

MATERIAL DISCOVERY STRATEGIES FOR EMERGING PHOTOVOLTAICS

WORKSHOP BETWEEN KAST AND LEOPOLDINA „PERSPECTIVES ON ENERGY TRANSITION“

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Worldwide Photovoltaic Capacity

0.000001 TW_p

in 1980

1 TW_p

in 2022

2 TW_p

in 2024

PV TOMORROW: SCALE

Photovoltaics has the power to transform the world's energy system

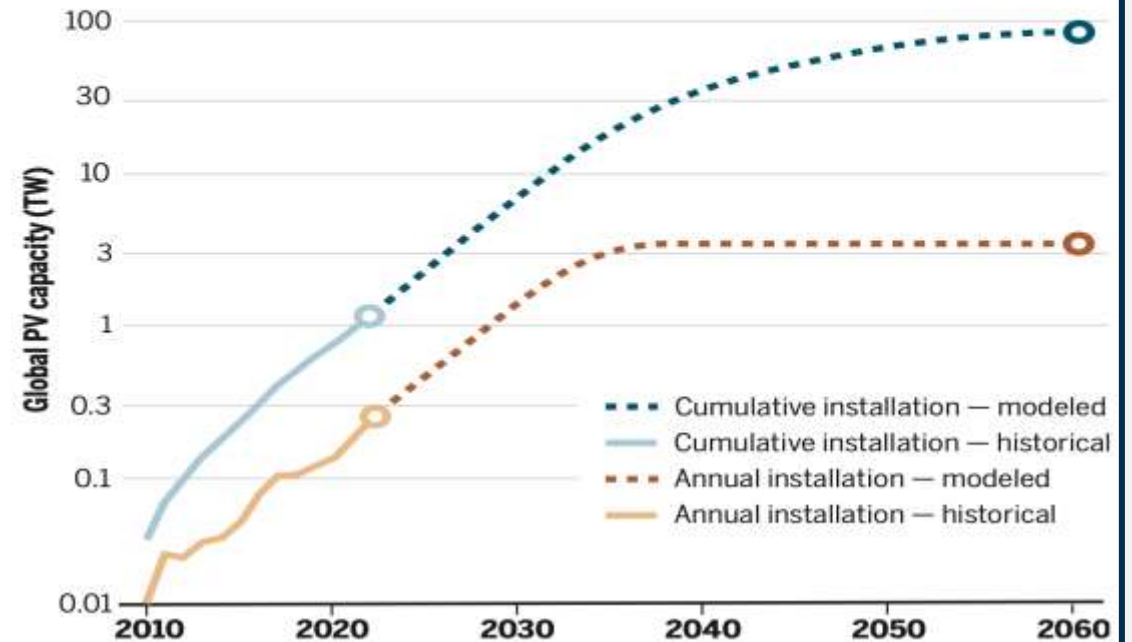
2022 saw the first EU Solar Energy Strategy ever, similar in intent as other major economic blocks (US, China, India..):

- Climate change mitigation
- Security of supply / resilience
- Business opportunities

German federal government (BMWK) following up on the EU's NZIA (net zero industry act)

PV installations and growth toward 75 TW by 2050

Modeled cumulative capacity going forward is based on sustaining 25% production rate growth over the next 7 years and then reducing slowly to steady state. Replacement needs are included by simple subtraction of installations 25 years before the modeled date.



PV TOMORROW: EFFICIENCY

Better use of available area for PV to meet 2050 Goals!

Key figures:

: Efficiency is the key driver for photovoltaics

: Everything is scaling with efficiency:

: Costs

: Materials Usage, Sustainability, Recycling

: Area Usage: Until 2050, we need about 200.000 km² “active energy” area and more than 1.000.000 km² for energy landscapes

: Integrability – use energy where you consume, alleviating pressure on grid and storage

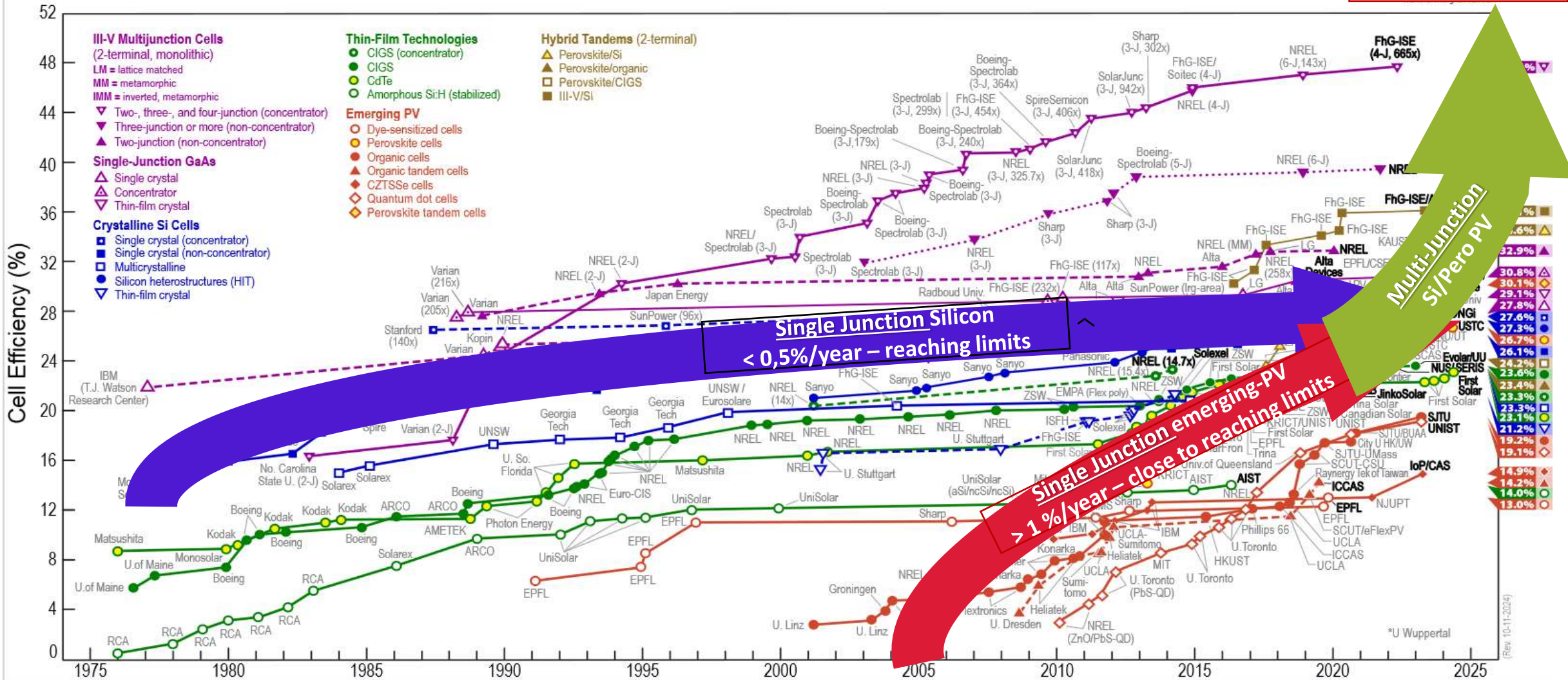
: PV will and must improve towards **higher efficiency and integrability.**

EFFICIENCY: SCALABLE MULTI-JUNCTION PV

Emerging semiconductors have the potential to accelerate the photovoltaic roadmap

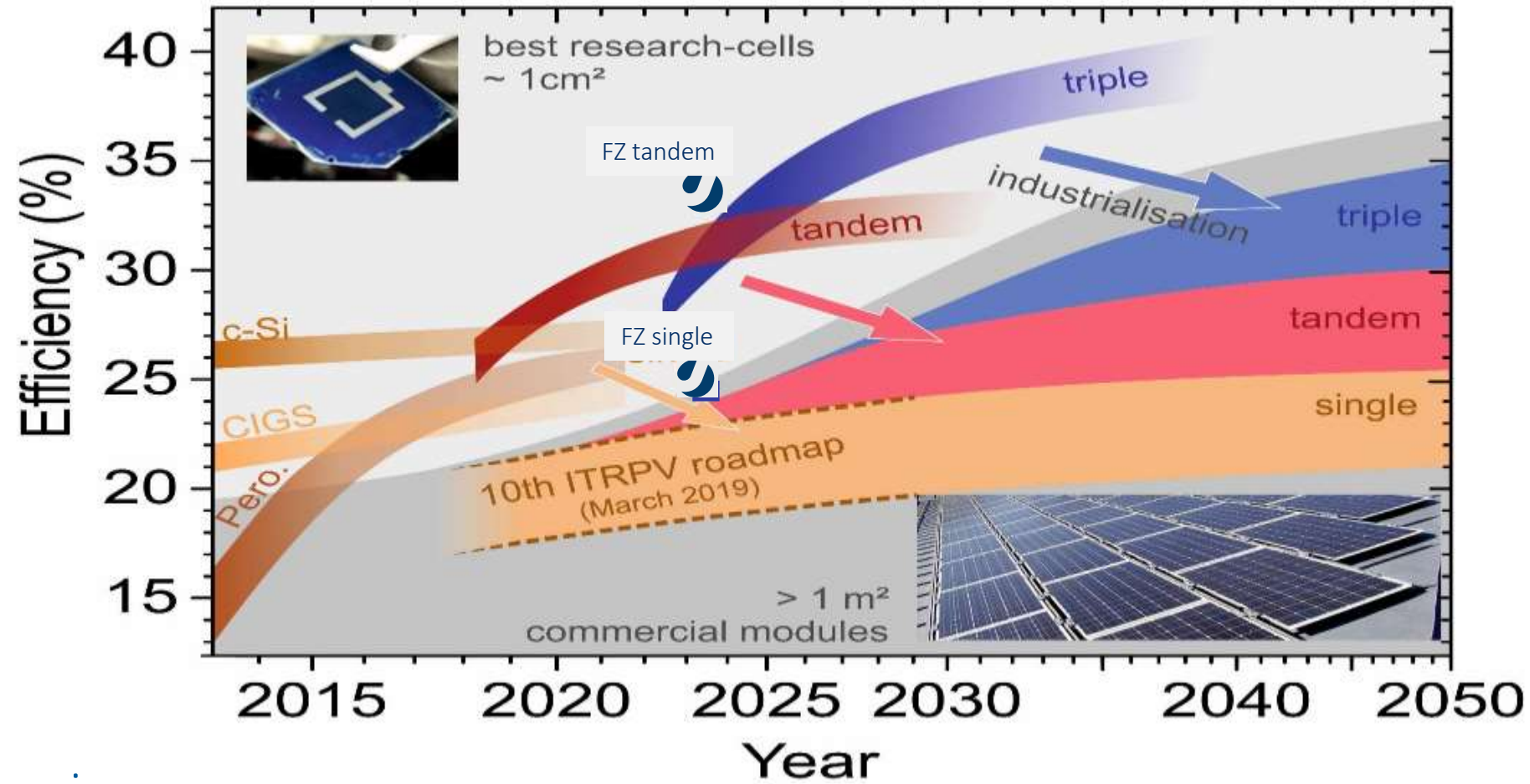
Scalable Multi-junction technologies

Best Research-Cell Efficiencies

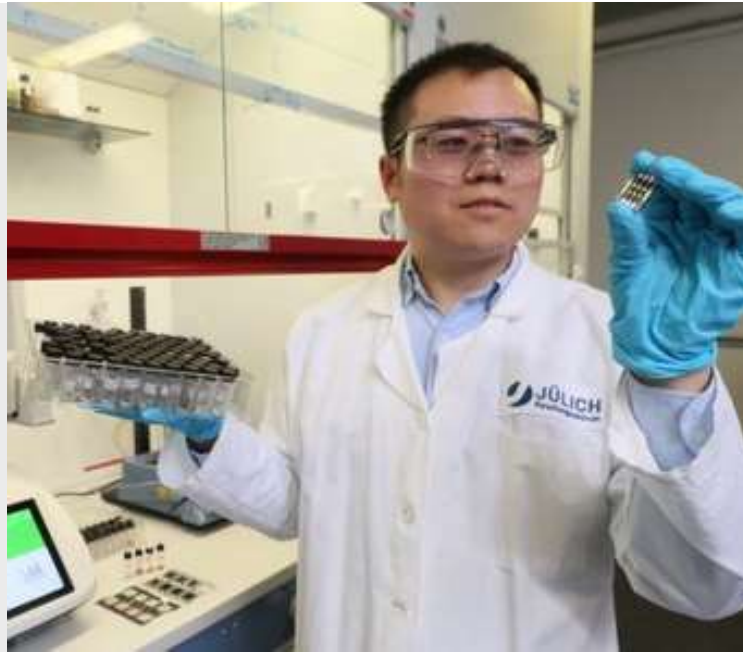


FZ STRATEGY IS WELL ALIGNED WITH POV IV

Synergistic cooperation between HZB, KIT and FZJ within MTET



S. Albrecht et al, Nature Energy 2017. This figure was as already presented at the POV IV defense



EXAMPLES ON RECENT RESEARCH: MATERIAL DISCOVERY

From **Materials** to Processes to Devices to Demonstration

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ACCELERATION OF EMERGING-PV TECHNOLOGIES

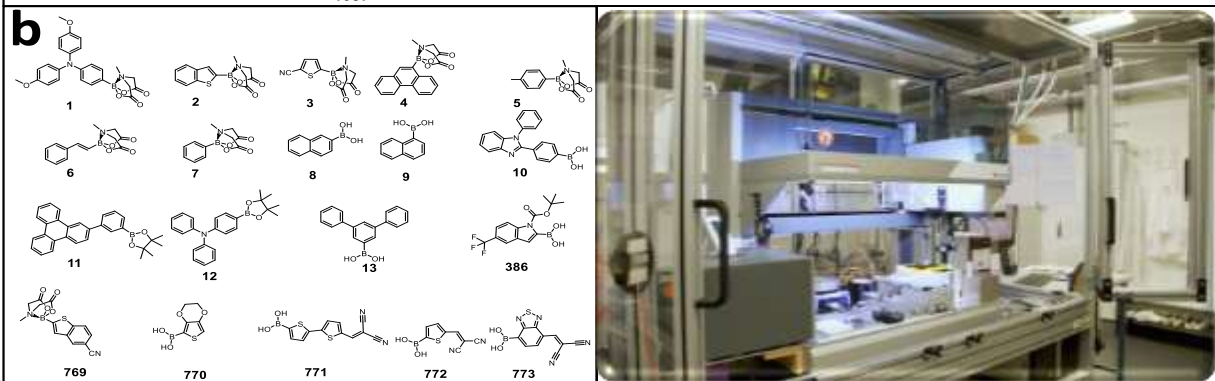
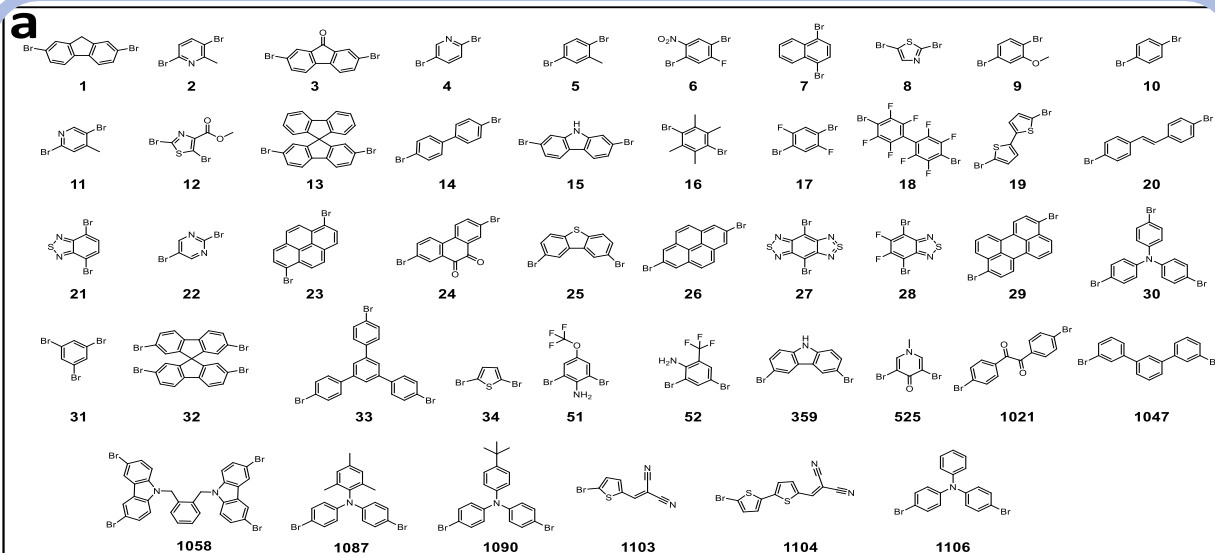
Shorten the time to the market by „discovering“ optimized materials and processes



Requires predictive models and inverse design of materials, processes and architectures

EXAMPLE 1: A MATERIALS DISCOVERY WORKFLOW

Microwave synthesis of MIDA compounds to build molecular libraries

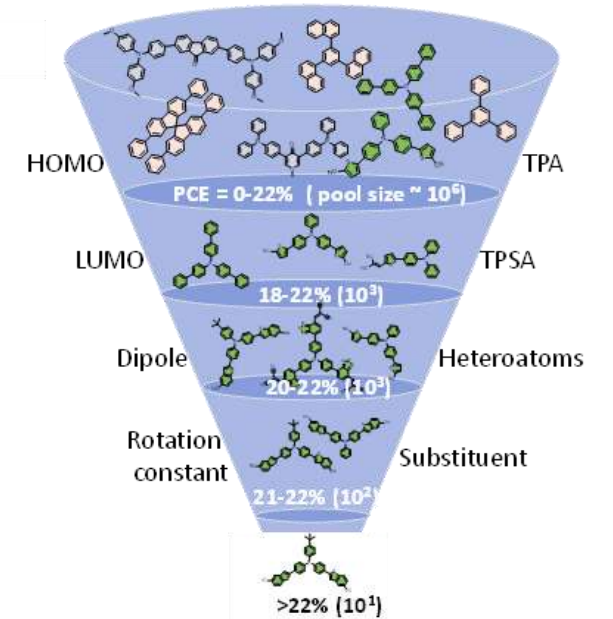
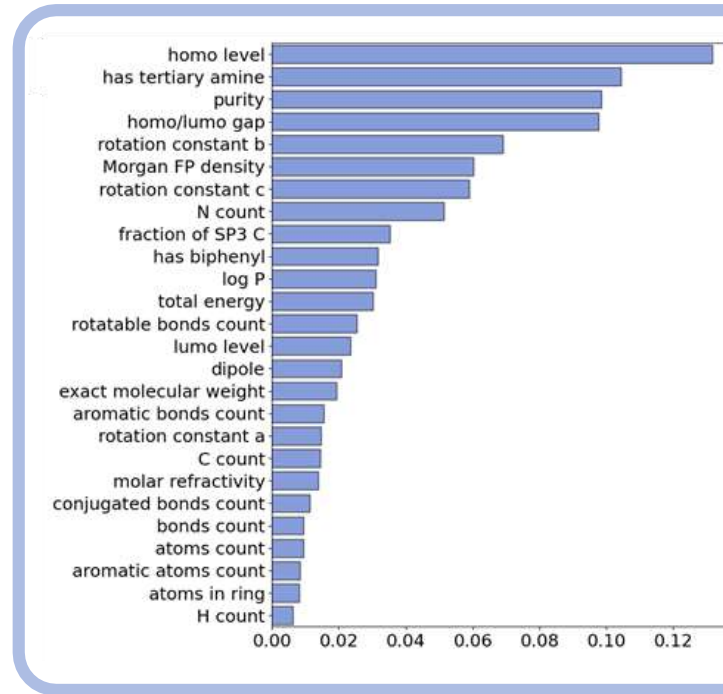
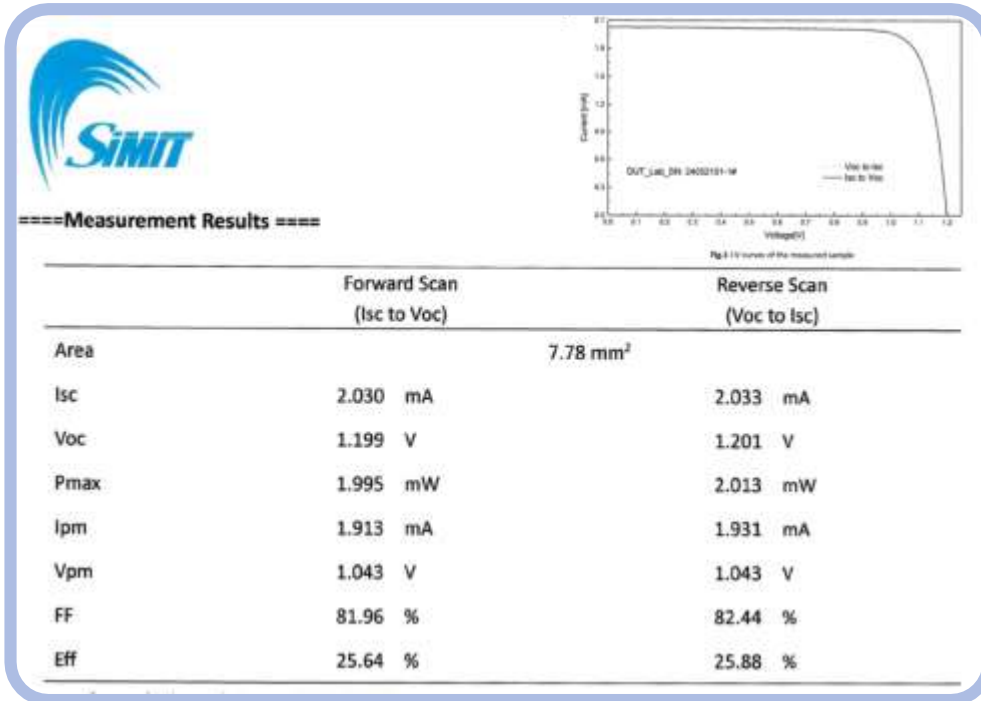


- Automated synthesis of molecules:
- 1000 A & B candidates (for Suzuki)
- 10^6 molecules: B-A-B type
- 10^9 molecules: C-B-A-B-C type
- Qualification by DFT
- Analysis by PL, UV/Vis, EC, SCLC,...
- Extended purity analysis
- Proven electronic quality

J. Wu et al., An integrated system built for small-molecule semiconductors via high-throughput approaches, JACS 2023

EXAMPLE 1: A MATERIALS DISCOVERY WORKFLOW

A Paradigm Change in Structure – Property – Functionality Relations



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J. Wu et al., An Inverse design workflow discovers HTL tailored for perovskite solar cells, *Science* 2024;

A. Bornschlegl et al, An Automated Workflow to Discover the Structure–Stability Relations for Radiation Hard Molecular Semiconductors, *JACS* 2025

EXAMPLE 2: „GREEN“ SEMICONDUCTOR DISCOVERY



At the hand of Double Perovskites e.g. $\text{Cs}_2\text{Ag}(\text{Na})\text{M}^{\text{III}}\text{Cl}_6$ and perovskite related materials

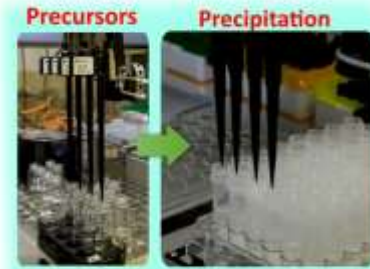
 Chemistry for Pb-free SC screening workflow



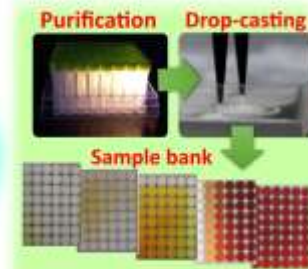
 Experimental dataset, ca. 8000 compounds



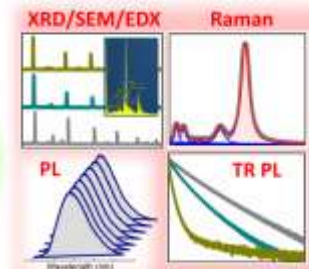
 ML-assisted material screening



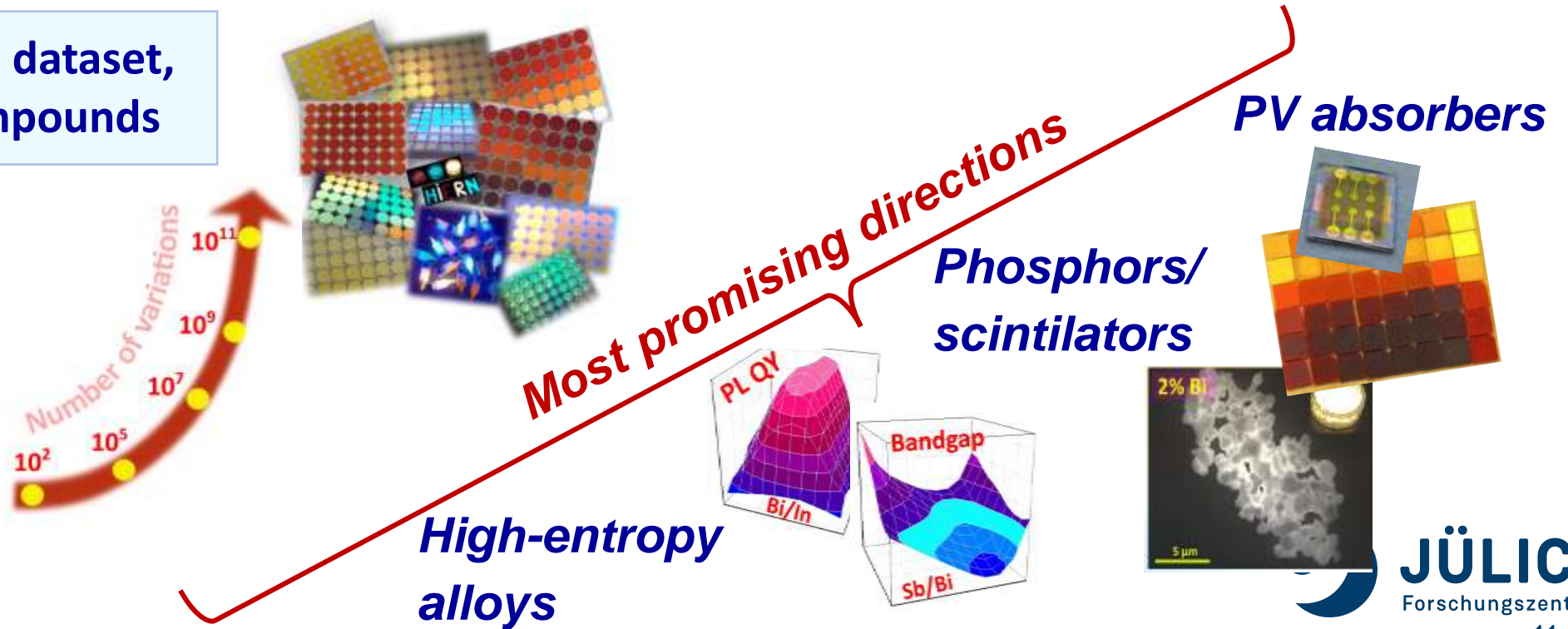
(a) Robot-assisted synthesis
J. Mater. Chem. C, 2022, 10, 9938
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(b) HTP film formation
Mater. Adv., 2022, 3, 7894
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(c) HTP characterization
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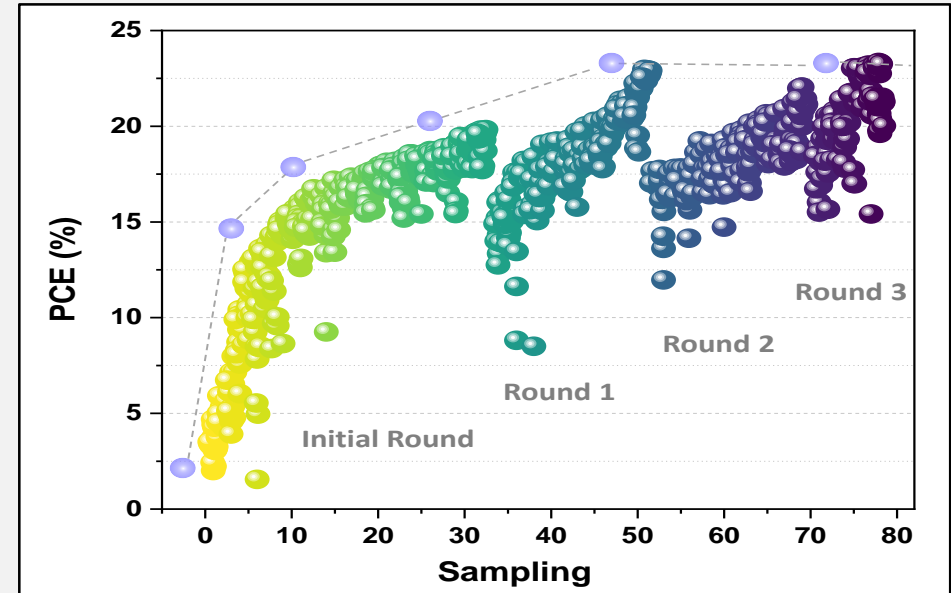
EXAMPLE 3: AUTONOMOUS DEVICE PROCESSING OPTIMIZATION

Autonomous Bayesian Optimization of Organics (Line 1) and Perovskites (Line 2)

Capable of varying 100's of processing dimensions with thousands to variations each



- Reducing process dimensions from > 70 to 6: few 100 devices identify optima in a 6d space with > 10^{15} parameter variations.



