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Abstracts

The Quantum Dots Market is witnessing a robust growth rate of 18.00% within the forecast period (2025- 2033F). Quantum dots have grown up into path-breaking technology in the entire nanomaterials field, playing an enabling role for the new era of very high-performing electronics, imaging, and energy applications. These properties have become imperative for many lifelines of industries-such as consumer electronics, healthcare, energy, and automotive-which, inconsistent with their optical and electronic properties, allow size-tunable emission, high brightness, and incredible stability. Quantum dots have become a revolutionary technology for modern next-generation display systems (like the QLED TVs), which have proved to be much deeper in color saturation, brighter in luminosity, and more energy efficient than any older display technology. In the past couple of years, a lot of demand has been observed for quantum dots due to advances in the nanotechnology fields, amongst others, the growing consumer demand for bright visual experience, as well as their growing utilization in biomedical imaging and diagnostics. Private enterprises and governments have invested huge amounts in research and development to find innovative applications across photovoltaics, quantum computation, and targeted medication delivery. Environmental regulations are promoting the manufacturing of cadmium-free quantum dots and channelizing the manufacturers to devise cleaner and safer formulations.

While quantum dots will become commonplace in solar cells, LEDs, and biosensors, they will have moved to defining market niches from those of exclusive scientific components to those defining core commercial material. The rapid adoption in emerging regions will also be complemented by technology-driven policies and growing awareness among local nations.

Based on material, the quantum dots market is bifurcated into Cadmium-based

and Cadmium-free. In 2024, the cadmium-free market dominated the market and is expected to maintain its leading position throughout the forecast period. This is due to the increased international concerns about environmental safety and compliance with regulations, making the heavy metal used in conventional quantum dots, which include cadmium selenide (CdSe), extremely poisonous to human beings. The European Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) implemented strict regulations on the use of cadmium in composites and materials for consumer consumption, thus requiring companies to seek safer alternatives. Considering these, cadmium-free quantum dots, which have been demonstrated on InP or carbon and display similar optical performance without such hazards, were developed. Companies such as Samsung, Nanoco Technologies, and Nanosys have replaced the cadmium-based materials in their QLED TVs with InP quantum dots as part of their commitment to going green and reaching a wider market-open approach to environmentally who wanted to be conscious. Furthermore, cadmium-free QDs have gained interest in biomedical applications where the concern for toxicity is crucial in allowing safe in vivo imaging and diagnostics. Following the same sustainability awareness, when consumers started favoring environment-friendly products, cadmium-free quantum dots slipped into the profile of favored options, combining high performance with compliance and safety.

Based on product type, the quantum dots market is segmented into Display and Other (Lasers, Solar Cells, and others). The display segment held the largest market share in 2024. The high-quality and energy-efficient display solutions are the need of the hour in most consumer electronics, and this is causing this leadership to emerge. Quantum dots in displays are used to improve color accuracy, brightness, and energy efficiency in televisions, monitors, and smartphones. For example, QD technology has been integrated into display panels by Samsung and LG for higher levels of experience. The fact that new advances in production, such as photo-patternable quantum dot inks for new display applications, including virtual and augmented reality, by NanoPattern Technologies, have also brought to the attention of application-oriented industries the adoption of QDs in displays. For instance, in October 2024, Samsung Display announced the successful development of Quantum Dot ink recycling technology for enhanced cost competitiveness of its QD-OLED displays. In line with that, the company had been able to collect and recycle QD ink wasted during the manufacturing process of the QD-OLED and successfully recovered and reprocessed 80% of the ink that had been wasted in the production of the QD emissive layer. This is expected to yield annual cost

savings of approximately USD 7.3 million.

Based on end-user, the quantum dots market is segmented into Consumer, Healthcare, Defense, Media and Entertainment, and Others (Agriculture, Energy and Utilities, and others). In 2024, the healthcare segment dominated the market and is expected to maintain its leading position throughout the forecast period. This is due to the increased adoption of quantum dots in medical diagnostics, imaging, and therapeutic applications, as it has unique properties such as size-based adjustable fluorescence, high brightness, and excellent photostability, which makes them very lucrative for applications in biomedical imaging and targeted drug delivery. Ultra-sensitive, high-resolution cellular imaging can be achieved using these nanomaterials, which improve early disease detection, especially in cancer and infectious diseases. For example, in 2024, Harvard University and MIT, researchers were able to use cadmium-free quantum dots to track cancer cells in mice, illustrating the potential for non-invasive imaging. Increased prevalence of chronic diseases, the rising need for personalized medicines, and growing healthcare R&D spending are currently identifying quantum dots for use in biosensing, in vitro diagnostics, and POINT-OF-CARE devices. Major companies such as Thermo Fisher Scientific and Ocean Insight have come up with quantum dot-based fluorescent labels to multiplex biomarker detection and thus maximize the accuracy and efficiency of laboratory tests. For instance, in January 2024, Quantum Solutions launched QDot Perovskite CsPbBr₃ Single Crystals for X-ray sensors. The material was launched in collaboration with AY Sensors. This is poised to be a significant alternative to the CdTe and CdZnTe (CZT) crystals currently used in direct X-ray sensors. The healthcare segment is set to remain the highest adopter for commercializing quantum dots in the future, as more healthcare providers will adopt advancements in nanotechnology for better patient outcomes.

For a better understanding of the market of the quantum dots market, the market is analyzed based on its worldwide presence in countries such as North America (The US, Canada, and Rest of North America), Europe (Germany, The UK, France, Italy, Spain, Rest of Europe), Asia-Pacific (China, Japan, India, South Korea, Rest of Asia-Pacific), Rest of World. The Asia Pacific quantum dots market dominated the global quantum dots market in 2024 and is forecasted to remain in this position on account of rapid industrialization, a booming consumer electronics industry, and active government assistance toward the evolution of advanced technologies. Countries such as China, South Korea, and Japan are emerging as very fundamental in quantum dot research, manufacturing, and

integration, particularly in the display and healthcare sectors. Regional supremacy finds further strength from major electronics manufacturers, such as Samsung, LG, and BOE Technology, investing significantly in quantum dot-enabled displays, including QLED TVs and ultra-high-definition monitors. For example, in April 2024, Samsung Display, in collaboration with distinguished brands for broadcast monitors, SmallHD and Flanders Scientific Inc. (FSI), launched its new QD-OLED reference monitors used for film and broadcast productions to check the quality of footage or calibrate color tones and images to correspond to content concepts. Also, besides government funding, some of the companies in the Asia Pacific region are making some advances in the quantum dots arena. In a similar context, Taiwanese company Winbond Electronics launched in October 2023 a new range of quantum dot-enhanced devices aimed mainly at upgrading display technologies. In addition to the very fast-growing consumer electronics market of the region, a greater demand for high-definition screens is being witnessed. These supporting factors by legislation, along with innovative breakthroughs by major players of the Quantum Dots Market in Asia Pacific, indicate a bright future, further solidifying its place as a worldwide powerhouse for this new technology.

Some of the major players operating in the market include Shoei Electronic Materials, Inc., SAMSUNG, Quantum Materials Corporation, UbiQD, Nanoco Group plc, NNCrystal US Corporation, Ocean NanoTech LLC, QDI Systems, Thermo Fisher Scientific Inc., and ams-OSRAM AG.

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