $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$. $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$ is found to exhibit excitation-dependent light emission properties. A Planckian locus has been included to estimate correlated color temperature (CCT) for the various PL emissions of $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgX}_3$.

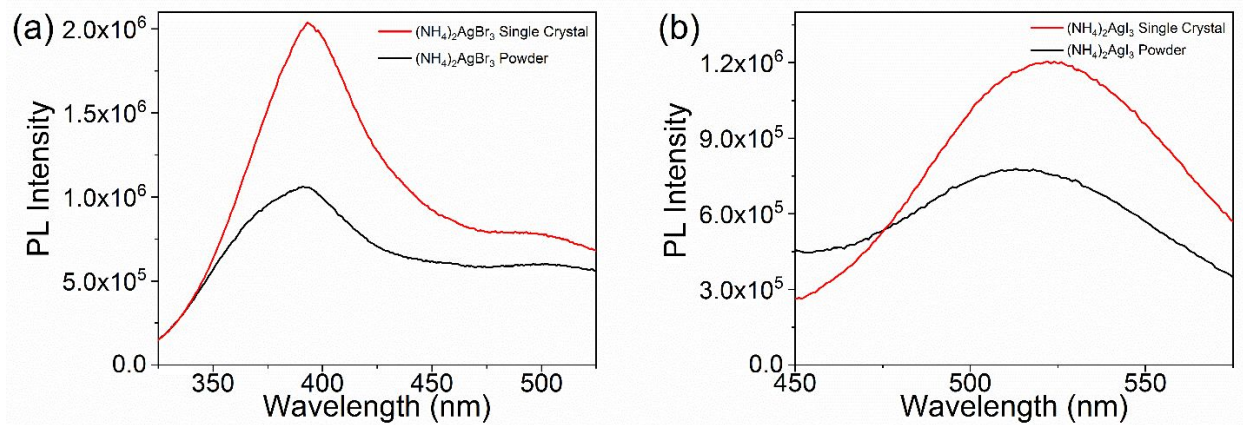


Figure S7. Comparisons of PL emission from single crystals and polycrystalline powders of (a) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$ and (b) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$.

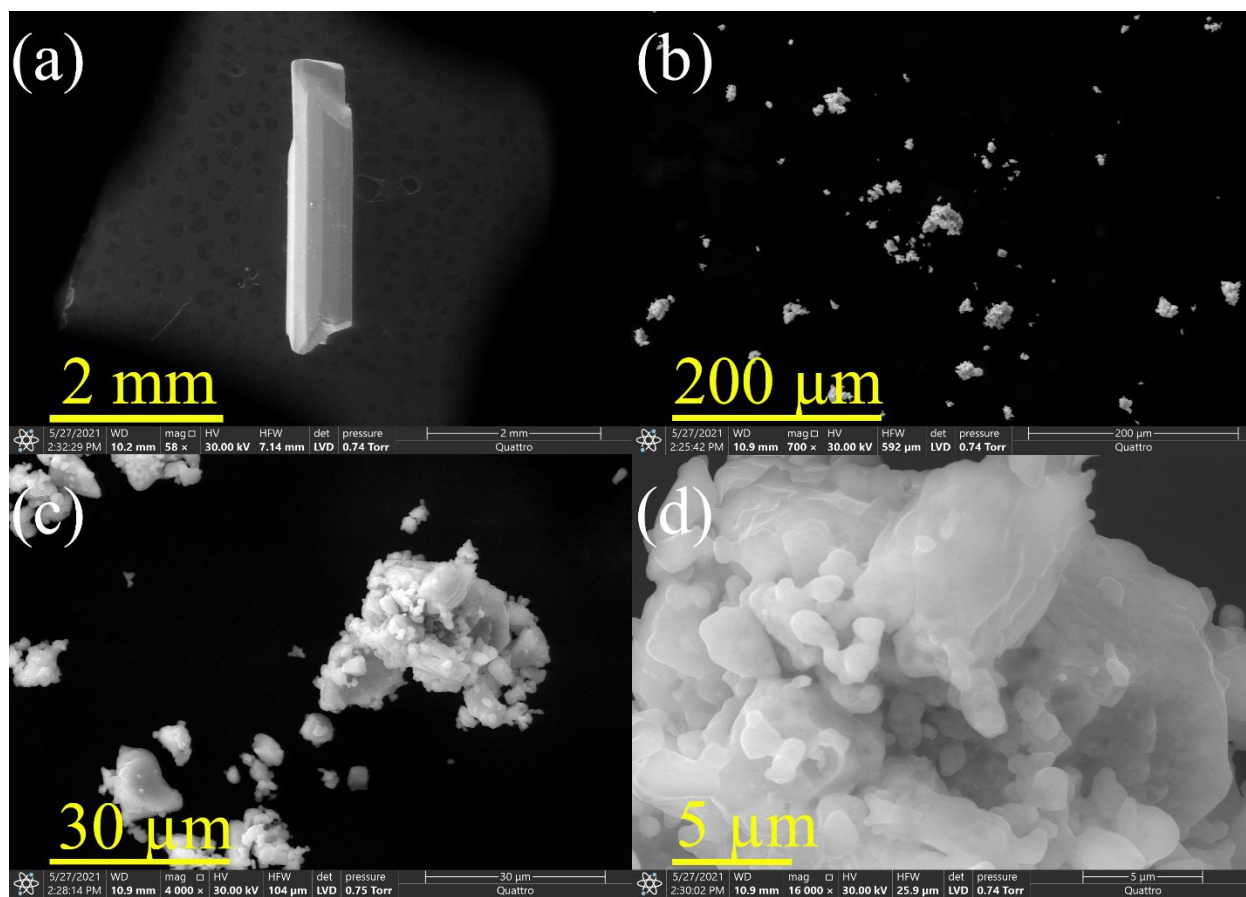


Figure S8. Environmental scanning electron microscope (ESEM) images of (a) a single crystal and (b-d) ground polycrystalline powders of $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$.