J. Zhang et al., "Machine Learning-Driven Autonomous Optimization of Air-Processed Perovskite Solar Cell in 6D Parameter Space", AEM, accepted 2024

J. Zhang et al., "Precise control of process parameters for > 23 % PSC in ambient air using an automated device acceleration platform", EES, 2024)

J. Zhang et al., "Optimizing Perovskite Thin-film Parameter Spaces with a ML guided Robotic Platform for Perovskite Solar Cells", AEM 2023

J. Zhang et al., "Toward Self-Driven Autonomous Material and Device Acceleration Platforms for emerging PV Technologies", Accounts of Chem Res 2024

J. Zhang et al., "A self-driving AMADAP Laboratory: Accelerating Discovery and Optimization of emerging perovskite photovoltaics", MRS Bulletin, 2024



EXAMPLES ON RECENT RESEARCH: RESPONSIBLE PV

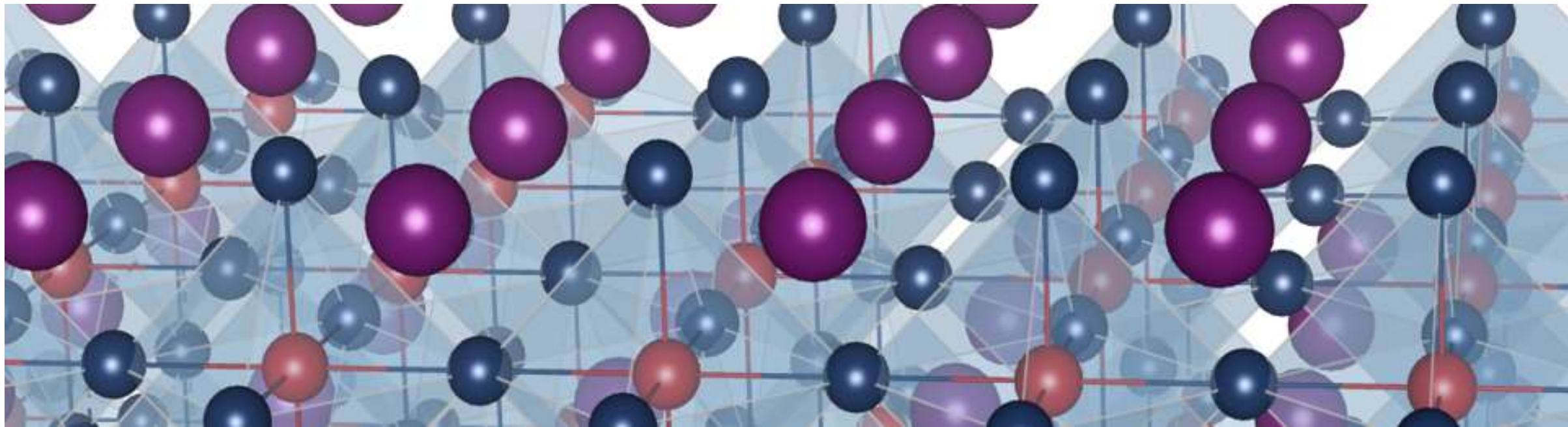
Recycling and closed cycle processes for photovoltaic technologies

From Materials to Processes to Devices to **Demonstration**

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THE LIFECYCLE OF A PHOTOVOLTAIC MODULE





Thank you for your attention!

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Organic Photovoltaics - Challenges and Opportunities

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Organic electronics: a path to sustainable electronics

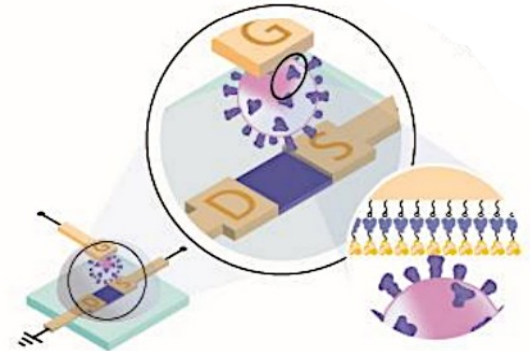
OLED display



Organic photovoltaics



Biosignal monitoring

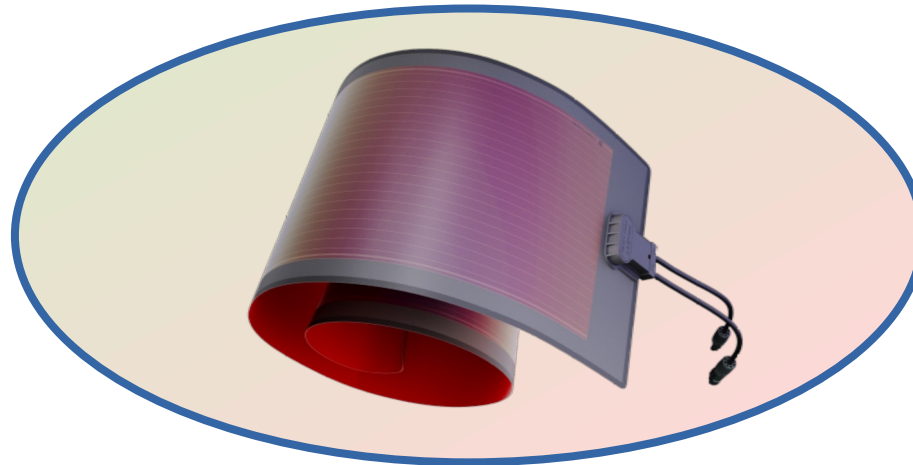



OLED lighting

Organic Photovoltaics


 Less than 1mm
Thick film

 Flexible & lightweight



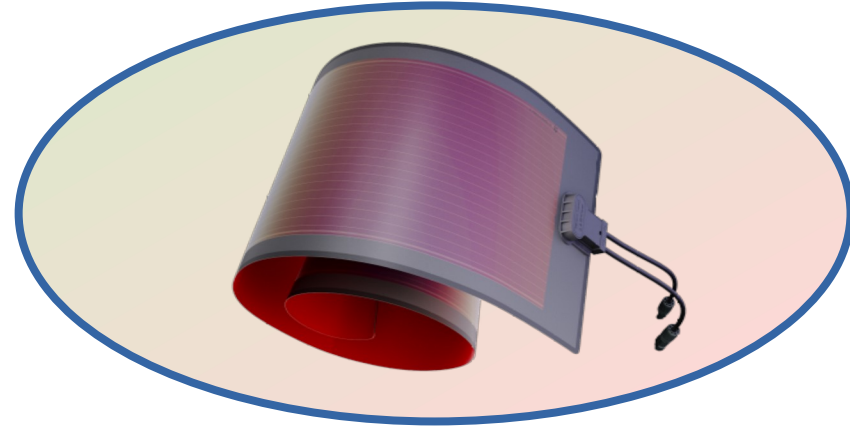
Inexhaustible 
non-toxic materials

 Homogeneous
Surface

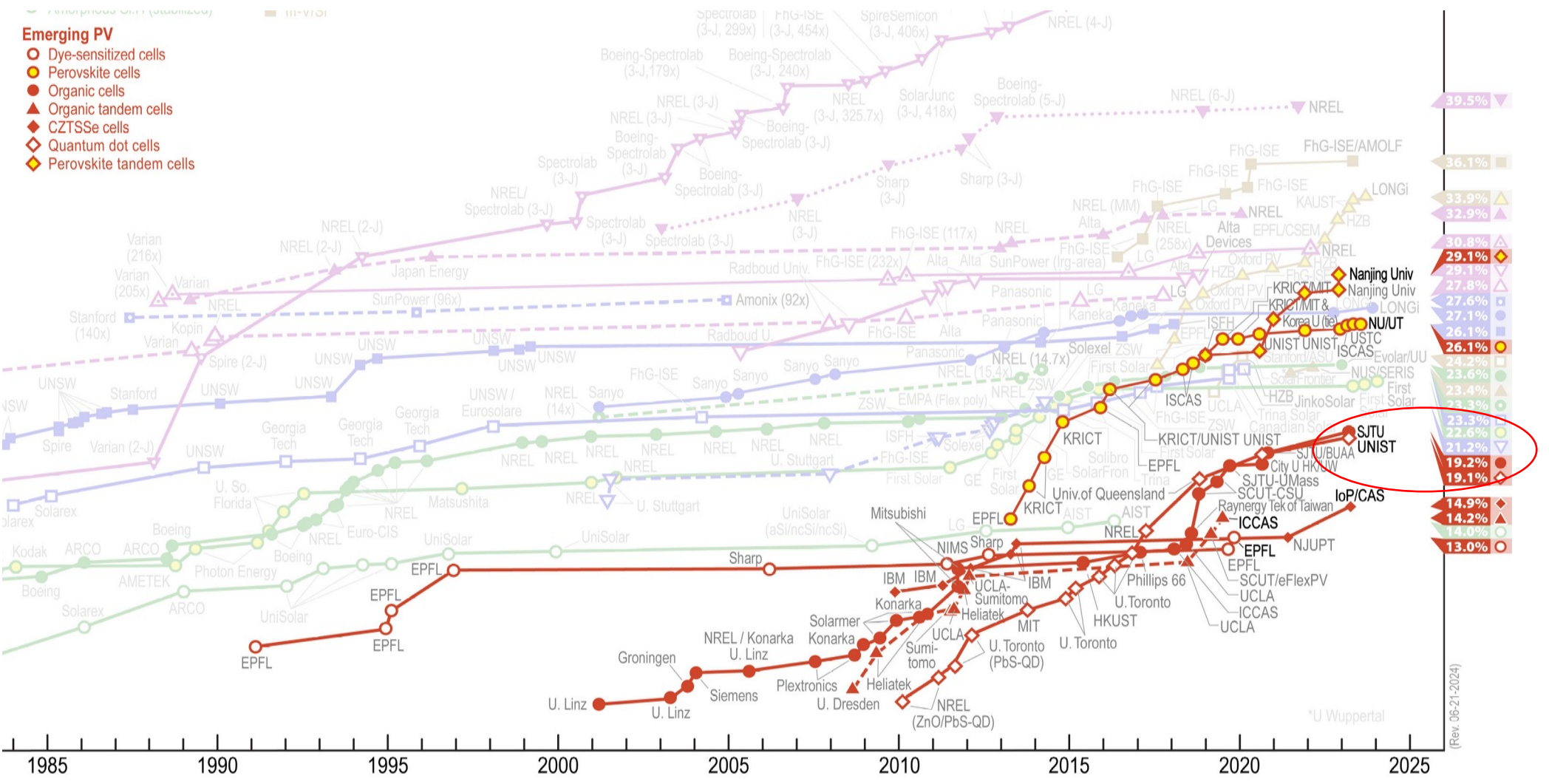
 Adjustable
Transparency
Levels

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- Manufacturing of Organic Solar Cells
- Applications

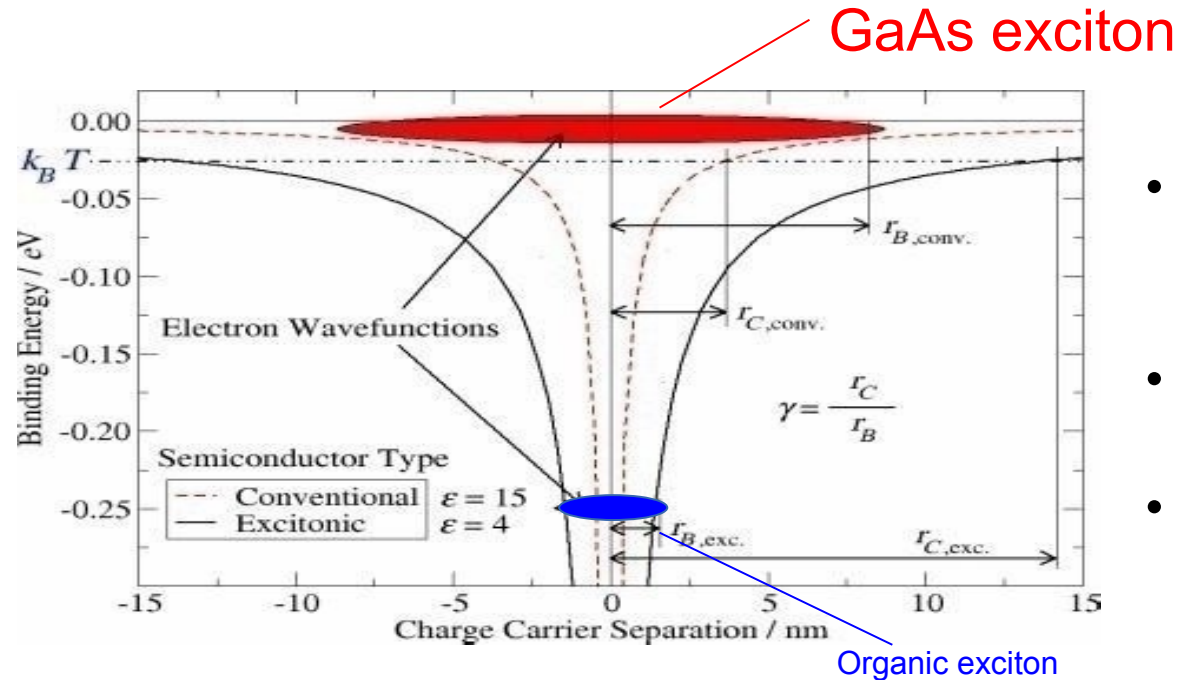


- Emerging PV**
- Dye-sensitized cells
 - Perovskite cells
 - Organic cells
 - ▲ Organic tandem cells
 - ◆ CZTSSe cells
 - ◆ Quantum dot cells
 - ◆ Perovskite tandem cells



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The organic exciton separation problem



- Absorption leads to tightly bound (0.2 ... 0.5 eV) excitons
- Separation in electric field inefficient
- Usual solar cell structure does not work

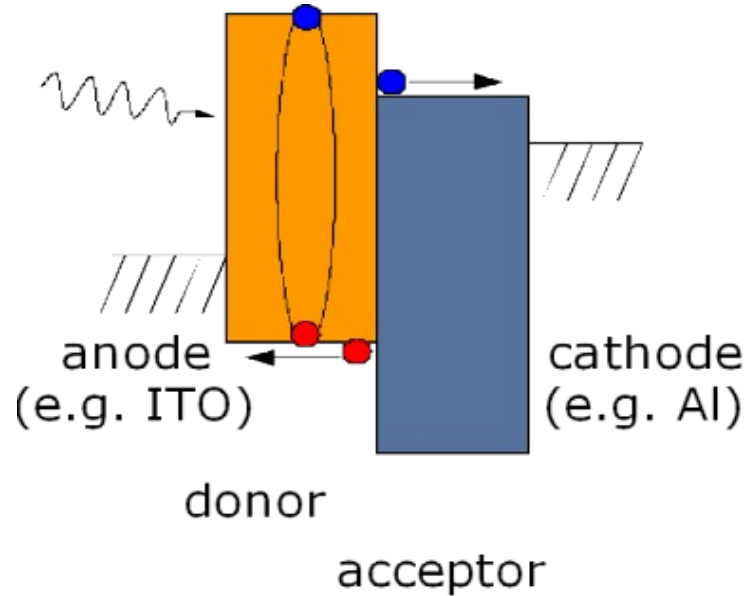
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Exciton separation at a heterojunction

Flat heterojunction (FHJ)

bulk heterojunction (BHJ)



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The first organic solar cell

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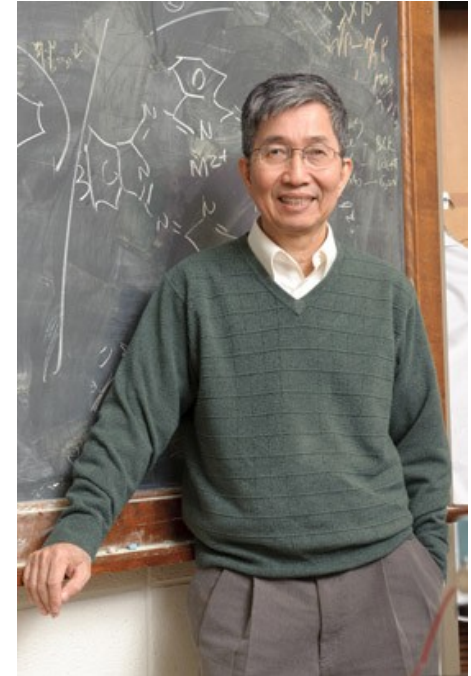
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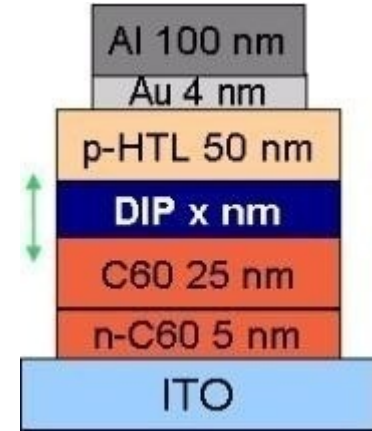
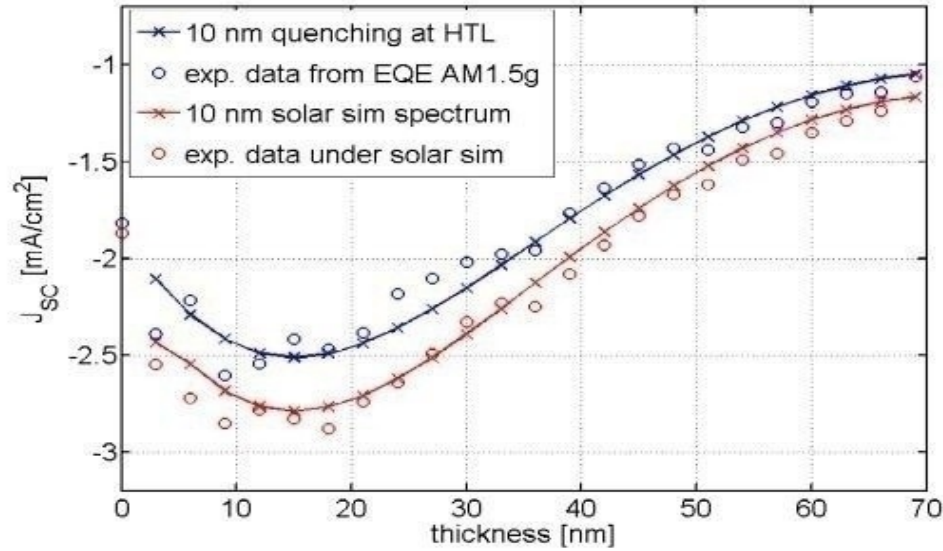
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Exciton diffusion length

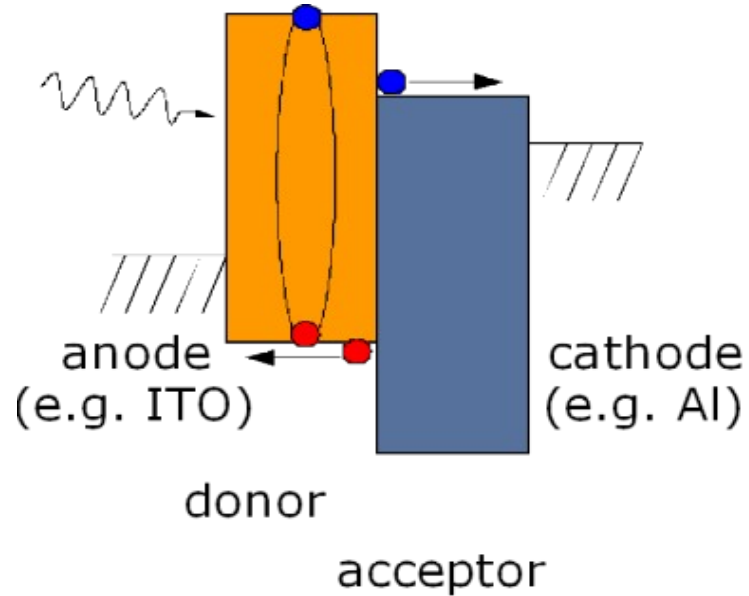


Exciton diffusion length $L_D = (10 \pm 1)$ nm:

Much smaller than absorption length!

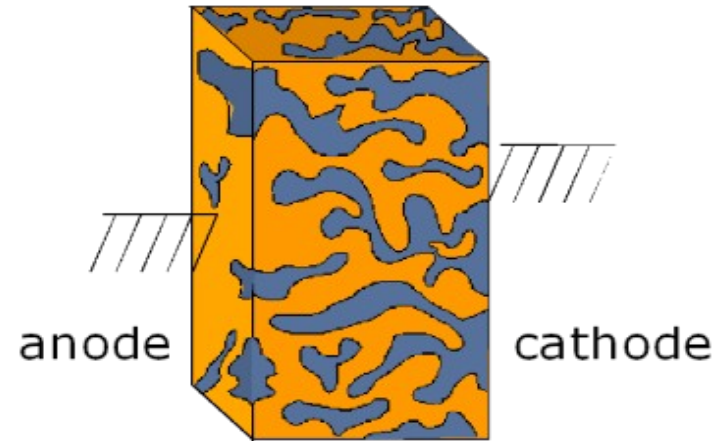
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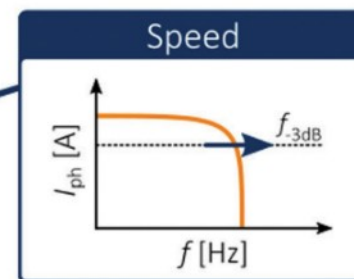
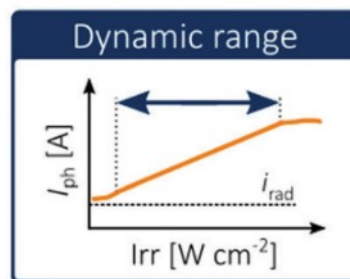
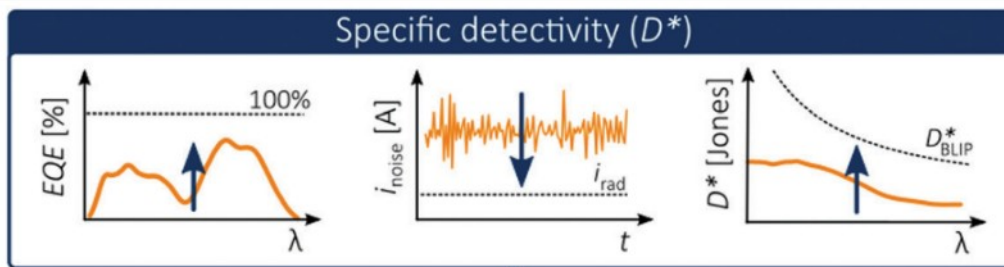
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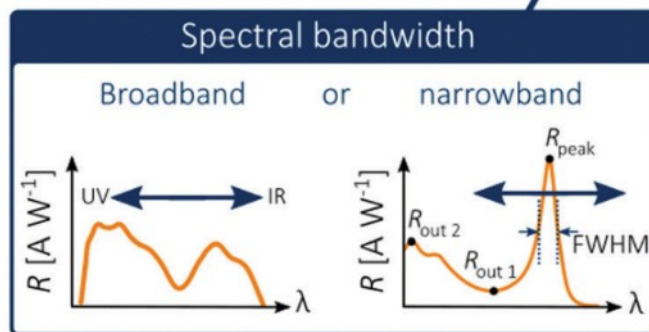
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With Banerji (Bern, CH) and Ortmann (Munich) groups

Organic Photodectors



Towards high performance OPDs



Versatility

- Transparency
- Bio-compatibility
- Flexibility
- Stretchability

The bottom-right panel lists four properties of organic photodetectors: Transparency, Bio-compatibility, Flexibility, and Stretchability. To the right is a photograph of a flexible, thin-film device on a blue substrate.

Y. Wang et al., Mater. Horiz., 2022, 9, 220

High-Performance Filterless Blue Narrowband Organic Photodetectors

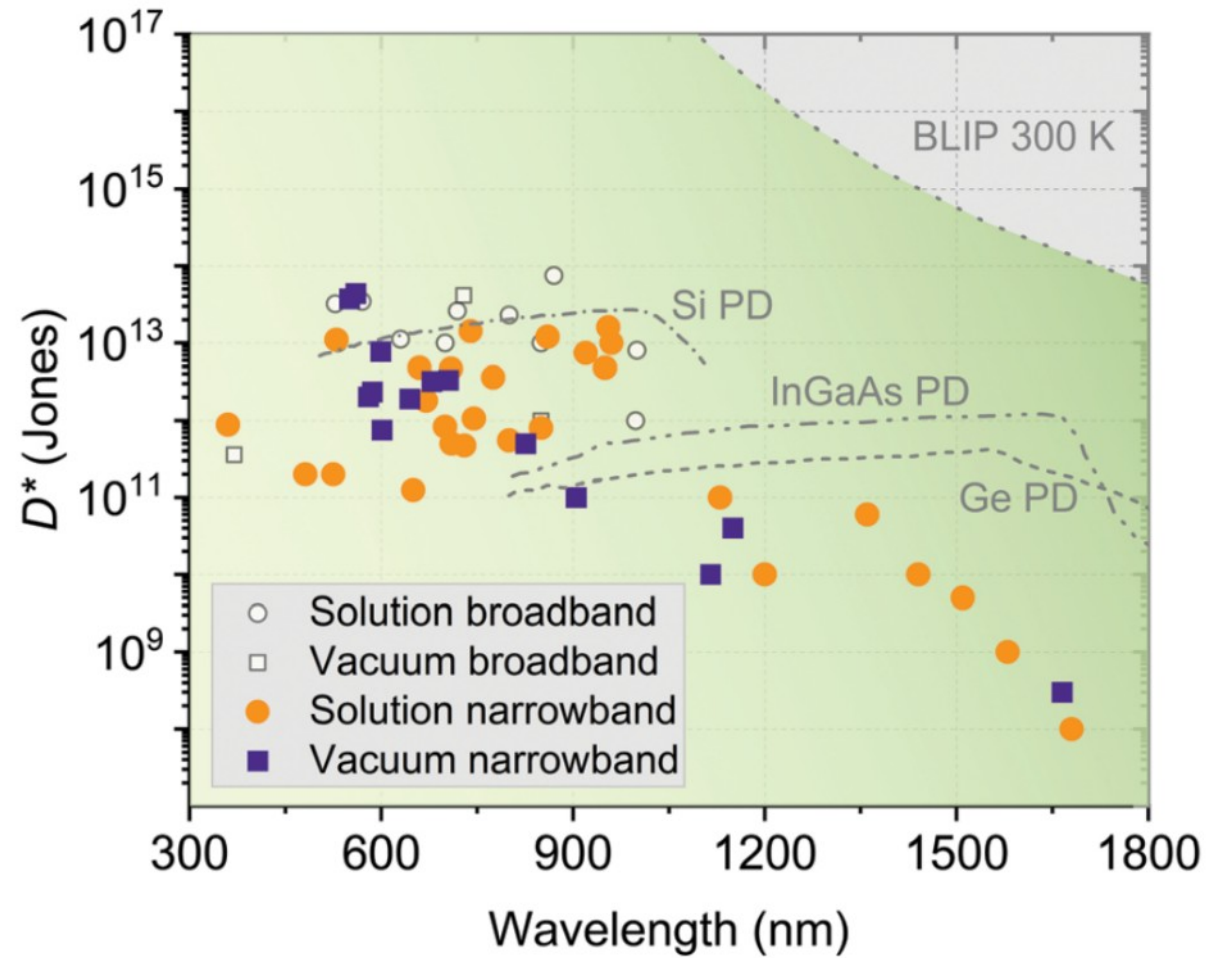
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Performance of Organic Photodetectors

