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Cours description

1. Introduction to photovoltaics

Basic information about the solar energy and photovoltaic Energy conversion

2. Technology of solar cells

The industrial technology of silicon solar cells and thin films solar cells will be presented

3. Emerging photovoltaics

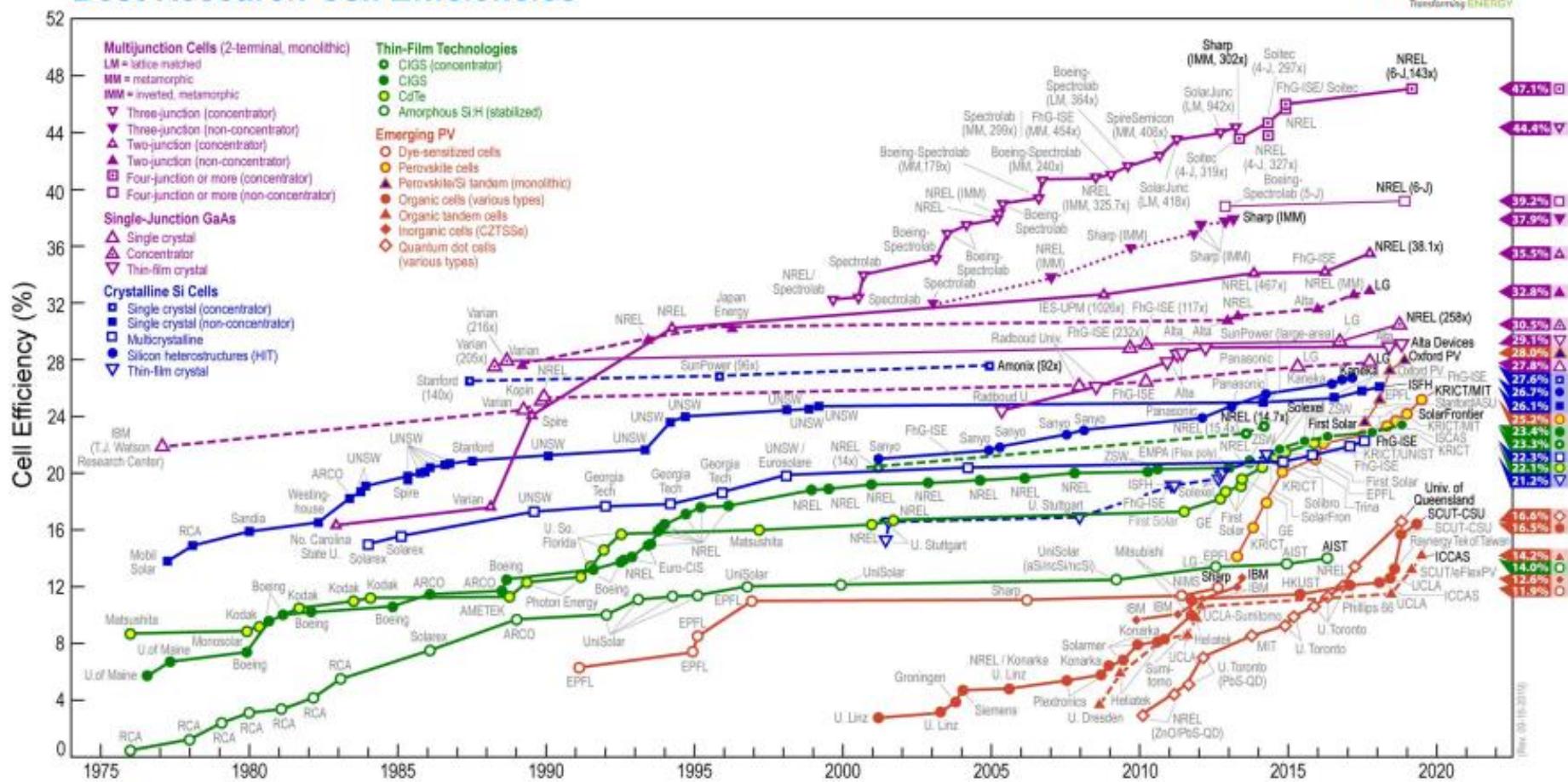
Emerging materials and devices including dye-sensitized solar cell, organic solar cell, perovskite solar cell and quantum dot solar cell

4. Photovoltaic systems

Technology, applications, economics of photovoltaic systems

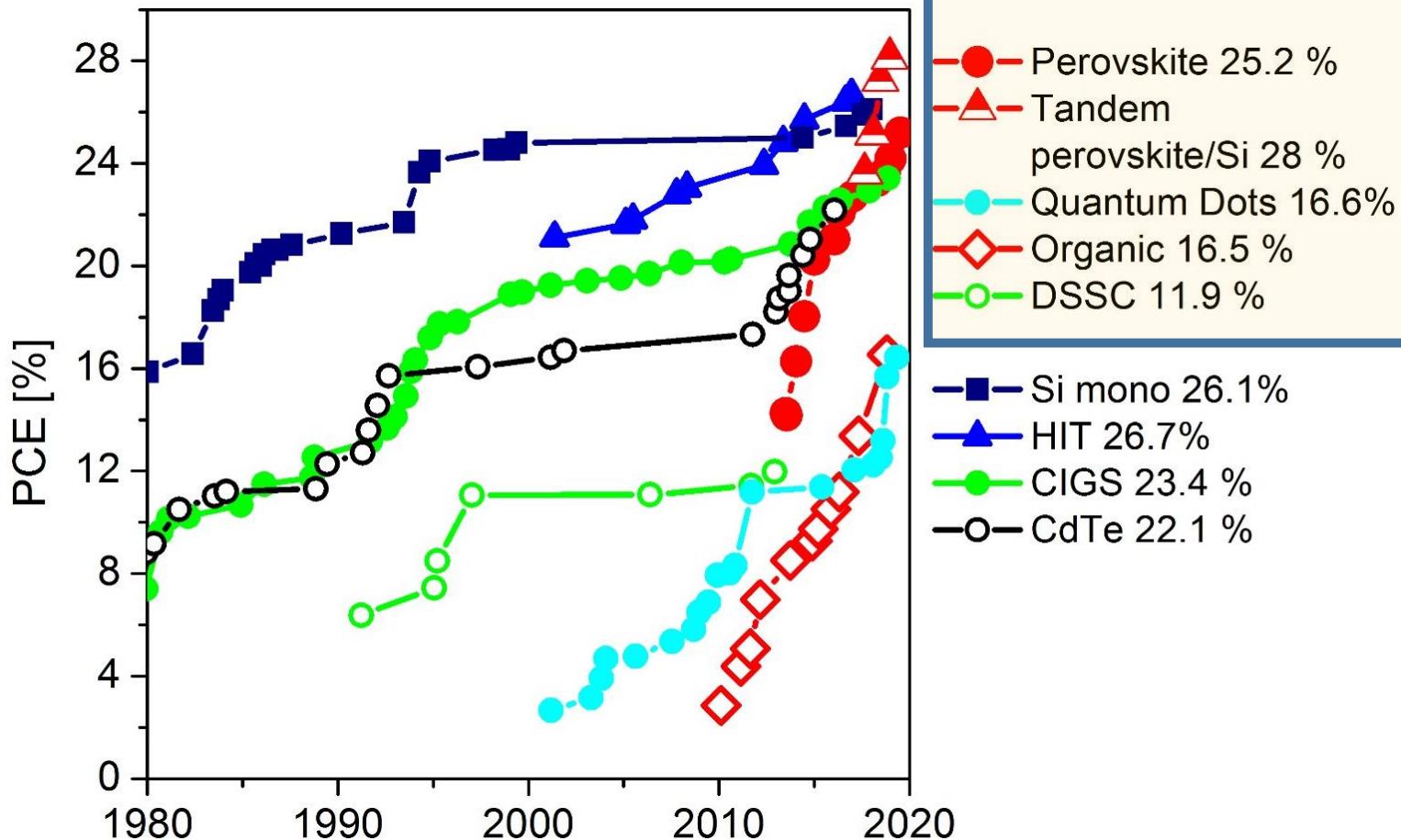


Best Research-Cell Efficiencies





Emerging PV





QD solar cells



In a semiconductor crystallite whose size is smaller than twice the size of its exciton Bohr radius (a_b), the excitons are squeezed, leading to quantum confinement.



Material properties and Bohr radii a_B of various bulk semiconductors

		E_g (eV)	m_e^*/m_0	m_h^*/m_0	Electron a_B (nm)	Hole a_B (nm)	Exciton a_B (nm)
II-VI	CdS	2.48	0.25	0.6	5	1	<1
	CdSe	1.73	0.12	0.9 ^a	6	3	1 ^a
	CdTe	1.48	0.09	0.8 ^a	7	4	1 ^a
III-V	InP	1.34	0.073	0.45 ^a	11	7	1
	InAs	0.35	0.023	0.57 ^a	12	27	2
	InSb	0.17	0.012	0.44 ^a	16	59	2
IV-VI	PbS ^c	0.42	0.087 ^b	0.083 ^b	17	10	11
	PbSe ^c	0.28	0.047 ^b	0.041 ^b	23	26	29
	PbTe ^c	0.31	0.034 ^b	0.032 ^b	33	56	48
Exciton radius $a_B = \epsilon m_0/m^* a_0$							

$$a_B = \epsilon m_0/m^* a_0$$

a_0 Bohr radius $a_0 \approx 0.53$ nm

ϵ semiconductor dielectric constant

m^* effective mass of electron or hole

or for exciton reduced mass ($m_{exe}^{-1} = m_e^{-1} + m_h^{-1}$)

[1] O. Madelung , Semiconductors: Data Handbook. Berlin:Springer-Verlag,2004.

[2] T. D. Krauss and J. J. Peterson in Colloidal Quantum Dot Optoelectronics and Photovoltaics, edited by G. Konstantatos and E. H. Sargent

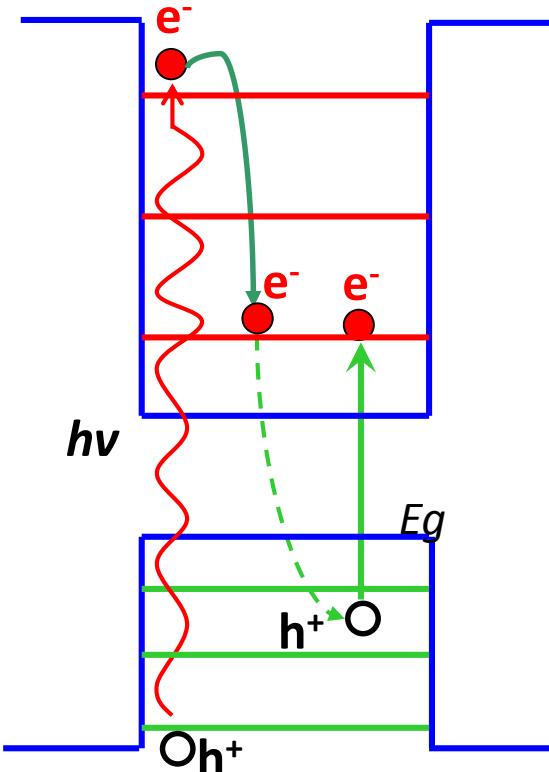


QD solar cells

Semiconductor	Size (nm)	Eg (eV)
PbSe	∞	0.27 i
PbSe	5.4	0.73
PbSe	4.7	0.82
PbSe	3.9	0.91
PbS	∞	0.41 i
PbS	5.5	0.85
PbTe	∞	0.31 i
PbTe	5.5	0.91
Si	∞	1.12
Si	2	1.7



QD solar cells



One photon two pairs e-h

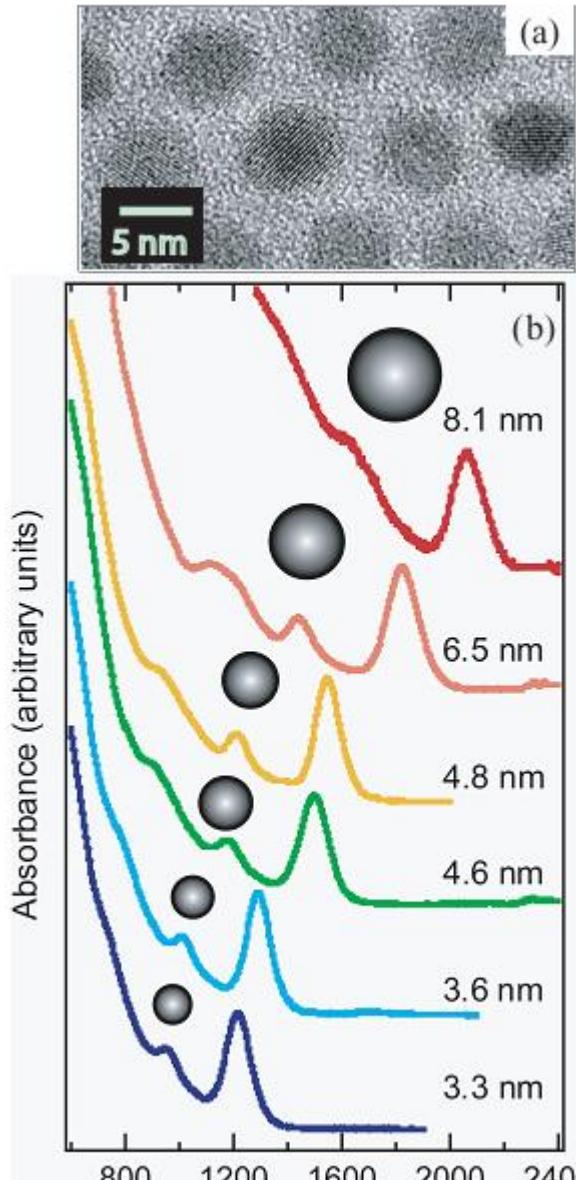
The effects of quantum confinement in quantum dots

- Slowing down the cooling of excitons, strengthening the Auger process,
- There is no need to maintain the crystalline momentum
- One photon can generate many e-h pairs. Crash ionization multi-exciton generation by high energy photons
- Expanding the energy gap

- A.J. Nozik / Physica E 14 (2002) 115
- A. Luque, A. Marti, and A.J. Nozik, MRS Bulletin Vol. 32 (2007) 236



QD solar cells

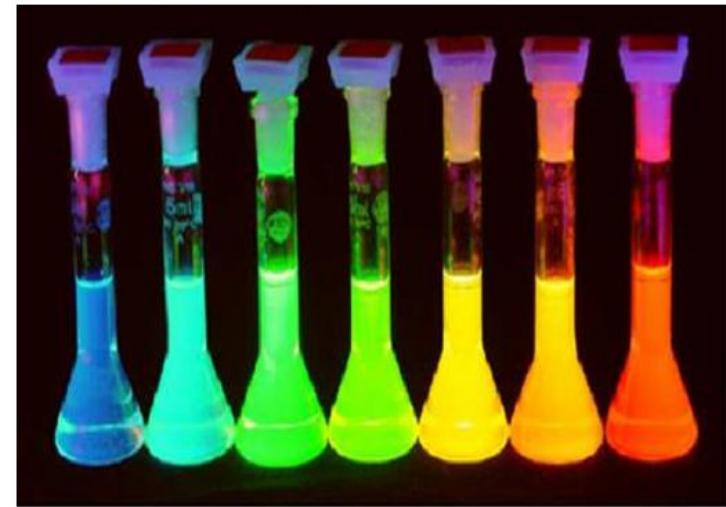
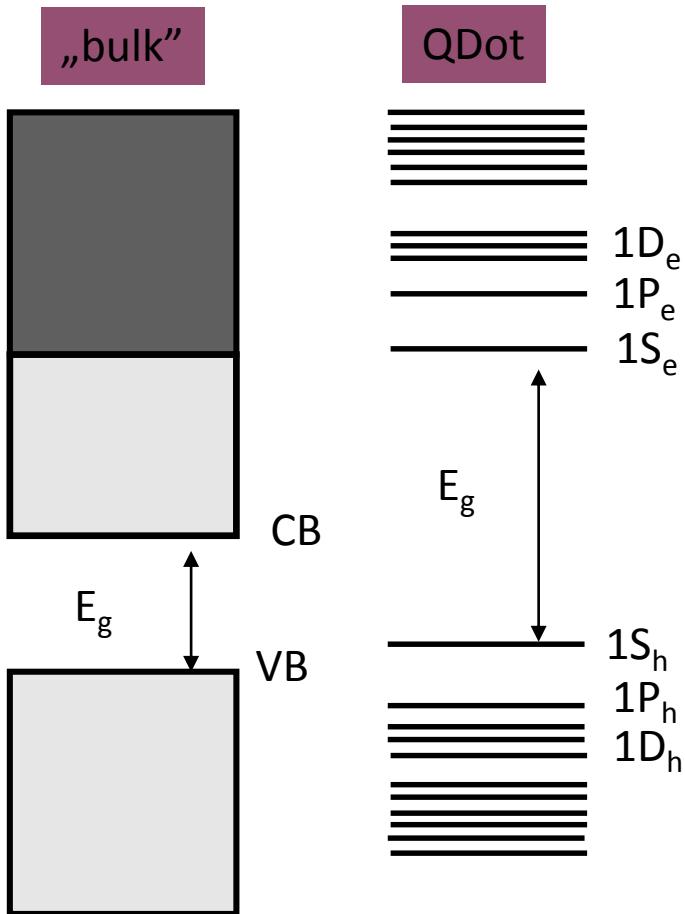


(a) TEM image showing PbSe NCs with average diameter of 5.2nm. (b) Linear absorption spectra of a series of PbSe NCs with average diameter ranging from 3.3nm to 8.1nm. Strong excitonic absorption and a blue-shift of the onset are signatures of quantum confinement in NCs.

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/pdf/10.1002/lpor.200810013>



QD solar cells



Quantum dot fluorescence (Q-dots)
CdSe of various sizes when exposed to
UV light



QD solar cells

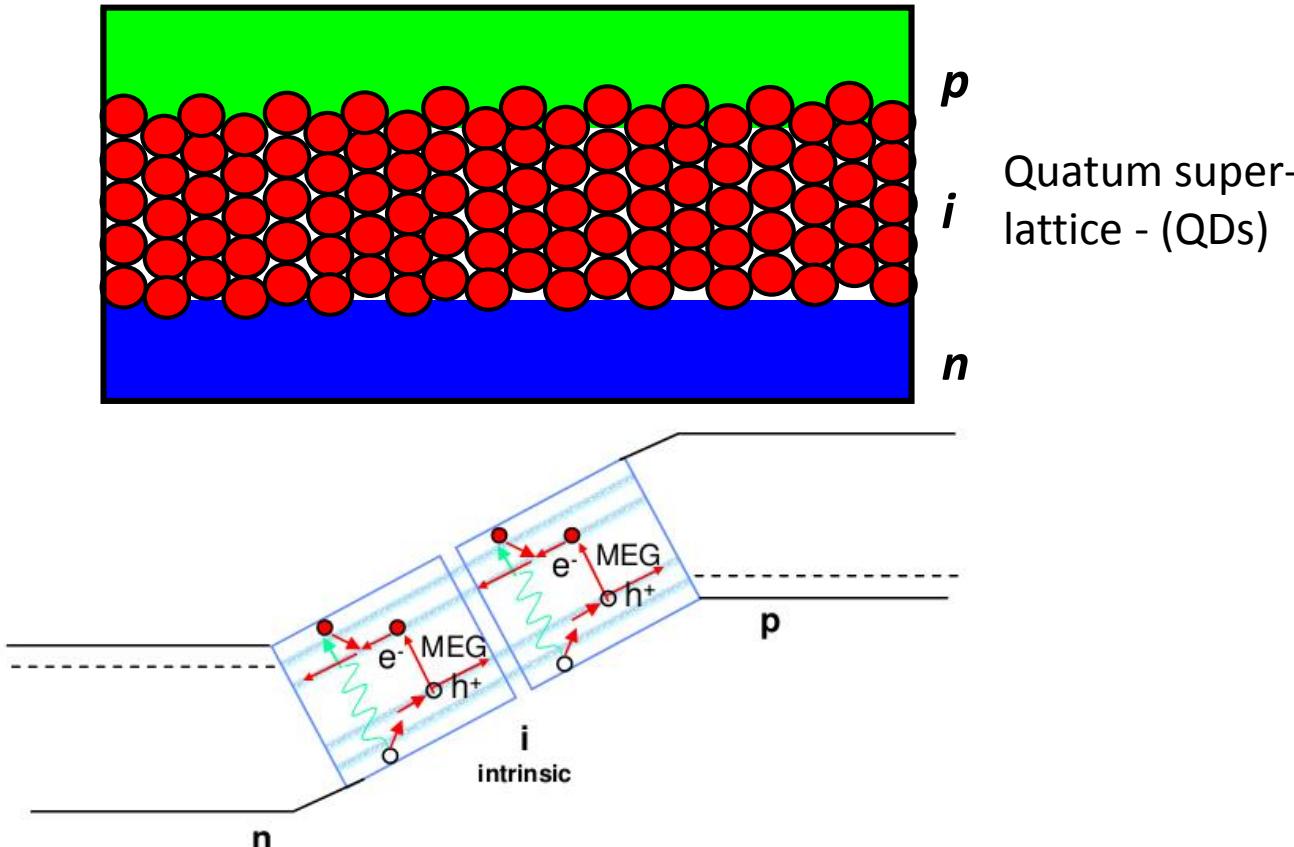
Solar cell configurations with quantum dots:

1. Photoelectrodes from QDs "arrays,, (super-lattice)
2. Nanocrystalline TiO_2 sensitized QDs
3. QDs immersed in a polymer blend ("e" and "h")