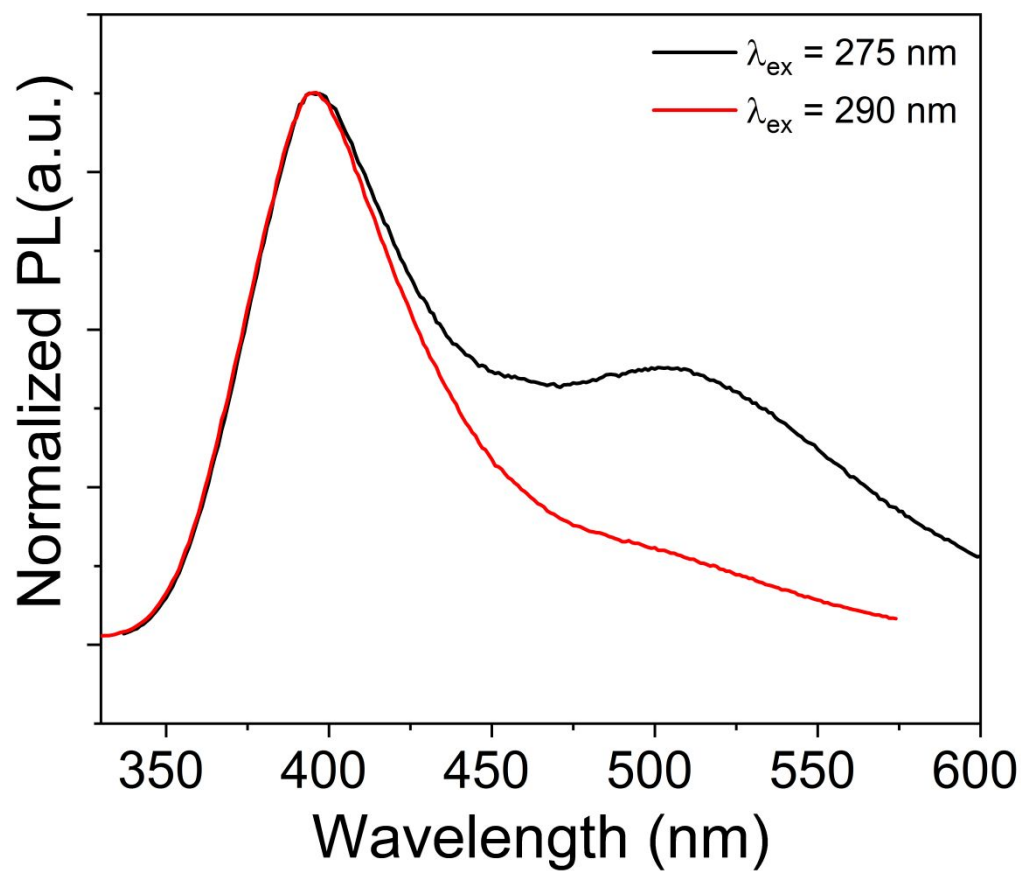


Figure S9. A comparison of PL emission using different excitation energies for $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$.

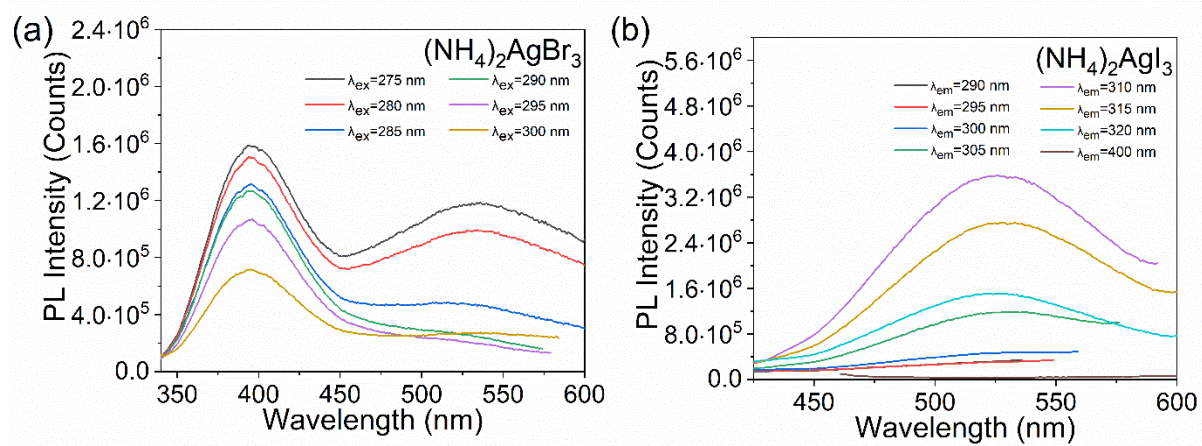


Figure S10. Excitation-dependent PL emission spectra for (a) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgBr}_3$ and (b) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{AgI}_3$.