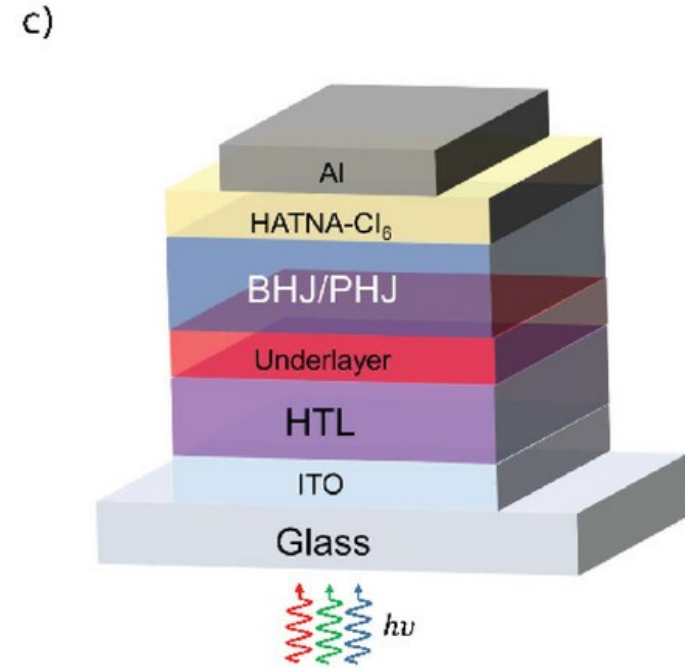
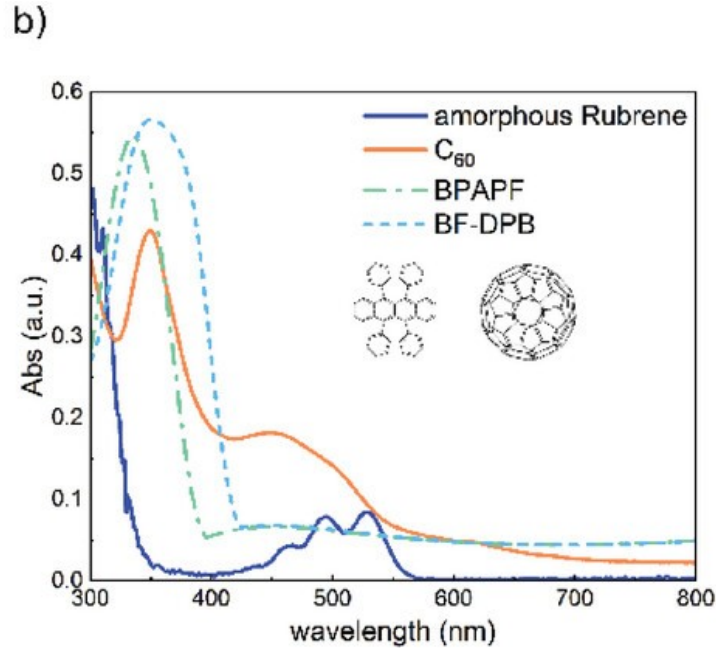
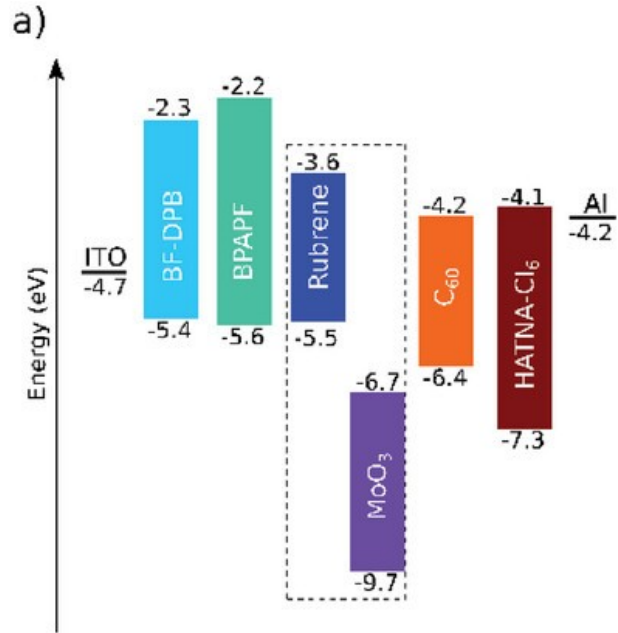
$$D^* = \frac{q\lambda EQE}{hcS_n} \quad (\text{cm Hz}^{1/2} \text{ W}^{-1} \text{ or Jones})$$

With S_n spectral noise density
(which is mainly determined by dark current)

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Rubrene organic photodiodes

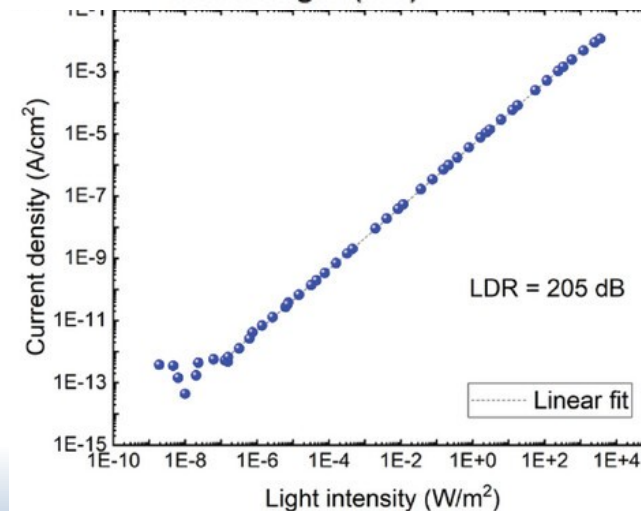
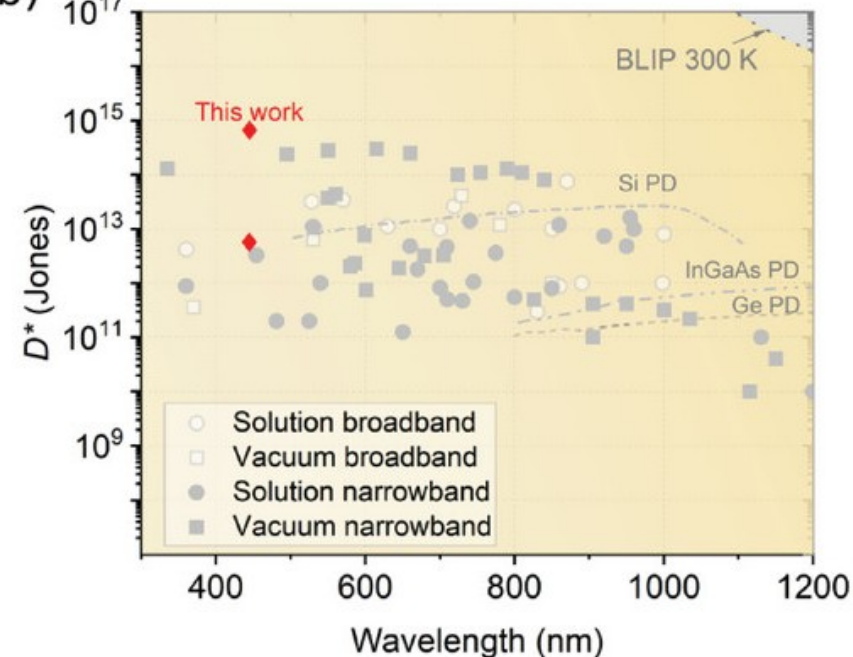


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Extremely high detectivity

- Specific detectivity (D^*) reaching record-high value of 6.35×10^{14} Jones
- Better than silicon photodiodes
- Excellent linear dynamic range (LDR)

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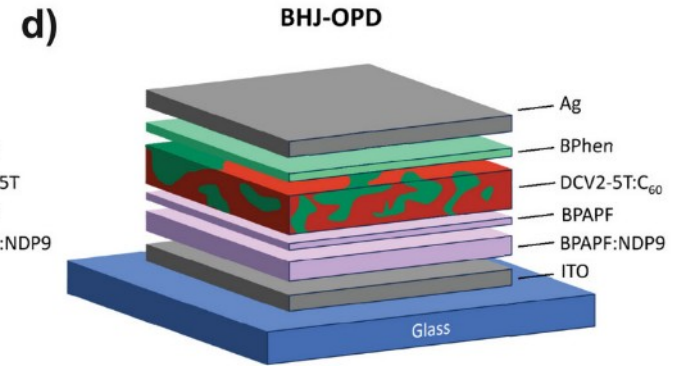
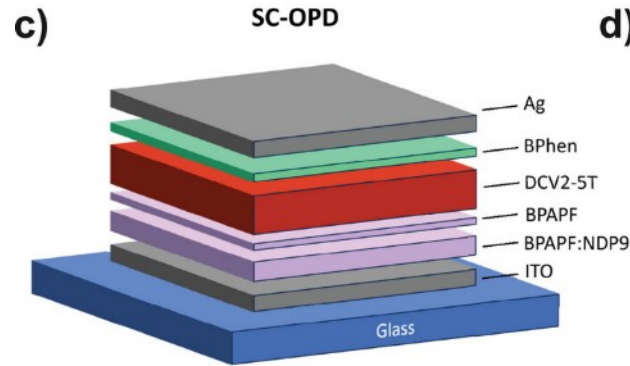
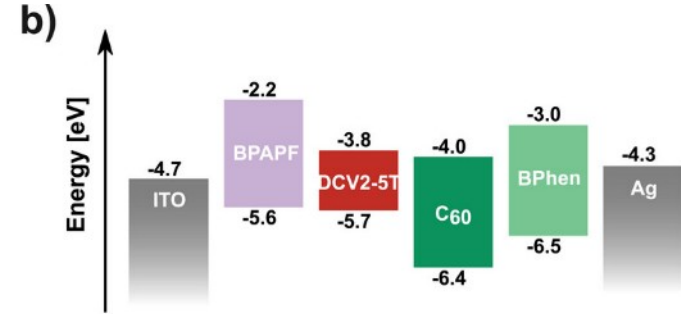
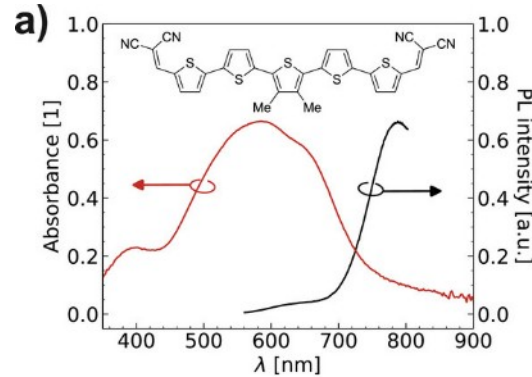


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Single-Component vs bulk heterojunction

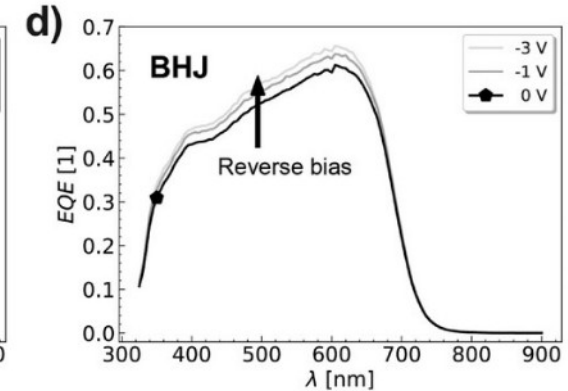
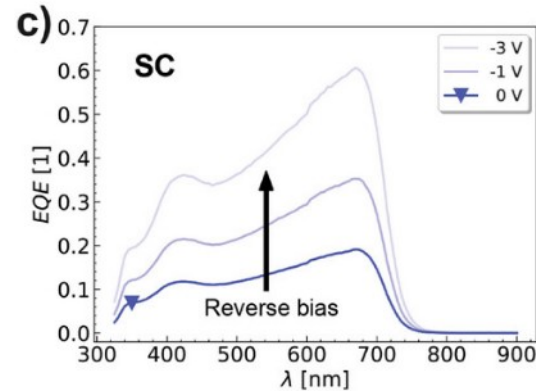
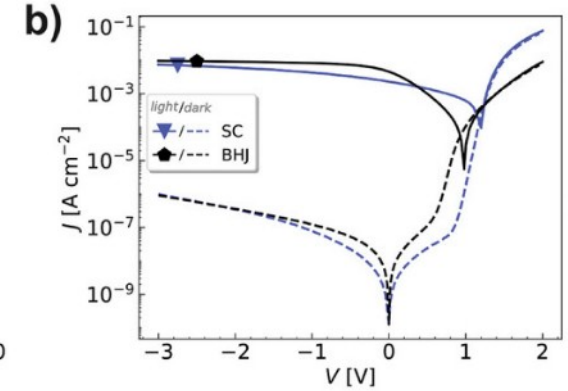
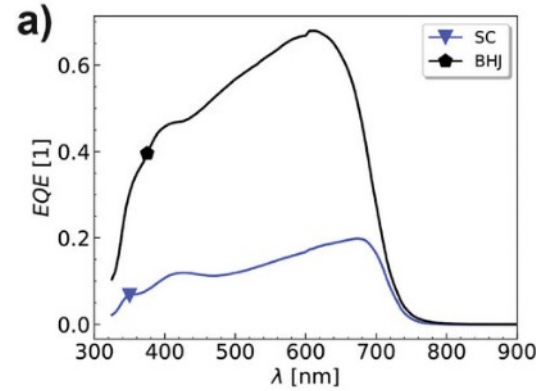
- Thiophene donor (from Bäuerle group, Ulm)
- Around 10% efficiency, high voltage loss in BHJ



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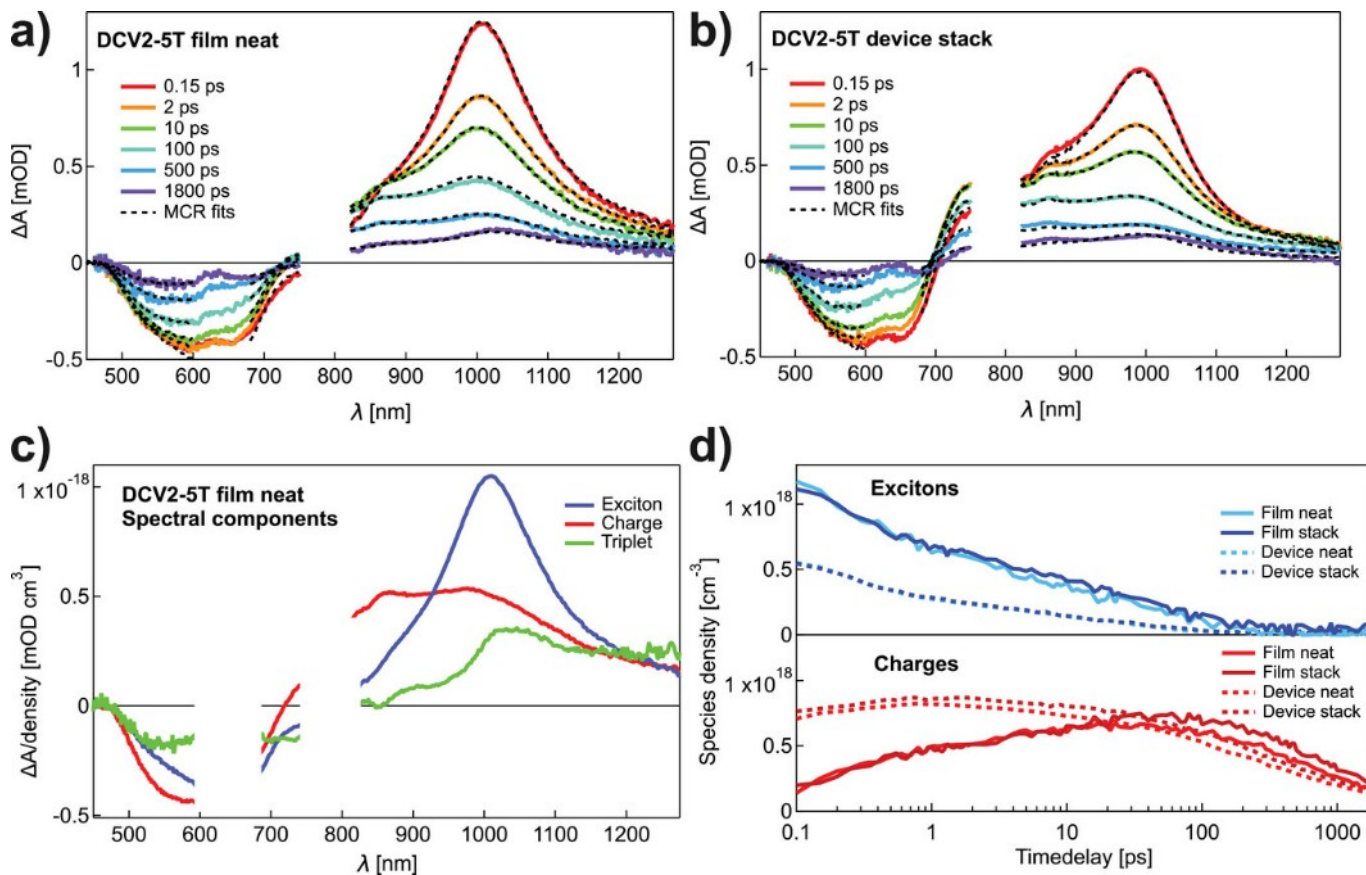
SC vs BHJ: External Quantum Efficiency

- Fairly high quantum efficiency even without heterojunction
- Small electric field separates excitons almost completely!
- Excellent detectors: specific detectivities of $1 \cdot 10^{13}$ Jones



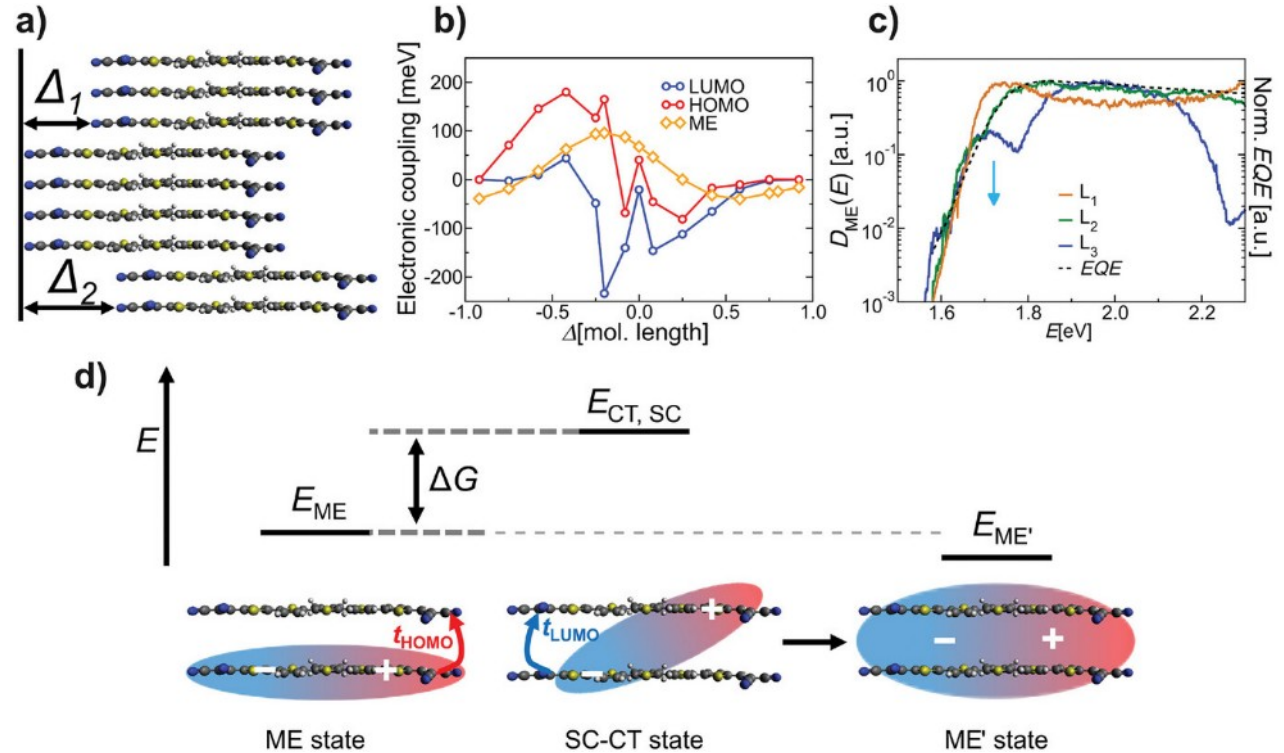
Transient Absorption Study (Banerji group)

- Almost instantaneous ($<1\text{ps}$) carrier generation
- Observed in neat film and device stack
- Stronger in device stack with electrodes: confirms field dependence



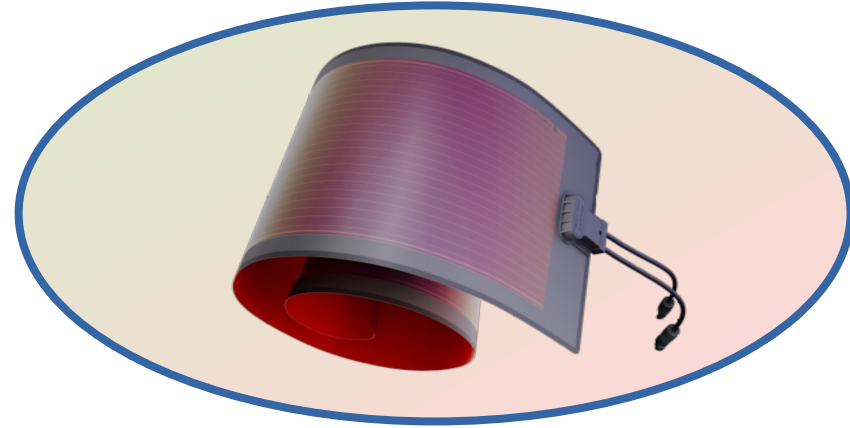
Theoretical interpretation (Ortmann group)

- Strong electronic coupling of molecular exciton and charge transfer states
- Coupling depends on lateral shift Δ of the molecular π -stack
- Disorder in Δ supports exciton separation

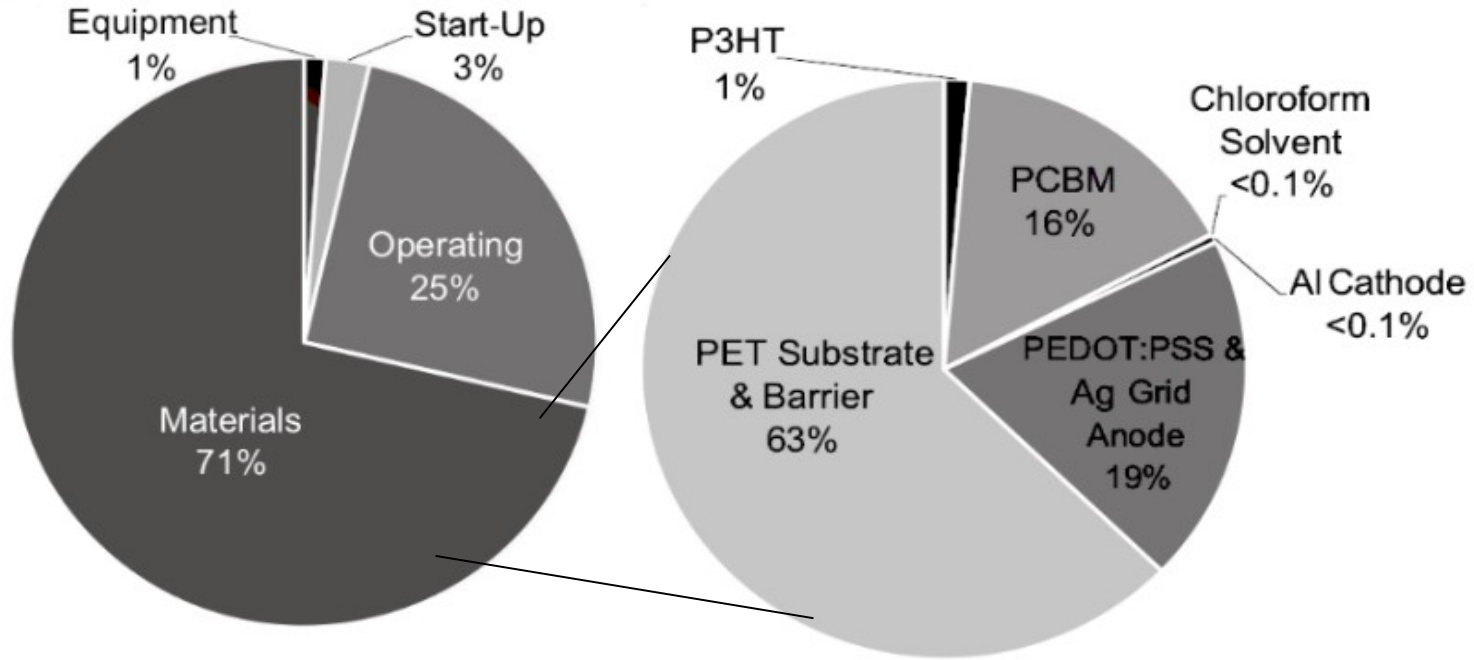


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- Research Challenges in Organic Solar Cells
- **Manufacturing of Organic Solar Cells**
- Applications



Cost distribution



Total cost: $7.80 (\pm 2)$ US\$/m² ≈ 0.05 US\$/Watt_{peak} ≈ 0.02 US\$/kWh*

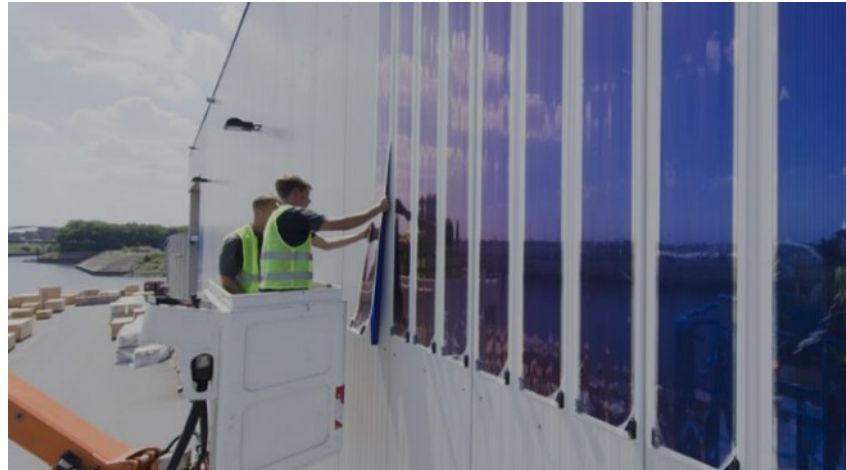
* if system cost can be scaled similarly



Dresden Mass Manufacturing Line
5,000 m² floor space
~1 million m²/year capacity

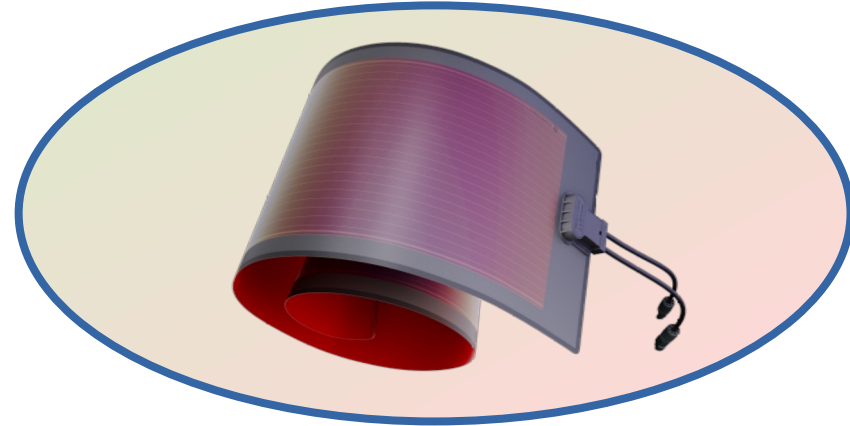
Carbon Dioxide Budget (Heliatek analysis)

- Manufacturing: 16 kg CO₂ per m²
- Results in 7-9g CO₂ per kWh (in central Europe, better in southern locations)
- Energy fed back after 3 months operation, 4-10x better than crystalline silicon
- Southern locations: **Lowest CO₂ footprint** of any energy generating technology!