QD solar cells

1. Quantum super-lattice – p-i-n structure.

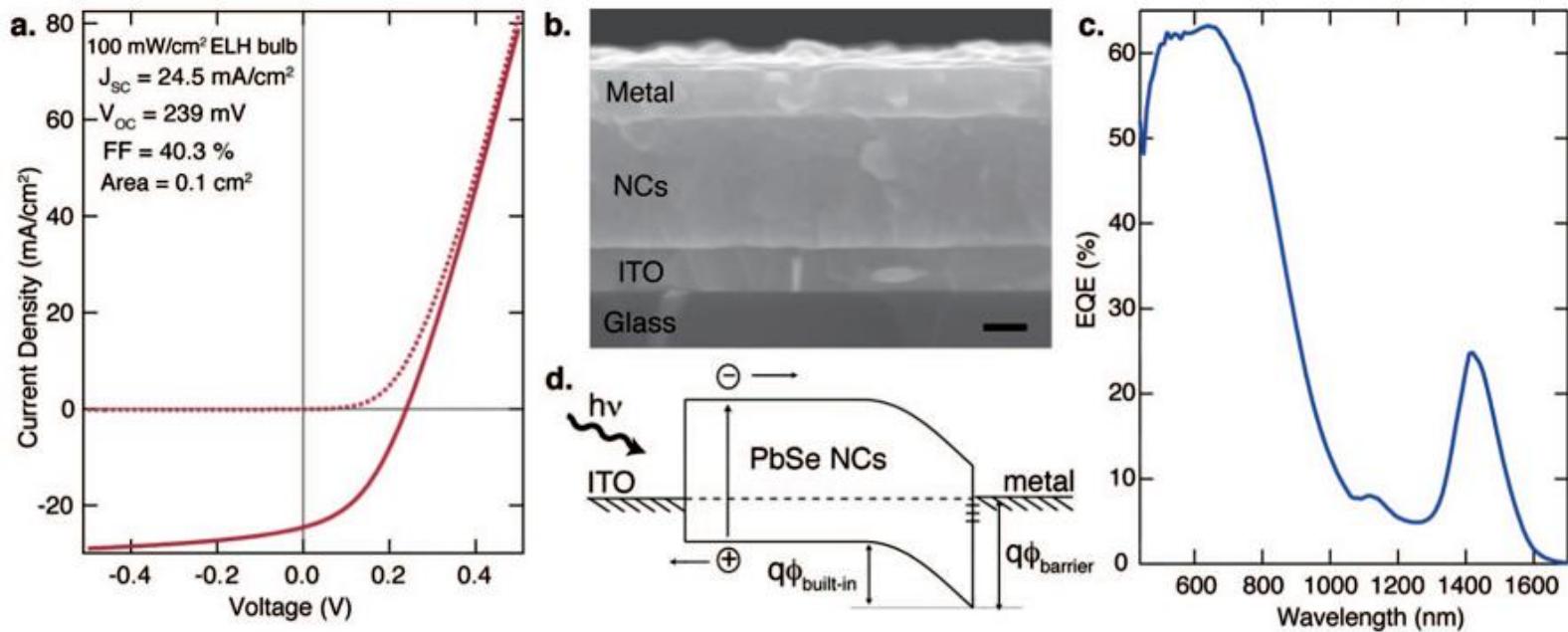


Slow down cooling process, transport and collection of hot carriers in *p* and *n* contacts - higher voltage or larger photocurrent as a result of MEG



QD solar cells

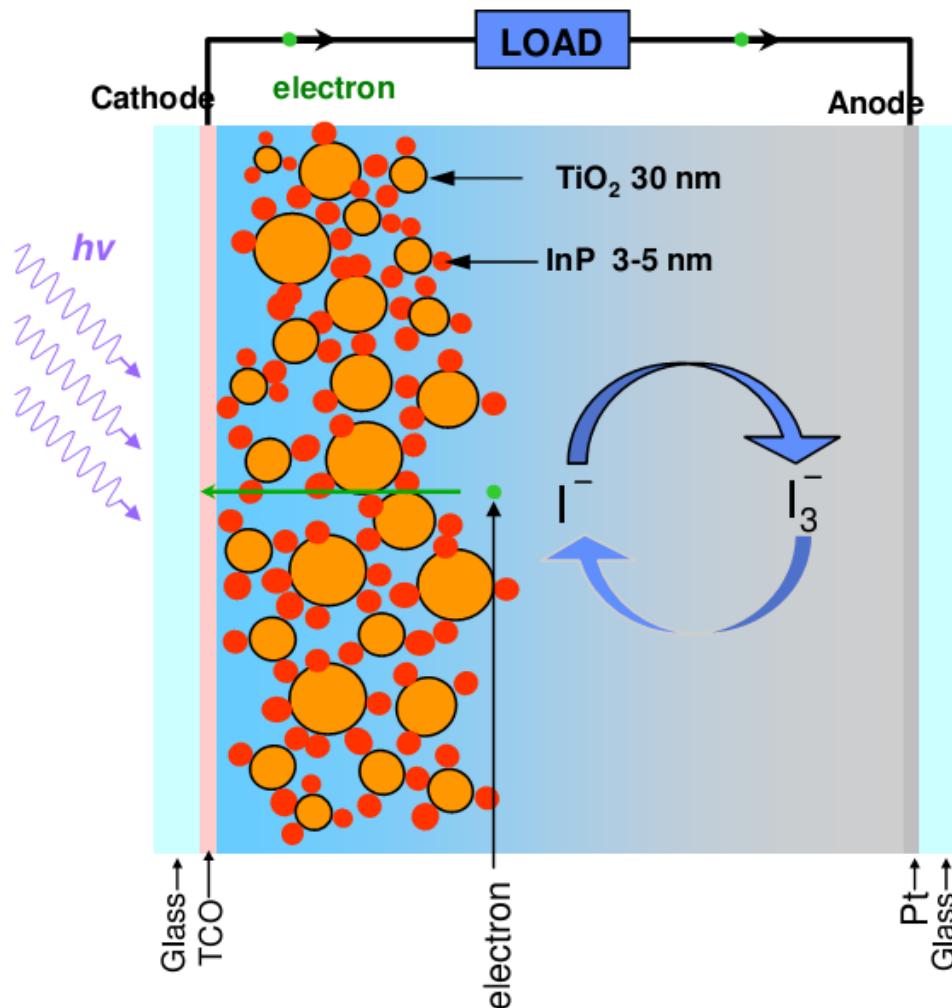
Quantum super-lattice— Structure with a Schottki diode



NCs layer— deposited by „layer – by layer (LBL) dip coating”, 60 nm thickness



2. QDs DSSC



1. Electrons of QD are excited by solar energy adsorption
2. Electron transfer from QD to TCO via TiO₂
3. Electrons get to the counter electrode after working at external load
4. $\frac{1}{2} I_3^- - e^- \rightarrow 3/2 I^-$ at counter electrode
5. $3/2 I^- \rightarrow \frac{1}{2} I_3^- + e^-$ at QD

TiO₂ : QD-sensitized negative charge carrier
Electrolyte: iodine-triiodide redox couple

QD: InP, CdSe, CdTe, PbS, etc.

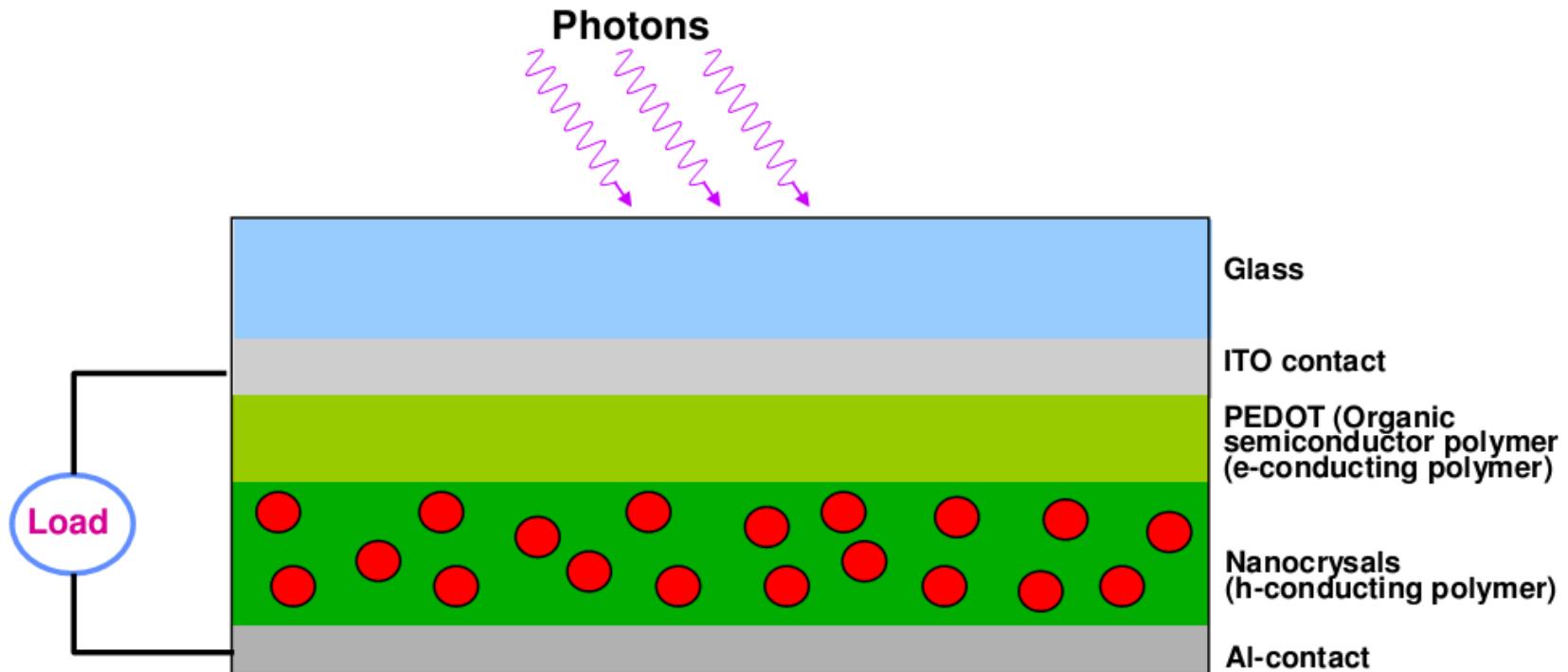
TCO: Transparent conducting oxide

Pt : Catalyst

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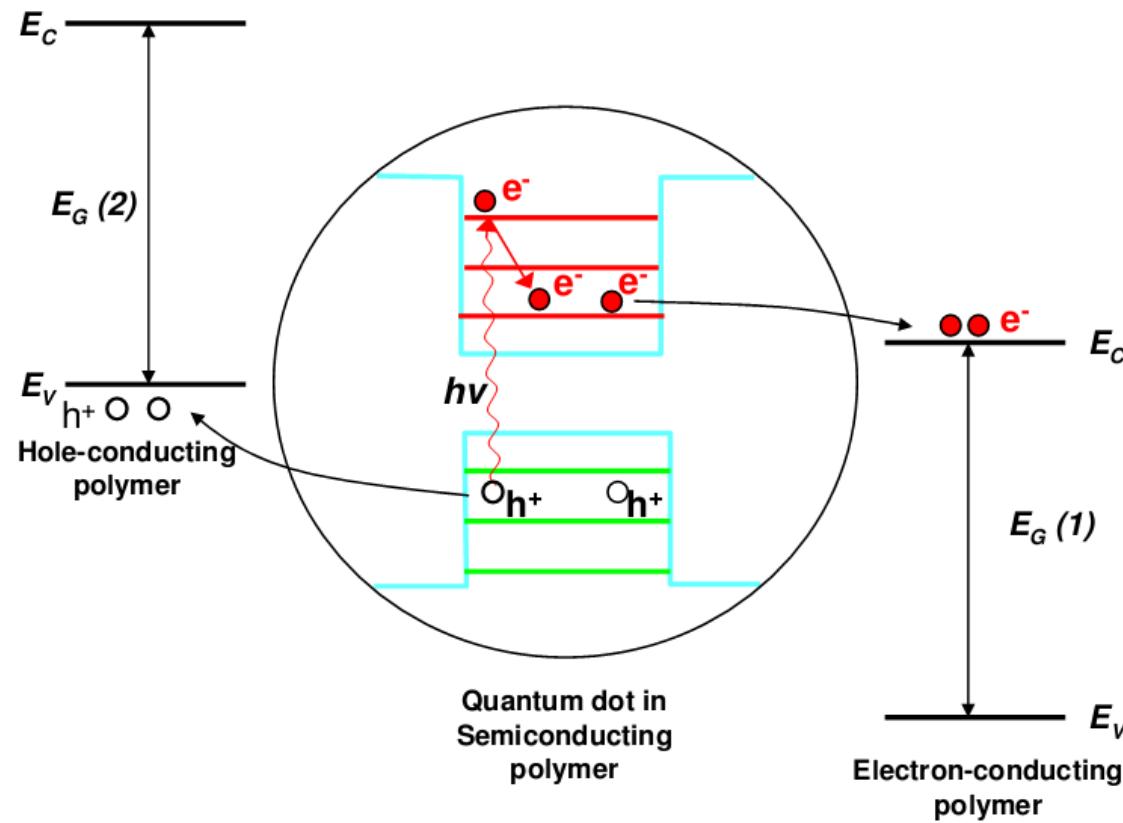


QDs immersed in a polymer blend



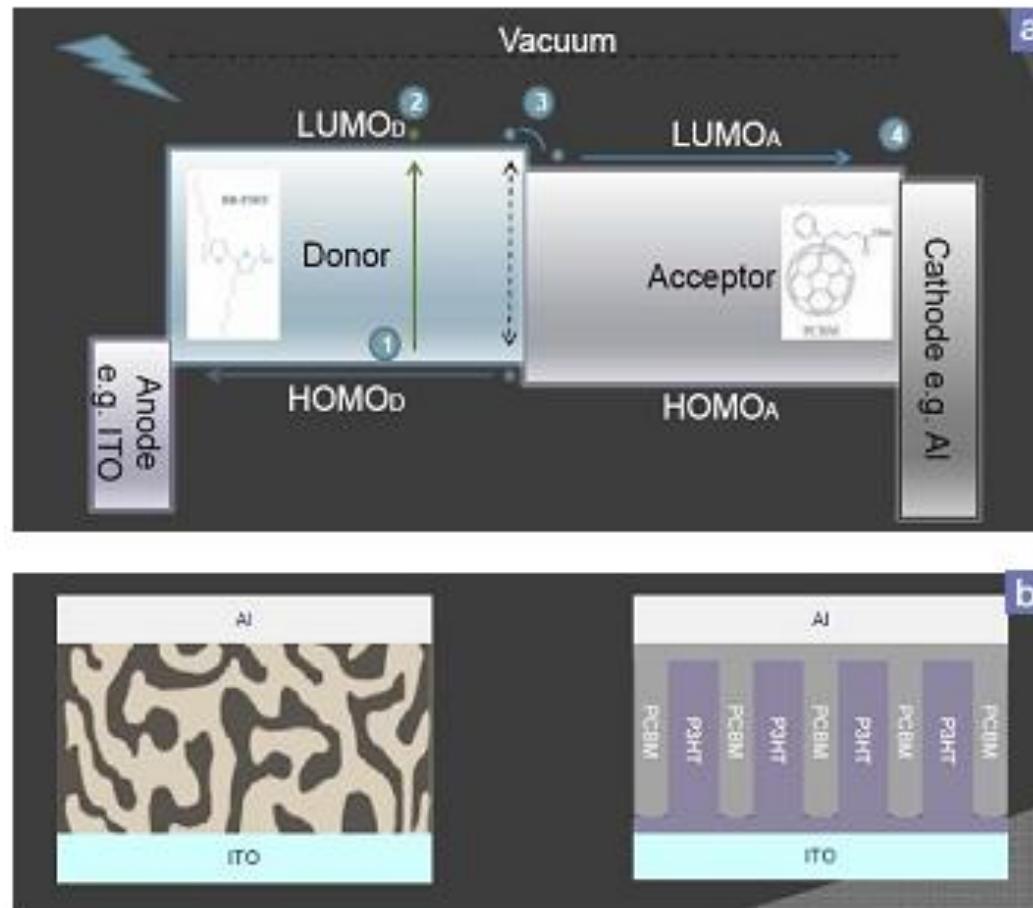


QDs immersed in a polymer blend





QDs immersed in a polymer blend



The schematic band energy structure of bulk-heterojunction organic cell used to produce the results
(b)(left) a schematic showing random distribution of donor (P3HT) and acceptor (PCBM) regions in the
blended bulk-heterojunction organic solar cell, (right) a schematic diagram of systematic alignment of
donor and acceptor layers



QDs immersed in a polymer blend

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ZnO Nanowire Arrays for Enhanced Photocurrent in PbS Quantum Dot Solar Cells

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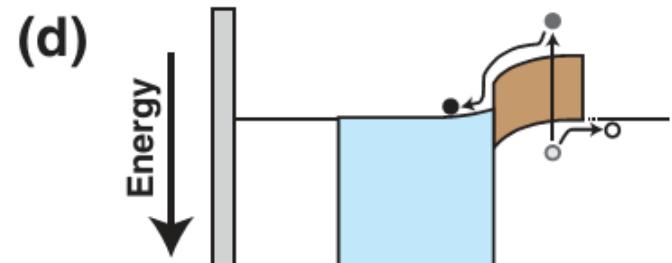
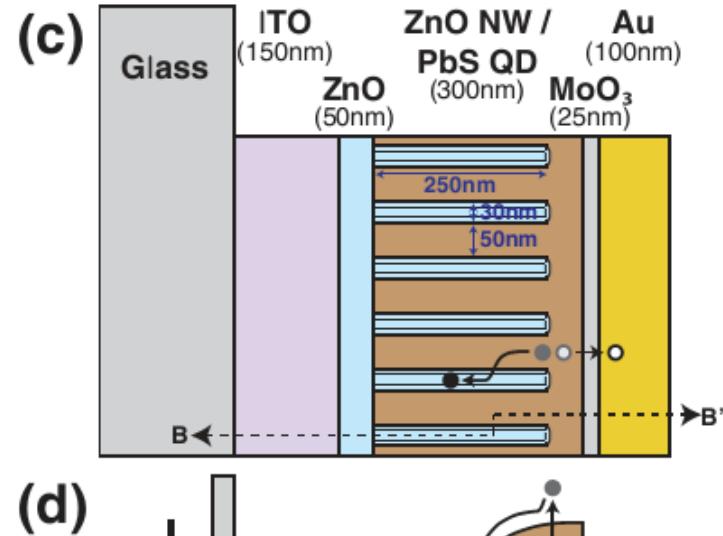
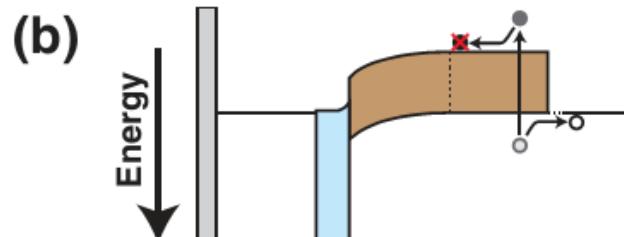
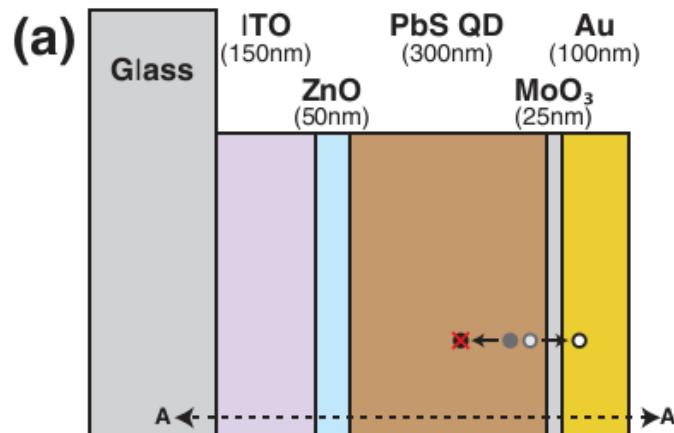


Figure 1. (a) Schematic and (b) energy band diagram at short-circuit (cross-section along A-A') of a planar QDPV device with parallel light absorption and carrier collection pathways. By incorporating solution-processed ZnO nanowires, an ordered bulk heterojunction (BHJ) architecture – shown here by: (c) schematic and (d) energy band diagram (cross-section along B-B') – can decouple absorption from collection, extending the effective depletion width throughout a thick OD film.