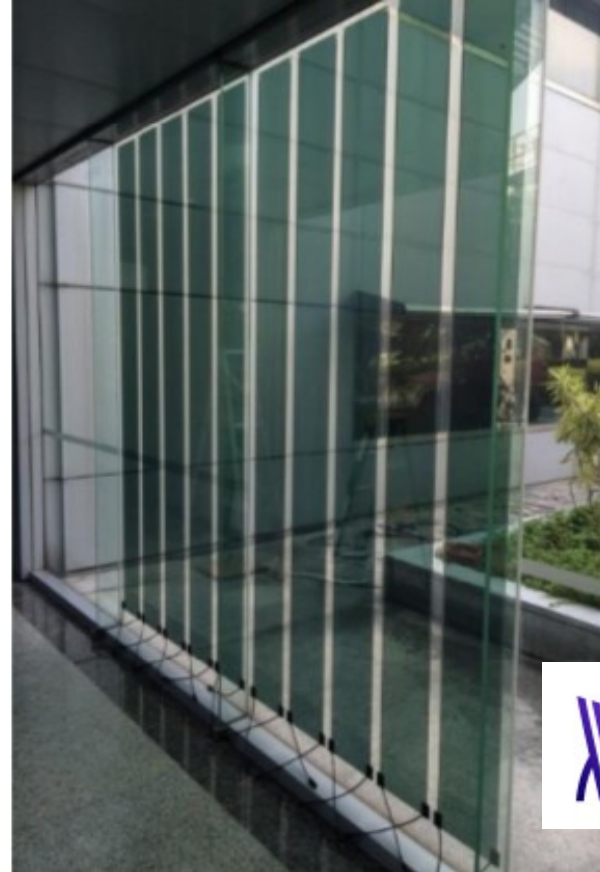


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Transparent BIPV installations: Singapore



Lifetime >20 years expected in outdoor environment

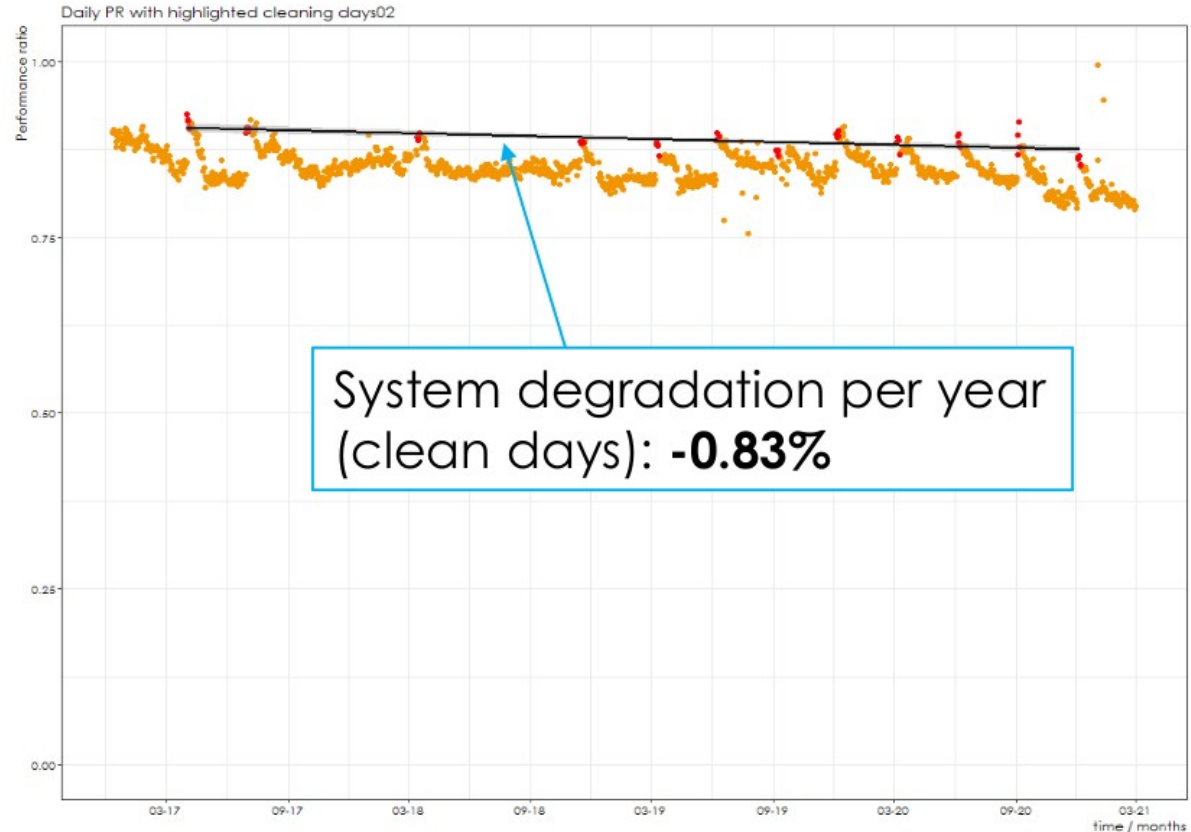
Seris Outdoor Module Testing in Singapore

Test:

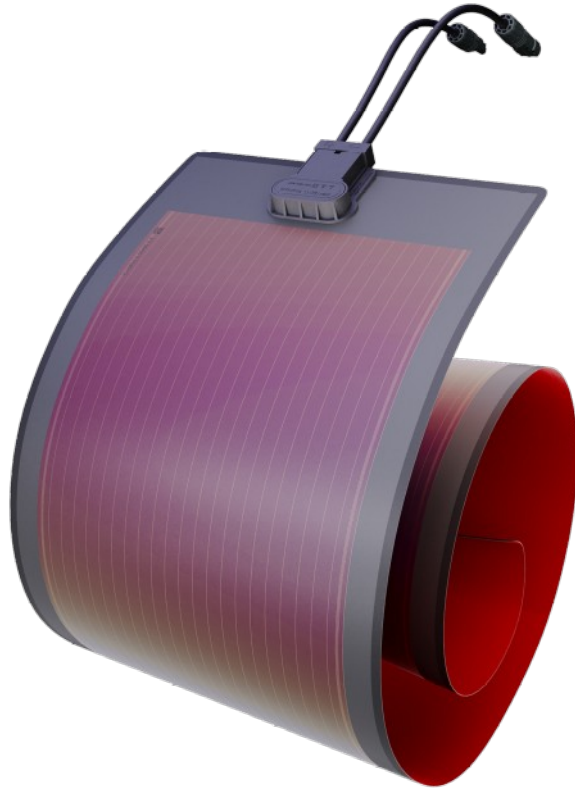
- Nominal module power: 22 Wp
- Test period: From Dec 2016 onwards (ongoing)
- Data saved daily

Finding:

- Performance ratio decreases only
< 1 % per year




Heliatek reaches IEC 61215 certification (first OPV)





Installation on metal façades at Erlanger Stadtwerke (ESTW)



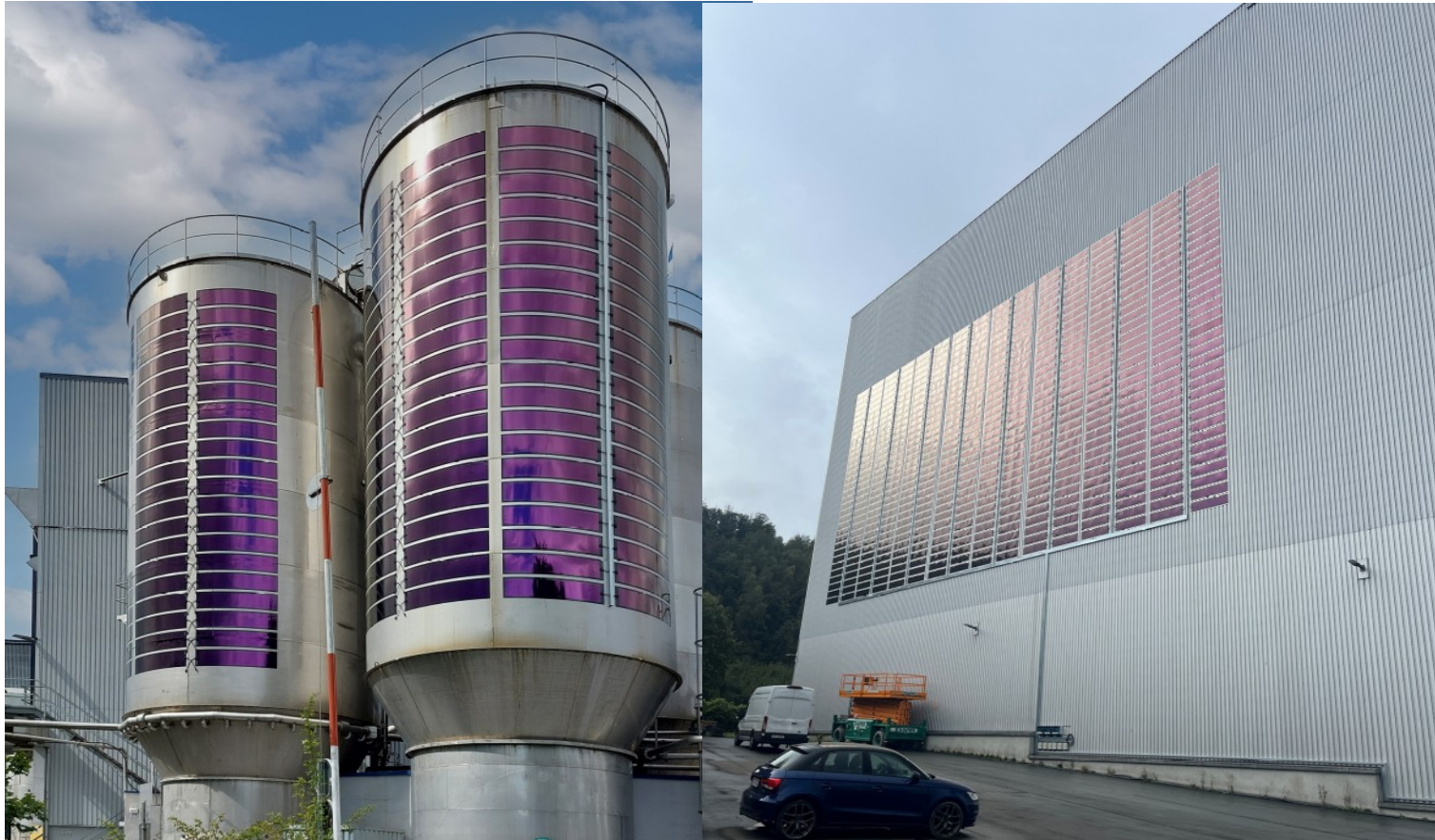
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 The installation consists of 99 modules with a total capacity of 5.5 kWp on a metal facade.

Tanks and façade of a high-rack warehouse




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 September 2024

 Two-part installation with 180 modules on tanks and 528 modules on the façade of a high-rack warehouse. The installation has a total capacity of 39 kWp.

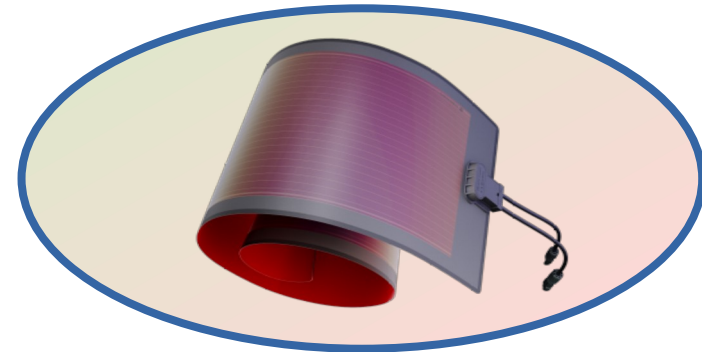
World's largest Organic PV plant: 37.7kW_p SAMSUNG Advanced Institute of Technology, Suwon, South Korea



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Conclusions

- Organic photovoltaics: promising in terms of materials and environment
- Certified modules commercially produced
- Main challenge: raise module efficiency to 20+ percent



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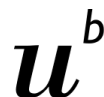
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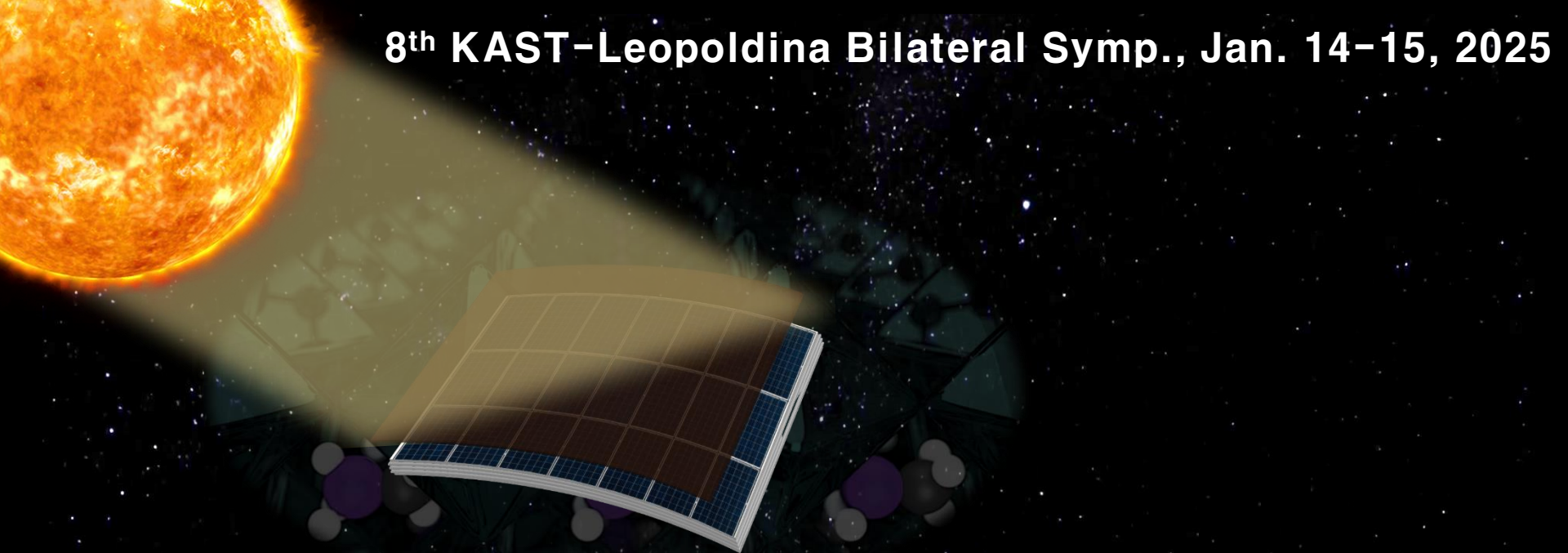
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Perovskite-based Tandems: Perovskite/Si 2J and beyond

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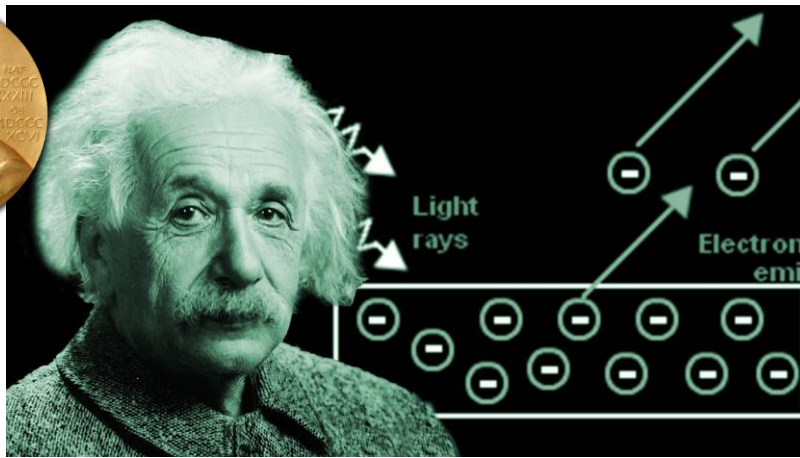
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- Introduction of perovskite-based tandem PVs
- 2-/3-terminal subcell characterization platforms
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Theoretical background

▶ Photoelectric effect



Photon \rightarrow Electron
Nobel prize in Physics
(1921)

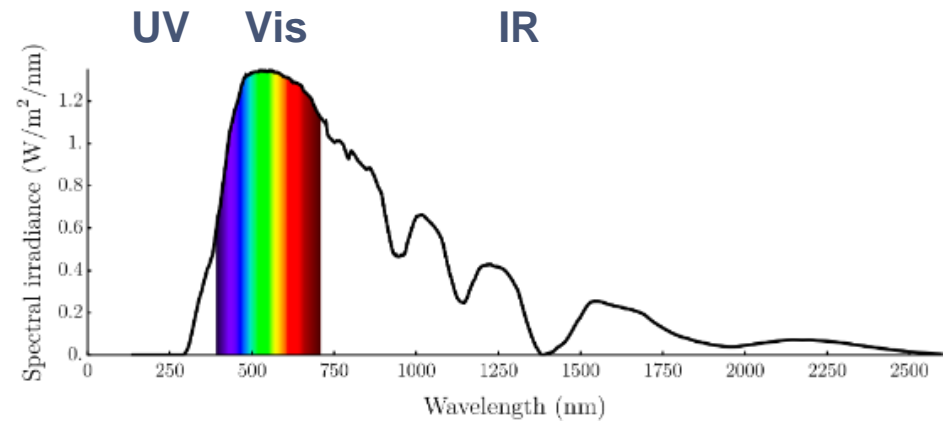
▶ Photovoltaic effect

Conduction band

Band gap

Valence band

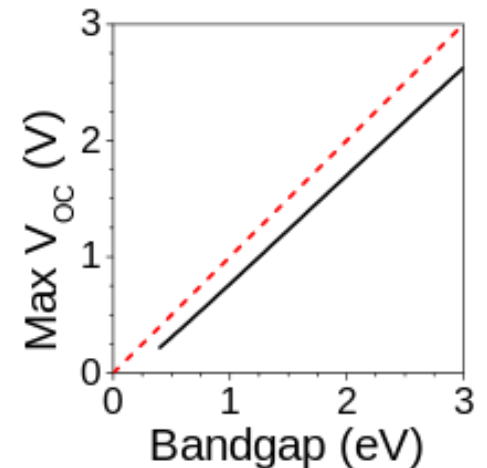
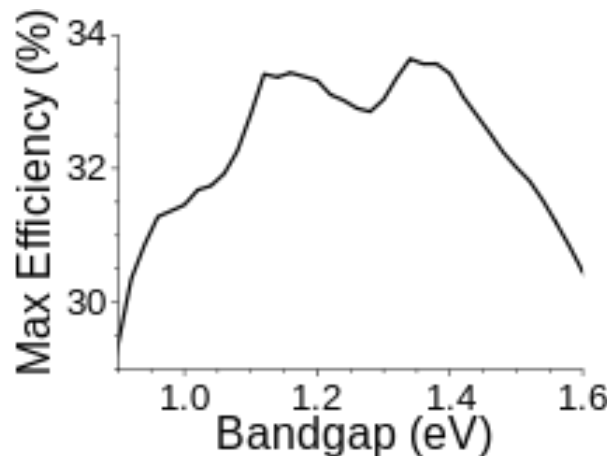
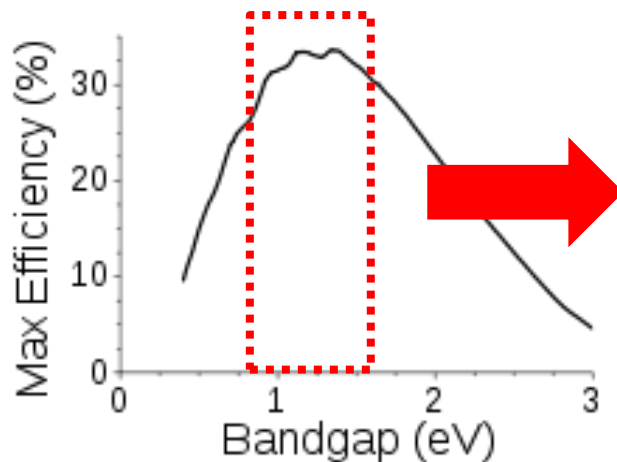
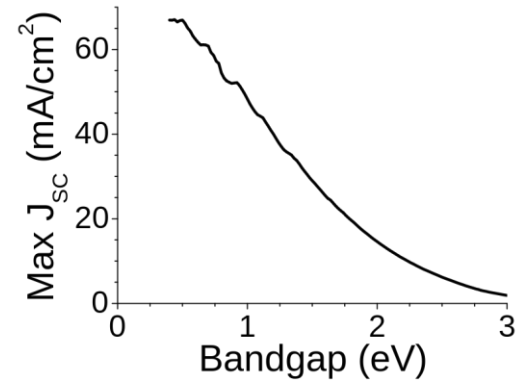
Semiconductor



Solar spectrum

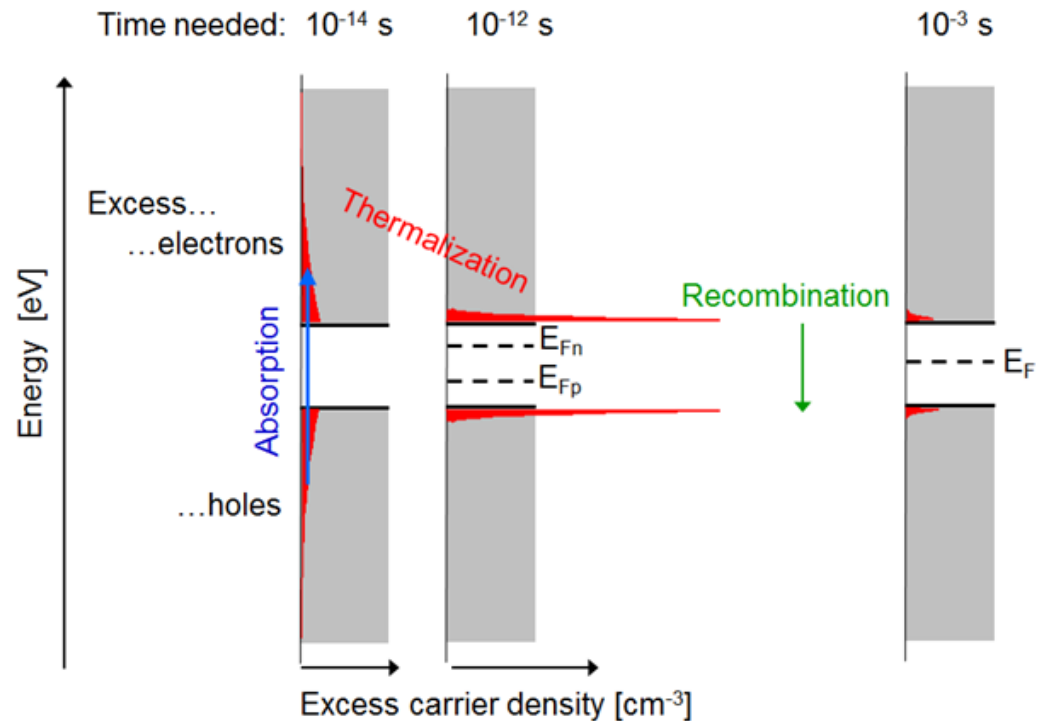
Shockley-Queisser limit

- William Shockley and Hans J. Queisser, "Detailed Balance Limit of Efficiency of p-n Junction Solar Cells", Journal of Applied Physics, Volume 32, pp. 510-519 (1961)
- The Shockley-Queisser limit for the efficiency of a solar cell, without concentration of solar radiation.
- The curve is wiggly because of absorption bands in the atmosphere.

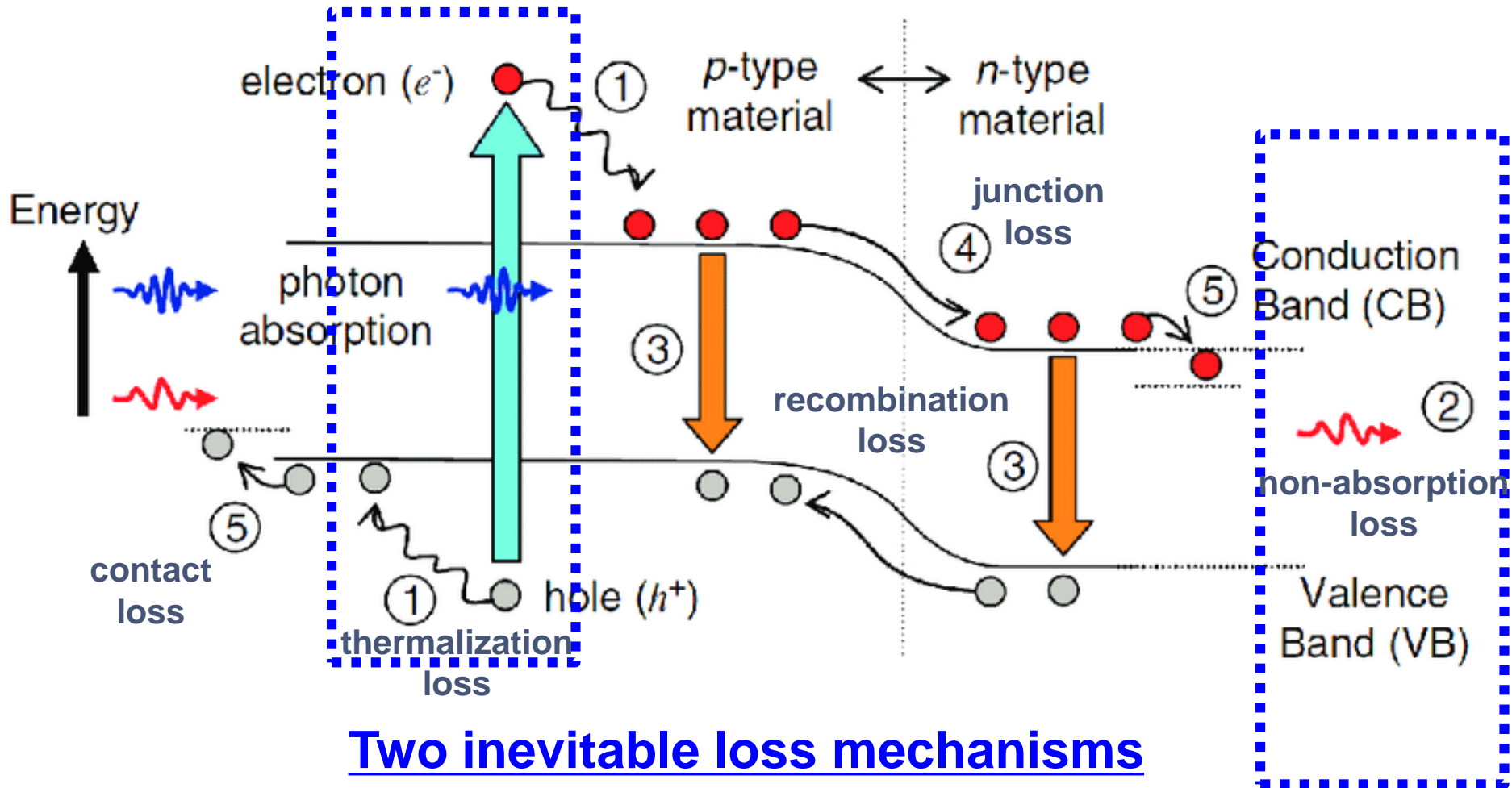


Thermalization

- When photons with energy higher than E_g are absorbed, they generate carriers with higher kinetic energy (“**hot**” carriers), but that energy is **quickly lost (\sim ps)** and only E_g of potential energy remains.
- The photogenerated carriers lose any extra kinetic energy by **thermalization** or **cooling**.
- Microscopically, they undergo repeated collisions with the lattice, giving up some of their kinetic energy to **produce phonons** while they decay into a lower energy state, until they are in **thermal equilibrium with the ambient**.



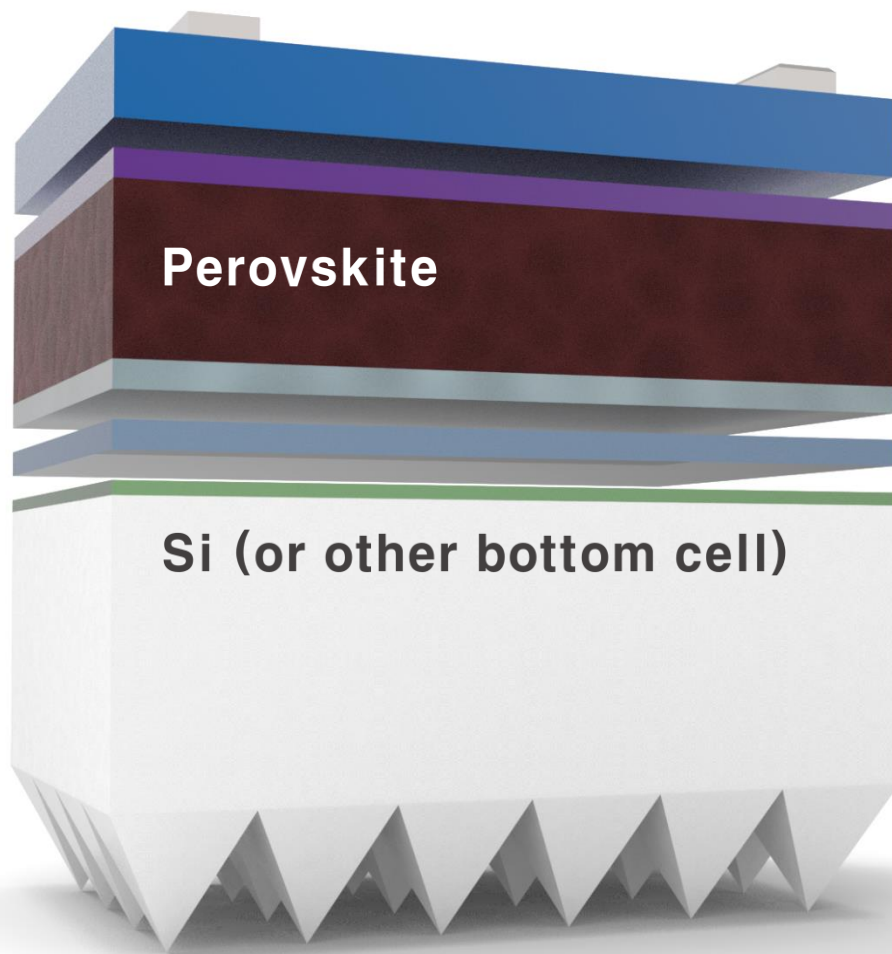
Energy loss mechanisms in PVs



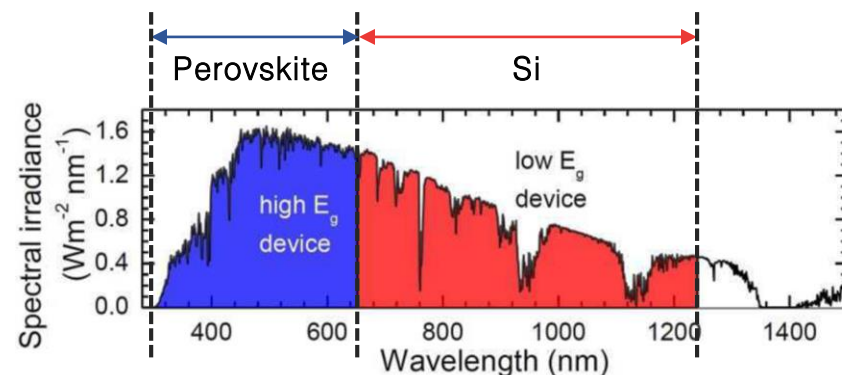
Two inevitable loss mechanisms

- ① Thermalization of hot carriers
- ② Non-absorption of low energy photons

Perovskite-Si tandem solar cell



[Perovskite/Si tandem solar cell]

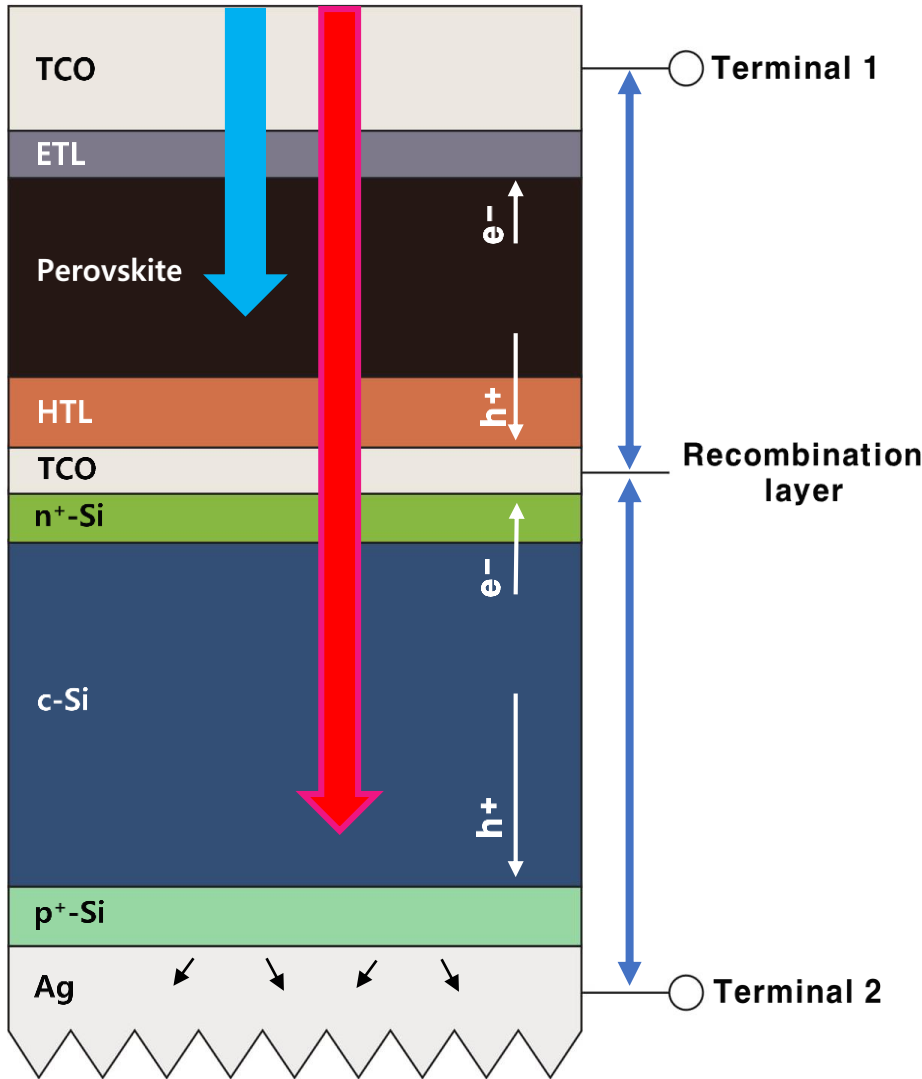


[Solar spectrum]

- High E photons: Perovskite top cell
- Low E photons: Si bottom cell

➔ **High efficiency (>35%)**
due to less thermalization loss

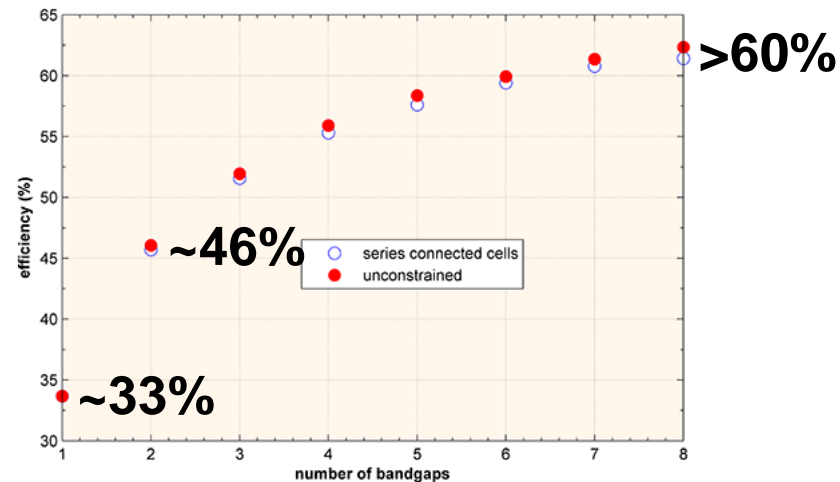
Perovskite-Si tandem solar cell



[Perovskite/Si Tandem]

Series connected subcells

- $V_{\text{tandem}} = V_{\text{top}} + V_{\text{bottom}}$
→ **Increasing subcell voltage!**
- $J_{\text{tandem}} = J_{\text{top}} * J_{\text{bottom}} / (J_{\text{top}} + J_{\text{bottom}})$
→ **Matching subcell current!**
- **$PCE_{\text{tandem}} > PCE_{\text{top}} \& PCE_{\text{bottom}}$**

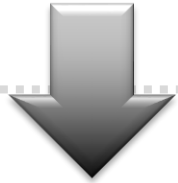
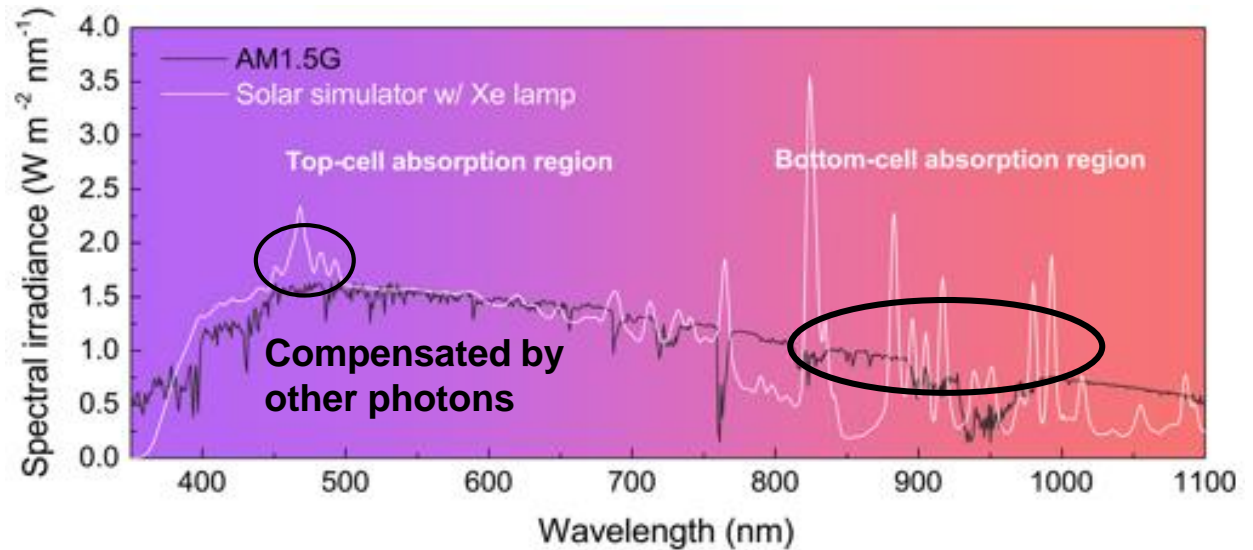


Issues for tandem characterization

Optical issues:

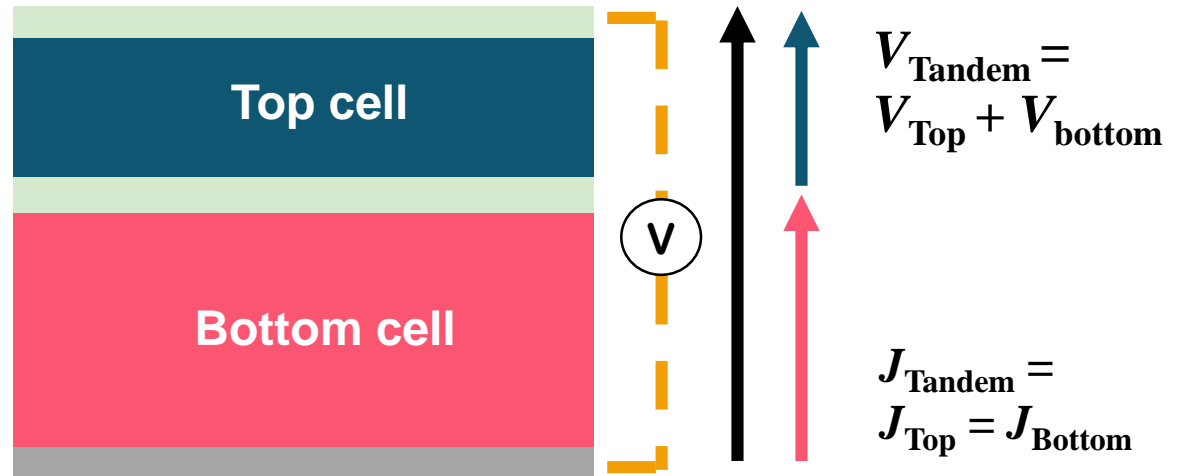
Spectral mismatch

→ **Accurate EQE measurement required!**



Electrical issues:

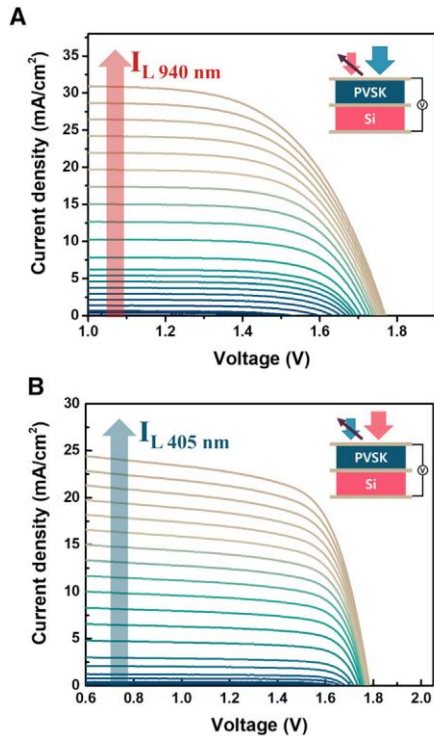
Decoupling between subcells is difficult in monolithic devices



2-T/3-T subcell characterization platform

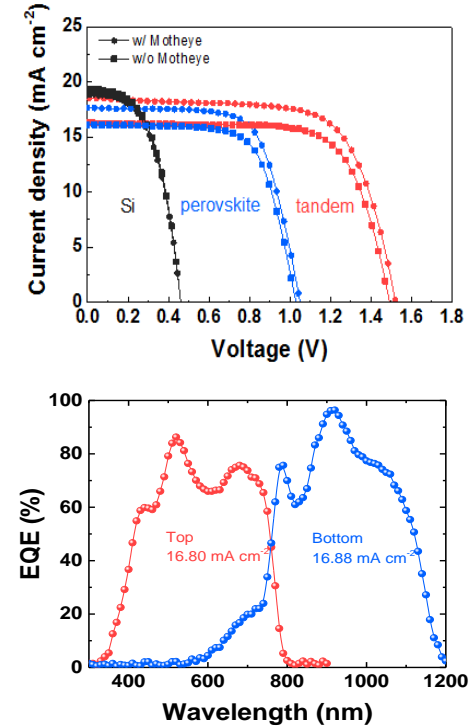
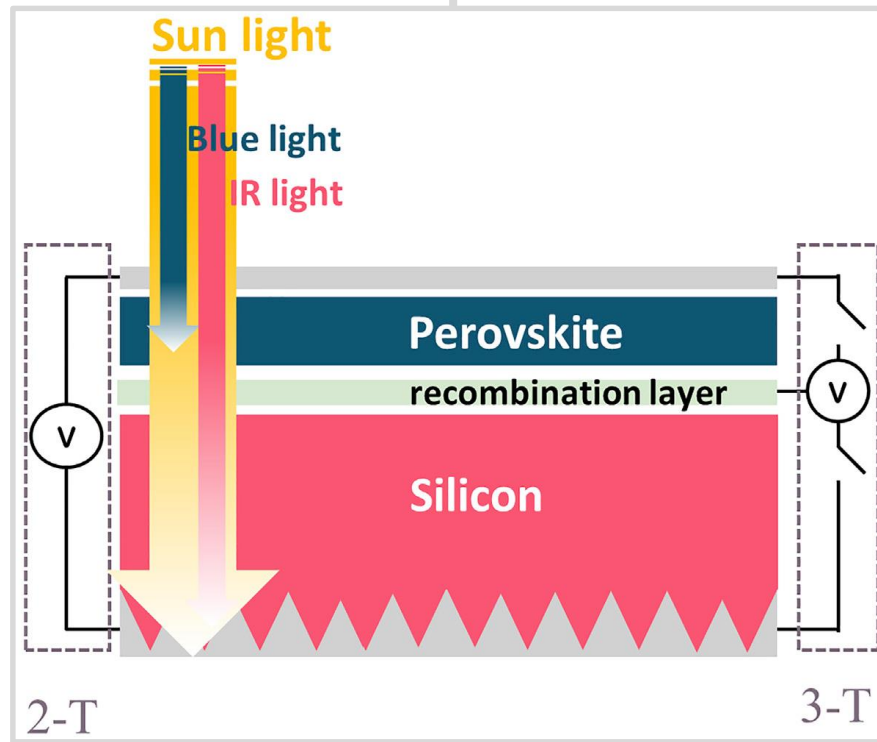
2-T platform

(subcell-selective light bias)



3-T platform

(direct contact to subcells)



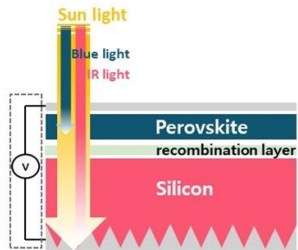
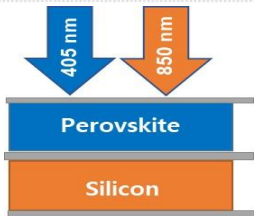
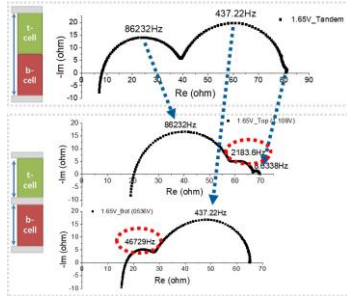
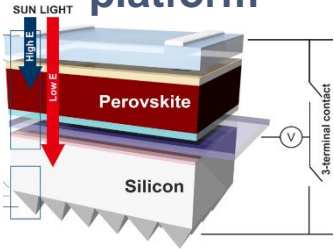
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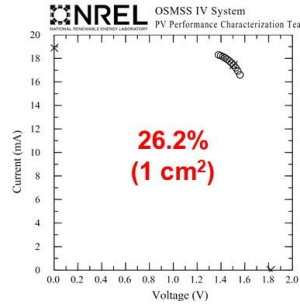
- **2-/3-terminal platforms** for accurate subcell characterization (e.g., EQE without being disturbed by spectral mismatch, and thus accurate J_{SC} values)

Progress summary

Measurement platform



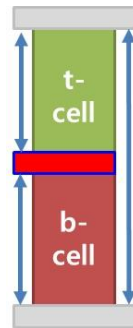
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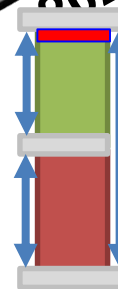
Grain boundary passivation (**26.7%**)
Science, 368, 155-160 (2020)



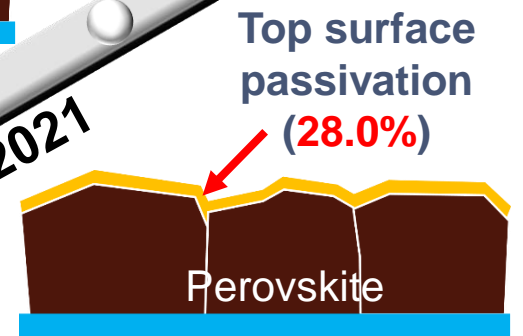
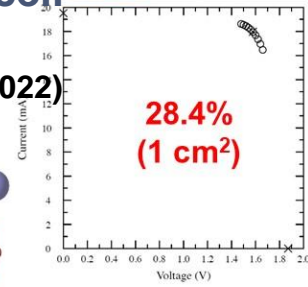
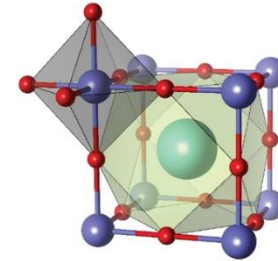
Photon management (recombination layer, **23.4%**)
Joule 3, 807-818 (2019)



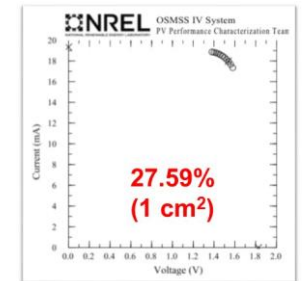
Photon management (window layer, **25.6%**)
Adv. Optical Mater., 9, 2100788 (2021)



Pure-halide top cell (**29.4%**)
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Top surface passivation (**28.0%**)

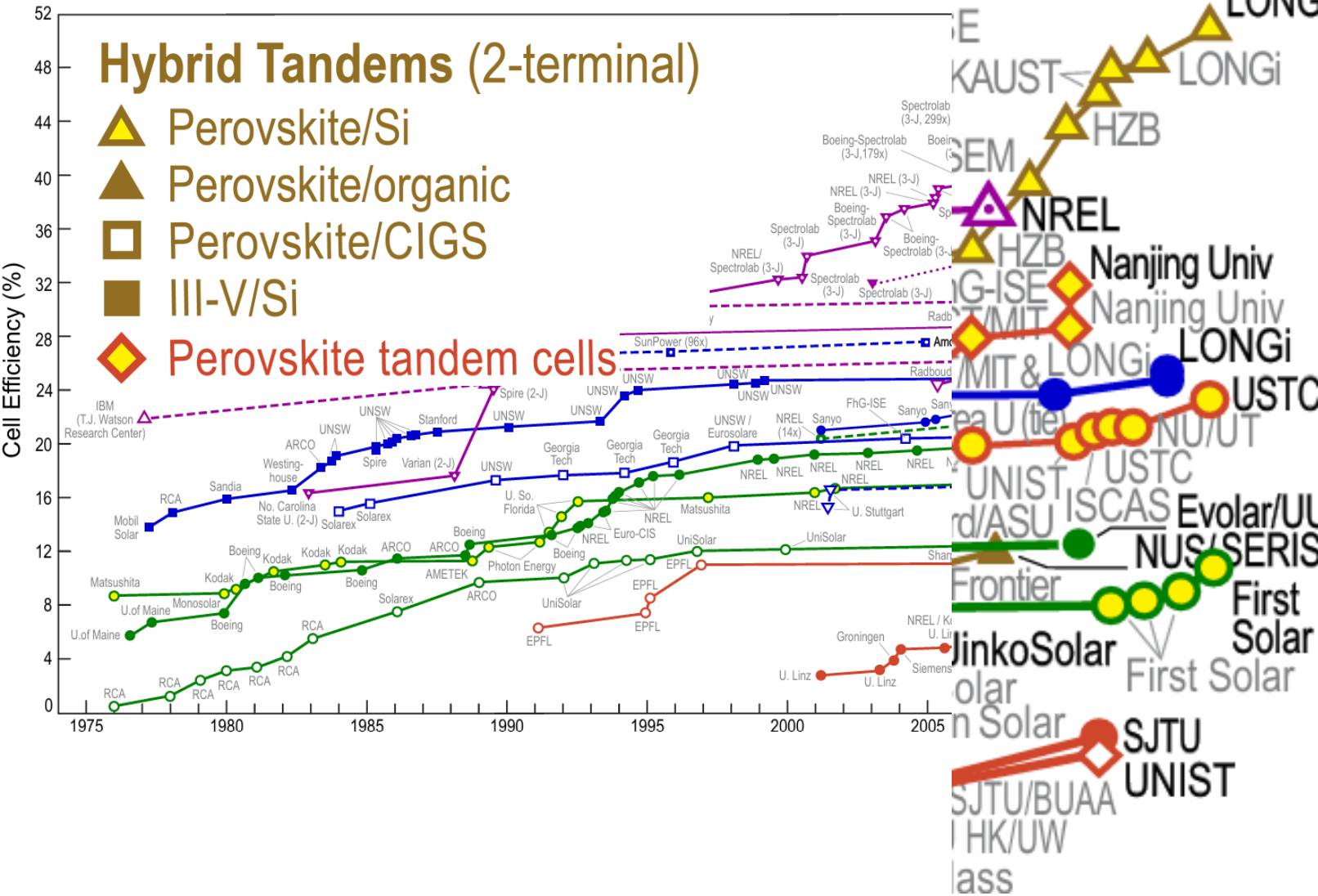


New NREL efficiency chart

Best Research-Cell Efficiencies

Hybrid Tandems (2-terminal)

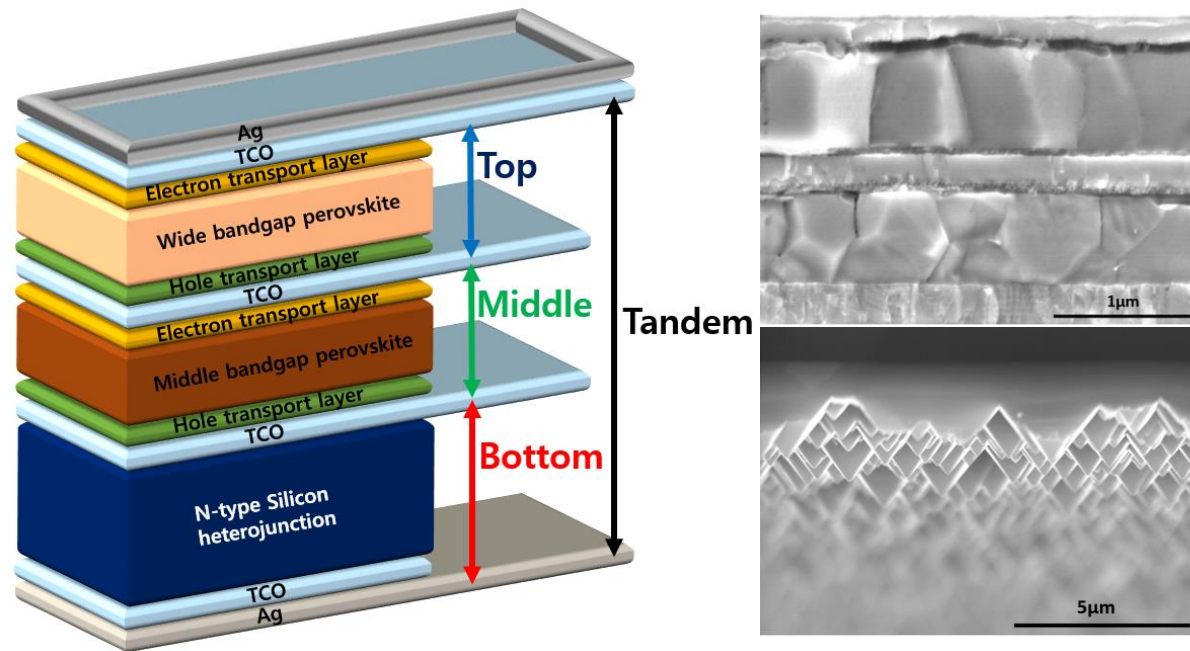
- ▲ Perovskite/Si
- ▲ Perovskite/organic
- Perovskite/CIGS
- III-V/Si
- ◆ Perovskite tandem cells



FhG-ISE/AMOLF	36.1%
LONGi	34.6%
LONGi	32.9%
NREL	30.8%
NREL	29.1%
Nanjing Univ	29.1%
Nanjing Univ	27.8%
LONGi	27.6%
USTC	27.3%
USTC	26.7%
USTC	26.1%
Evolar/UU	24.2%
NUS/SERIS	23.6%
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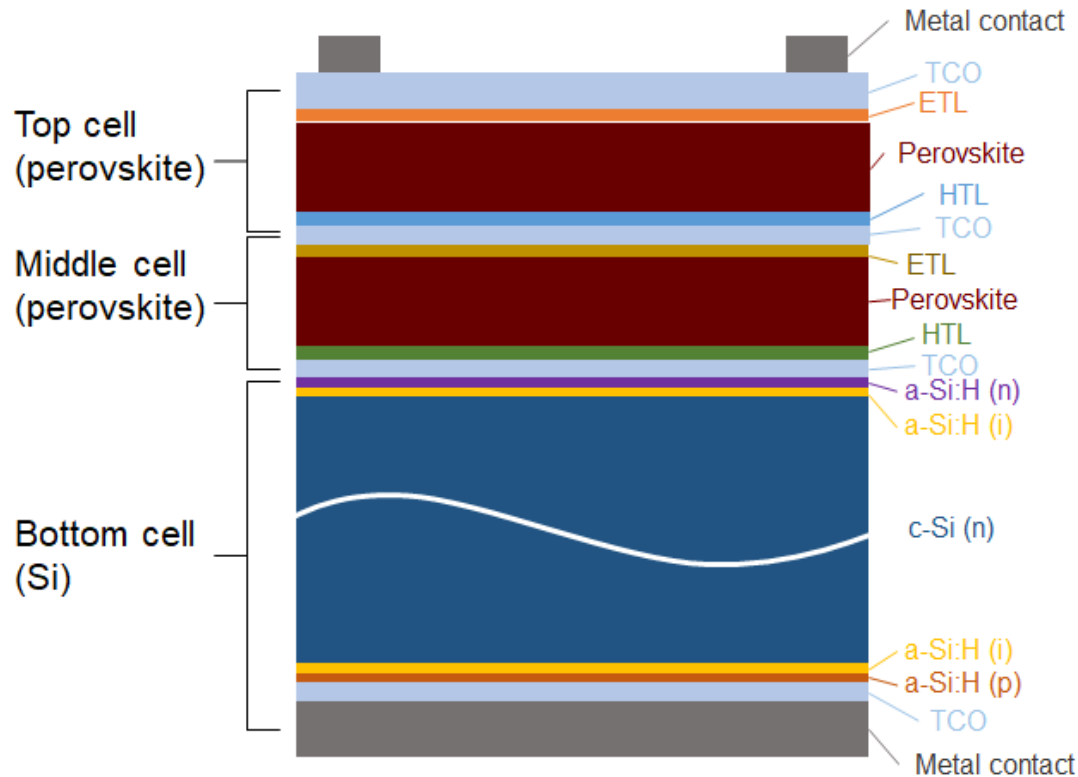
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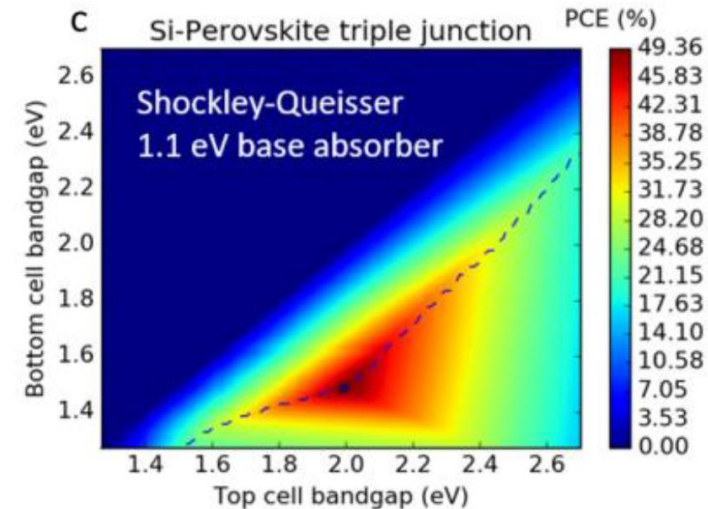
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Perovskite-based 3J tandem

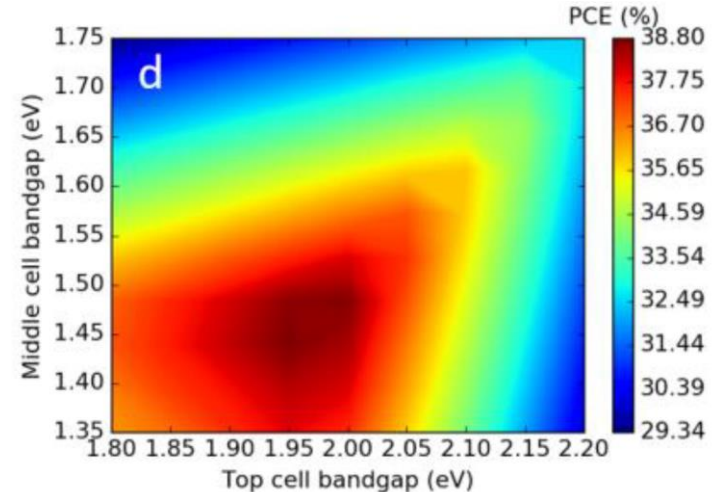


top cell / middle cell / bottom cell
 ~ **2.0 eV** / ~1.5 eV / 1.1 eV (c-Si)