IBSC cells from colloidal solutions of quantum dots

Nature Communications (2019)

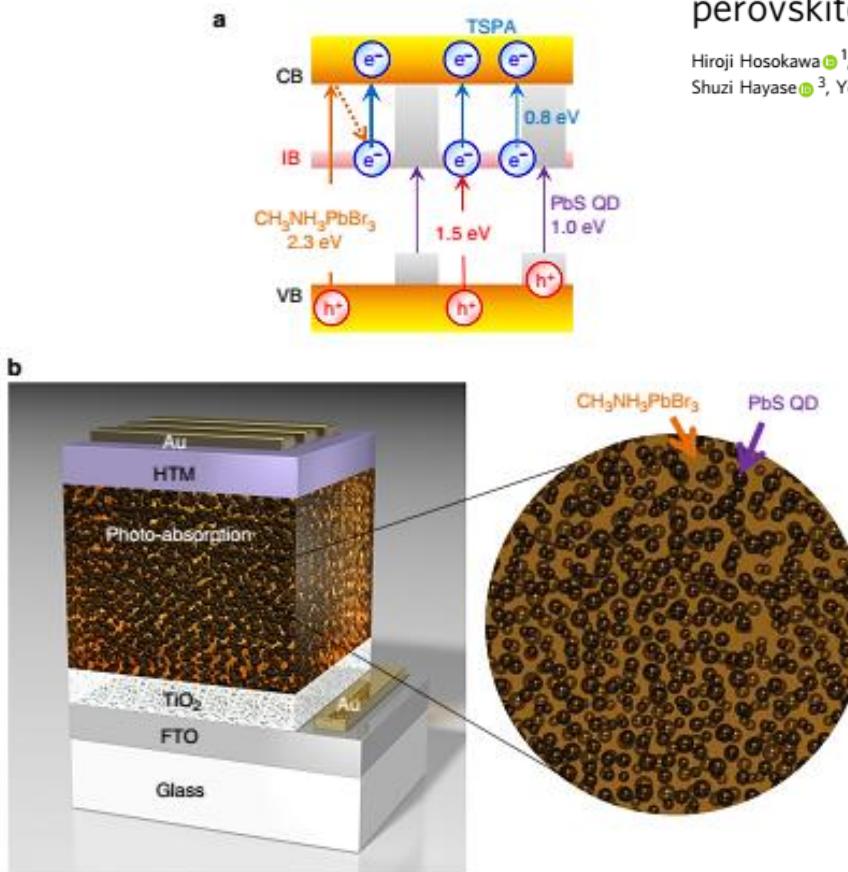
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Solution-processed intermediate-band solar cells with lead sulfide quantum dots and lead halide perovskites

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IBSC made from solutions. PbS quantum dots (4 nm) immersed in MAPbBr_3 perovskite



Silicon Quantum dots for III generation solar cells

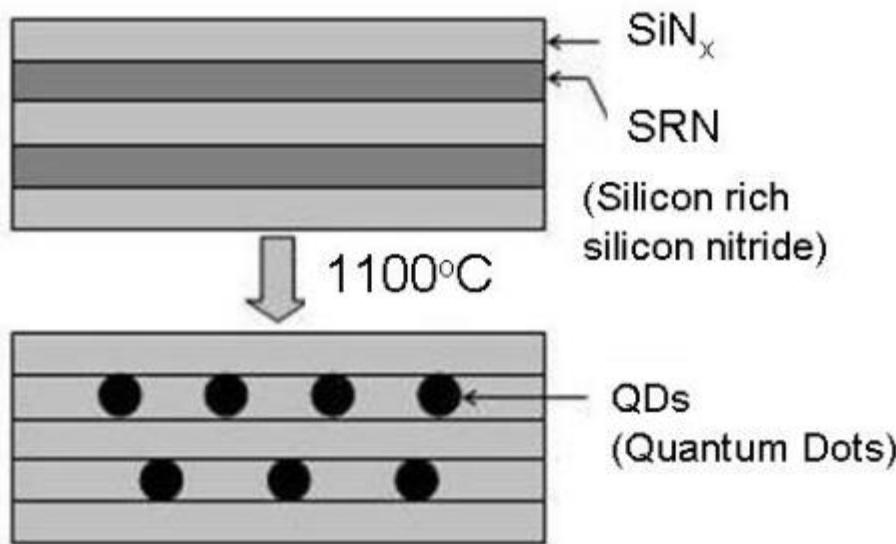
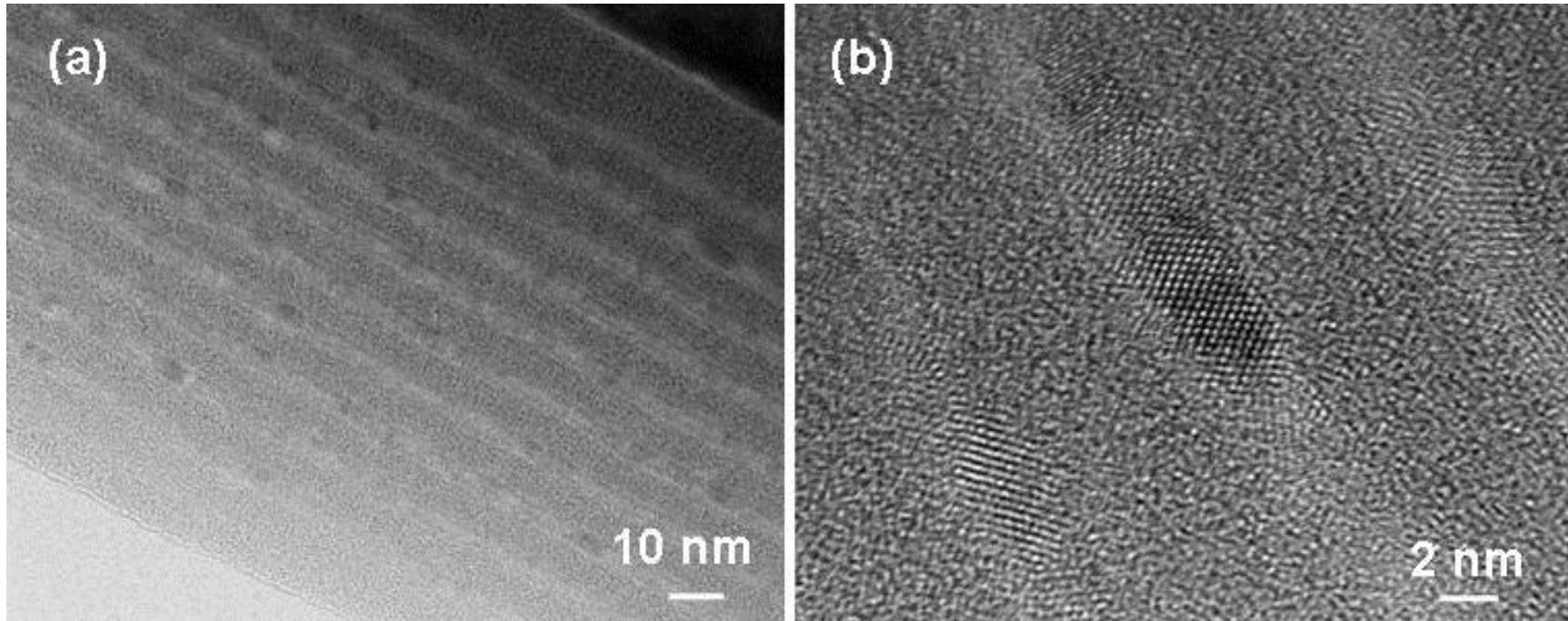


Fig. 1. Scheme of formation of quantum dots (QDs) in silicon nitride multilayer according to Zacharias and Green (M. Lipiński in *Archives of Materials Science and Engineering*, 46 (2010) 69-87).



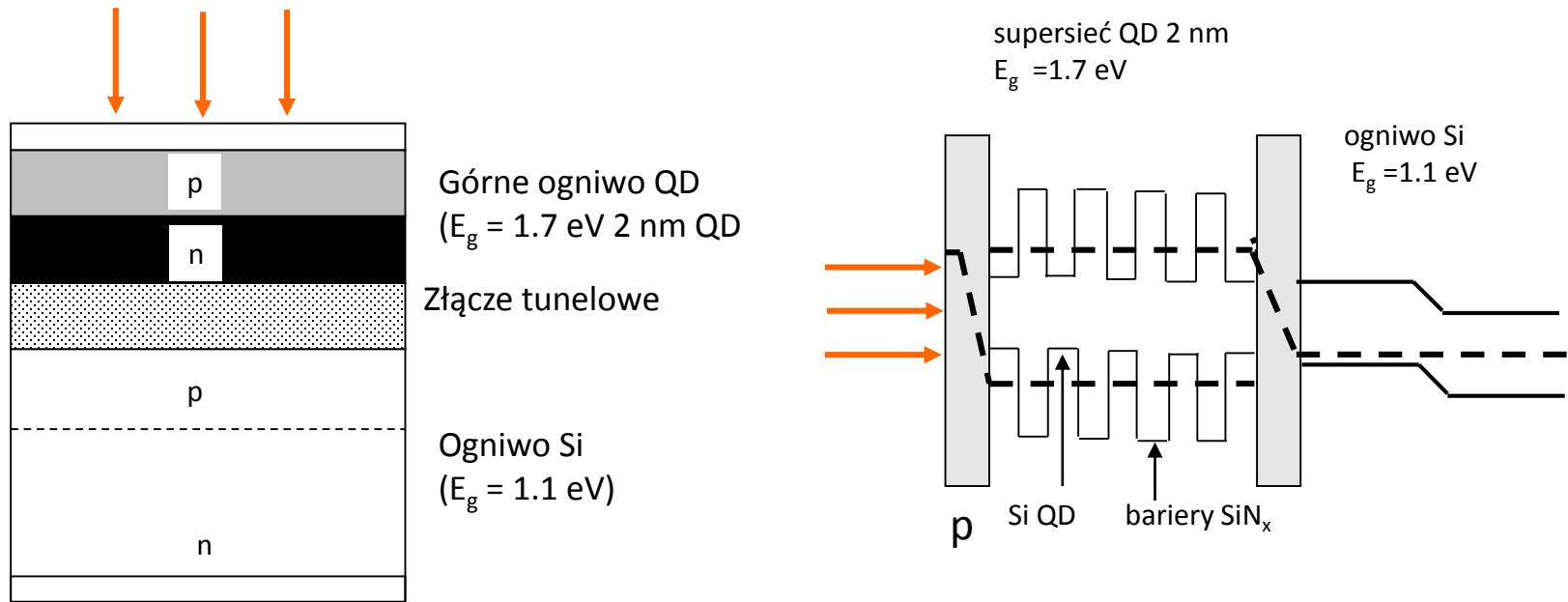
Silicon Quantum dots for III generation solar cells



Cross-sectional TEM images of the multilayer (a) low and (b) high magnification. The sample was annealed at 1100°C (M. Lipiński in Archives of Materials Science and Engineering, 46 (2010) 69-87).



Tandem silicon solar cells using Si Qdots



- Scheme of a two-junction silicon cell. The upper cell is made of a silicon superlattice quantum dots with an energy gap of 1.7 eV, the bottom cell is a classic silicon link. These cells are connected with each other by a tunnel junction [1].
- Scheme of the band structure of a two-junction cell [2].

[1] E.-C. Cho, M.A. Green, G. Conibeer et al., *Silicon quantum dots in a dielectric matrix for all-silicon tandem solar cells*, Hindawi Publishing Corporation, *Advances in OptoElectronics* (2007) 1-11

[2] G. Conibeer, Third-generation photovoltaics, *Materials Today* 10 (2007) 42-50.



Light converter from perovskite nanoparticles

STUDYING OF PEROVSKITE NANOPARTICLES IN PMMA MATRIX USED AS LIGHT CONVERTER FOR SILICON SOLAR CELL

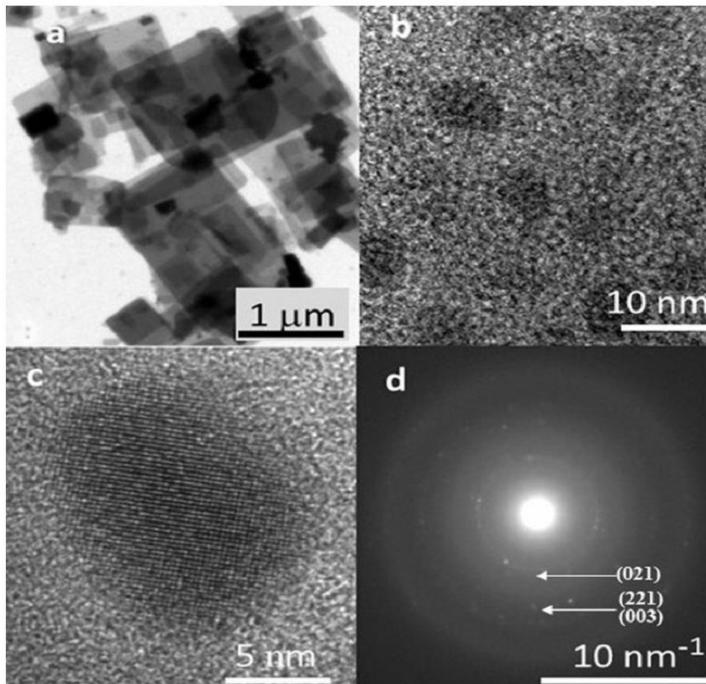
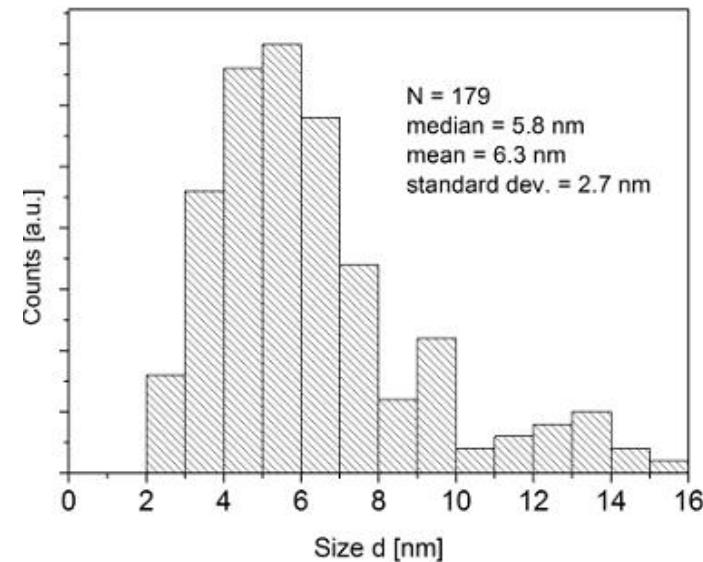


Fig. 1. The TEM image of the $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbBr}_3$ perovskite morphology (a), High Resolution TEM images (b,c) and electron diffraction pattern with two rings corresponded to (021), (221) and (003) faces of cubic phase according to ref. [27] (d) of the nanoparticles

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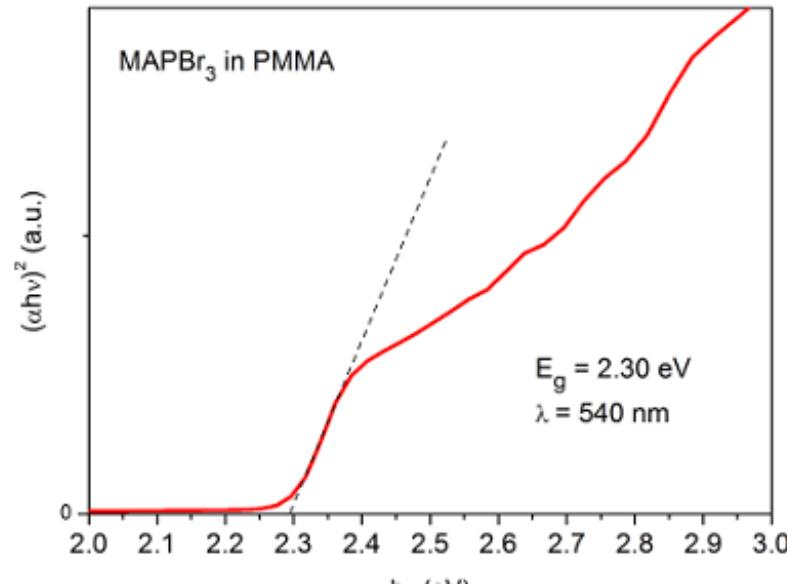
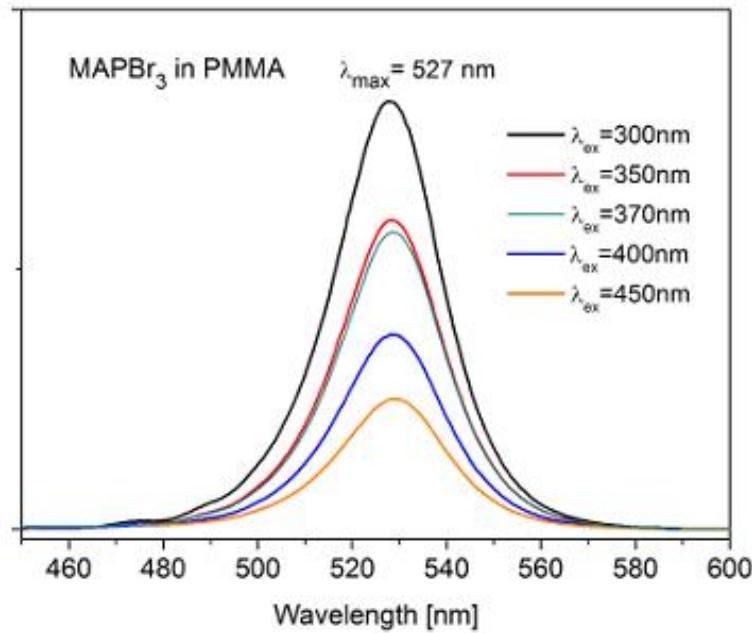
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Nanoparticles MAPbBr_3



Light converter from perovskite nanoparticles





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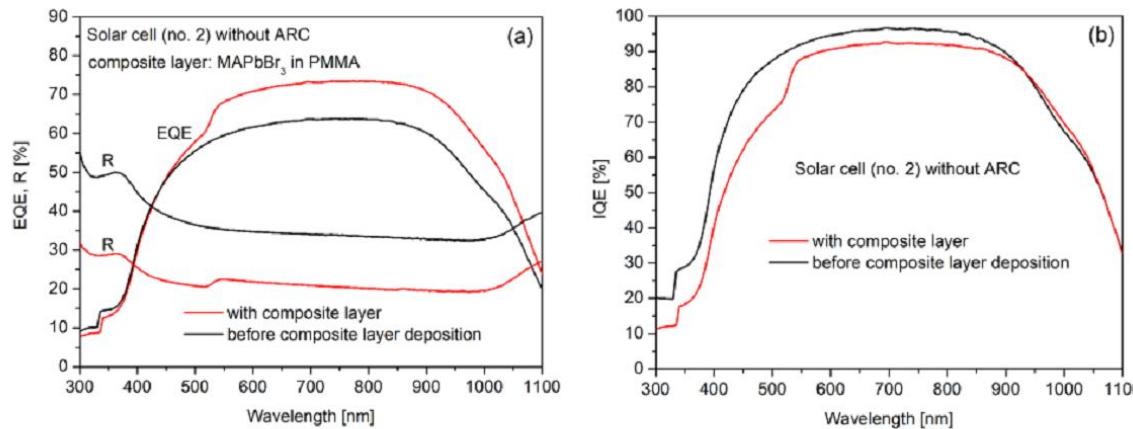
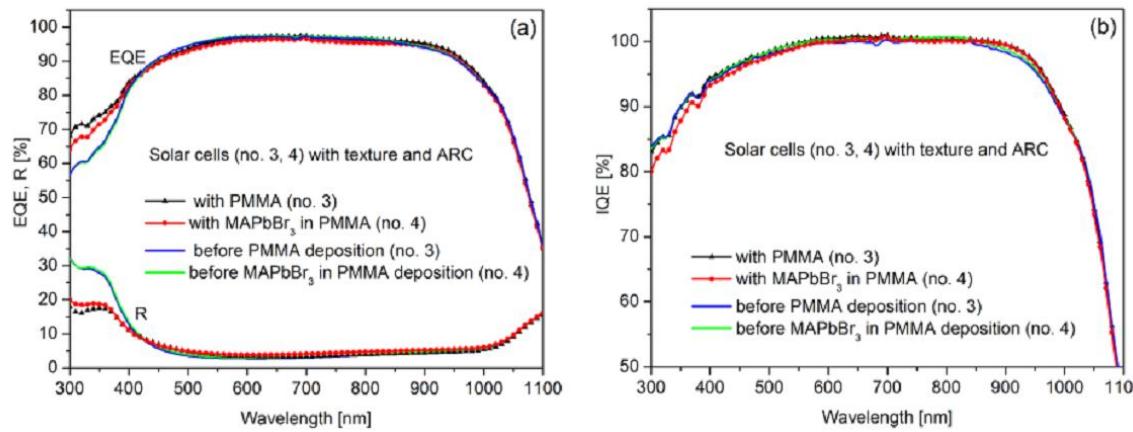


Fig. 8. The external EQE (a) and internal IQE (b) quantum efficiencies of the solar cell with and without the composite (MAPbBr₃ in PMMA) layer. The solar cell is without ARC. The difference between the IQE curves is caused by absorption of the composite layer

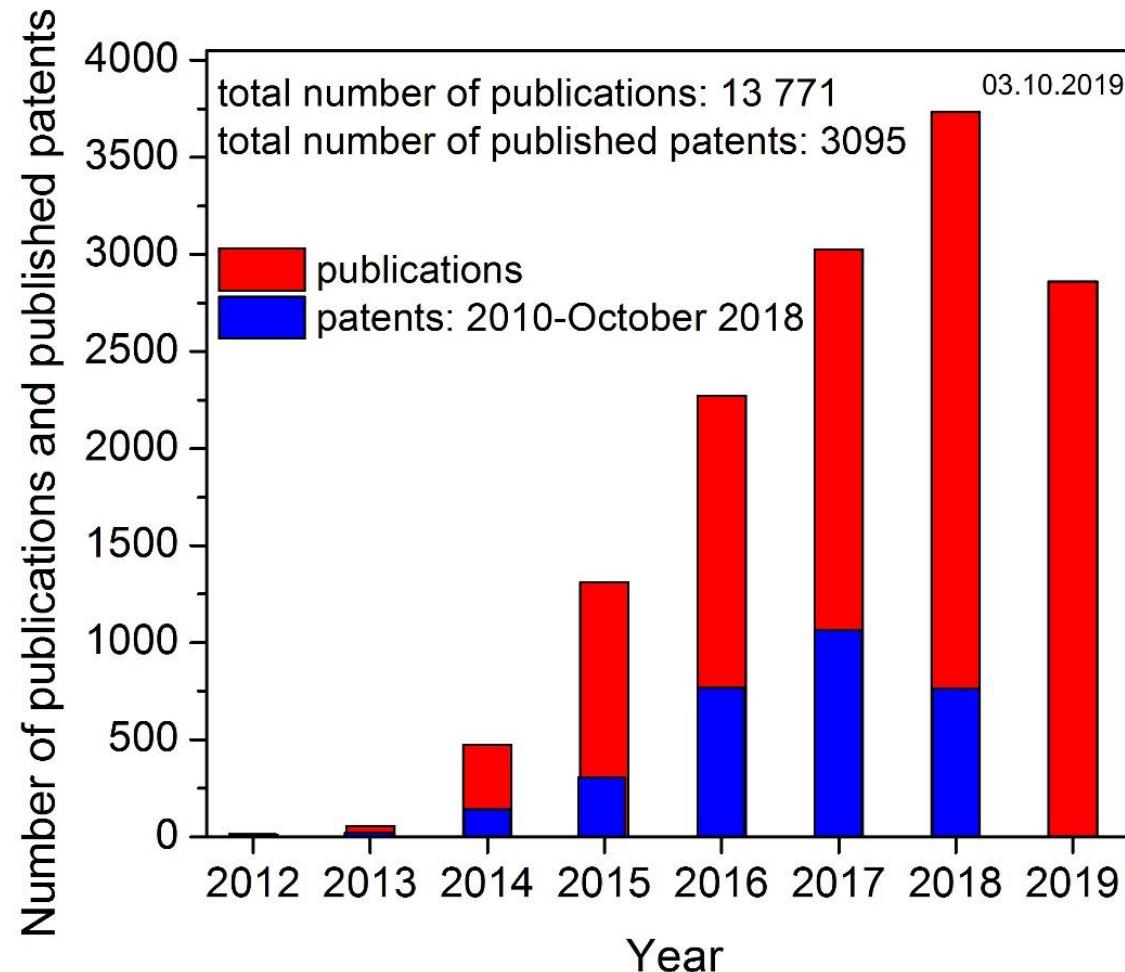




Perovskite solar cells



Progress in perovskite solar cells



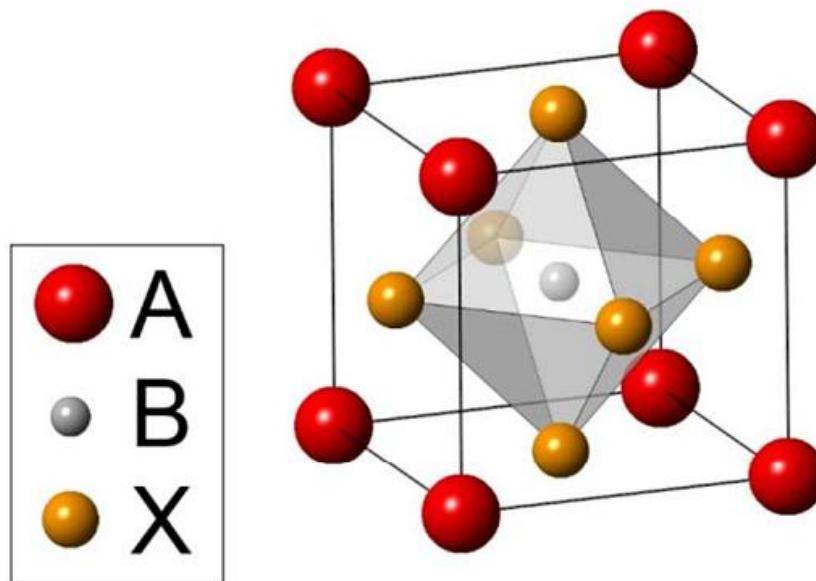
Source: Web of Science. Topic: Perovskite solar cells
A review of the patent landscape. Cintelliq <https://go.nature.com/2IGsIR9> (2018).