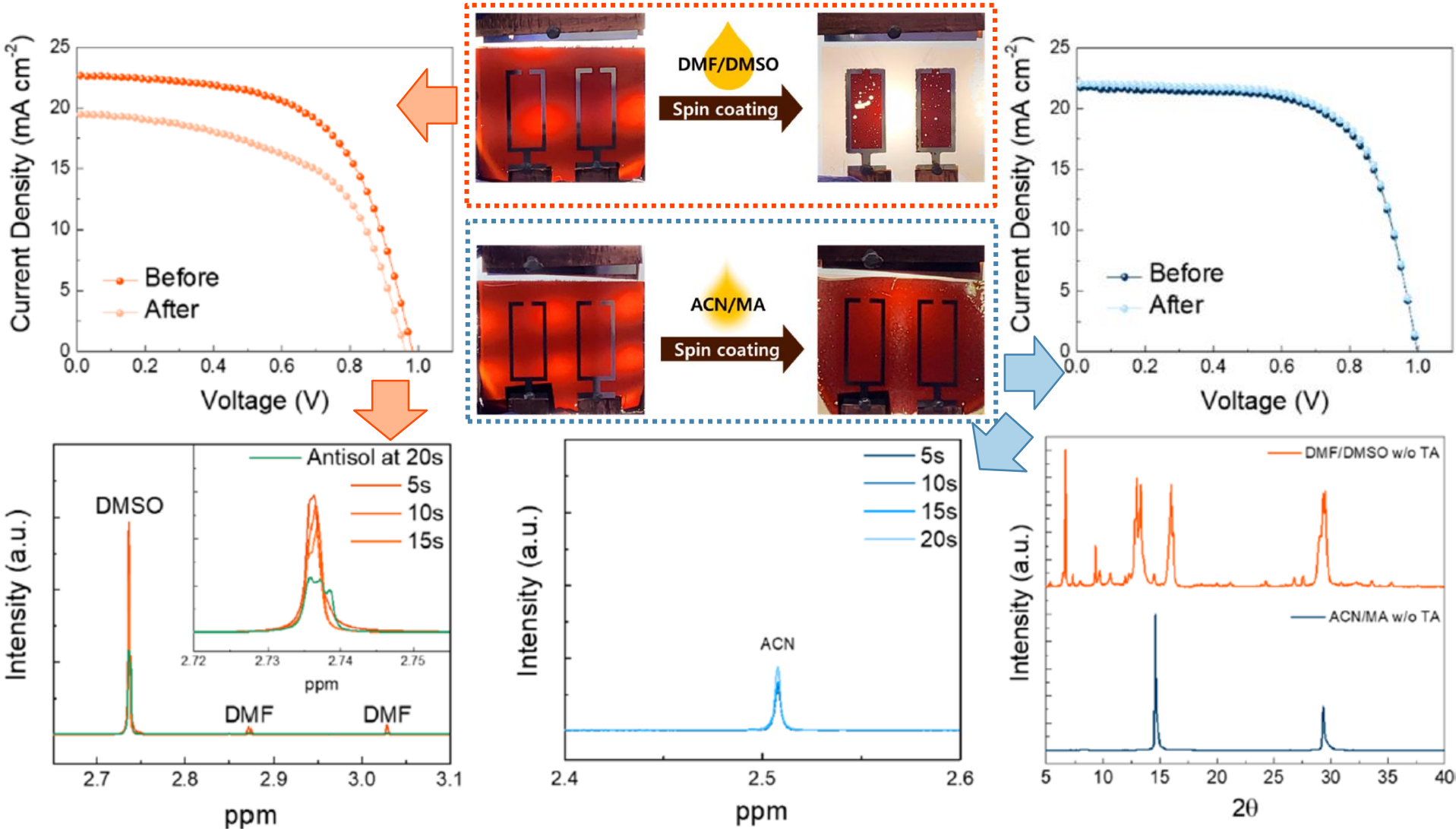
- Poor performance and photo-instability of top cells
- Middle cell degradation during top cell processing



- **SQ limit: 49.36%**
- **Considering interfacial layers: 38.8%**



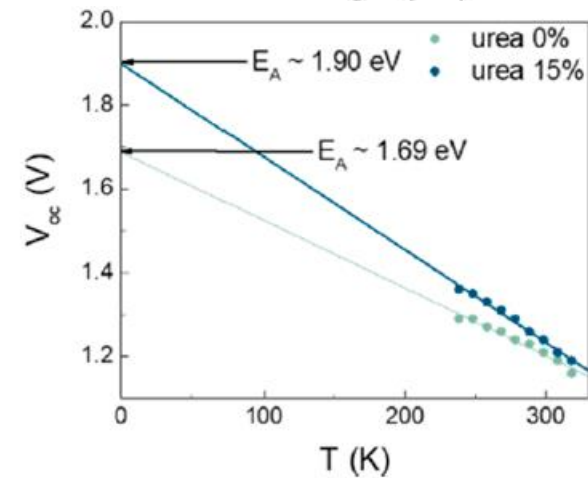
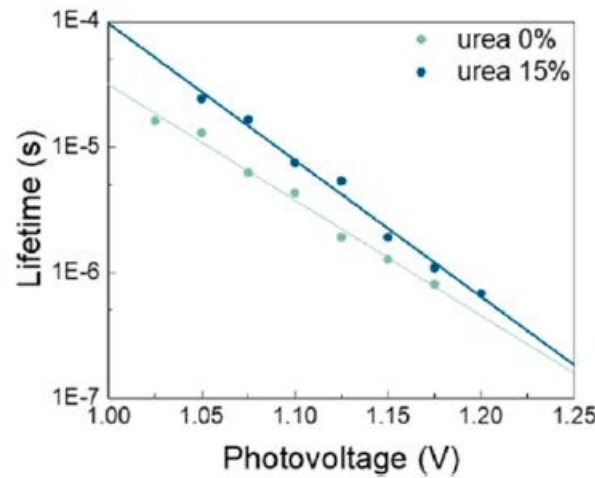
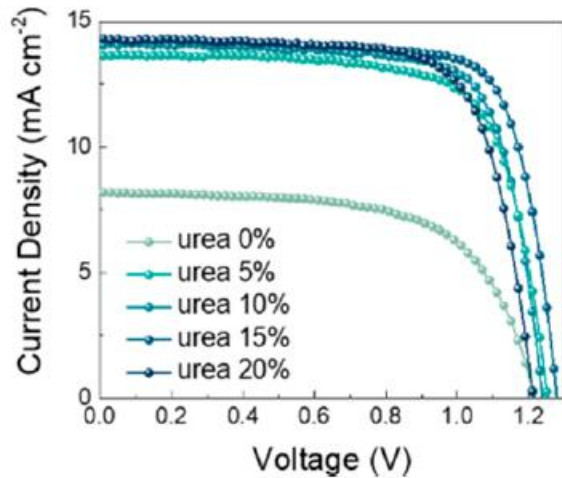
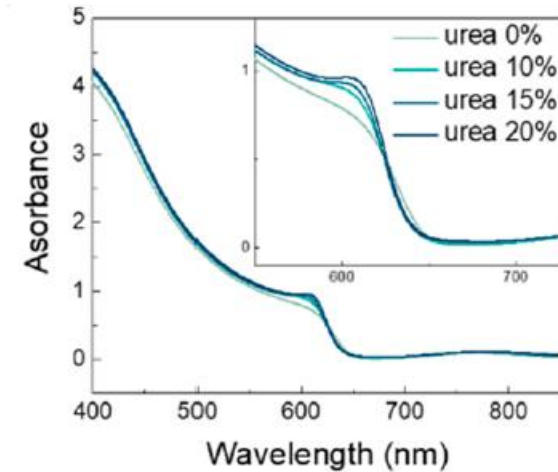
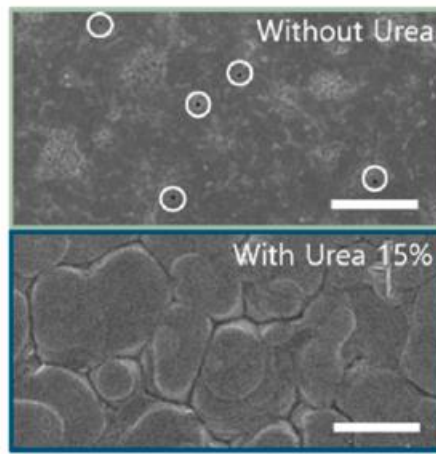
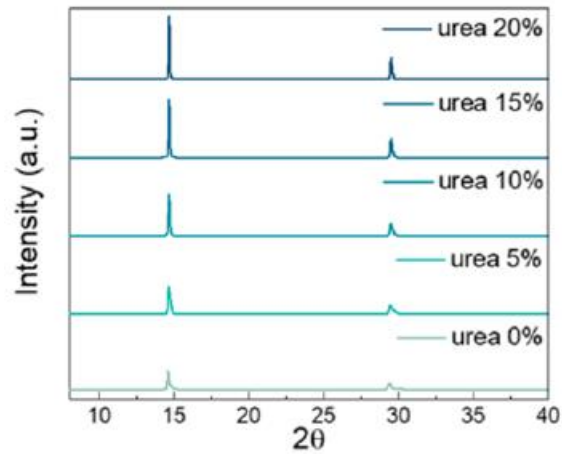
Volatile solvents for PVSK tandems



- New **volatile solvent** mixture prevents degradation of the underneath subcell.

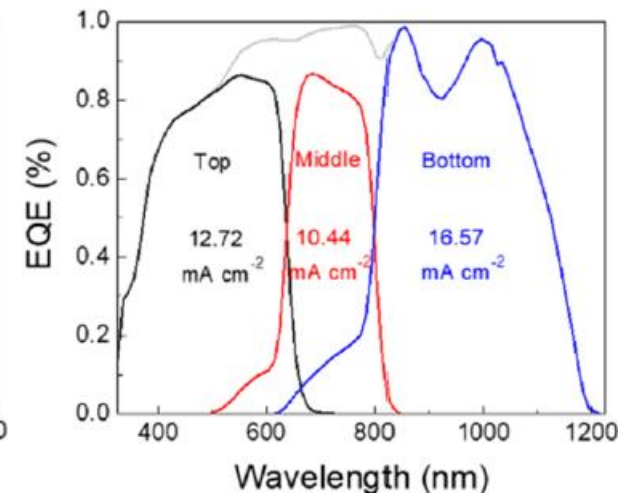
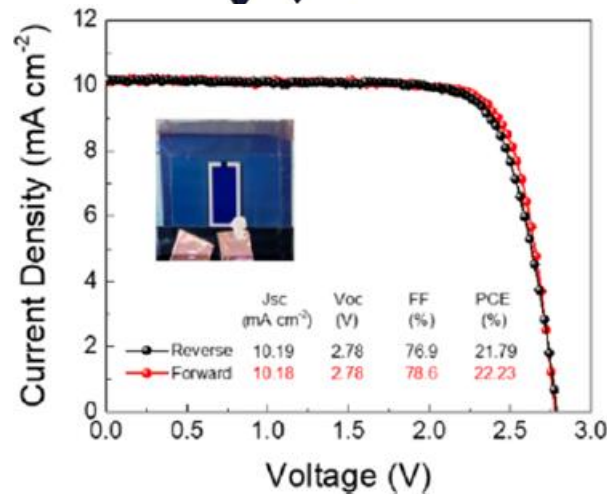
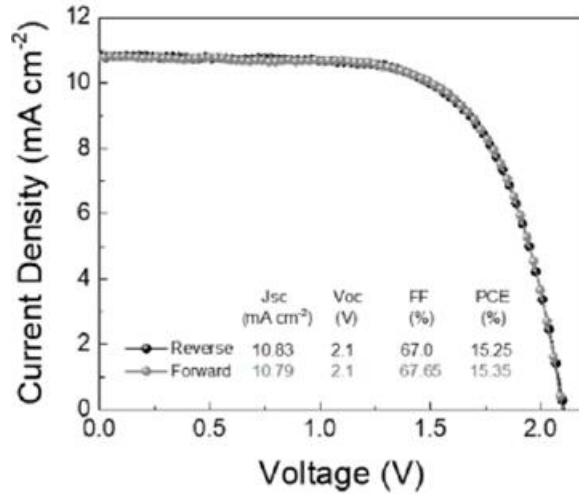
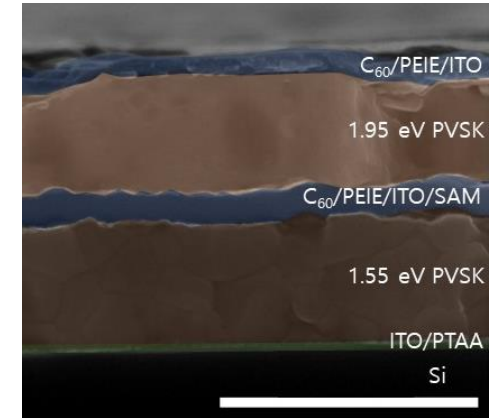
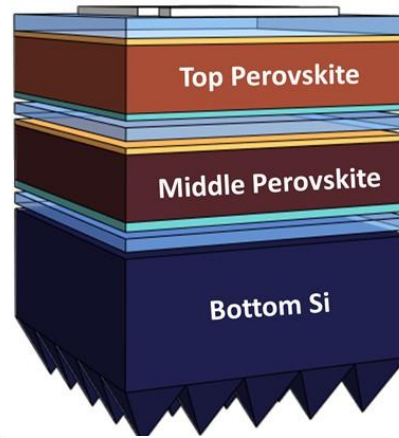
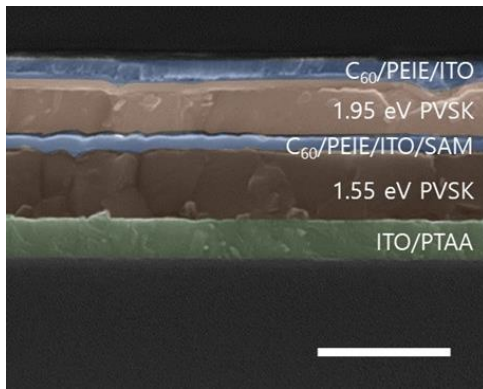
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Enhanced crystallinity by Urea additive



- Addition of **Urea** significantly enhanced the crystallinity of 1.96 eV PVSK films.
- Enhanced **light absorption** and **defect passivation** \rightarrow Improved PV performances

Perovskite/perovskite/Si 3J tandems

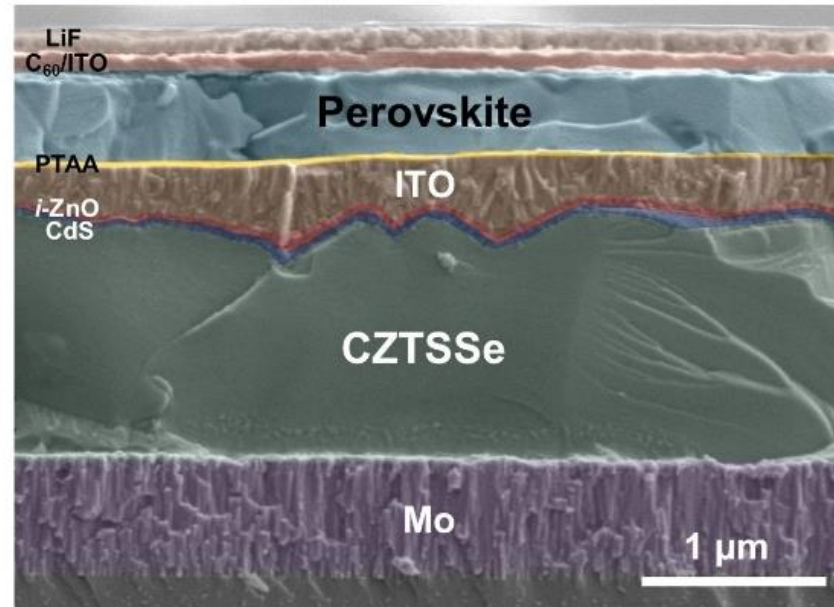


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- Perovskite(1.95eV)/perovskite(1.55eV) 2J tandem with 15.35% efficiency could be prepared as a results of the **solvent/additive engineering**.
- Final 3J tandem exhibited a high conversion efficiency of **22.23%**.

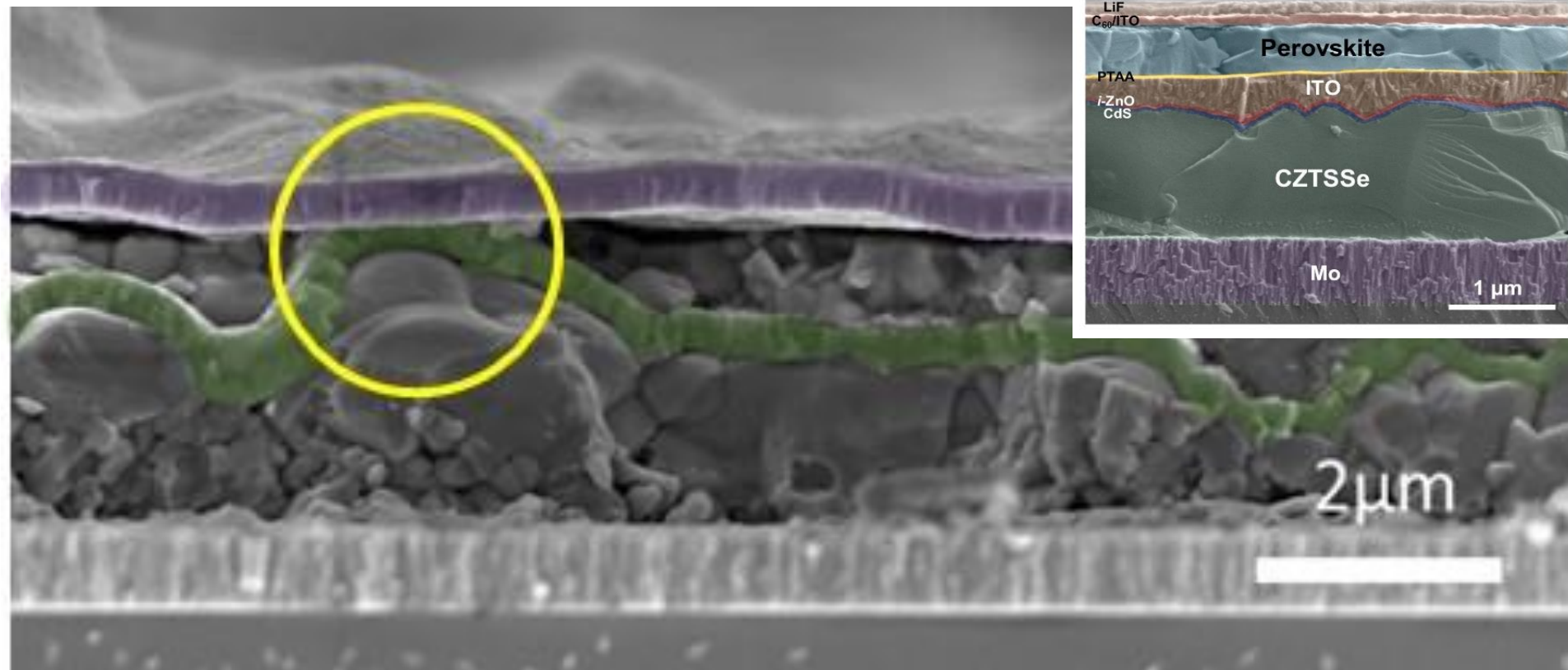
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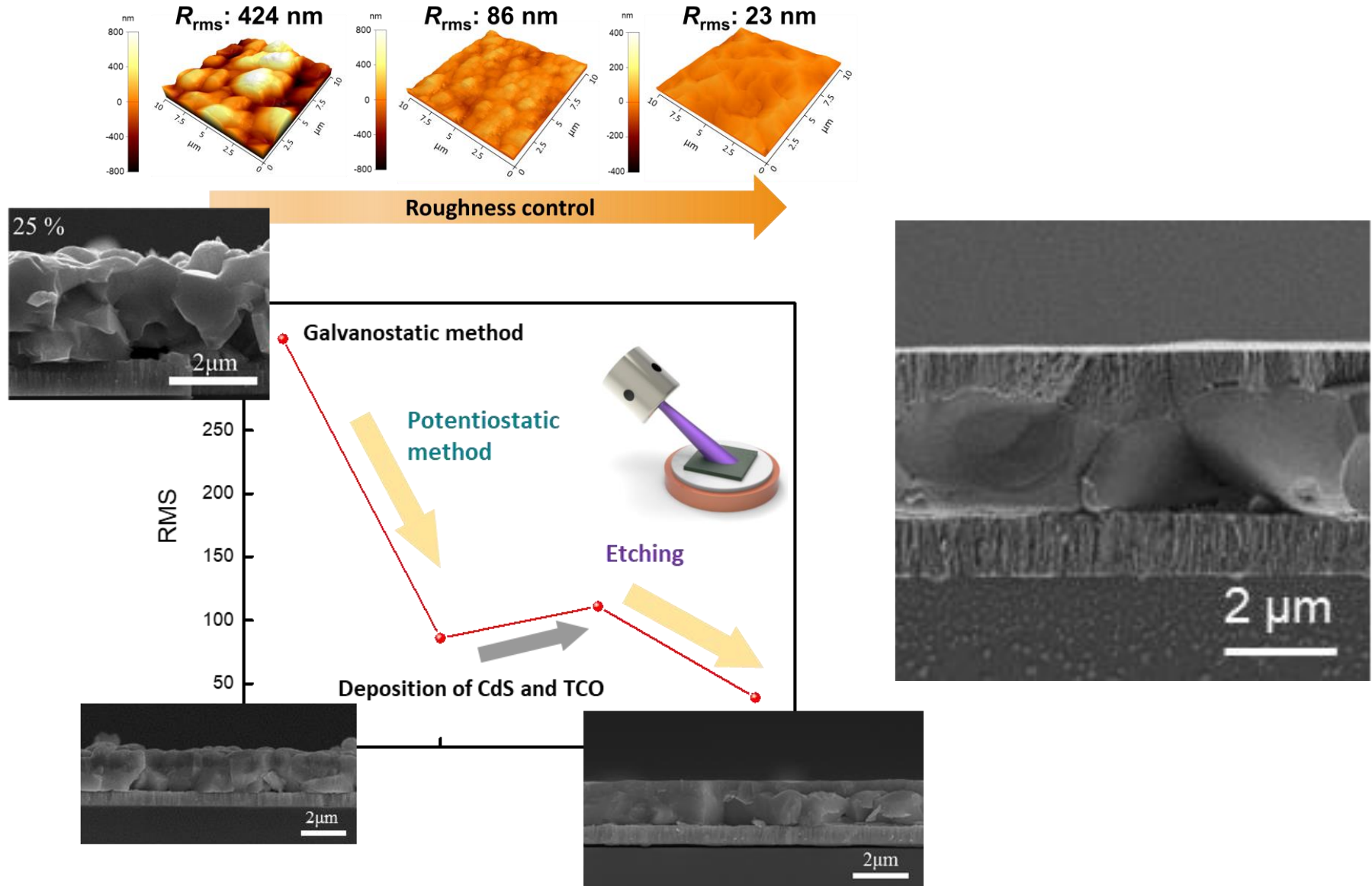
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Effect of bottom cell roughness



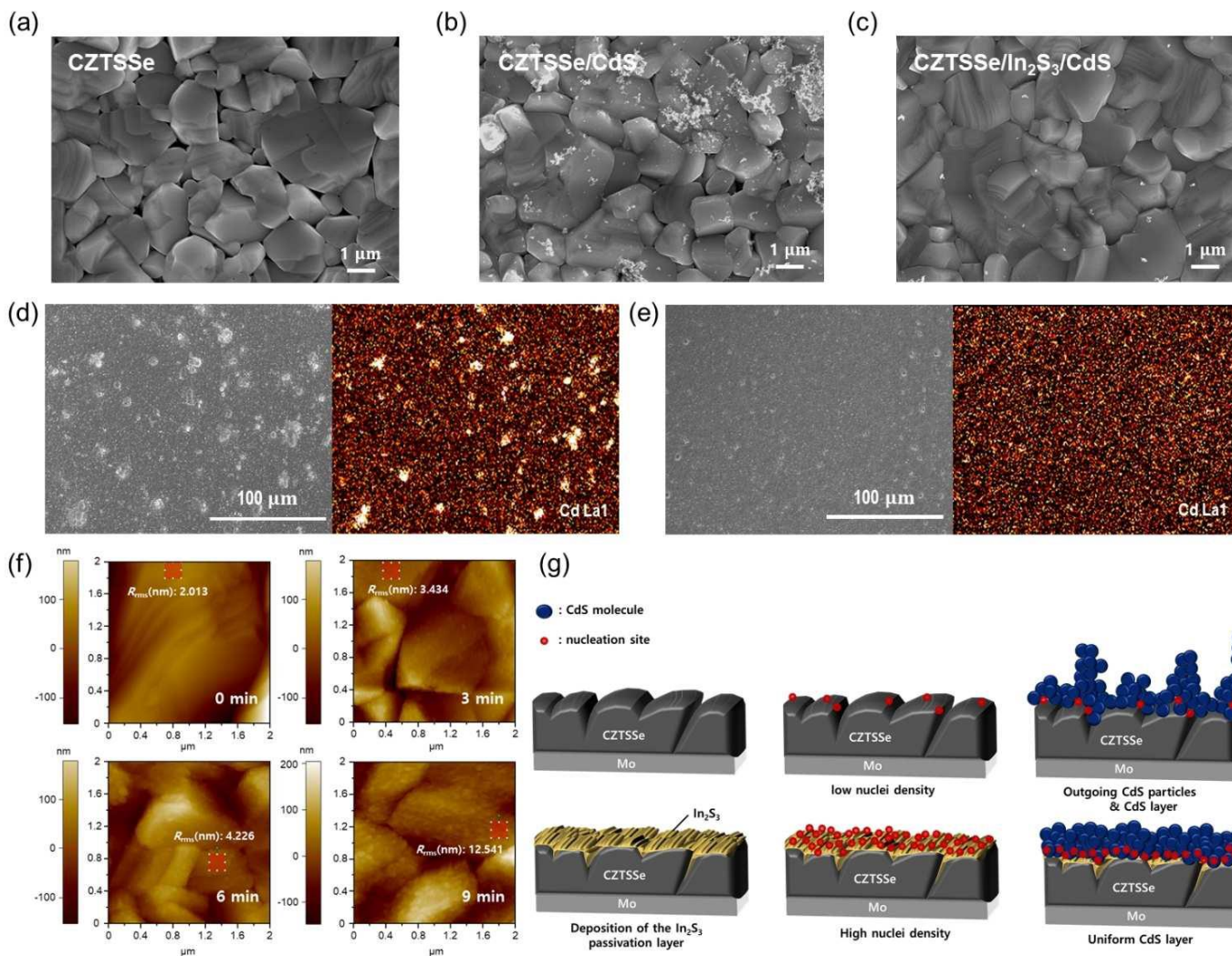
- CZTSSe bottom cell should have extremely flat surface in order to fabricate the perovskite tandems

Strategy for the roughness control



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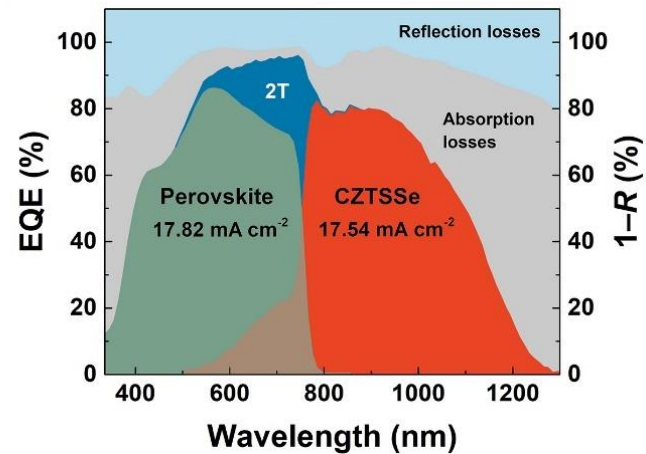
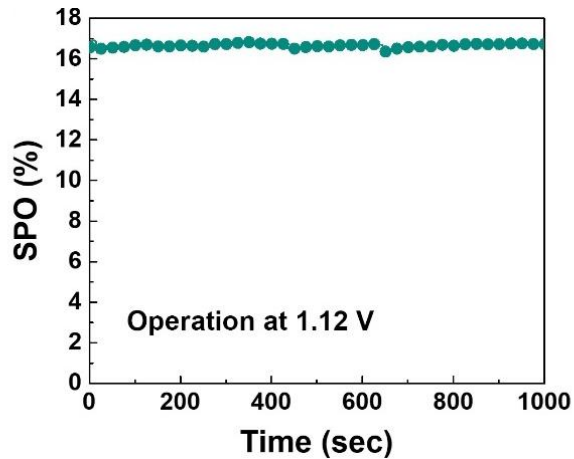
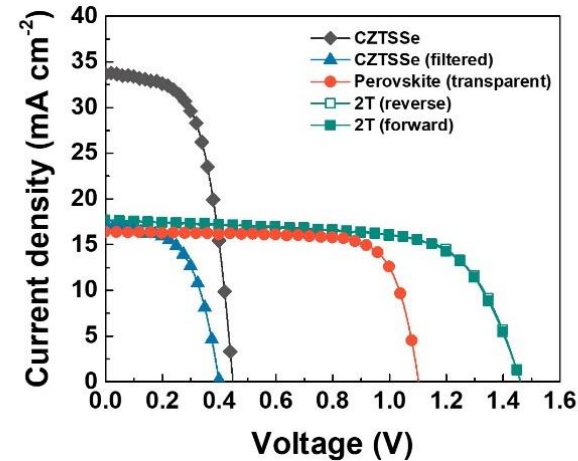
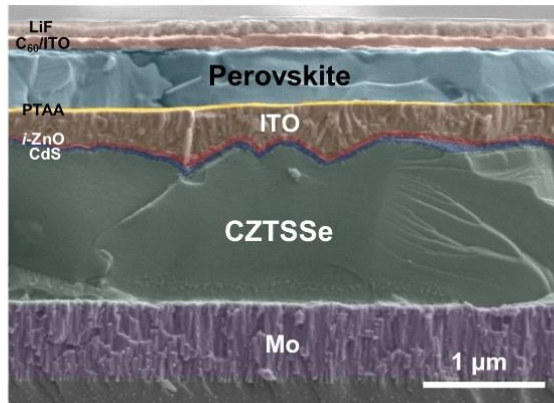
Strategy for the roughness control



- Introducing additional In₂S₃ layer between CZTSSe and CdS prevents the agglomeration of the CdS clusters during the CBD process