Perovskite ABX_3

Perovskite - Calcium titanium oxide CaTiO_3 was discovered in the Urals Mountains in 1838 by Gustav Rose and named after Russian mineralogist Lev Perovski. All materials with the crystallographic structure of calcium titanium oxide CaTiO_3 are named perovskites.

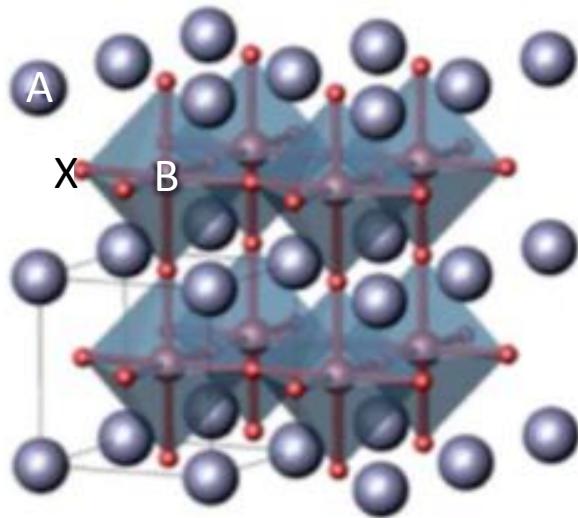
The general chemical formula for pure perovskite compounds is ABX_3 , where 'A' and 'B' are two cations of very different sizes, and 'X' is an anion that binds to both.



Ideal crystal structure of cubic perovskite



Halide perovskite ABX_3



Perowskite crystalline system (ABX_3)

Halide perovskite ABX_3
 A^I (Li^+ , K^+ , Cs^+ , $CH_3NH_3^+$)
 B^{II} (Pb^{2+} , Mg^{2+} , Ca^{2+} , Sn^{2+} , Ba^{2+} , Zn^{2+})
 X (F^- , Cl^- , Br^- , I^-)

Oxide perovskite ABO_3
 A^{III} (Mg^{2+} , Ca^{2+} , Ba^{2+})
 B^{IV} (Ti^{4+} , Si^{4+})

Organometal halide perovskite

Alkali-halide perovskite

Peng Gao et al., Organohalide lead perovskites for photovoltaic applications, *Energy & Environmental Science*, 2014



Über die Cäsium- und Kalium-Bleihalogenide.

Von

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Als Fortsetzung der in diesem Laboratorium² begonnenen Arbeit über Doppelhalogenide ist von den Herren G. F. CAMPBELL, P. T. WALDEN und A. P. WHEELER eine Untersuchung über die Cäsium-Bleisalze unternommen worden. Diese Herren haben die Untersuchung mit vielem Eifer und Geschick durchgeführt, und es macht mir Freude, ihnen meinen Dank auszusprechen. Sie haben die Existenz folgender Salze konstatiert:

Cs_4PbCl_6	Cs_4PbBr_6	—
$CsPbCl_3$	$CsPbBr_3$ ³	$CsPbJ_3$
$CsPb_2Cl_5$	$CsPb_2Br_5$	—

Sheffield Scientific School, New Haven, Conn., Oktober 1892.



Halide perovskite ABX_3

$\text{X} = \text{F}, \text{Cl}, \text{Br}, \text{I}$

$\text{A} = \text{organic cation: MA } (\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3^+), \text{FA } (\text{CH}_3(\text{NH}_2)_2^+) \text{ or } \text{Cs}^+$

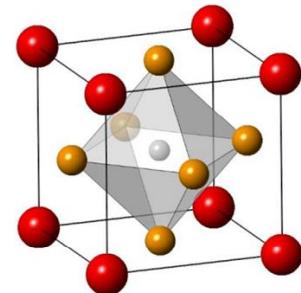
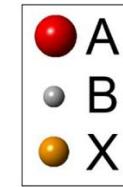
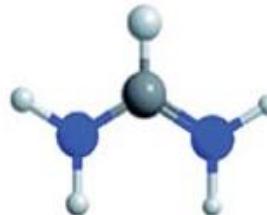
$\text{B} = \text{inorganic cations (Pb, Sn)}$

A	$R_A [\text{nm}]$
MA	0,18
FA	0,19-0,22
Cs	0,17
Rb	0,15

X	$R_A [\text{nm}]$
I	0.220
Br	0.196
Cl	0.181

B	$R_B [\text{nm}]$
Pb	0.119
Sn	0.110

Kationy A:



Cs^+ (cezu) MA (metyloamoniowy) FA (formamidinowy)

Goldschmidt tolerance factor t :

$$t = (R_B + R_X) / \sqrt{2(R_B + R_X)}$$

R_A, R_B, R_X ionic radii

For halide perovskites:
 $0,81 < t < 1,11$

$t = 0,89 - 1,0$ cubic structure
 dla $t < 0,89$ tetragonal or orthorhombic

M. A. Green, A. H-Bailie, and H. J. Snaith, Nature Photonics, 8, 2014



Halide perovskite ABX₃

	t	phase, color	Phase after annealing	Eg	PCE
MAPbI ₃	0,89	Tetragonal, black	Tetragonal	1,5	20,3
FAPbI ₃	1,02	Hexagonal, yellow	regular	1,49	17
CsPbI ₃	0,79	Rhombic, yellow	Rhombic, yellow	1,72	10,77

FAPbI_{3-x}Br_x, E_g = 1.48 – 2.23 eV



Electronic properties of perovskites

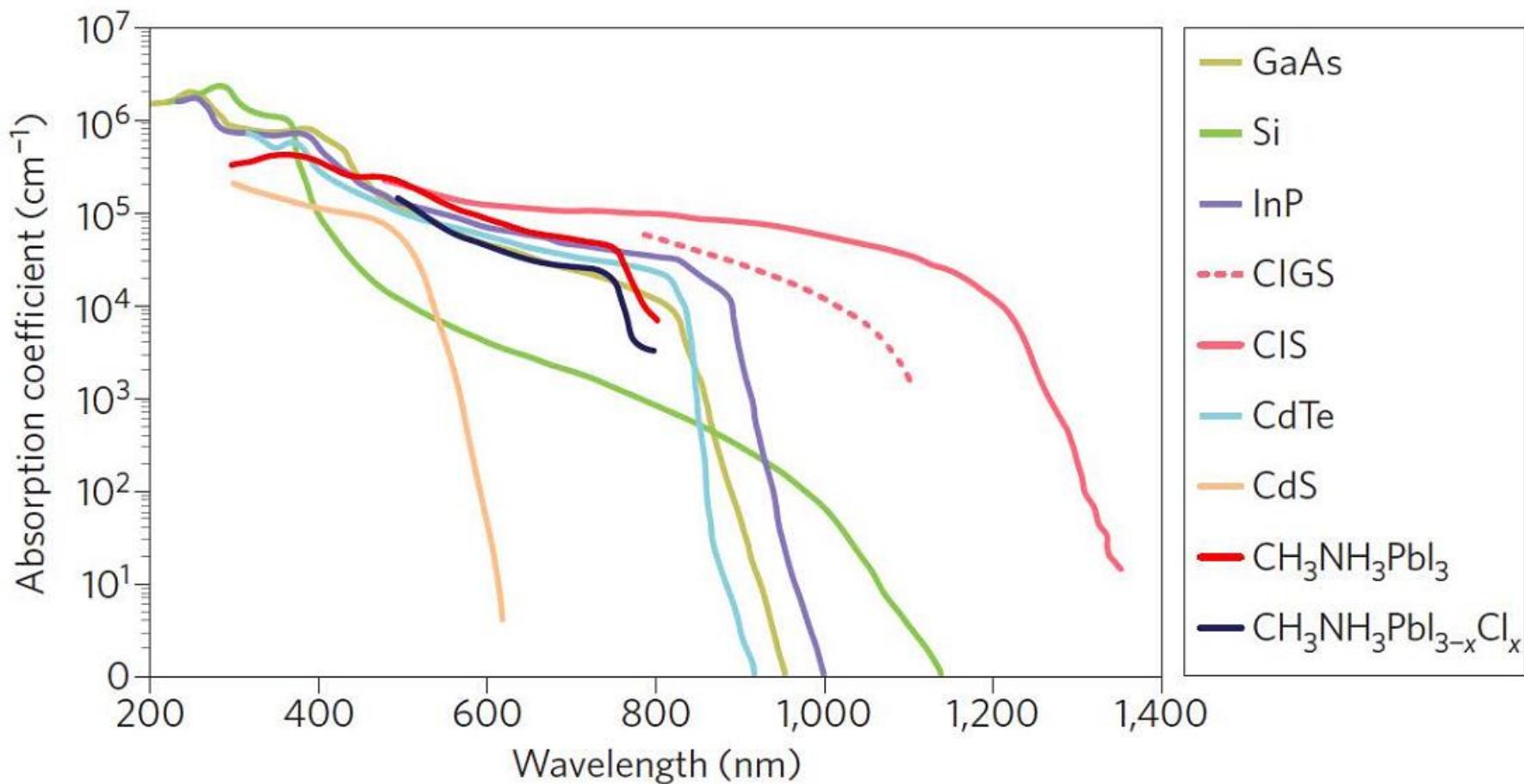
Perovskit	Cariers	D(cm ² s ⁻¹)	L _D (nm)
CH ₃ NH ₃ PbI _{3-x} Cl _x	electron	0.042±0.016	1069±204
	hole	0.054±0.022	1213±243
CH ₃ NH ₃ PbI ₃	electron	0.017±0.011	129±41
	hole	0.011±0.007	105±32

D diffusion coefficient

L_D diffusion length

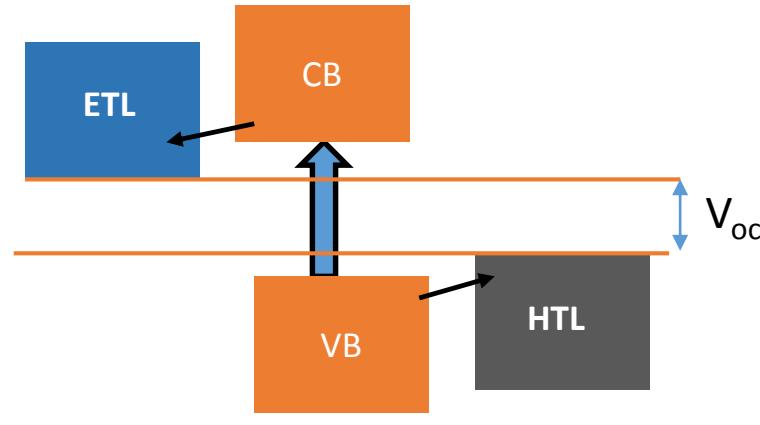


Optical properties of perovskites





Perovskite solar cells



ETL: TiO_2 , SnO_2 ,....

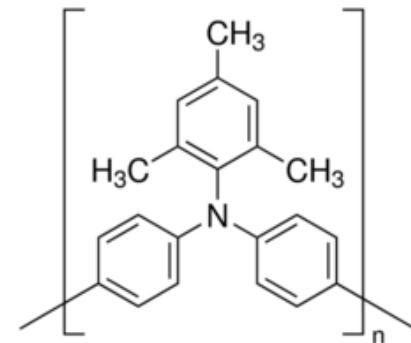
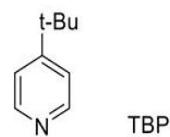
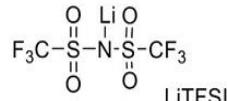
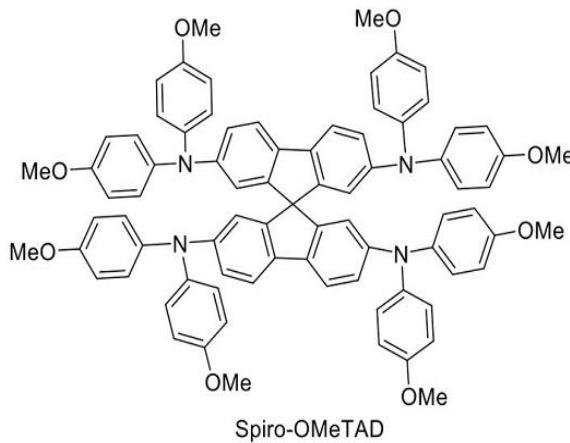
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Absorber –
Perowskit halogenkowy

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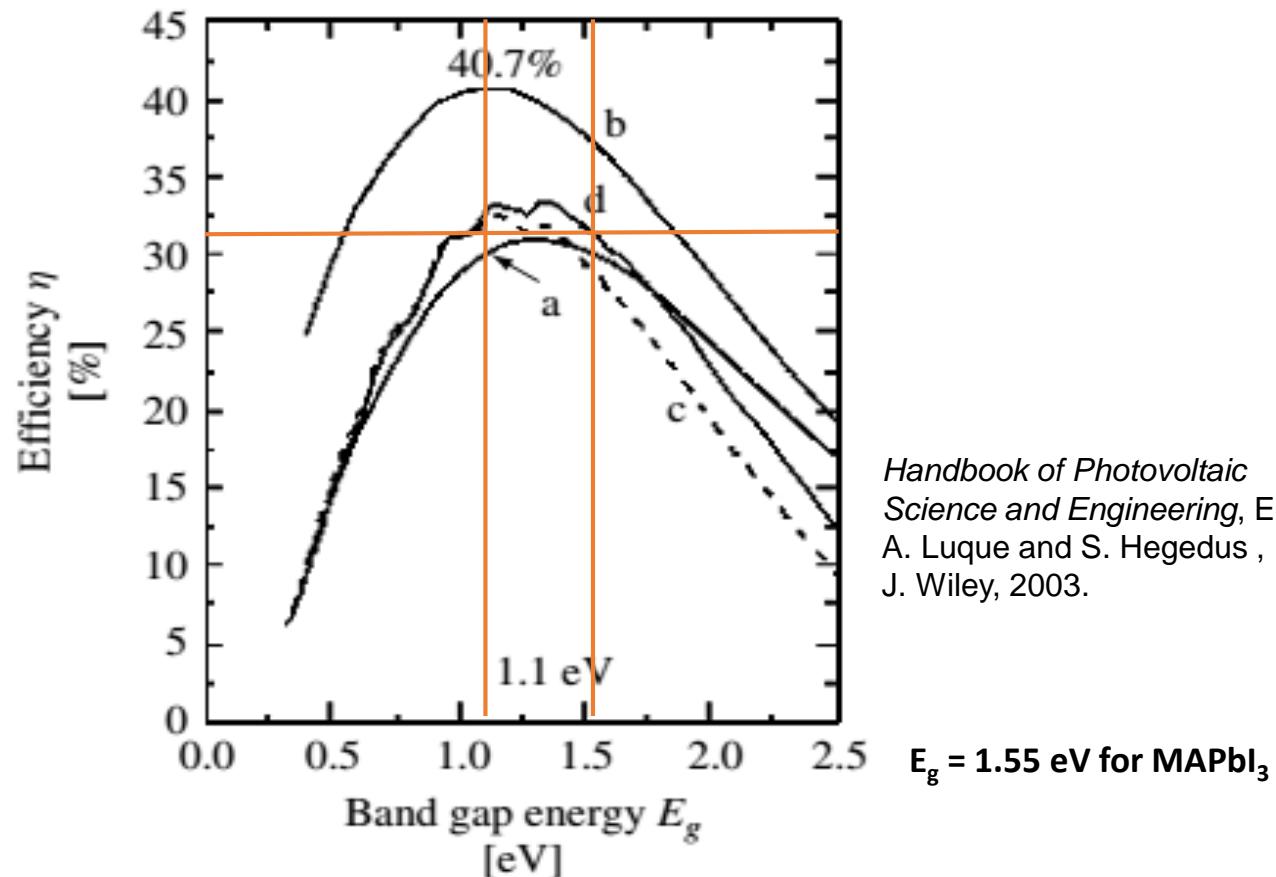
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LiTFSI (lithium bis(trifluoromethanesulfonyl)imide) + TBP

PTAA - poly(triaryl amine)





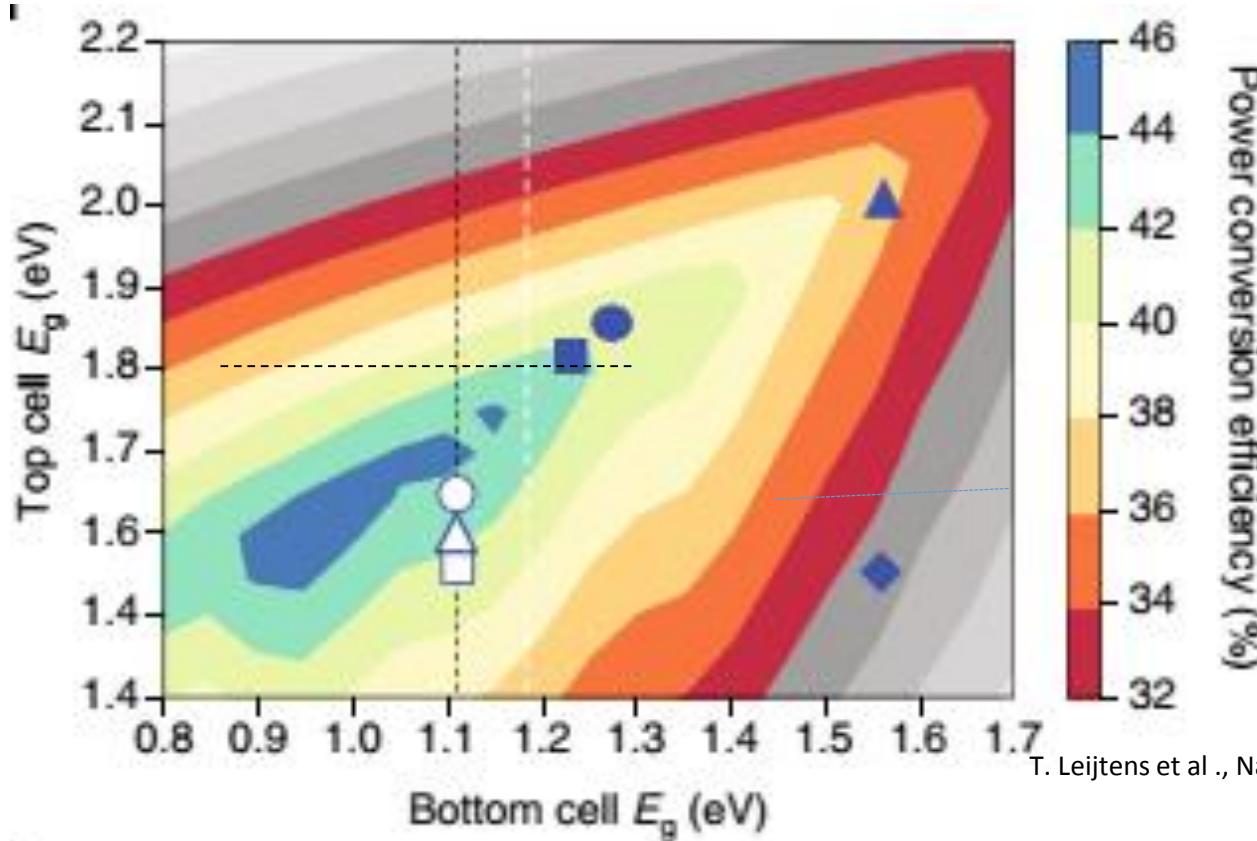
Shockley - Queisser efficiency limit



Shockley - Queisser efficiency limit for an ideal solar cell versus band gap energy for: (a) unconcentrated 6000 K black body radiation (1595.9 Wm^{-2}); (b) full concentrated 6000 K black body radiation ($7349.0 \times 104\text{ Wm}^{-2}$); (c) unconcentrated AM1.5-Direct [18] (767.2 Wm^{-2}) and (d) **AM1.5 Global (962.5 Wm^{-2})**



Theoretical limit for tandem (2-junctions)



Top perovskite cell: $\text{FA}_{0.83}\text{Cs}_{0.17}\text{Pb}(\text{I}_{0.6}\text{Br}_{0.4})_3$ $E_g = 1.72 \text{ eV}$
bottom cell Si: $E_g = 1.12 \text{ eV}$



Advantages:

- Semiconductor with excellent opto-electronics properties,
- E_g can be changed in wide range :1.2 - 2.0 eV,
- High absorption,
- Low non-radiative carrier recombination rates,
- Excellent charge transport: diffusion of lenght > 1mm)
- Low crystallization temperature
- Simple methods of manufacturing from solutions: spin-on, ink-jet printing, spray,
- Flexibility
- Earth-abundant elements: C, N, H, Pb, I..
- High efficiency > 20%