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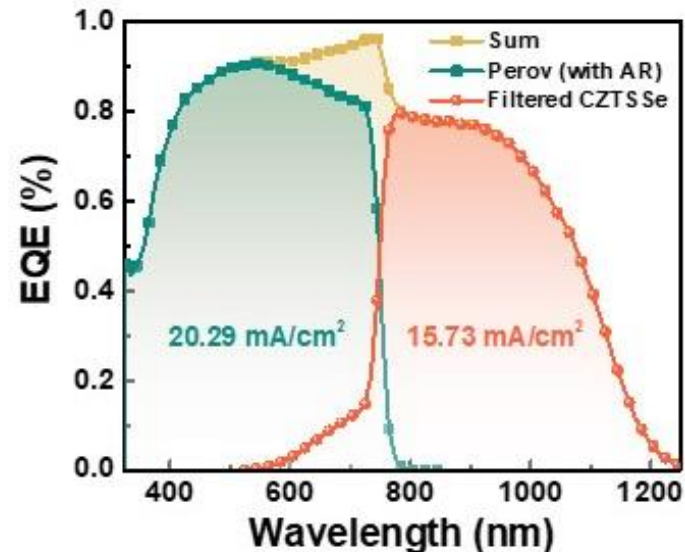
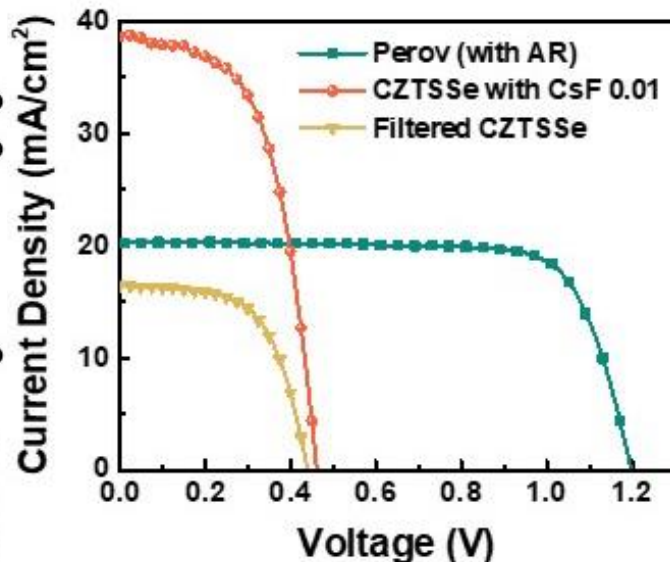
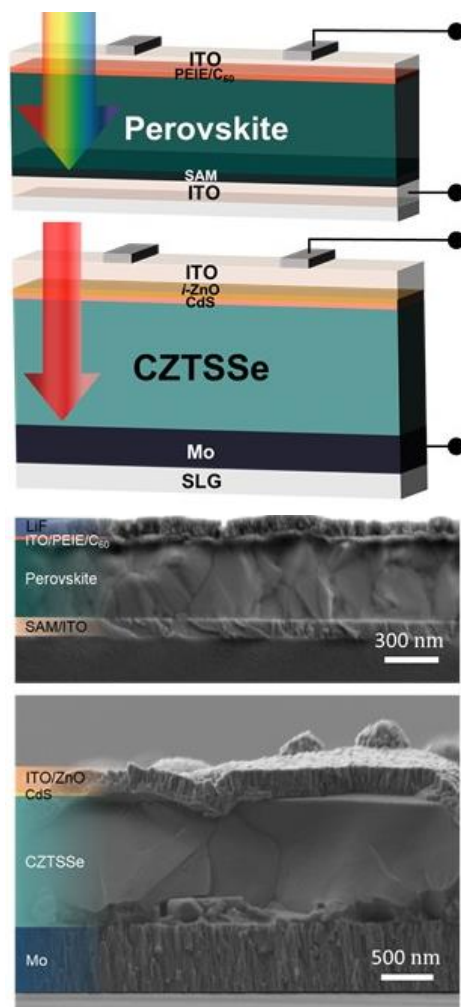
Perovskite/CZTSSe tandems



- Perovskite/CZTSSe tandem with the world record efficiency (**17.5%**) can be prepared with the flat CZTSSe bottom cell and perovskite top cell (*cf.* previous/current record: **4.5% for tandem - previous, 14.9% for CZTSSe single cell - current**)

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4T PVSK/CZTSSe tandem



J-V	Jsc (mA/cm ²)	Voc (V)	PCE (%)	FF
Perovskite	20.21	1.19	18.63	0.78
CZTSSe	38.55	0.46	10.20	0.58
Filtered CZTSSe	16.42	0.44	4.38	0.61
Sum			23.01	

- Highest reported 4T perovskite/CZTSSe tandem efficiency of ~ 23% could be achieved.

Thank you!!



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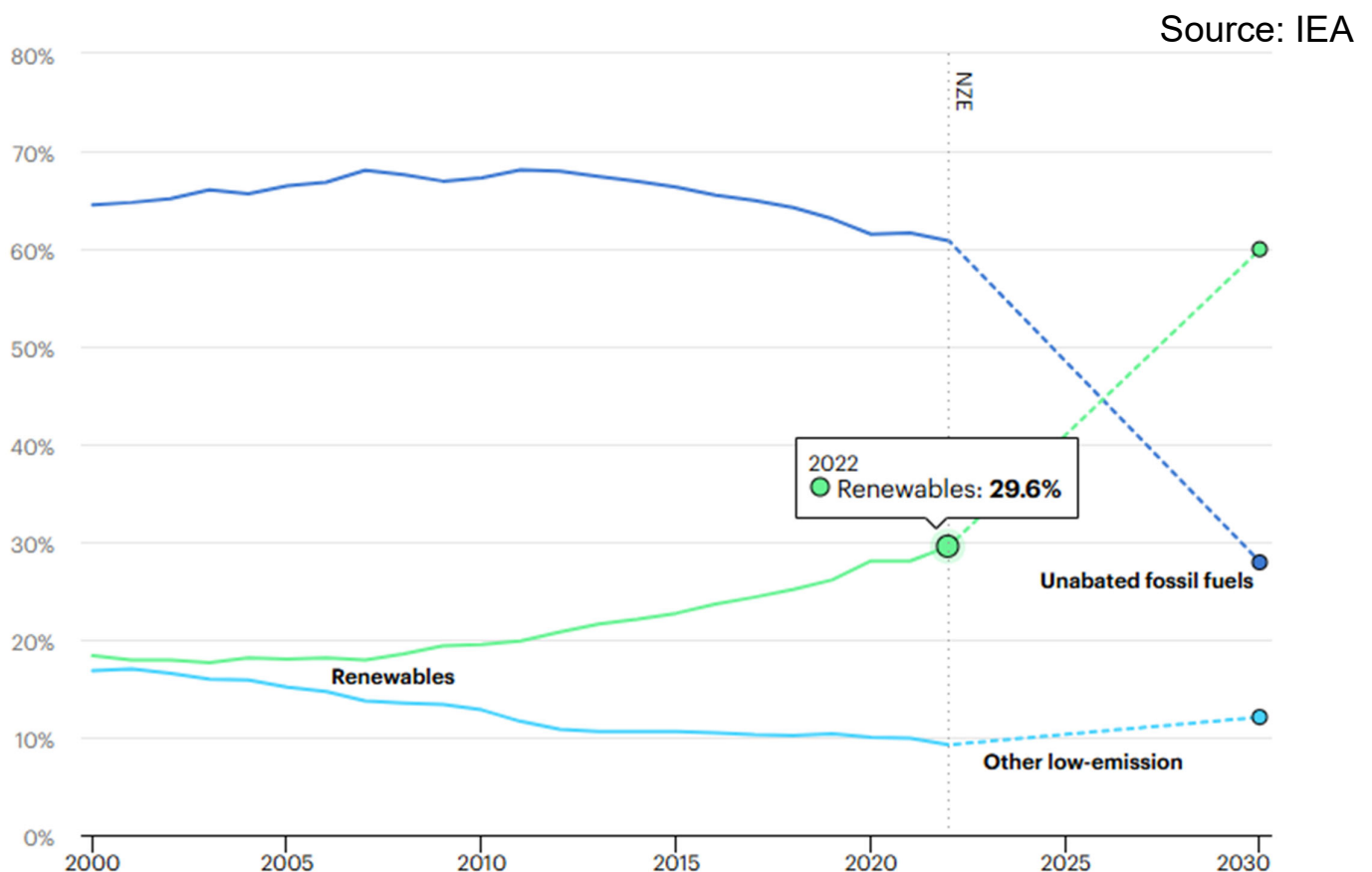
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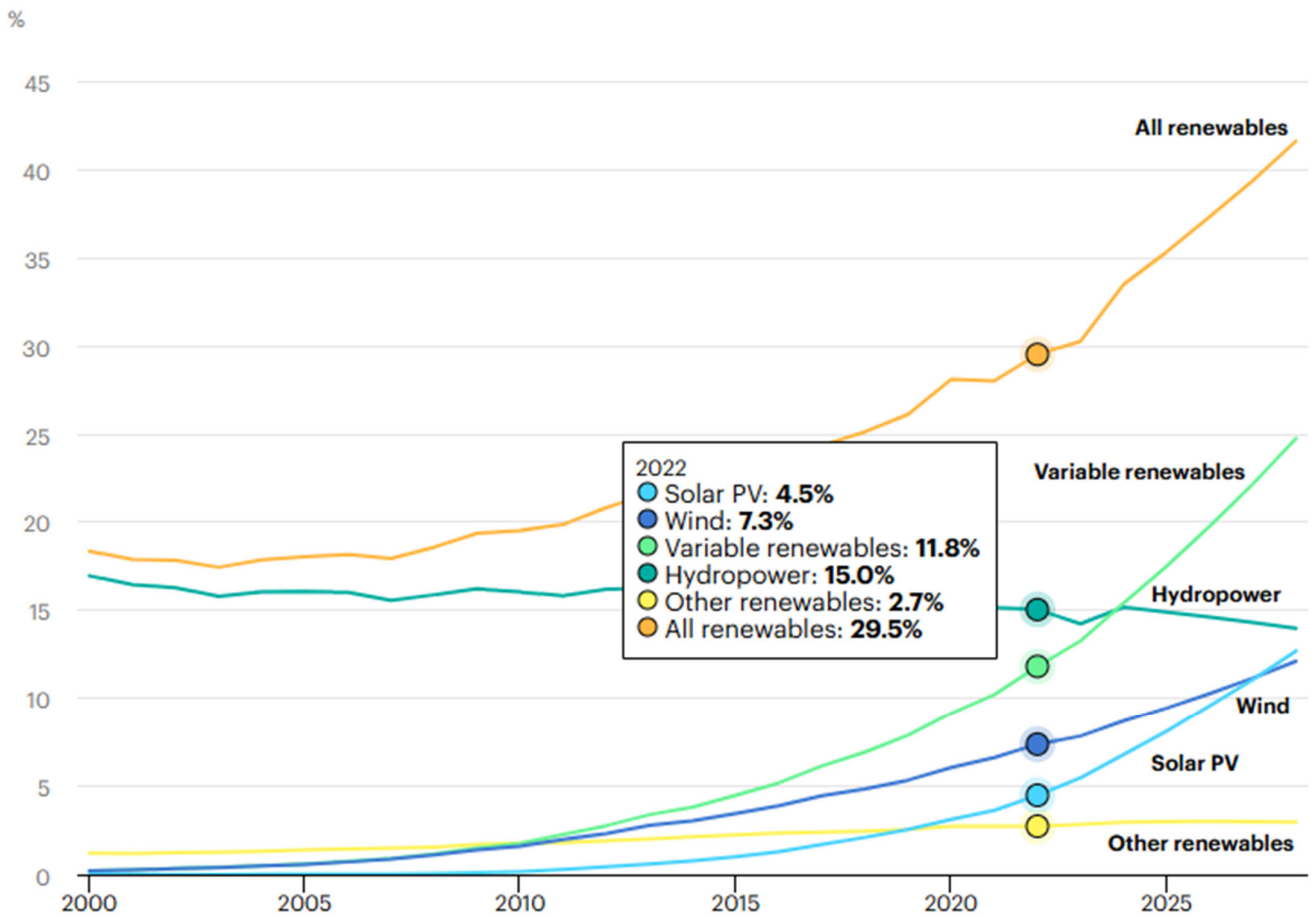
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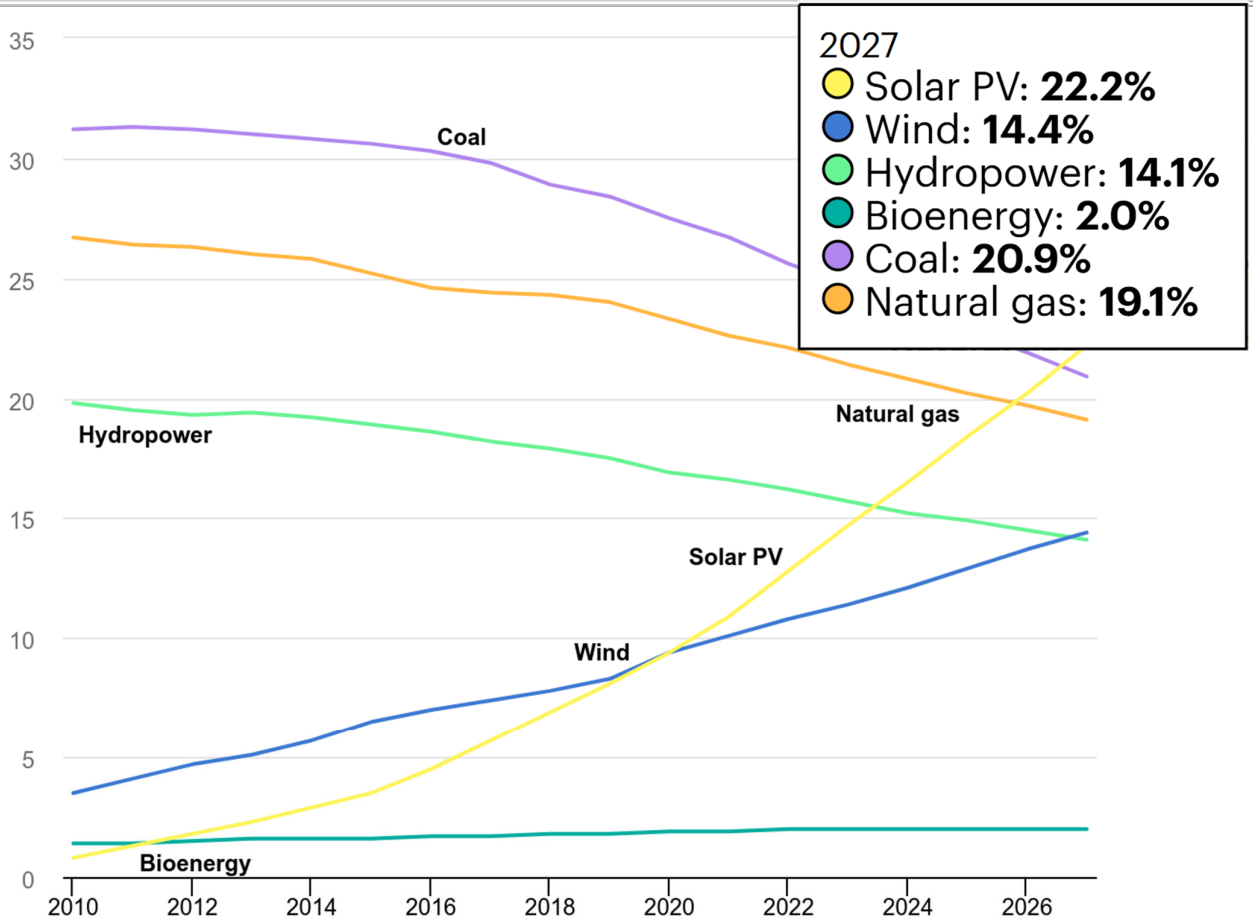
Shares of global electricity generation by source



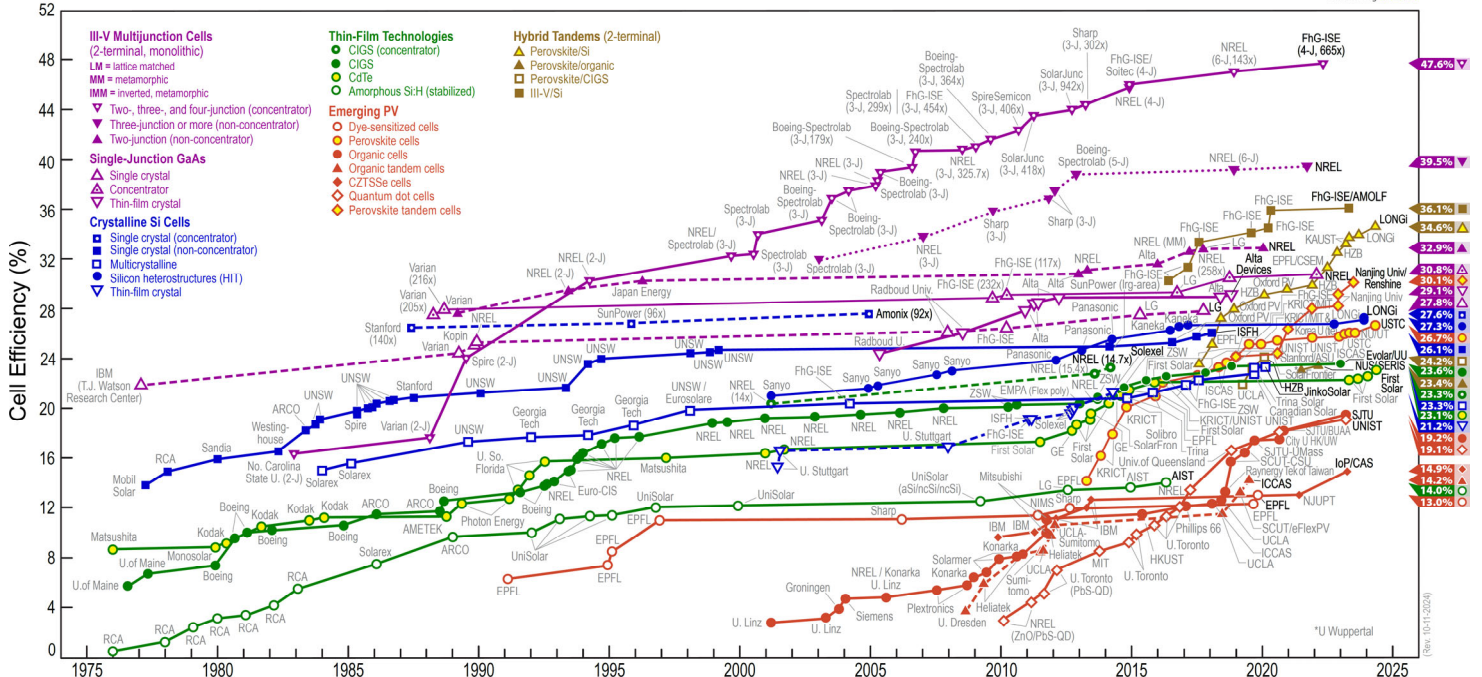
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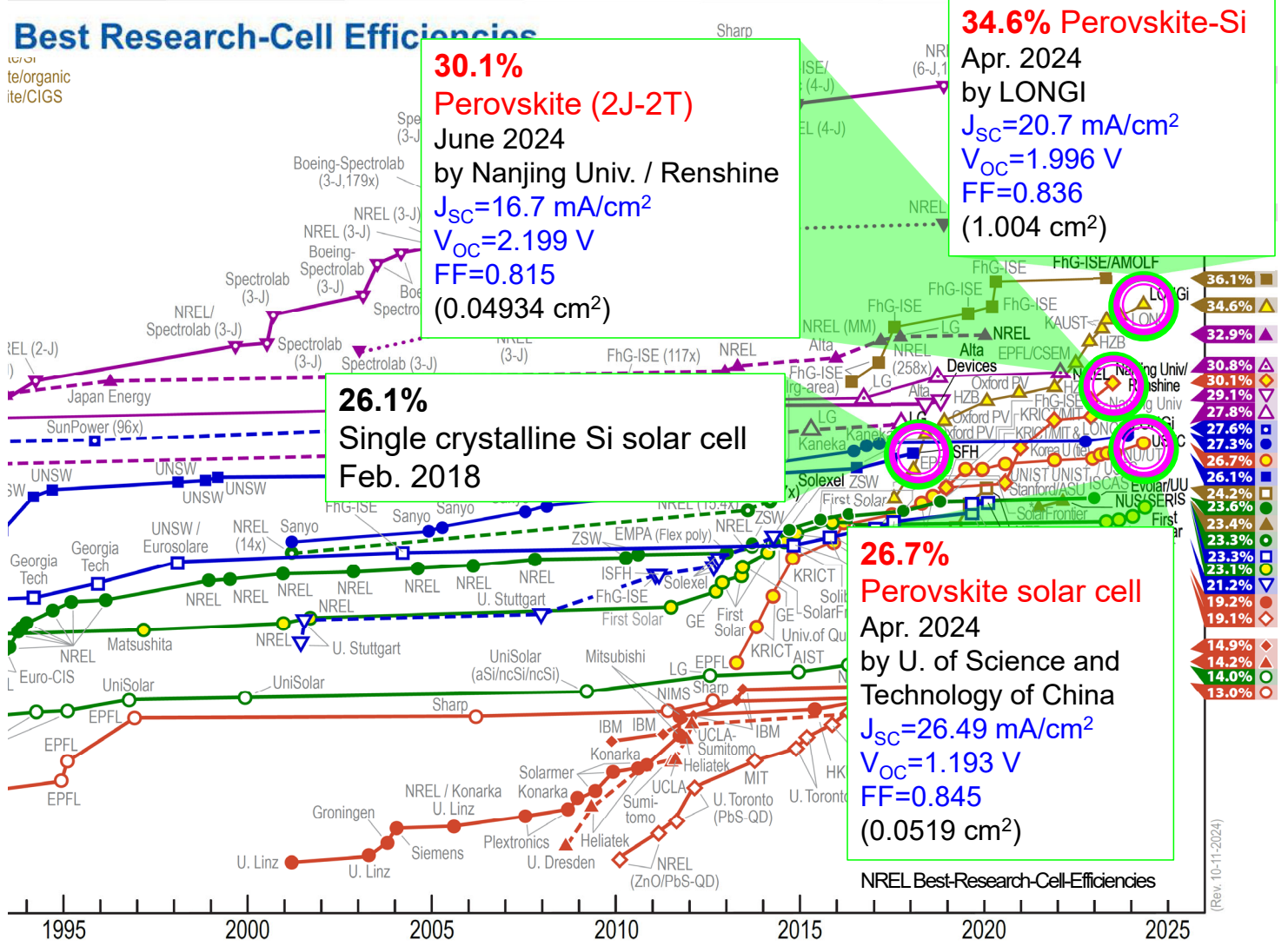
Share of cumulative power capacity



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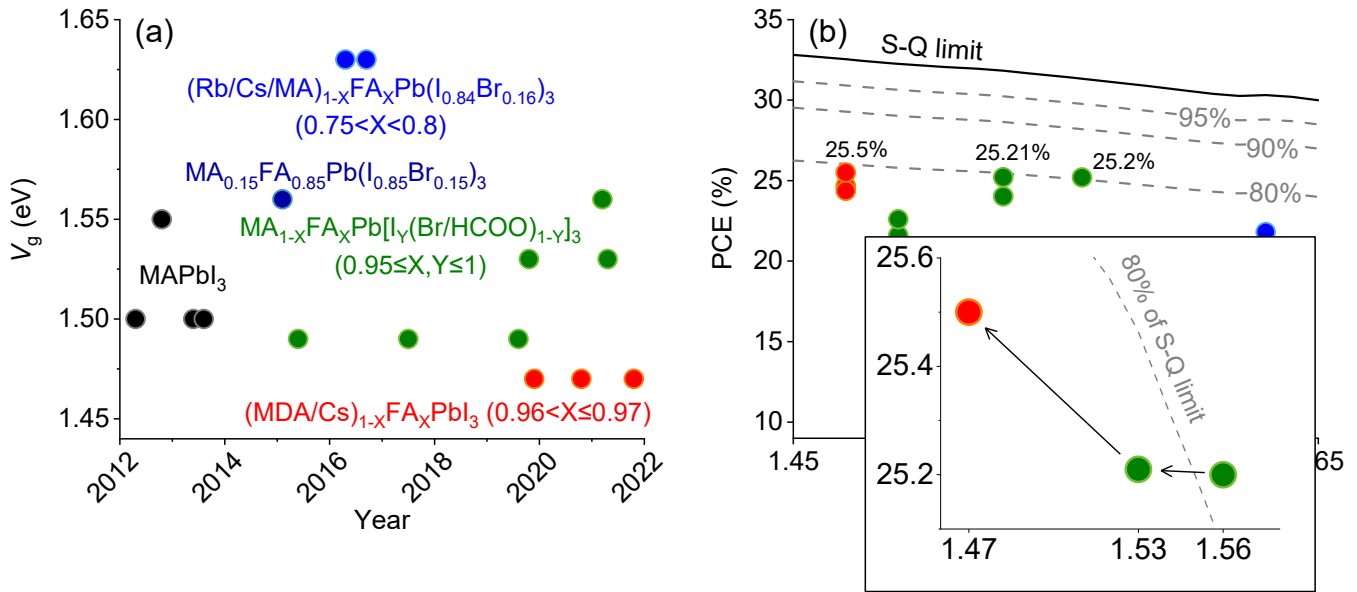


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Records of PSCs

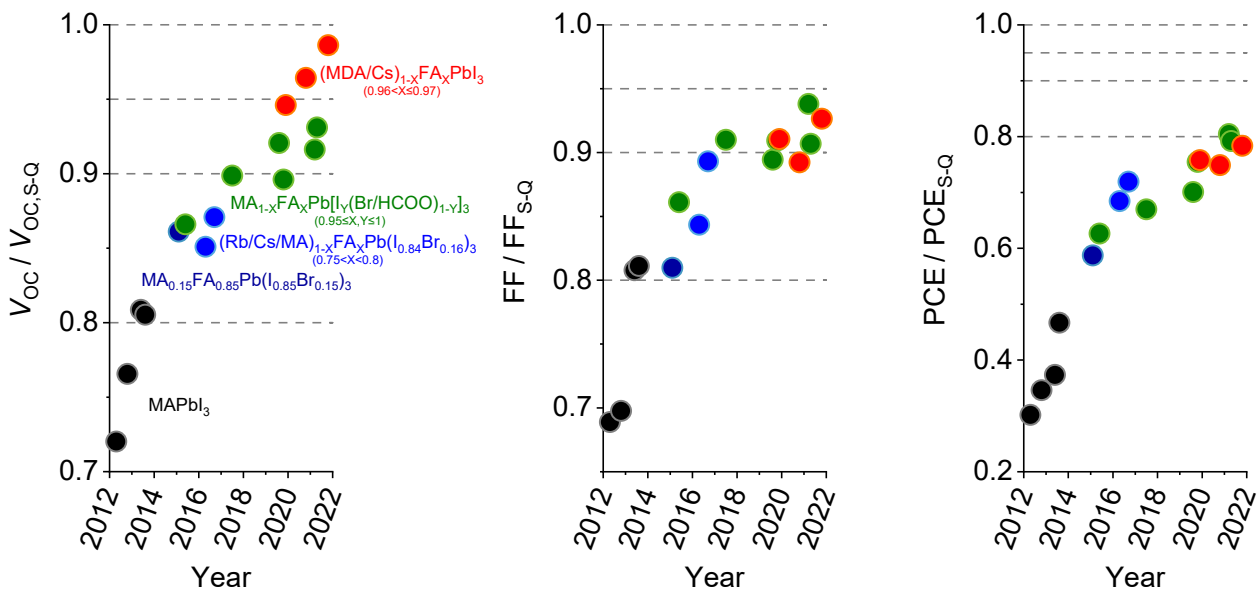
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Toward the S-Q limit

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$$qV_{oc} = qV_{oc,s-q} + kT \ln(\eta_{ext})$$

$$\eta_{ext} = \frac{P_{esc} B_{rad} n^2}{A_{SRH} n + P_{esc} B_{rad} n^2 (1 + n_r^2 (1 - R)) + C_{Aug} n^3}$$



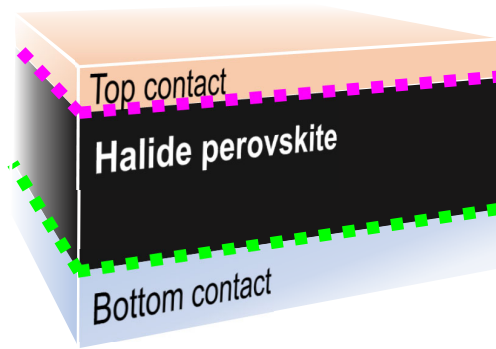
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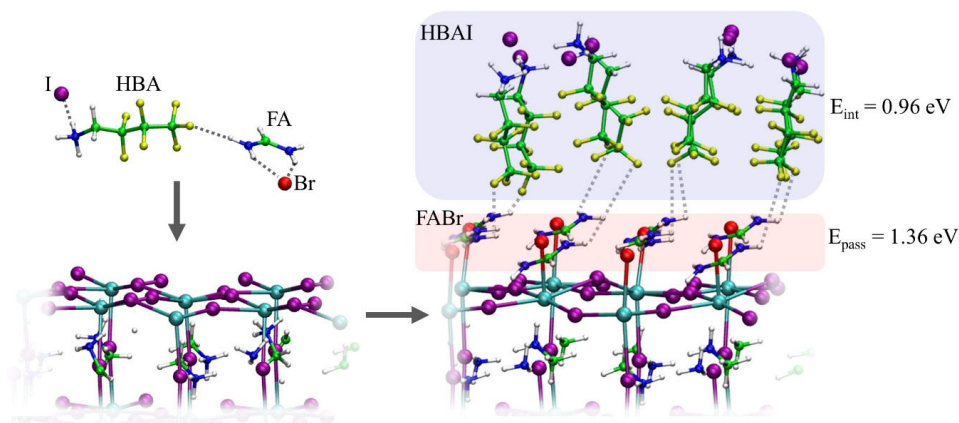
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Formation of passivation layer