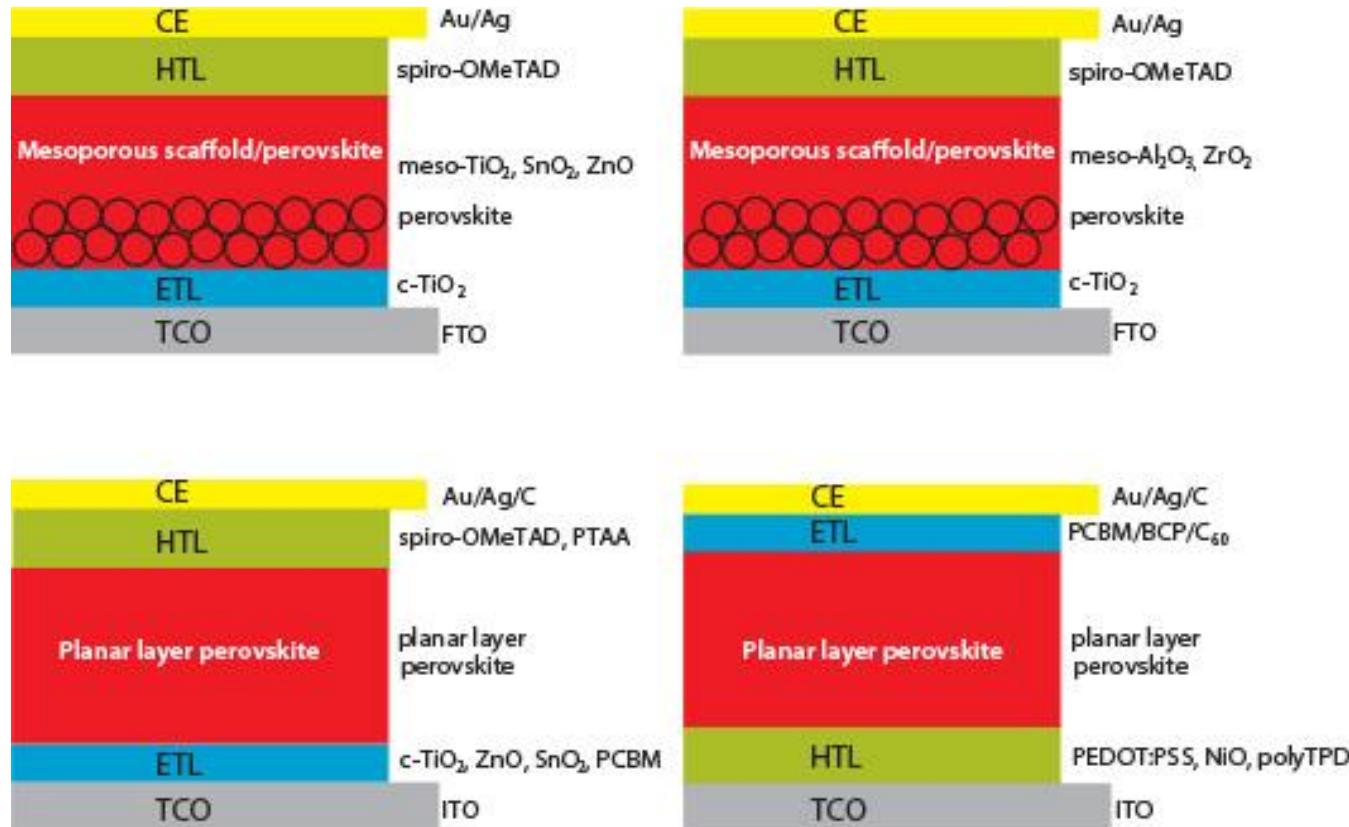
Disadvanges:

- Low stability
- Toxicity from Pb

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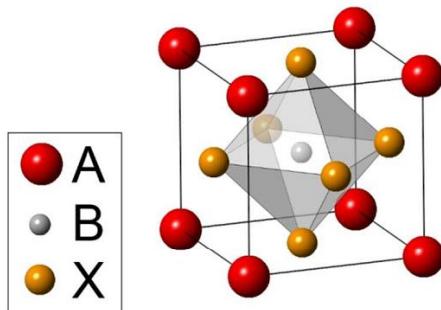


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Halide perovskites ABX_3 and with mixed ions

$\text{FAPbI}_{3-x}\text{Br}_x$, $E_g = 1.48 - 2.23 \text{ eV}$



(B) Sn - decreases E_g
(X) Br - increases E_g

	t	Eg	PCE
MAPbI_3	0.89	1.5	20.3
FAPbI_3	1.02	1.49	17
CsPbI_3	0.79	1.72	10,77
$\text{FA}_{0.85}\text{MA}_{0.15}\text{Pb}(\text{I}_{0.85}\text{Br}_{0.15})_3$		1.62	22.1
$\text{FA}_{0.85}\text{Cs}_{0.15}\text{PbI}_3$	0.99	1.52	17.3
$\text{FA}_{0.85}\text{Cs}_{0.17}\text{Pb}(\text{I}_{0.83}\text{Br}_{0.17})_3$	1.01	1.74	20.0
$\text{FA}_{0.75}\text{Cs}_{0.25}\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{I}_3$		1.2	

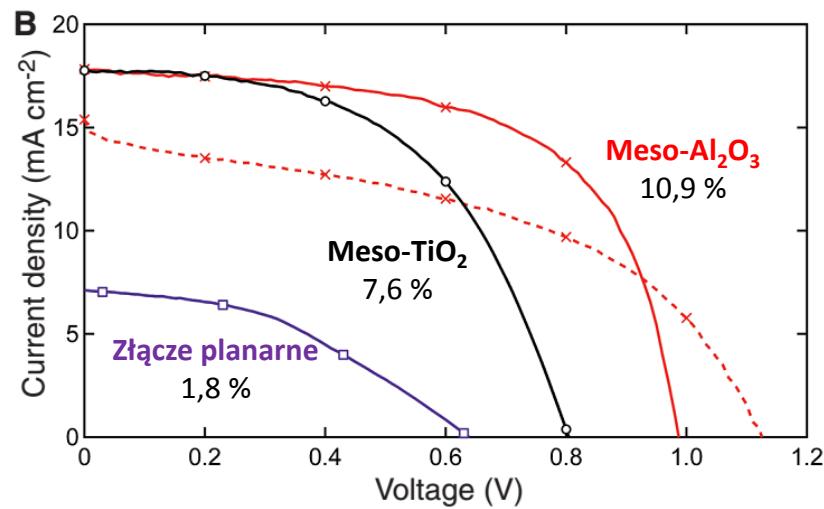
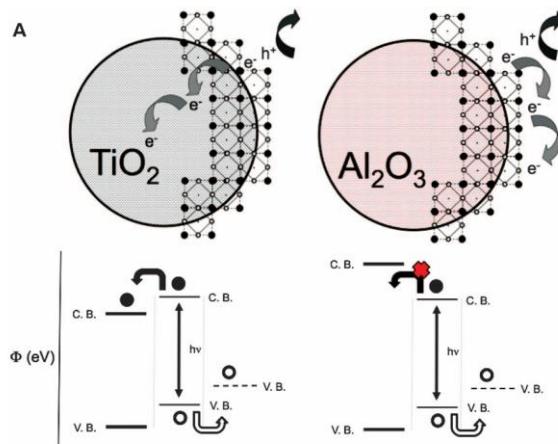


Perovskite solar cells

Efficient Hybrid Solar Cells Based on Meso-Superstructured Organometal Halide Perovskites

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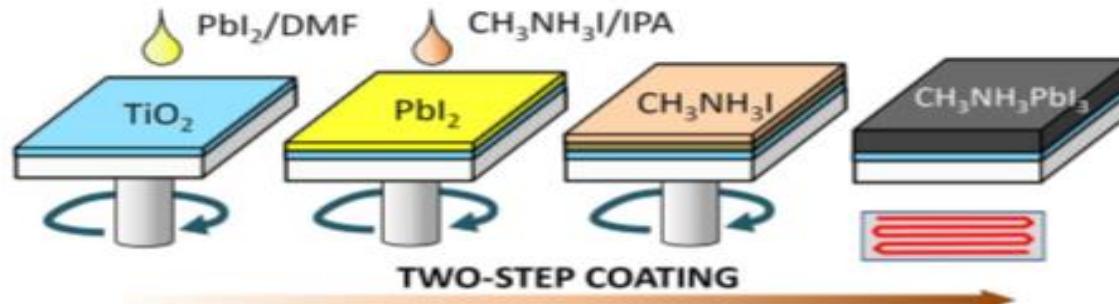
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Two etap method



Sang-Hyeok Im et al., Morphology-photovoltaic property correlation in perovskite solar cells: one-step versus two-step deposition of $CH_3NH_3PbI_3$, *APL Materials*, 2014

Spin – coating: 3000 r. p. m, 30s

Annealing: 40 ° C – 2 min., 100 ° C - 5 min.

CH_3NH_3I

Dippng: 40 s

Annealing : 100 ° C, 10 min

Two-stage method - production of perovskites in mesoporous skeletal structures (TiO_x , ZnO)



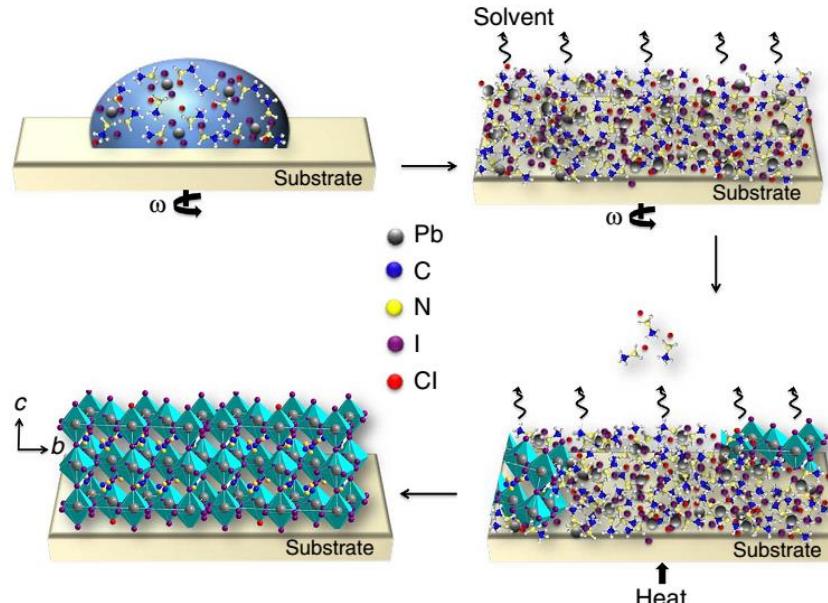
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one-step method

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Ultrasmooth organic-inorganic perovskite thin-film formation and crystallization for efficient planar heterojunction solar cells

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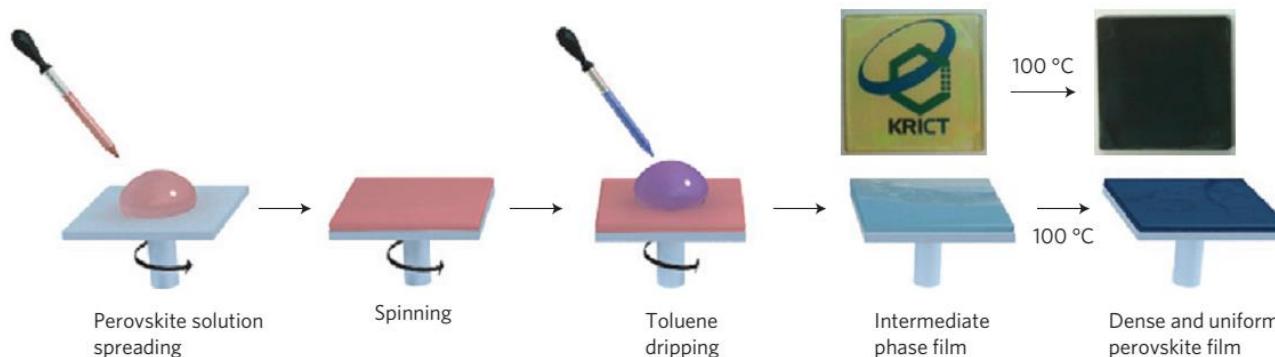
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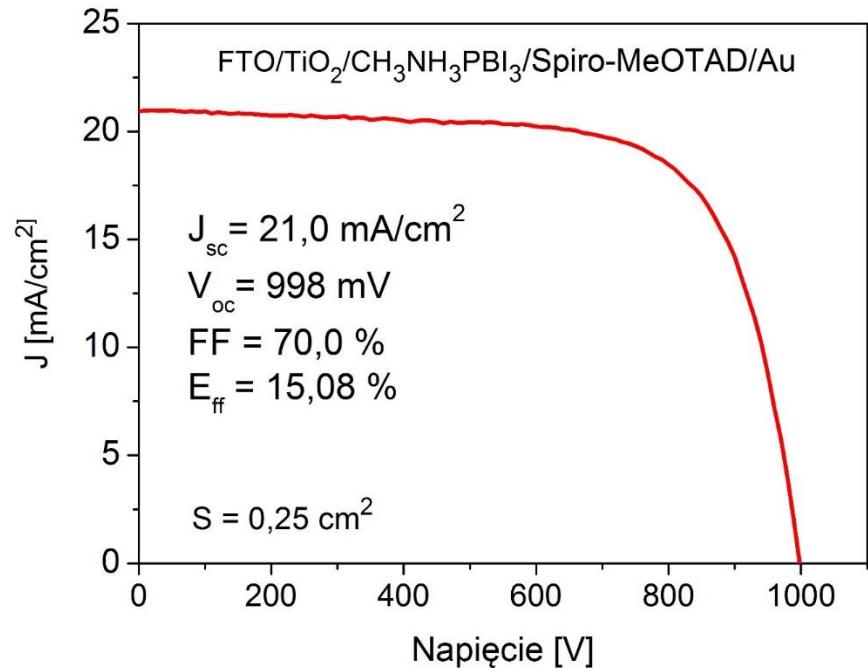
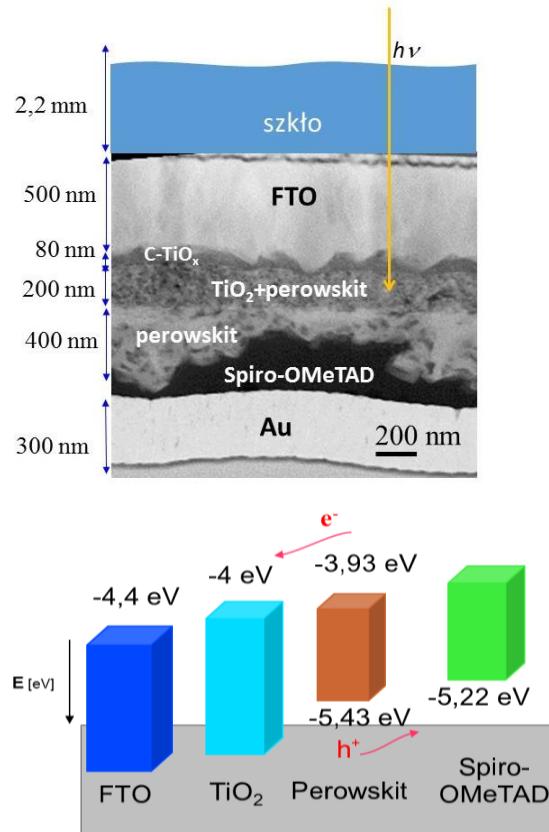
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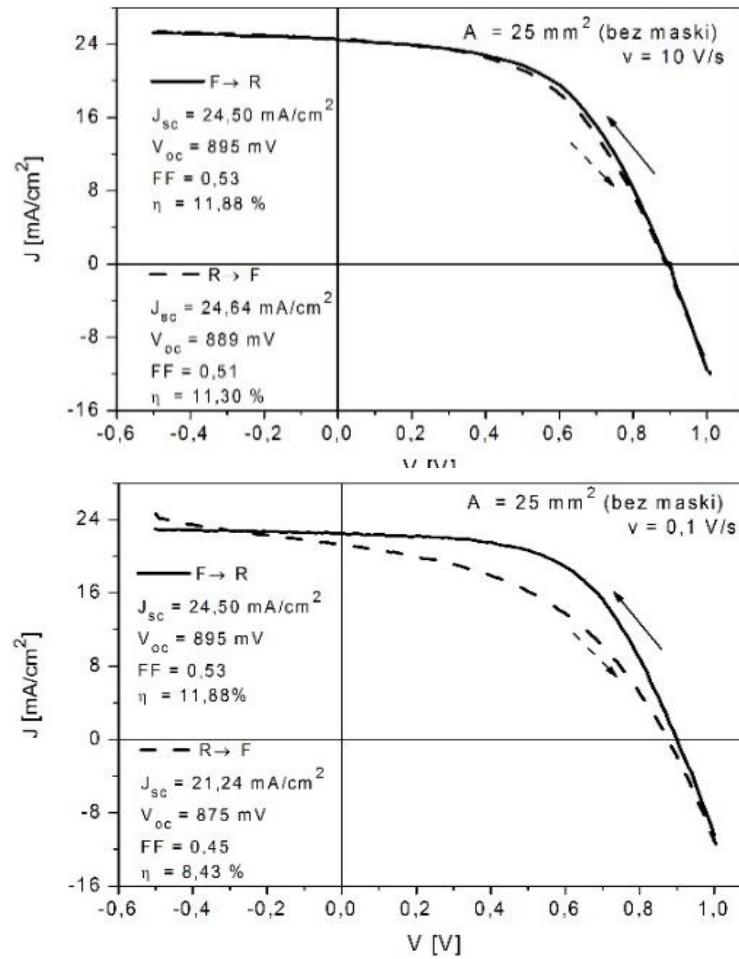
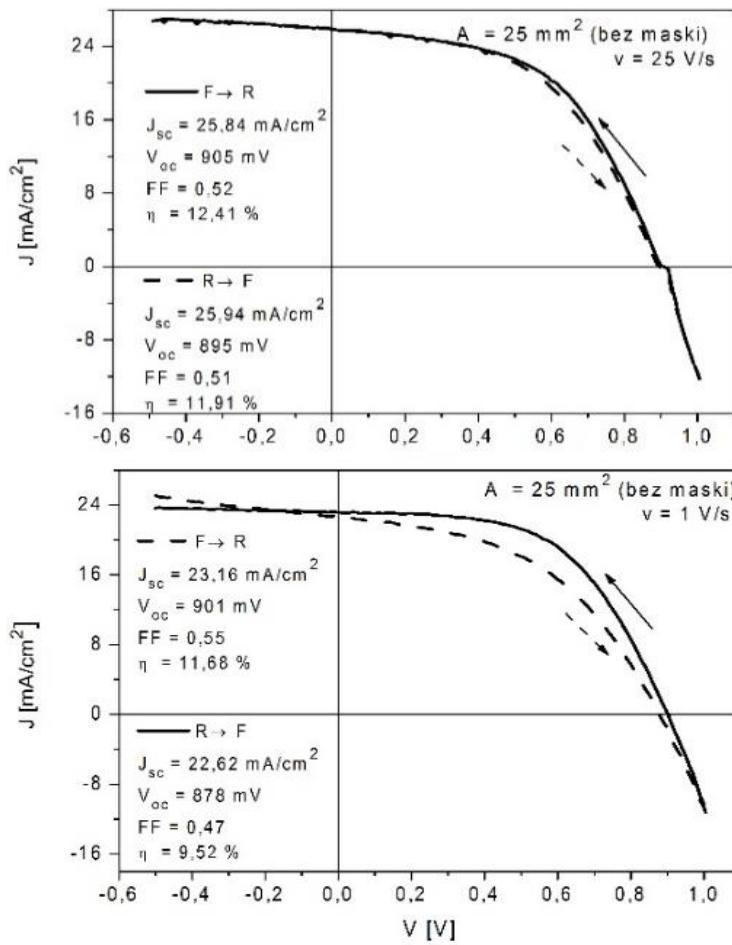


Characteristics of J-V perovskite cell made in LF IMIM PAN in Kozy

Cells developed at LF IMIM



I-V characteristic hysteresis



J-V characteristics of the perovskite cell for both scan directions for scanning speeds of 25 V / s (a), 1V / s (b) and 0.5 V/s. Cells made in LF IMIM PAN in Kozy



Stability

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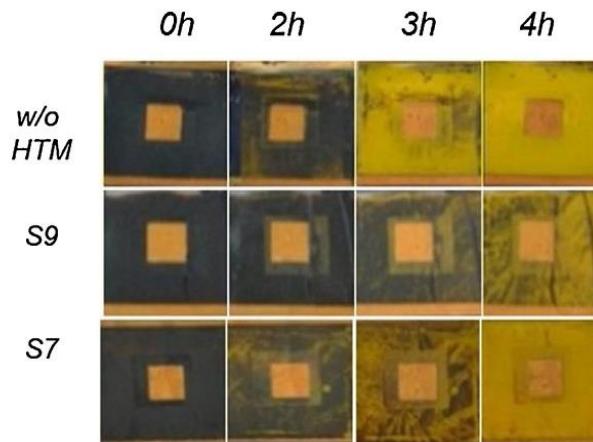
Searching of new, cheap, air- and thermally stable hole transporting materials for perovskite solar cells

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Destruction of MAPbI_3 perovskite in the cell (without HTM and without encapsulation). A yellow color indicates the presence of PbI_2 . The cell exposed to sunlight. Test of S9 and S7 polymers (polyazomethines) for encapsulation

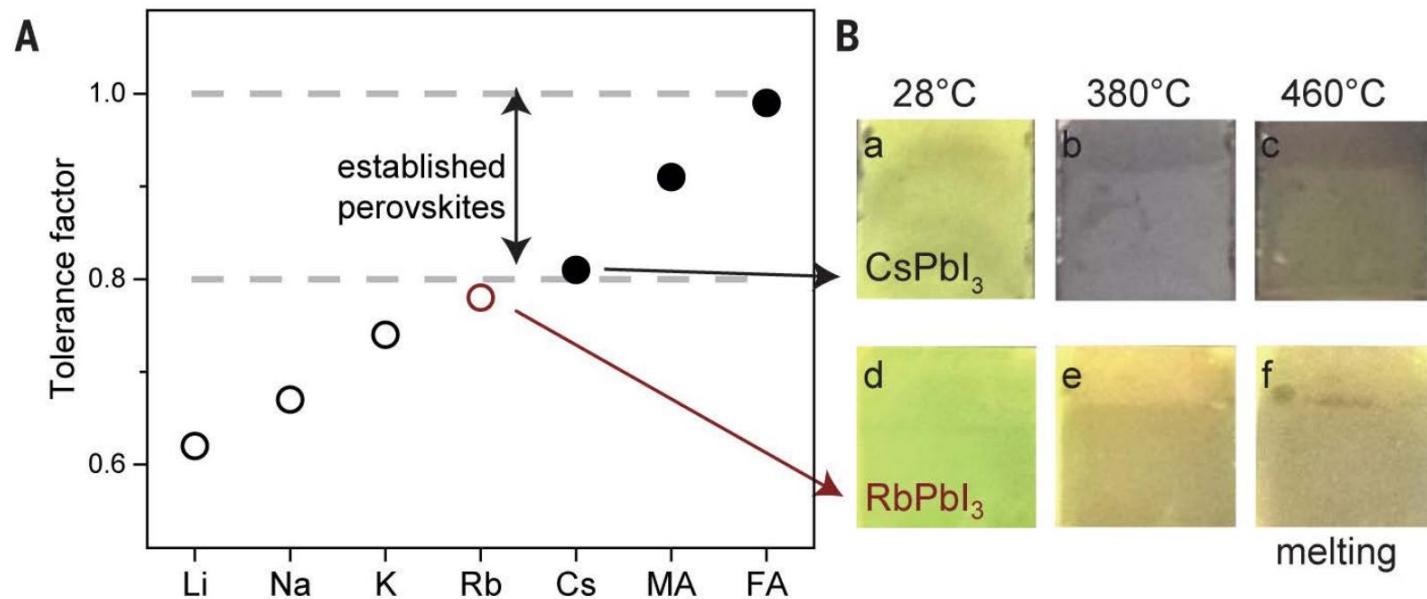


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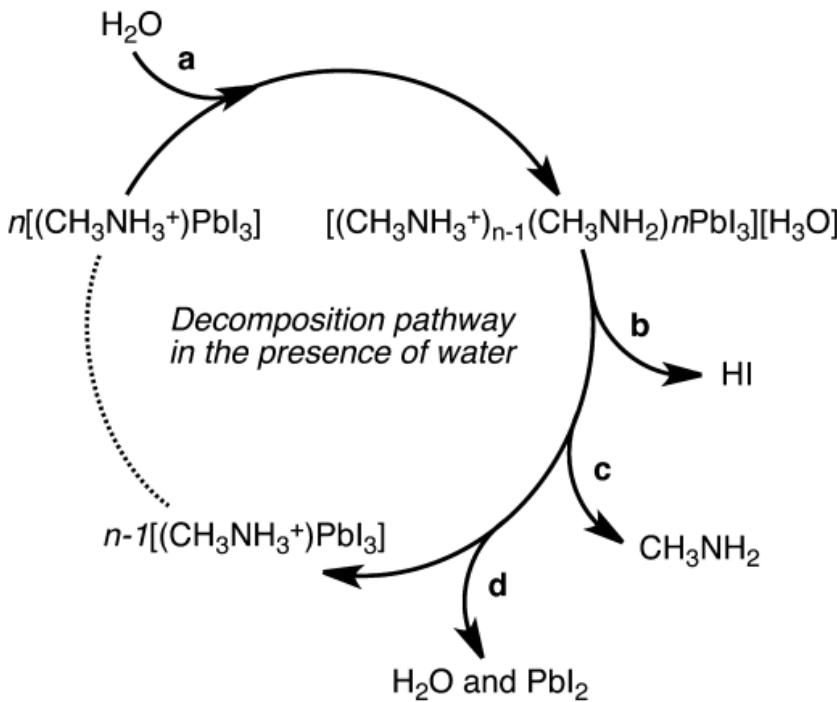
- Structure stability
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CH₃NH₂ methylamine - volatile and water-soluble HI-water-soluble 1]

Another mechanism according to [2]

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Thermal stability

Requirements:

Cell operating temperature -40 to > 85 °C. Cell operation up to 85°C

Lamination - 150 ° C

MAPbX₃ unstable at 85°C - MA sublimates at 85 °C even in an inert atmosphere

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Adv. Energy Mater., 2015, 1500477

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Intrinsic Thermal Instability of Methylammonium Lead Trihalide Perovskite

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MAPbX₃ is not suitable for industrial production!

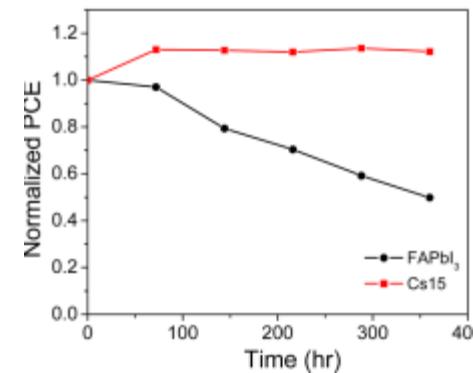
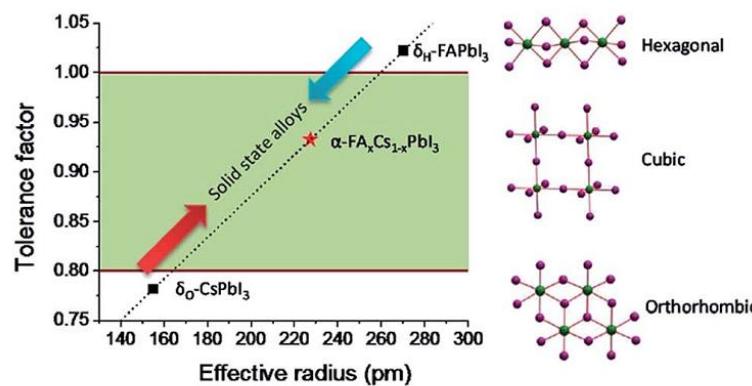


Stabilizing Perovskite Structures by Tuning Tolerance Factor: Formation of Formamidinium and Cesium Lead Iodide Solid-State Alloys

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3D metal halide perovskites used in photovoltaics

Mixed cations [FAMA], [FACs]

	t	Faza, kolor	Faza po wygrzaniu	Eg	PCE	Przejście fazowe
MAPbI ₃	0,89	Tetragonal, black	Tetragonal	1,5	20,3	Regular, 60° C
FAPbI ₃	1,02	Hexagonal, yellow	regular	1,49	17	Regular, 150° C
CsPbI ₃	0,79	Rhombic, yellow	Rhombic, yellow	1,72	10,77	Regular, 300° C
FA _{0.85} MA _{0.15} Pb(I _{0.85} Br _{0.15}) ₃		Regular, black	Regular black	1,62	22,1	
FA _{0.85} Cs _{0.15} PbI ₃	0,99	Tetragonal, black	tetragonal	1,52	17,3	
FA _{0.85} Cs _{0.15} Pb(I _{0.83} Br _{0.17}) ₃	1,01	Tetragonal, blacka	tetragonal	1,74	20,0	

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Towards enabling stable lead halide perovskite solar cells; interplay between structural, environmental, and thermal stability, J. Mater. Chem. A, 2017, 5, 11483

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Mixed cations [FAMA], [FACs]

	Eg [eV]	PCE [%]	cell	ref
$\text{FA}_{0.83}\text{Cs}_{0.17}\text{Pb}(\text{I}_{0.83}\text{Br}_{0.17})_3$	1,74	23,6 PSC/Si	Tandem monolit PSC/Si	[2]
$\text{FA}_{0.75}\text{Cs}_{0.25}\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{I}_3$	1,2	17,0 PSC/PSC	Tandem PSC/PSC	[3]
$\text{FA}_{0.83}\text{Cs}_{0.17}\text{Pb}(\text{I}_{0.5}\text{Br}_{0.5})_3$	1,8			

[1] High-performance photovoltaic perovskite layers fabricated through intramolecular exchange

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[2]

23.6%-efficient monolithic perovskite/silicon tandem solar cells with improved stability

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Perovskite-perovskite tandem photovoltaics with optimized bandgaps

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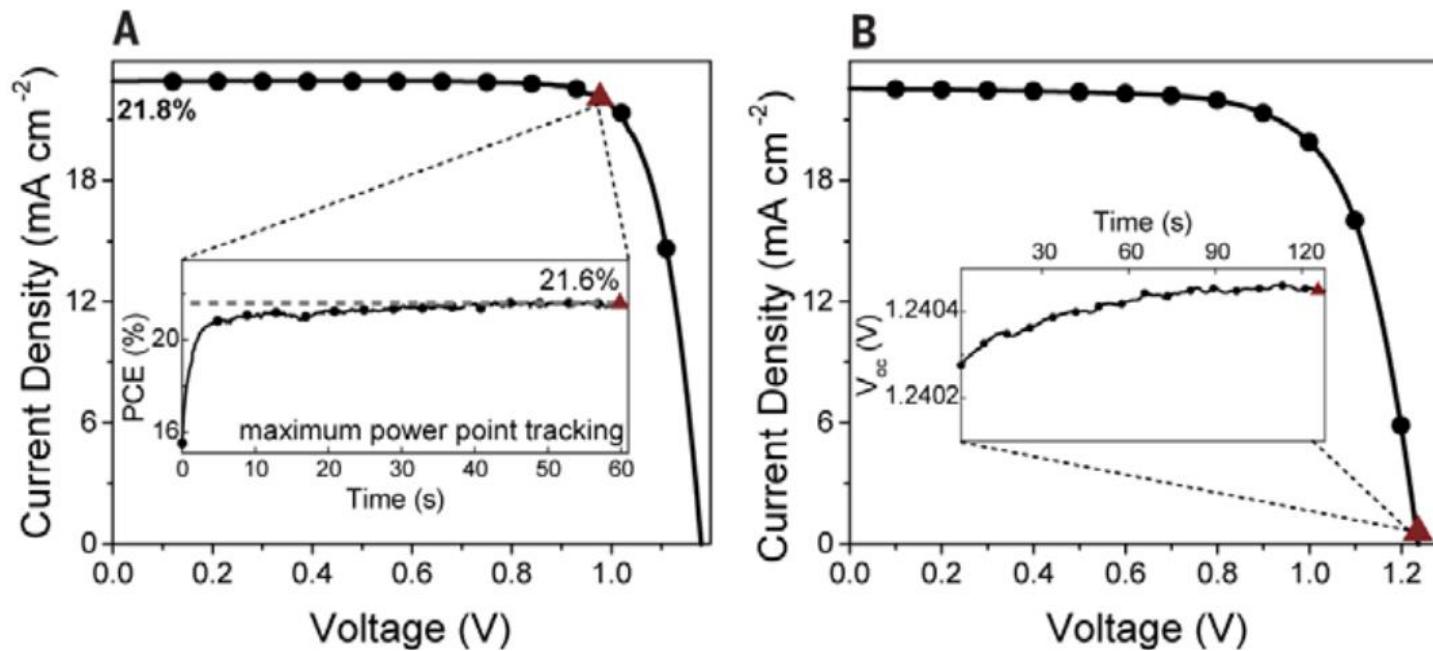
Incorporation of rubidium cations into perovskite solar cells improves photovoltaic performance

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Mixed cations [RbCsMAFA]



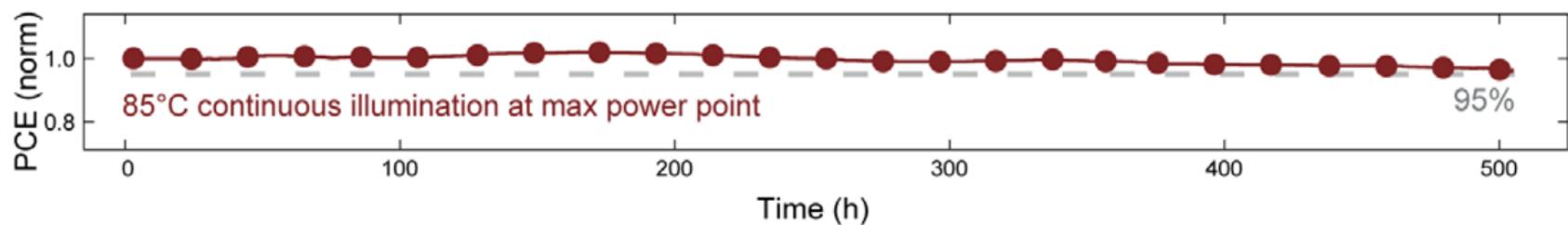
A) J-V characteristic for 10 mVs⁻¹ cell with 21.8% efficiency ($V_{oc} = 1180$ mV, $J_{sc} = 22.8$ mA cm⁻², FF 81%).

B) cell with the highest V_{oc} . 19% PCE stabilized for 0.5 cm² cell.



Mixed cations [RbCsMAFA]

Kationy mieszane [RbCsMAFA]



Thermal stability test. Aging 500 hours at 85°C, full solar lighting at the point of maximum power in the atmosphere N₂. Aging procedure more stringent than for industrial standards.



Layered perovskites

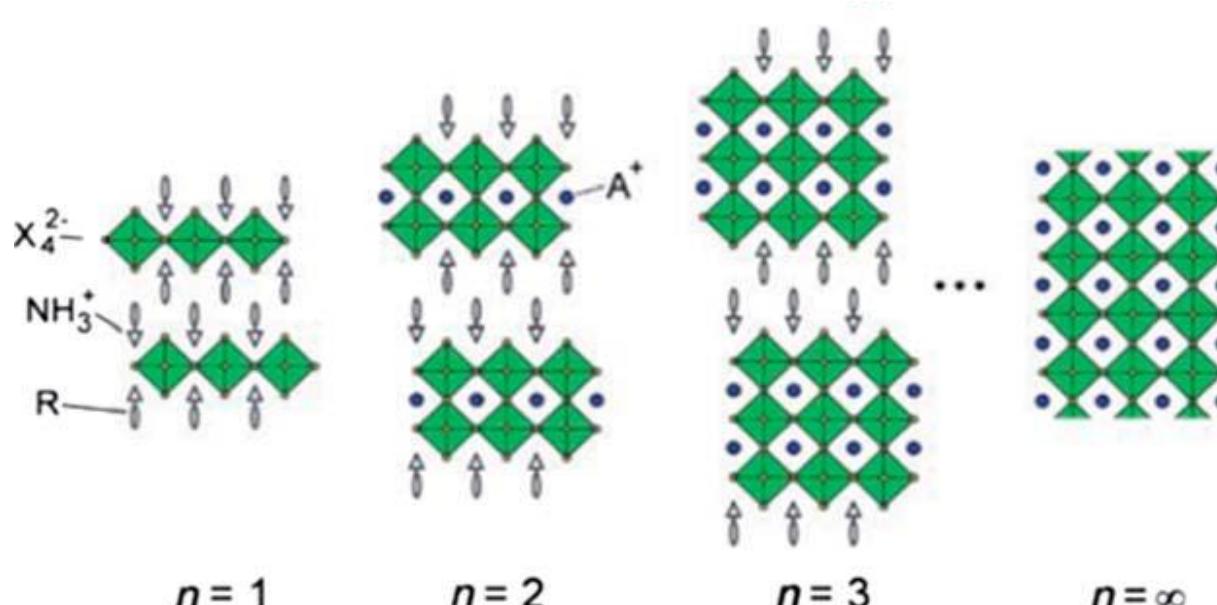
$R_2(A)_{n-1}B_nX_{3n+1}$ ($n=1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$) n the numer of layer (Ruddlesden-Popper structure).

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R – large alkylammonium cations:

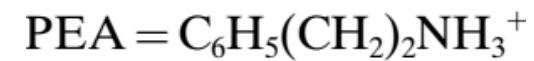
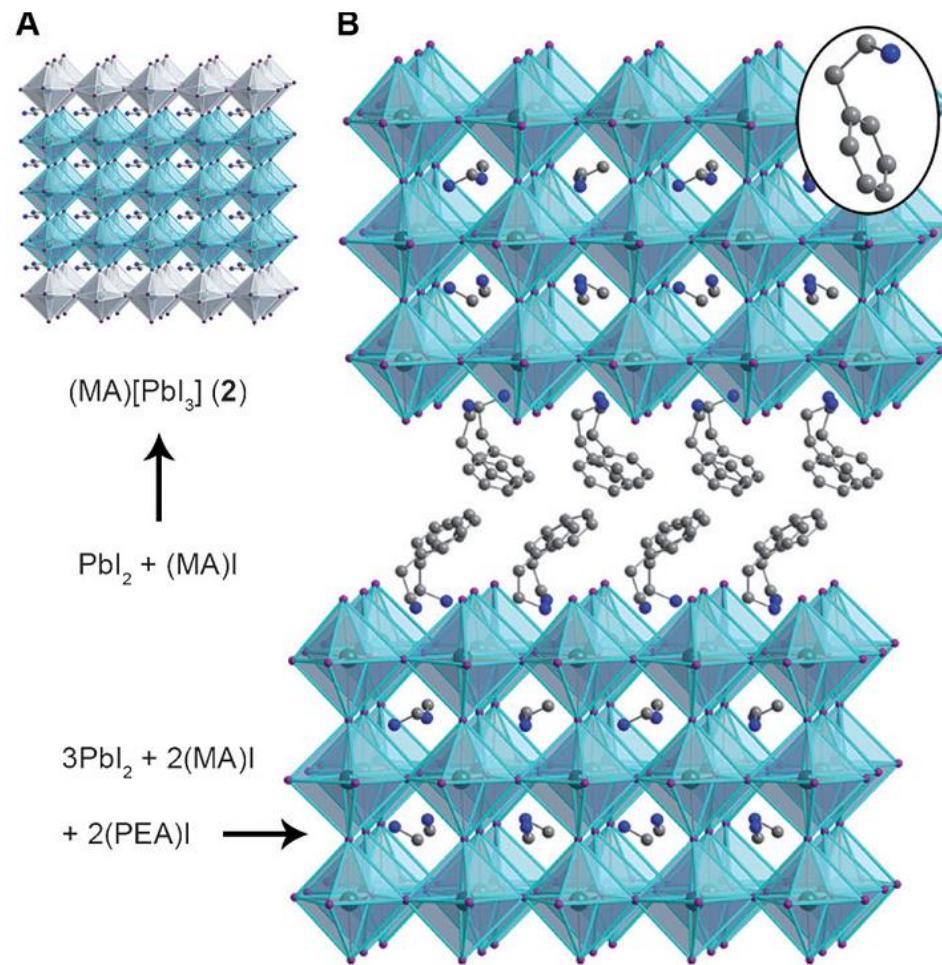
PEA = $C_8H_9NH_3^+$ phenylethylammonium cation

BA = $C_4H_9NH_3^+$ butylammonium cation





Layered perovskites



$$\begin{aligned}V_{\text{oc}} &= 1.18 \text{ V} \\ \text{PCE} &= 4.73\%\end{aligned}$$

$$E_g = 2,1 \text{ eV}$$



2D-3D structures - the ways of increasing stability

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Efficient ambient-air-stable solar cells with 2D-3D heterostructured butylammonium-caesium-formamidinium lead halide perovskites

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3D perovkite $\text{FA}_{0.83}\text{Cs}_{0.17}\text{Pb}(\text{I}_y\text{Br}_{1-y})_3$

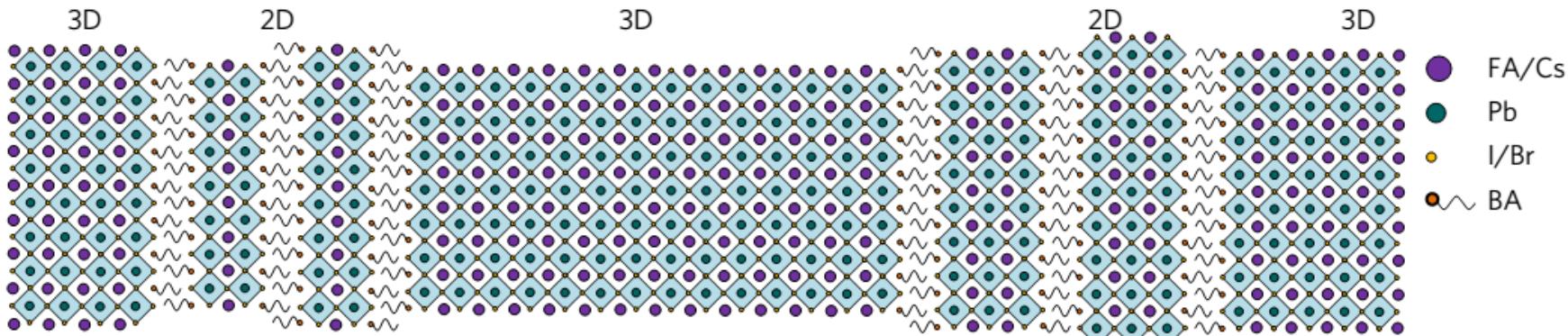
2D perovskite $(\text{BA})_2(\text{MA})_3\text{Pb}_4\text{I}_{13}$

2D-3D structure:

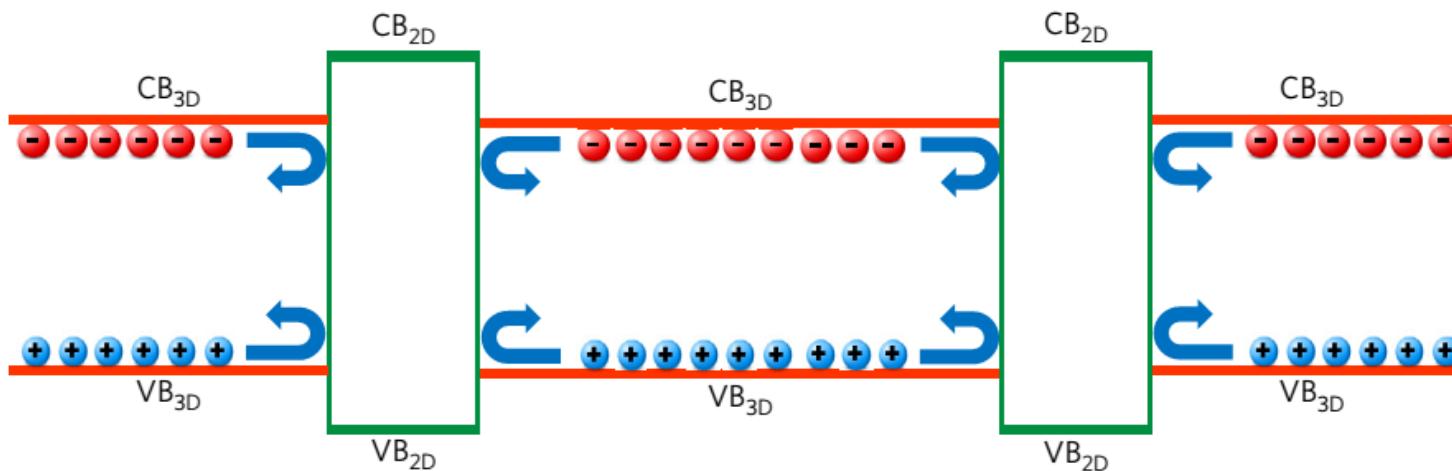
$\text{BA}_{0.09}(\text{FA}_{0.83}\text{Cs}_{0.17})_{0.91}\text{Pb}(\text{I}_{0.6}\text{Br}_{0.4})_3$ ($x = 0.09$)



2D-3D structures



Model struktury 2D-3D



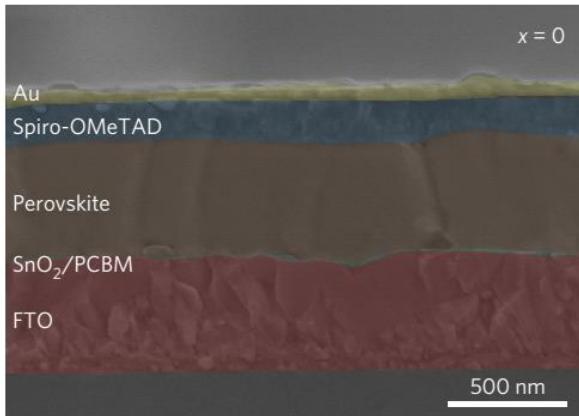
Model of energetic bands of 2D-3D structure, CB- conductivity band, VB valence band.

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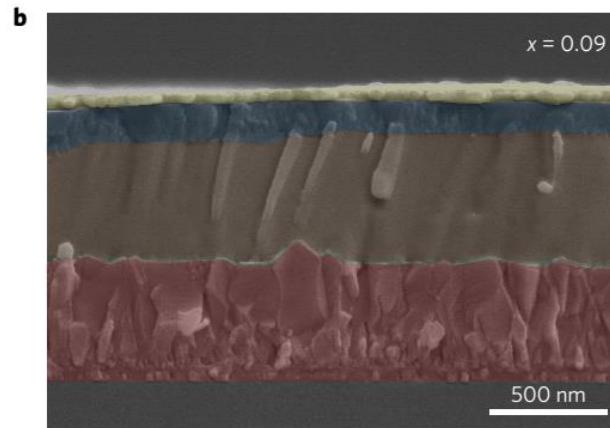
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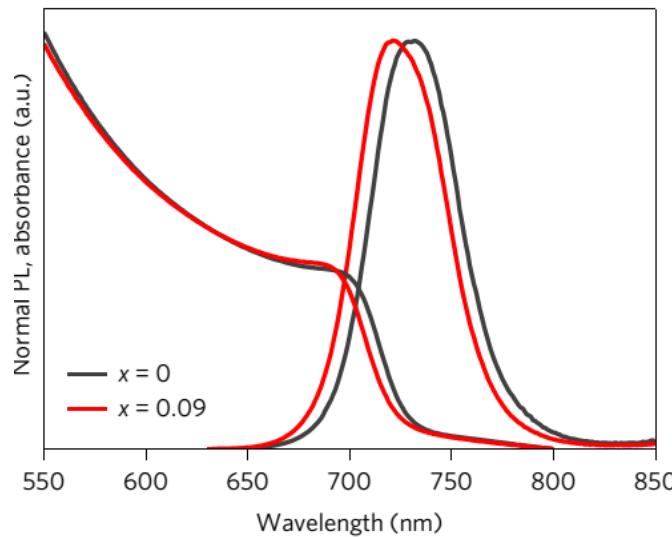


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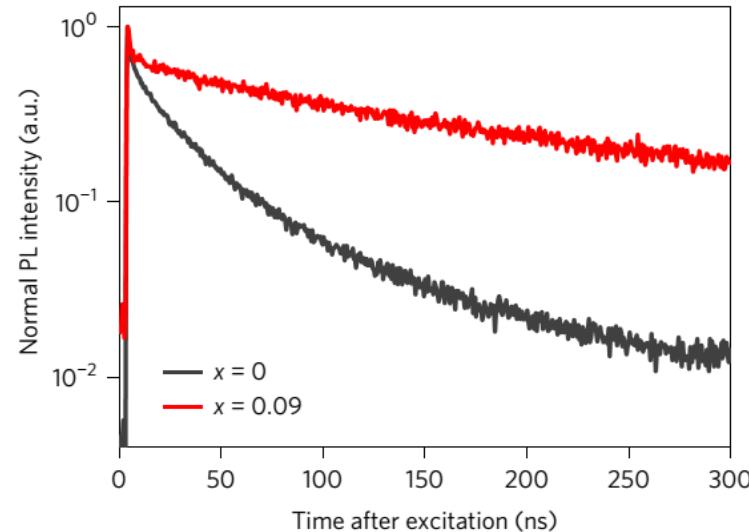
3D-2D



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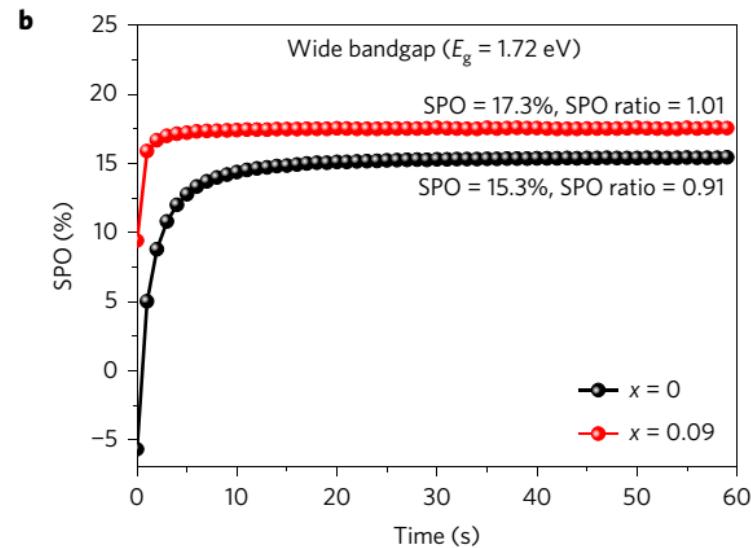
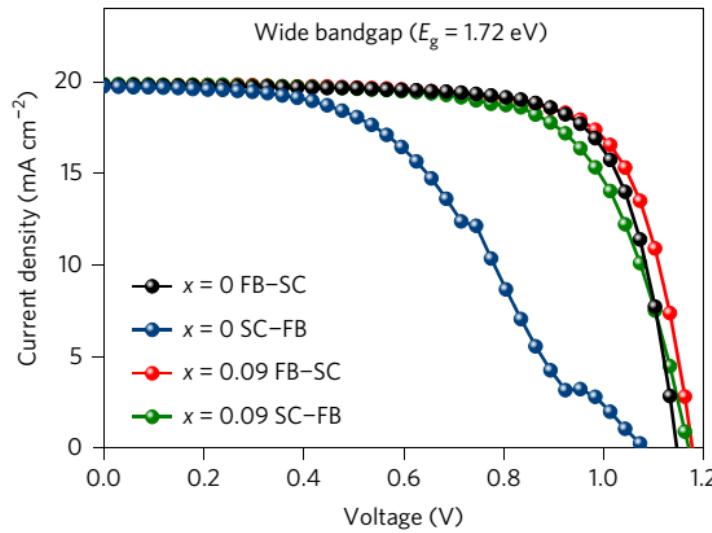


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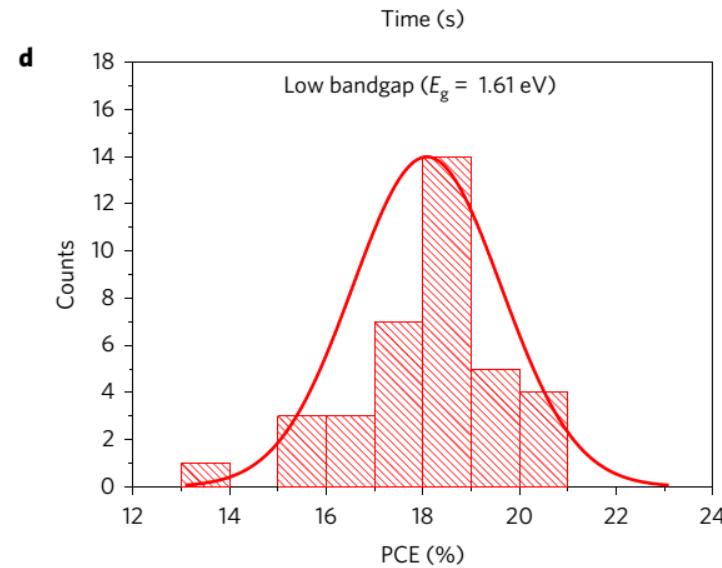
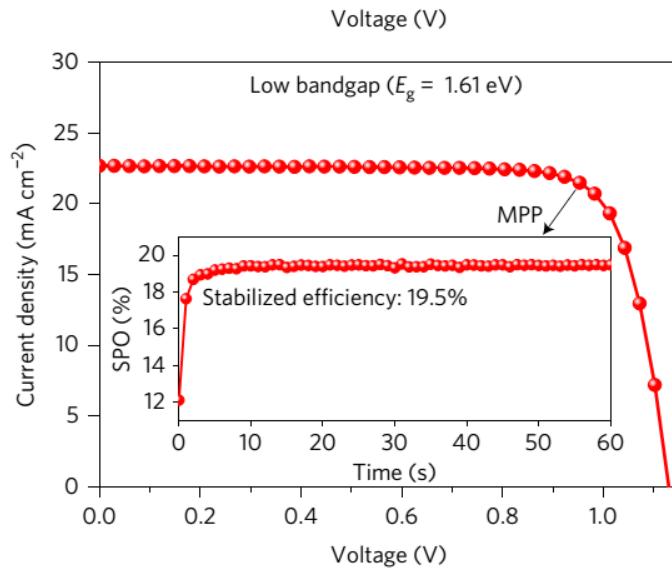


(a) J-V characteristics: 3D perovskite $\text{FA}_{0.83}\text{Cs}_{0.17}\text{Pb}(\text{I}_{0.6}\text{Br}_{0.4})_3$ ($x=0$) ($E_g = 1.72$ eV) and for 3D-2D $\text{BA}_{0.09}(\text{FA}_{0.83}\text{Cs}_{0.17})_{0.91}\text{Pb}(\text{I}_{0.6}\text{Br}_{0.4})_3$ ($x=0.09$)

(a) Stabilized cell efficiency (SPO) of the best cell (SPO ratio - ratio of SPO to PCE).



2D-3D structures



J-V characteristics: 3D perovskite for $\text{BA}_{0.05}(\text{FA}_{0.83}\text{Cs}_{0.17})_{0.95}\text{Pb}(\text{I}_{0.8}\text{Br}_{0.2})_3$ ($E_g = 1.61$ eV). Statistical distribution



2D-3D structures

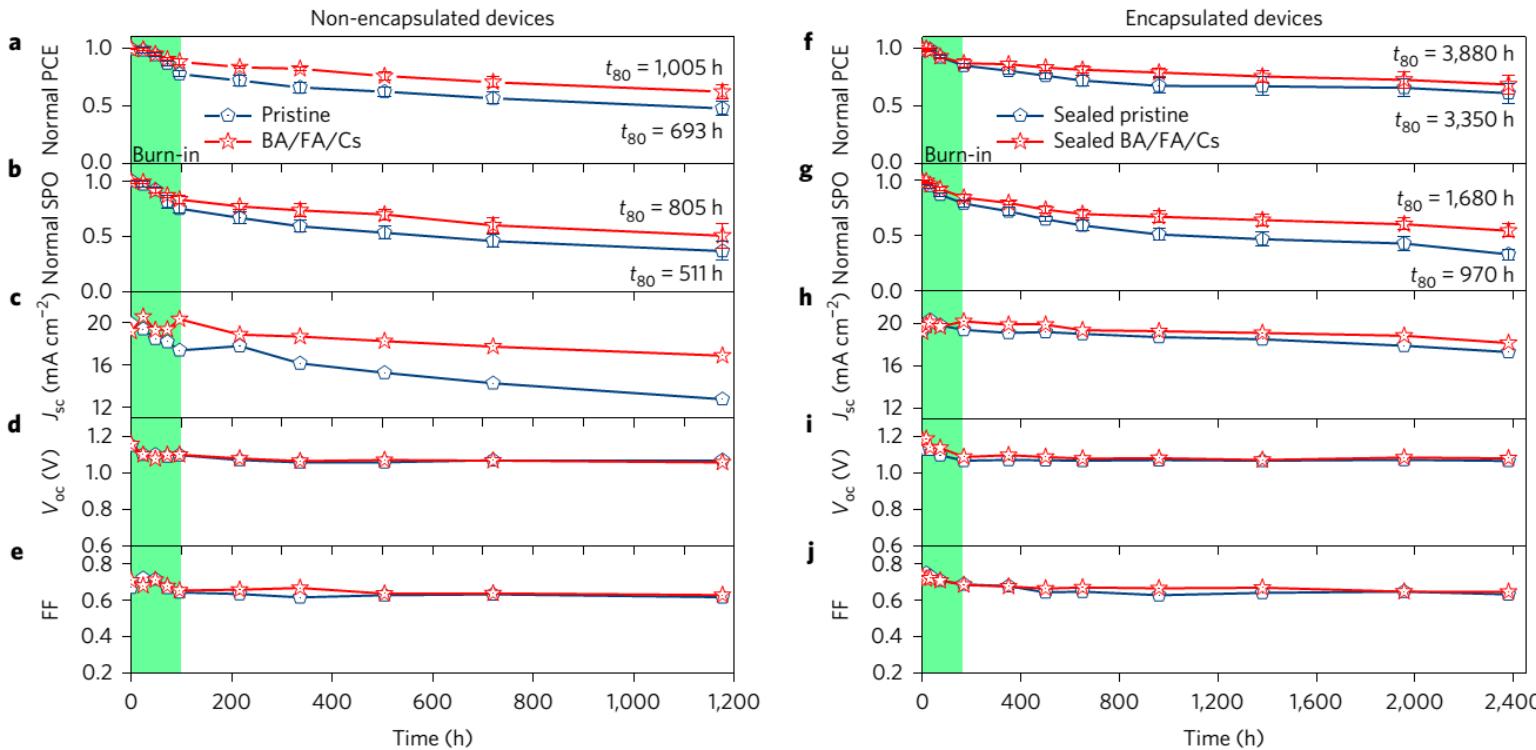
Table 1 | Solar cell performance parameters determined from J-V curves and stabilized power output measurements.

Device	PCE (%)	J_{sc} (mA cm^{-2})	V_{oc} (V)	FF	SPO (%)
Wide-bandgap $\text{FA}_{0.83}\text{Cs}_{0.17}\text{Pb}(\text{I}_{0.6}\text{Br}_{0.4})_3$ ($x = 0$)					
Average	15.1 ± 1.0	18.8 ± 0.9	1.15 ± 0.02	0.70 ± 0.03	14.1 ± 0.9
Champion	16.9	19.8	1.14	0.75	15.3
Wide-bandgap $\text{BA}_{0.09}(\text{FA}_{0.83}\text{Cs}_{0.17})_{0.91}\text{Pb}(\text{I}_{0.6}\text{Br}_{0.4})_3$ ($x = 0.09$)					
Average	15.5 ± 1.1	18.9 ± 0.7	1.17 ± 0.02	0.70 ± 0.04	15.8 ± 0.8
Champion	17.2	19.8	1.18	0.73	17.3
Low-bandgap $\text{BA}_{0.05}(\text{FA}_{0.83}\text{Cs}_{0.17})_{0.91}\text{Pb}(\text{I}_{0.8}\text{Br}_{0.2})_3$					
Average	18.1 ± 1.5	22.1 ± 0.7	1.09 ± 0.04	0.75 ± 0.05	17.5 ± 1.3
Champion	20.6	22.7	1.14	0.80	19.5

Average device characteristics with standard deviation were obtained on the basis of 32 cells for each set. The champion cell data are taken from the J-V curves shown in Fig. 4.



2D-3D structures



Aging - AM1.5 xenon lamp with a power of 76 mW/cm² in the air (approx. 45 RH%) without UV filter, in V_{oc} conditions, tested for different time intervals by a separate AM1.5 simulator with a power of 100mWcm⁻². Light pulse aging with Suntest XLS +. The structure of the cell glass/FTO/SnO₂/ C60 /perovskit/spiro-OMeTAD (with Li-TFSI and tBP) / Au.



Selective growth of layered perovskite for stable and efficient photovoltaics.

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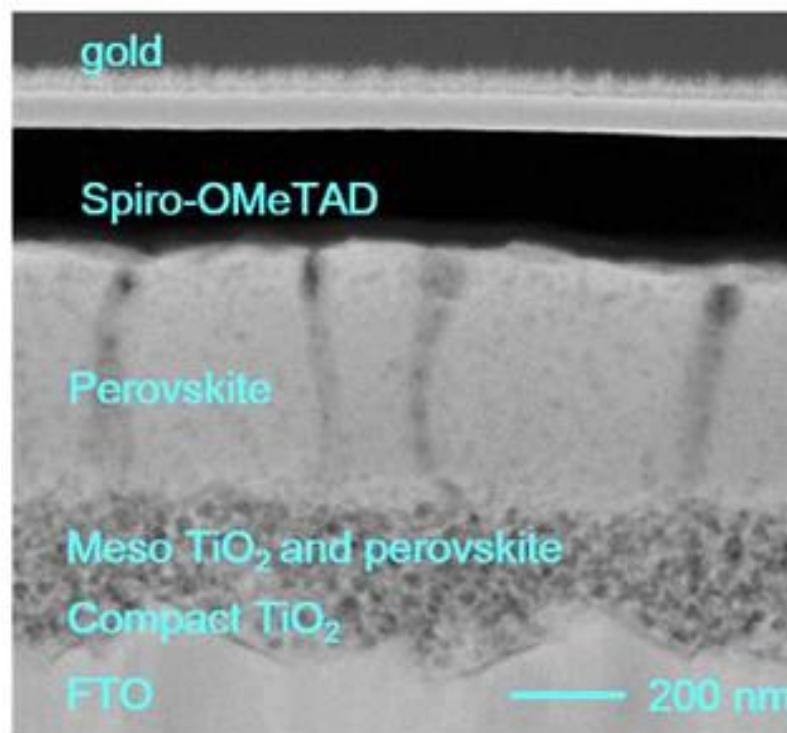
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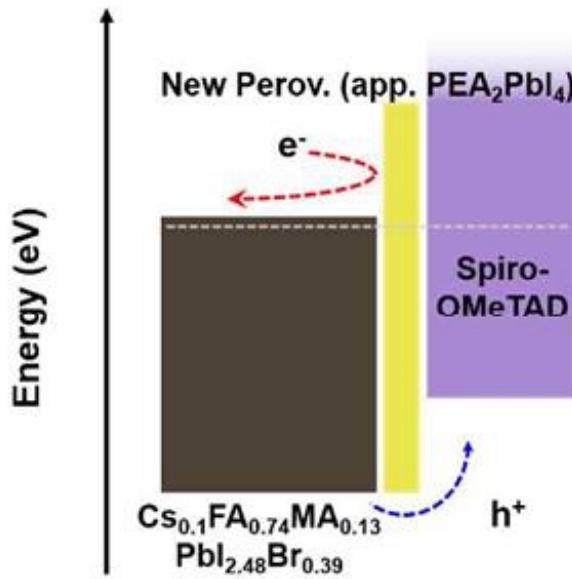
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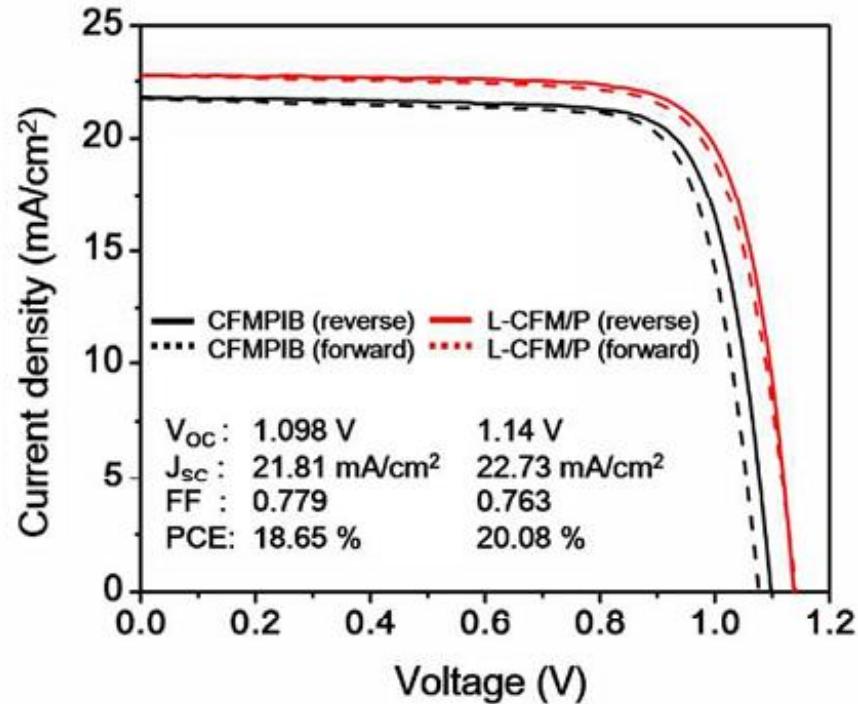


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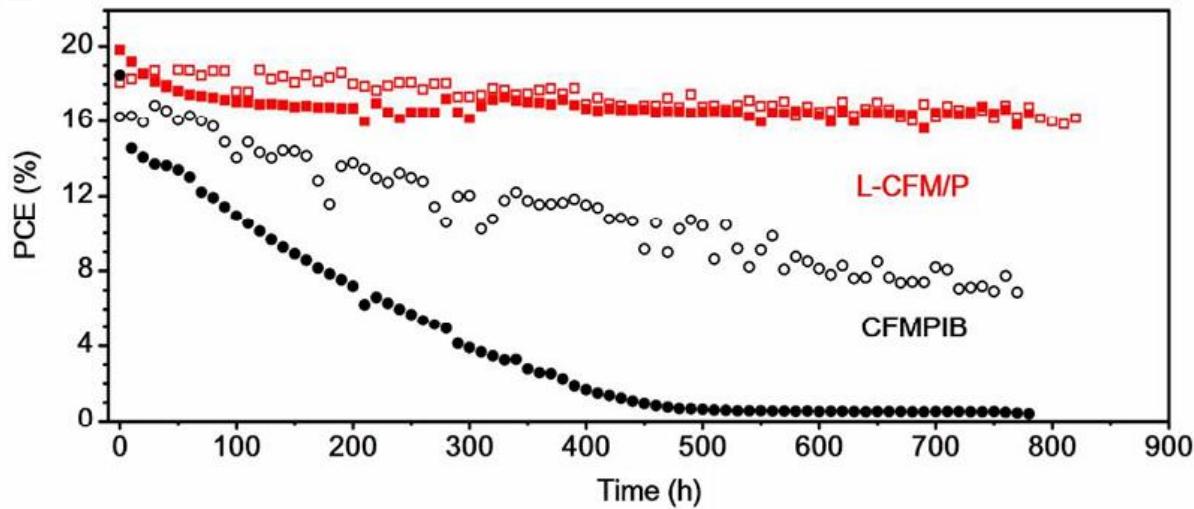
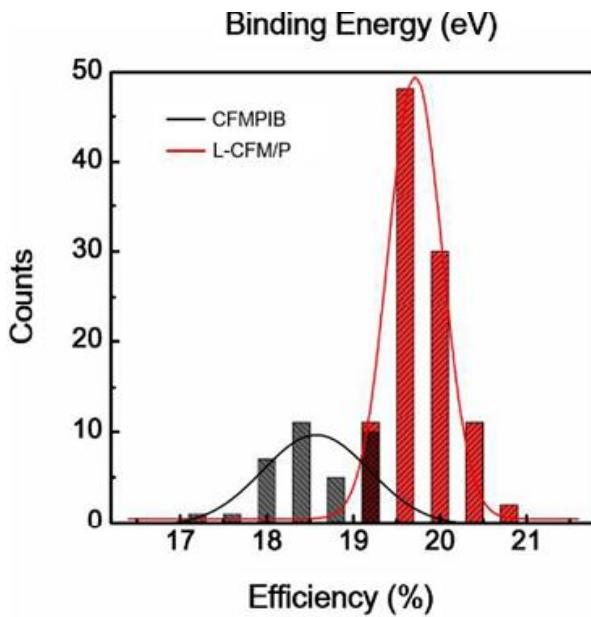


Photo-stability test for continuous (full) lighting in an inert atmosphere (blank stamps) and in the air (full) encapsulated under glass

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Recent progress in stability of perovskite solar cells*

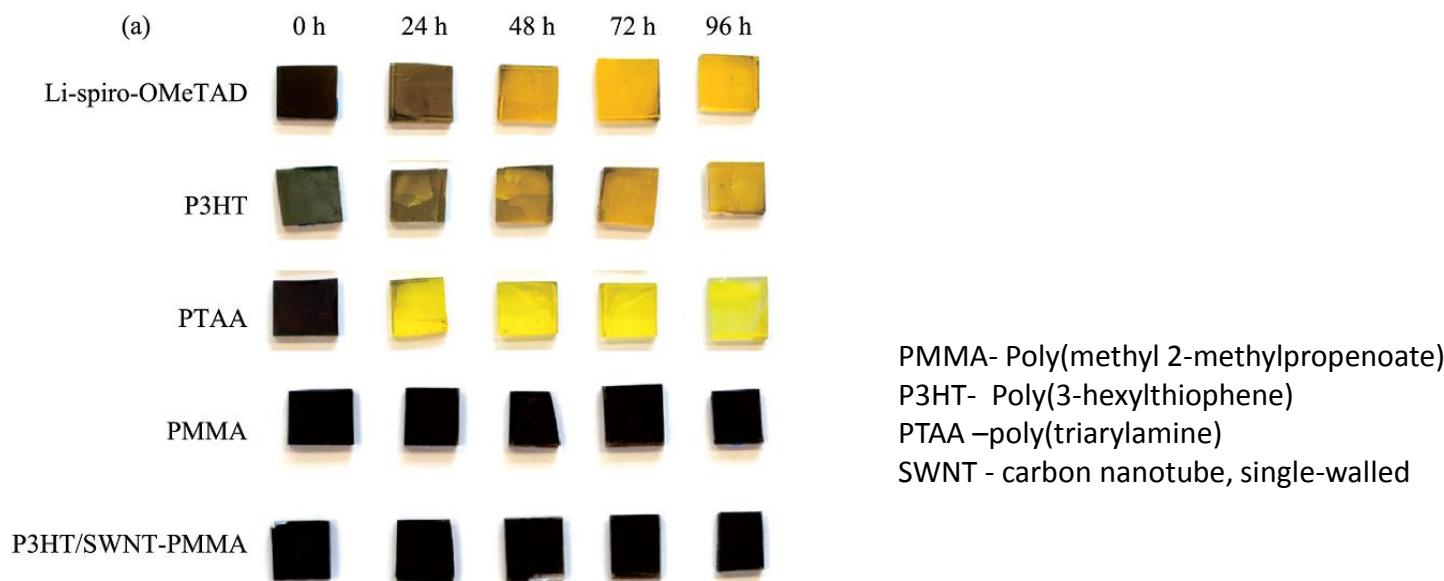
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Tailored interfaces of unencapsulated perovskite solar cells for >1,000 hour operational stability

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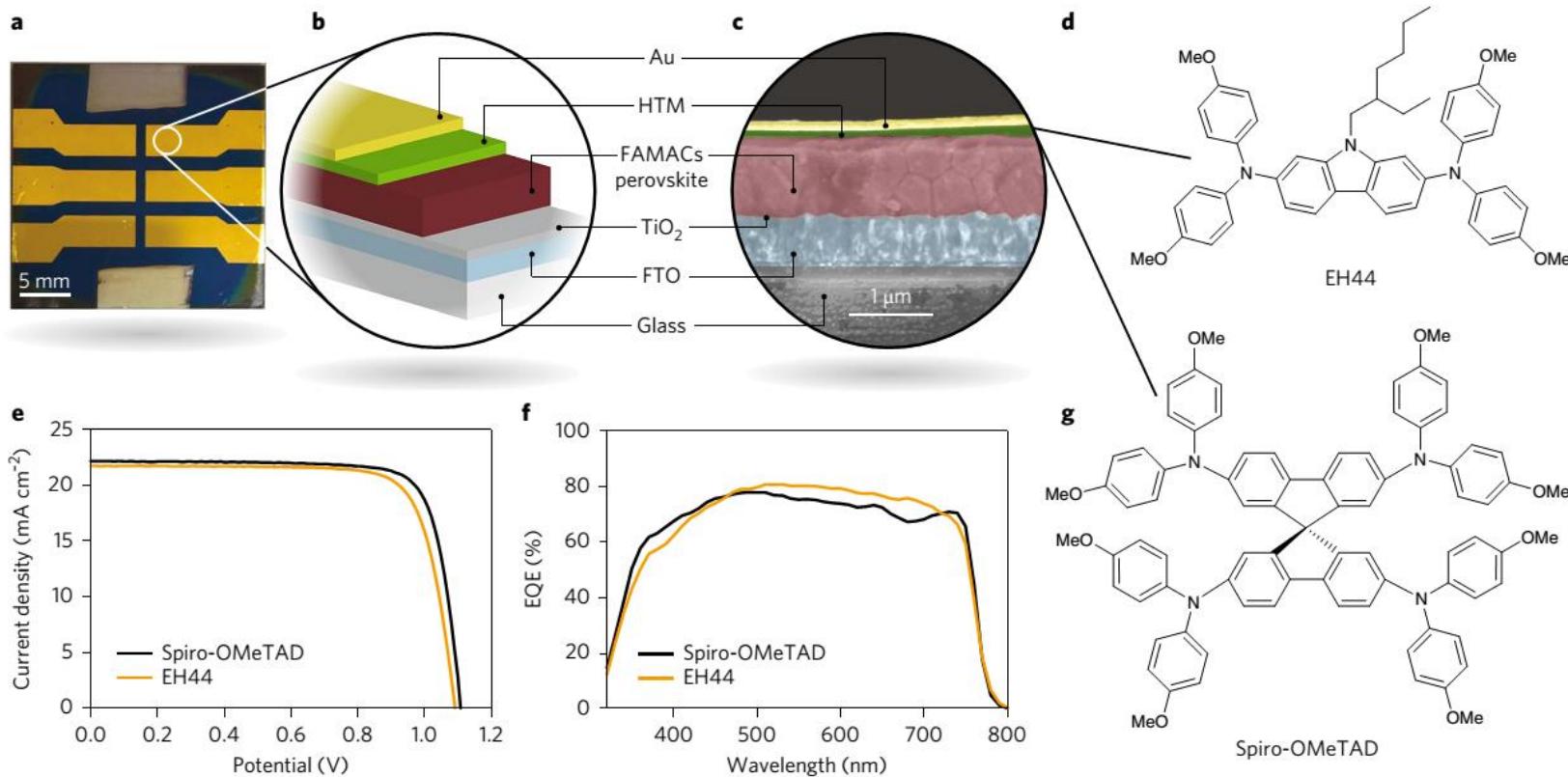
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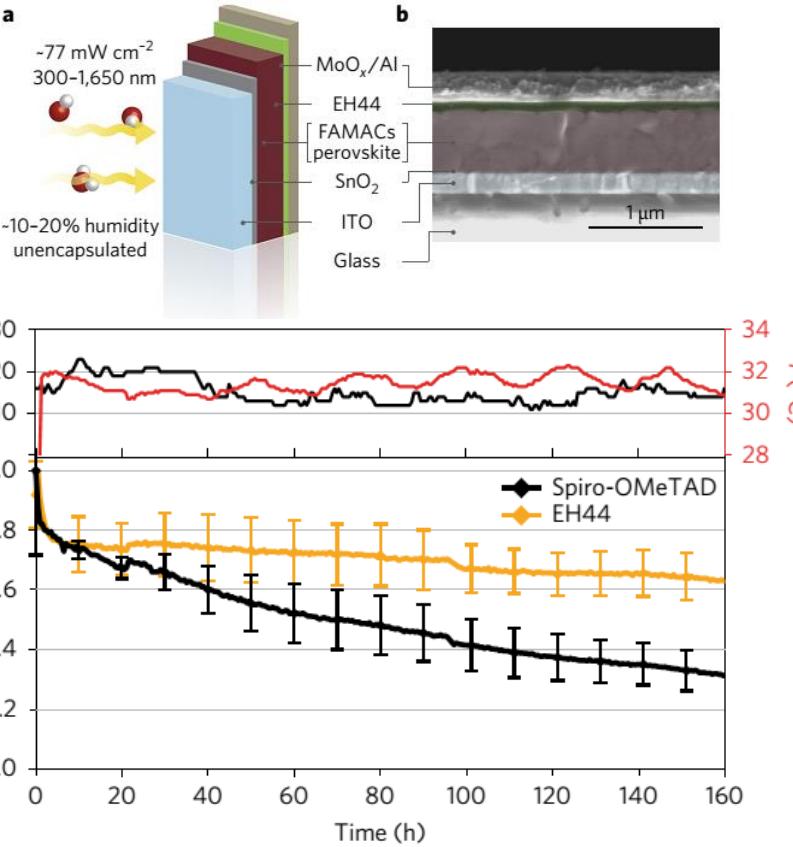
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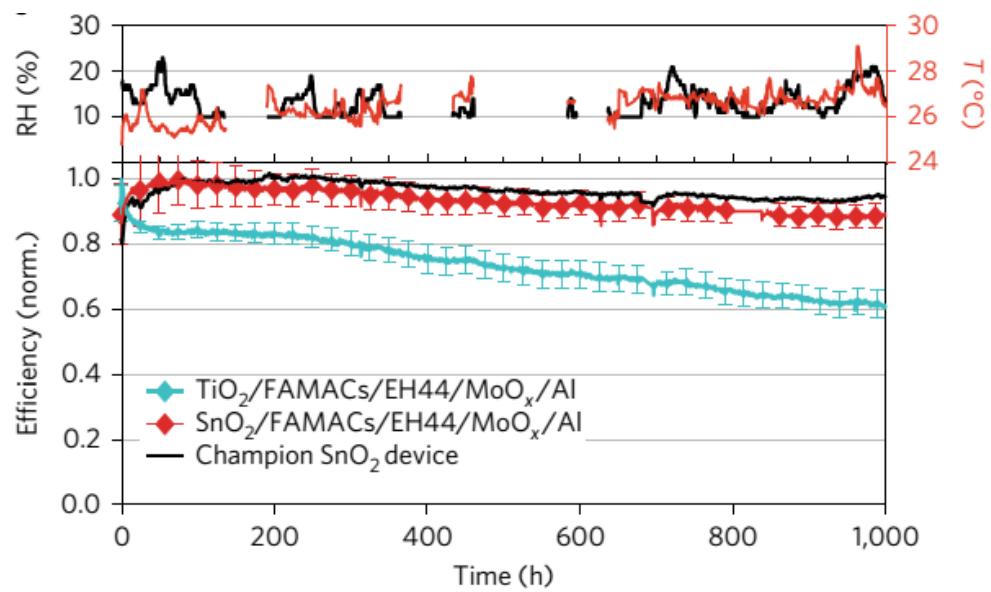
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Stability during operation of the TiO₂ / FAMACs / EH44 / Au (a) and ETL / FAMACs / EH44 / Mox / Al cells (ETL = TiO₂ (4 cells) or SnO₂ - 15 cells) (b) in air under certain conditions of humidity and temperature .

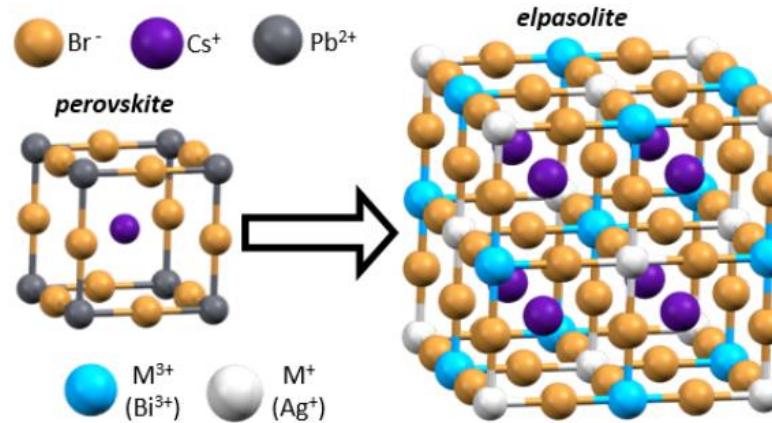


Double halide perovskites

Colloidal nanocrystals of lead-free double-perovskite (elpasolite)
semiconductors: synthesis and anion exchange to access new materials

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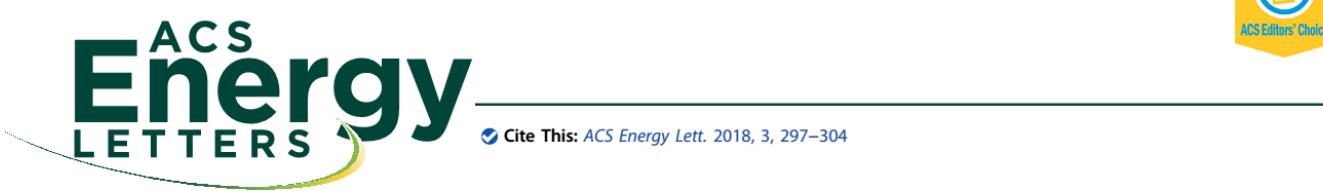


$\text{Cs}_2\text{AgBiBr}_6$ – doubling of the unit cell size and replacement of Pb²⁺ by M⁺ i M³⁺ cations

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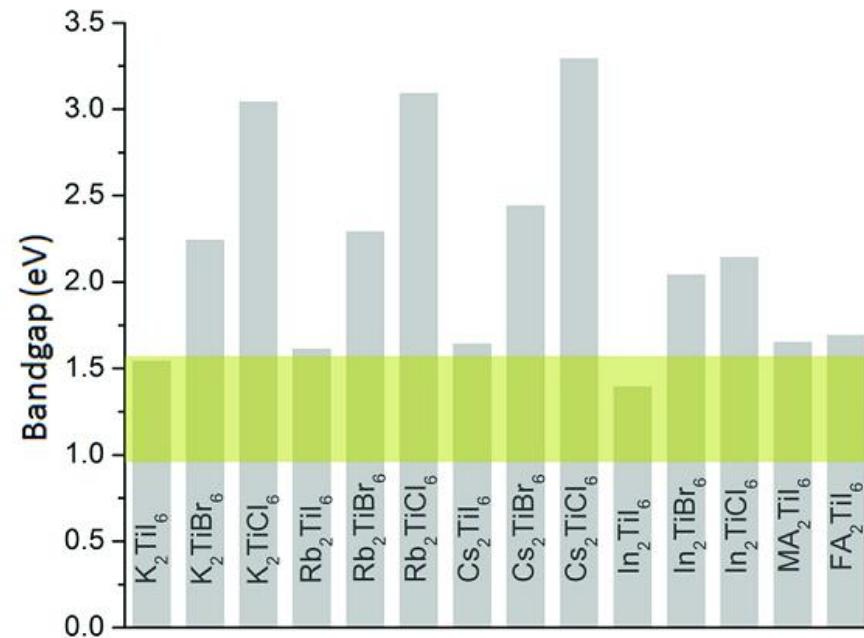
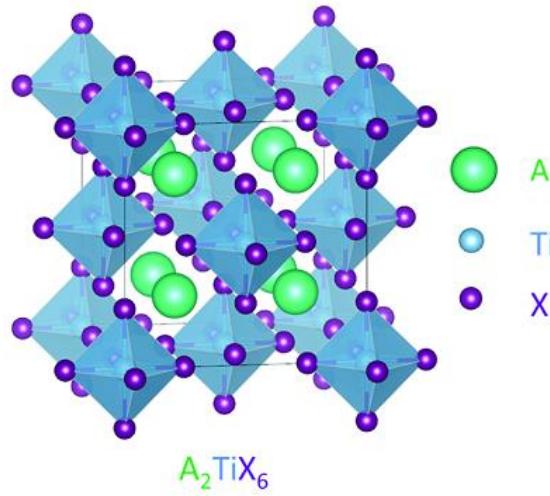
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Highly stable, phase pure $\text{Cs}_2\text{AgBiBr}_6$ double perovskite thin films for optoelectronic applications

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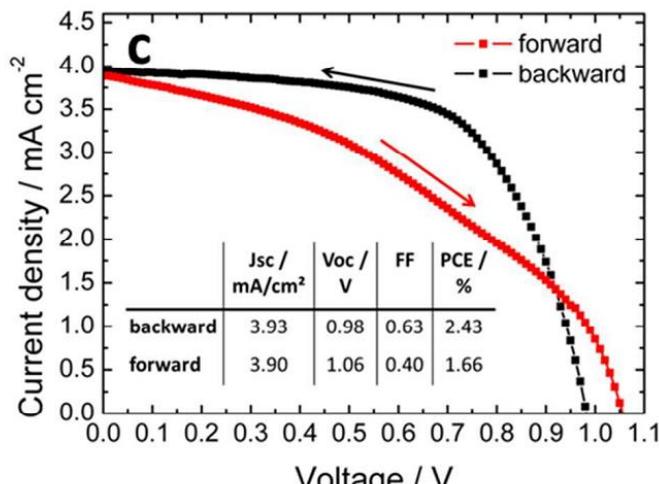
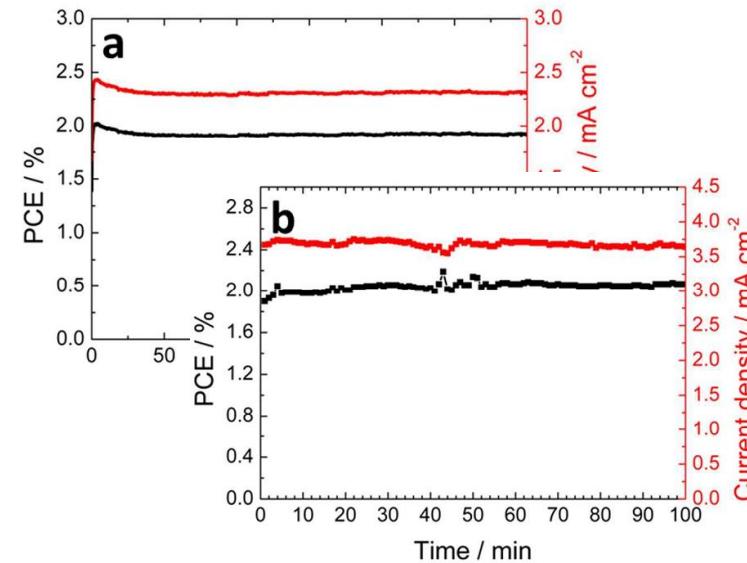


Fig. 6 (a) Stabilized power output and current density measured under ambient conditions without encapsulation. (b) Photovoltaic performance as a function of time under continuous illumination under ambient conditions. All devices were manufactured according to the procedure described in Fig. 1 with a 285 °C annealing step.



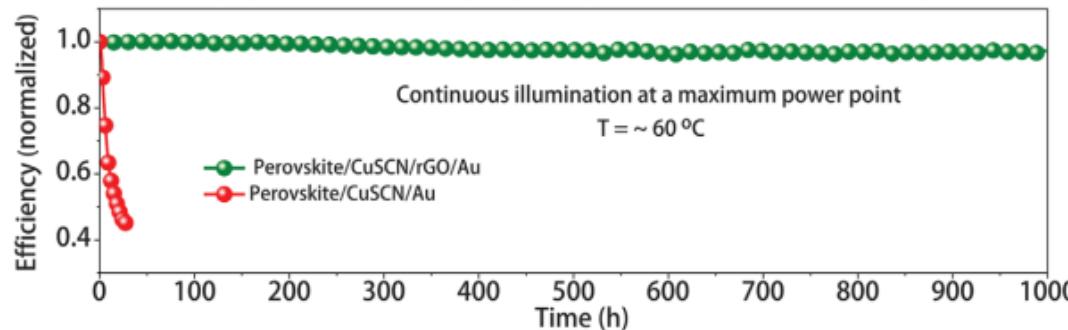


SOLAR CELLS

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Perovskite solar cells with CuSCN hole extraction layers yield stabilized efficiencies greater than 20%

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The ways of increasing stability

CuSCN copper(I) thiocyanate

Commercialization

More than a 12 firms are involved in commercializing perovskite solar cells:

- Energy Materials Corp.(US),
- Frontier Energy Solution (South Korea),
- Microquanta Semiconductor (China),
- Oxford PV (UK),
- Saule Technologies (Poland),
- Sekisui/Panasonic/Toshiba (Japan),
- Solaronix SA (Switzerland),
- Solliance (Netherlands), Swift Solar (US),
- Tandem PV (US),
- WonderSolar (China).



Commercialization



 OXFORD PV

Oxford PV's industrial site in Brandenburg an der Havel, Germany, where the complete 250 MW production line will commence perovskite-on-silicon tandem solar cell production at the end of 2020.

Oxford PV tandem perovskite on the silicon pass the IEC 61646 test stability:

200 thermal cycles (-40° C to +85° C) with <5 % drop, full sun light soaking 1000 hours (85%RH/85° C) with <4% drop, damp heat 1000 hours <4% drop)



The future of perovskite photovoltaic is bright. Perovskite solar cell technology is close to commercialization.

In the last few years there has been huge progress in the efficiency and in improving the stability of perovskite cells.

The perovskite /Si tandem cells have the greatest prospects for large-scale electricity production in near future.

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