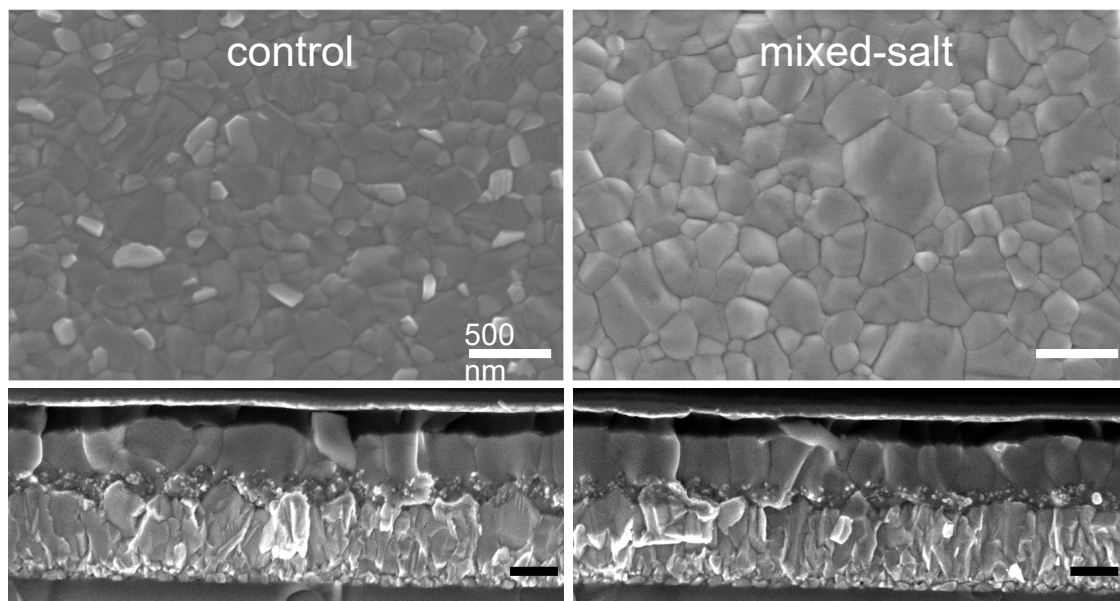
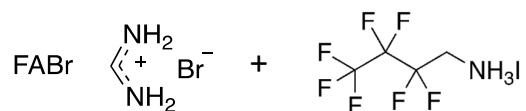


	CPD (mV)	Work function
Control	123.477	5.11
HBAI-FABr	249.181	4.98

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Reconstructed morphology by the mixed-salt



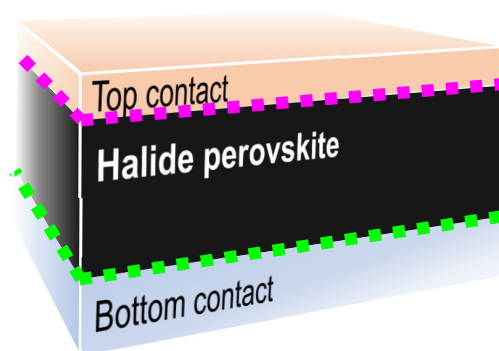
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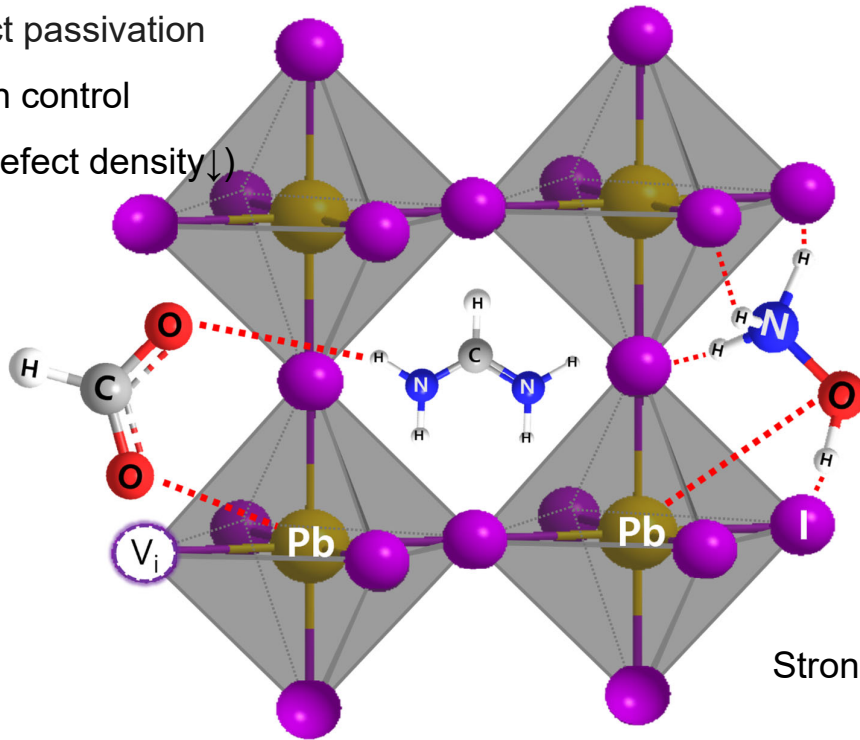
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Additive-assisted structural stability

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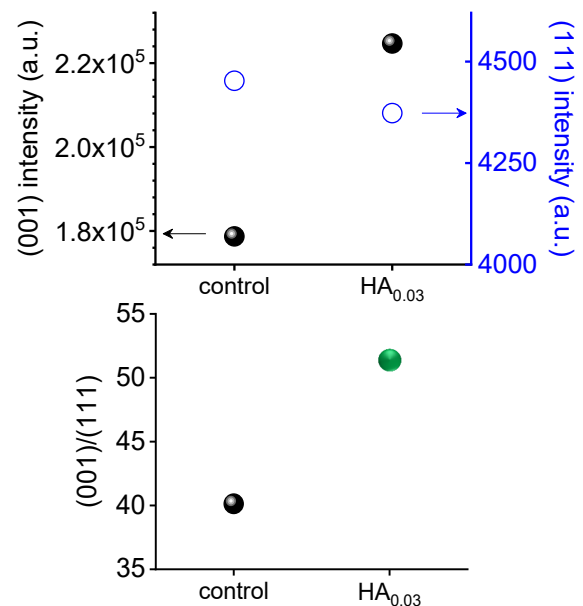
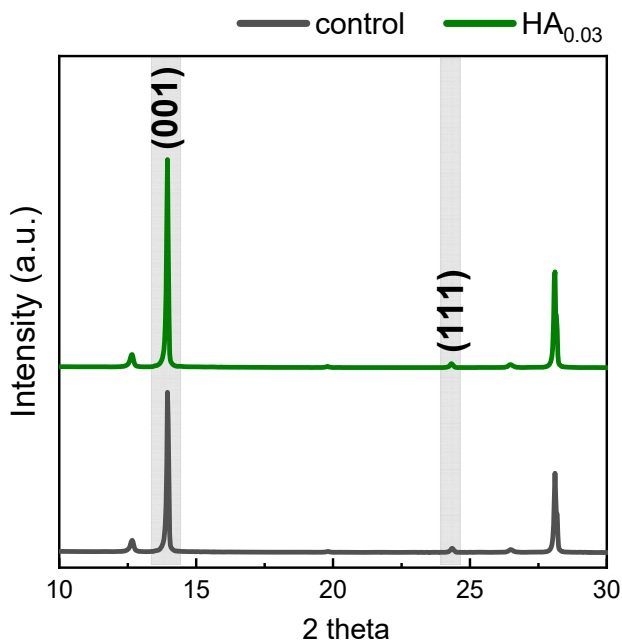
- Surface defect passivation
- Crystal growth control
(grain size↑, defect density↓)



→ Increasing lattice stability

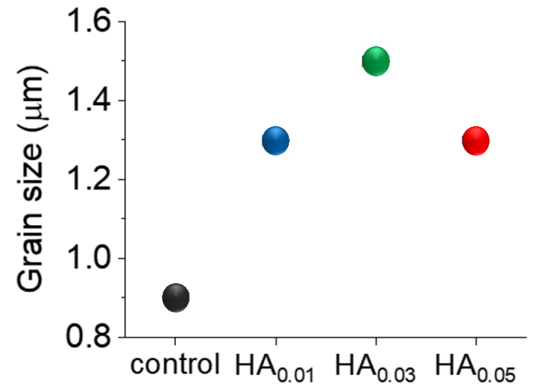
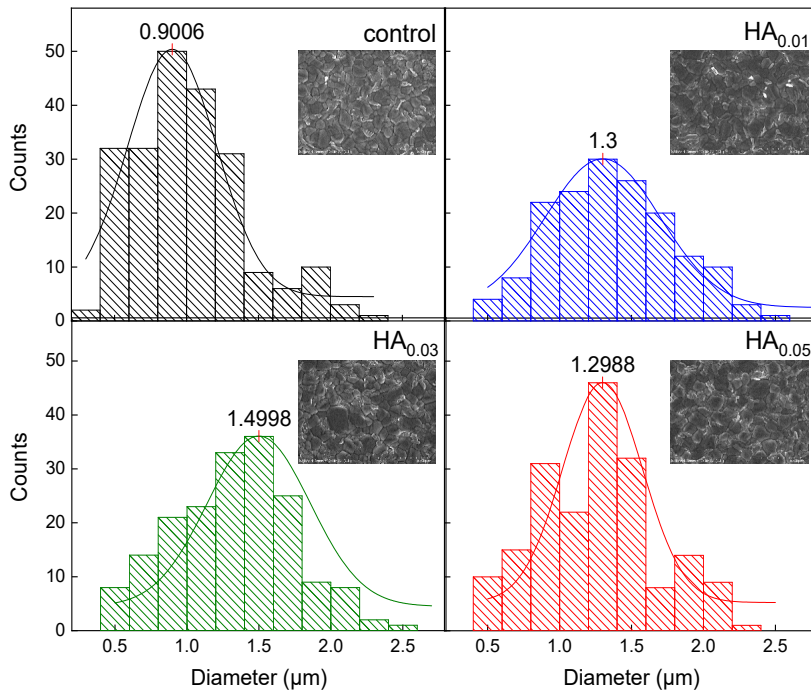
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Additive effect on crystal growth



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Additive effect on grain size



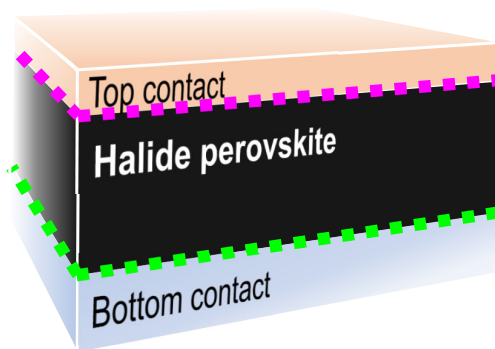
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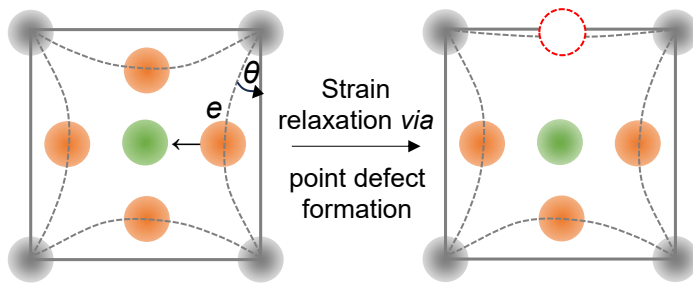
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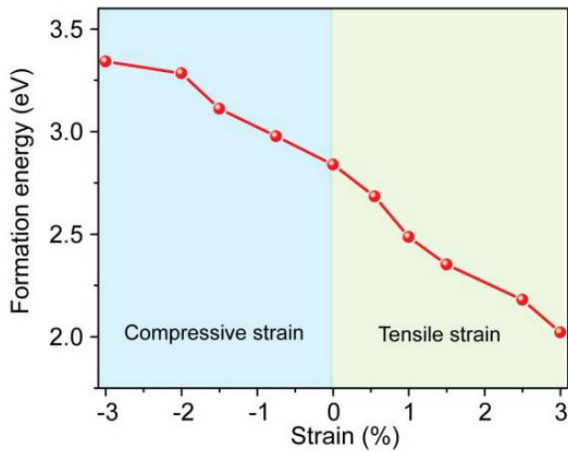
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Tensile strain : facile vacancy formation

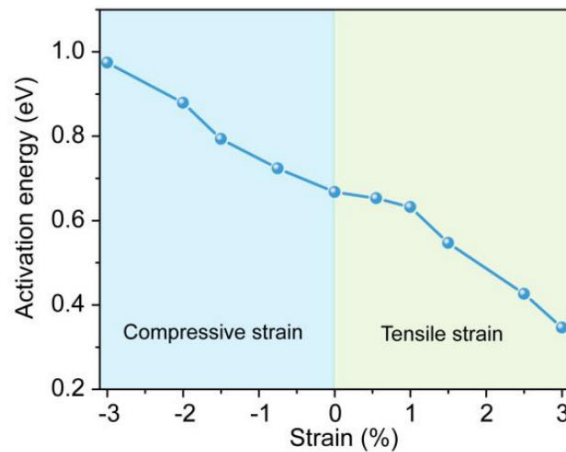


● A ● B ● X Vacancy
 e, electrostatic force; θ , distortion force

Halide vacancies formation energy

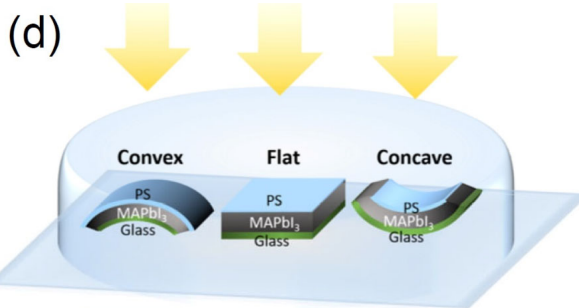


Halide ion migration activation energy

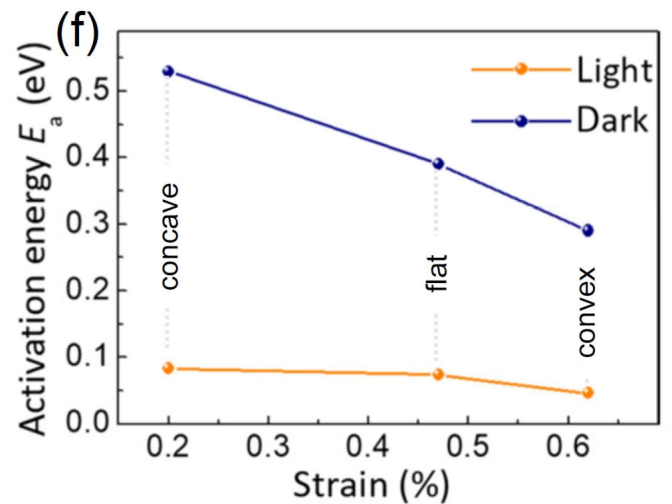


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Tensile strain : low phase stability



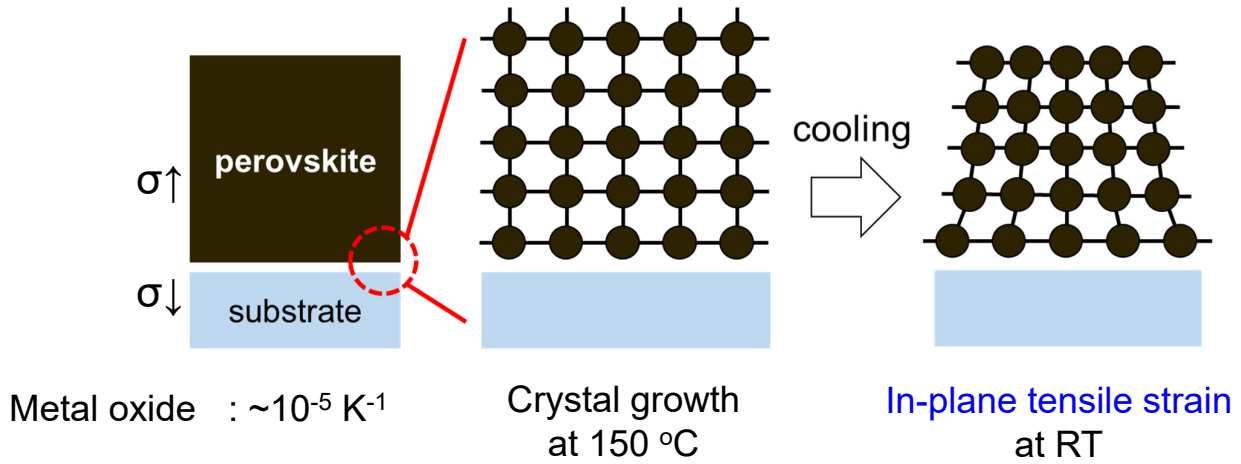
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In-plane residual tensile strain

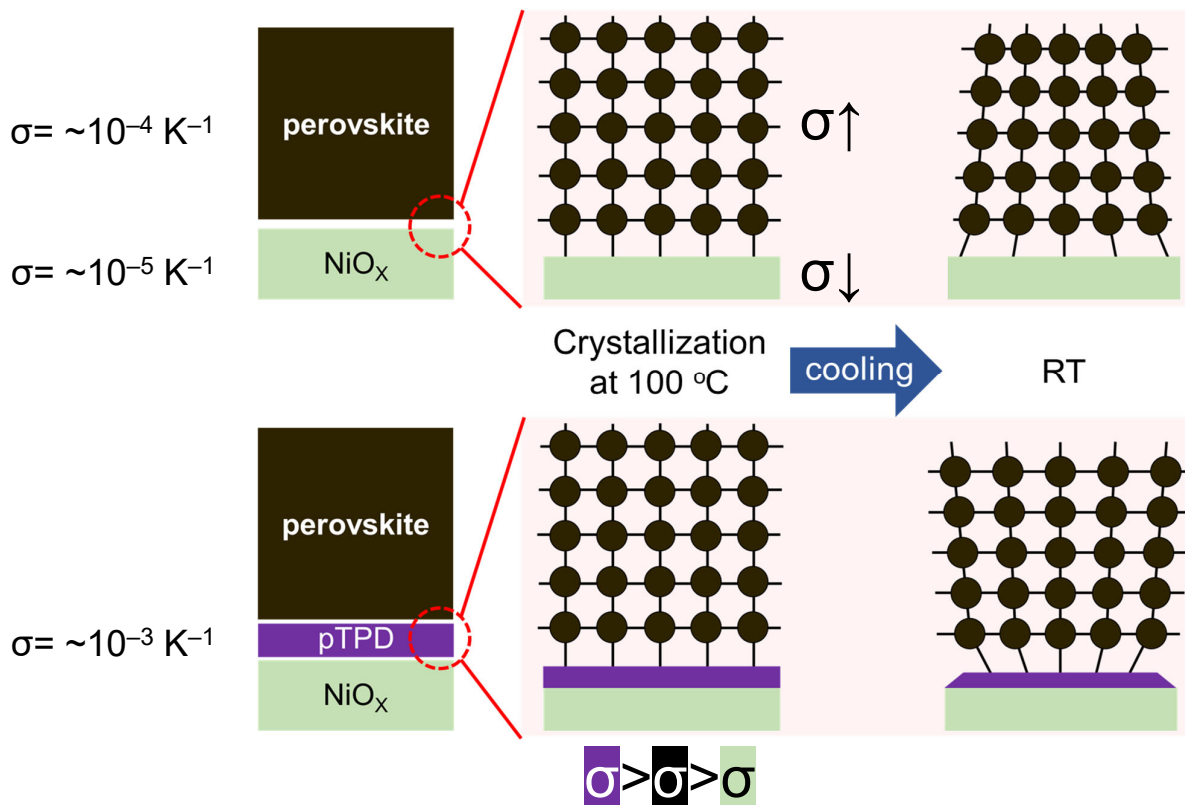
FAPbI₃ : 0.99~1.00 × 10⁻⁴ K⁻¹

MAPbI₃ : 1.57 × 10⁻⁴ K⁻¹



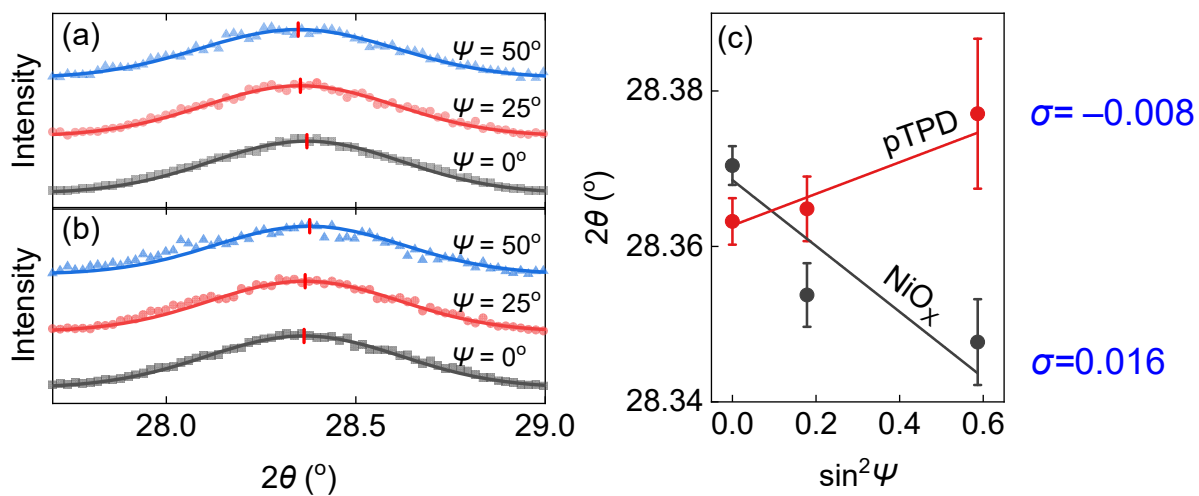
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Strategy I: thermal expansion



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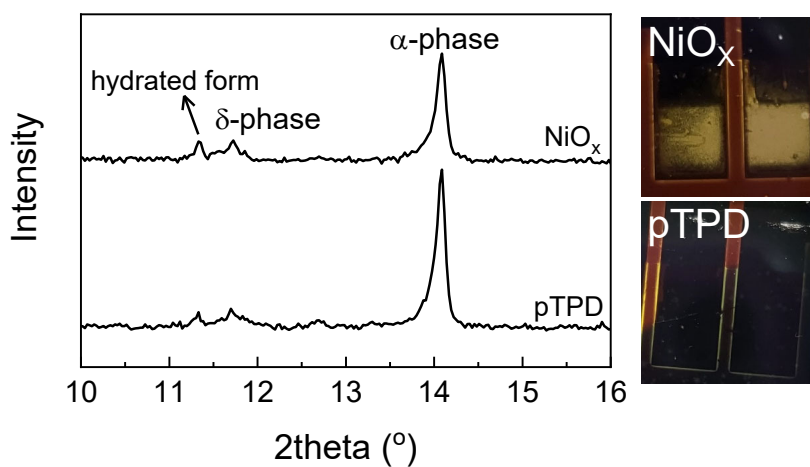
GIXRD: compressive lattice strain



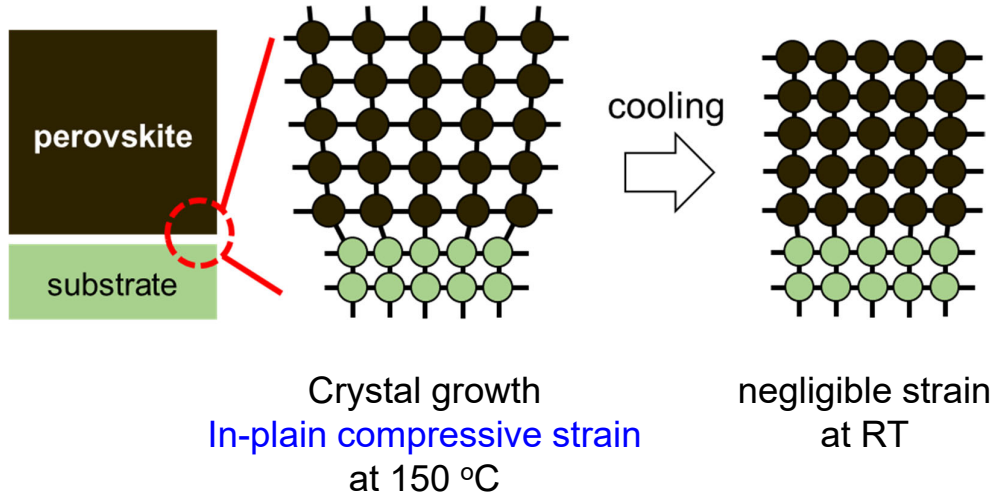
$$\sigma = -\frac{E}{2(1+\nu)} \frac{\pi}{180} \cot\theta_0 \frac{\partial(2\theta)}{\partial \sin^2\psi}$$

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Improved crystal phase stability

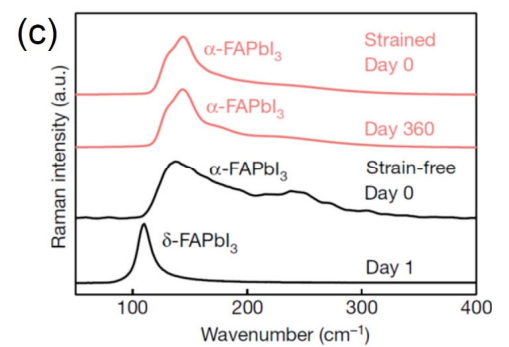
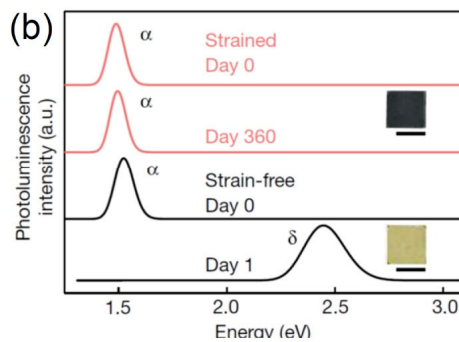
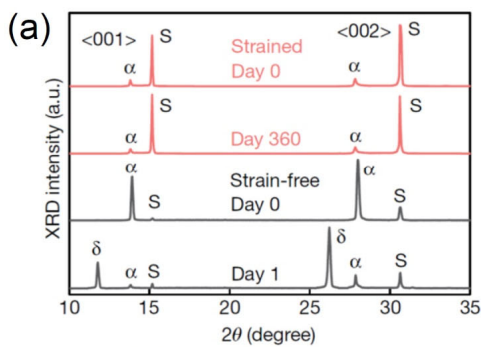
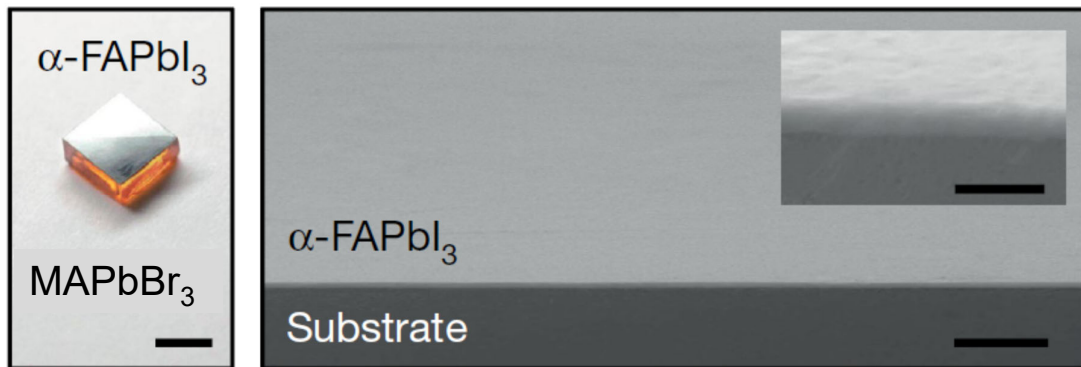


Strategy II: heteroepitaxial crystal growth

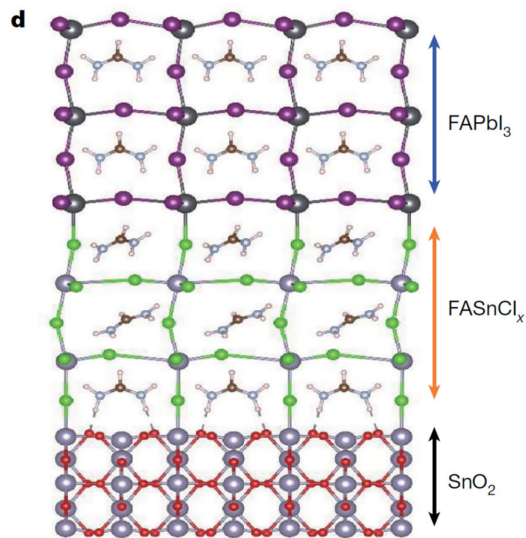
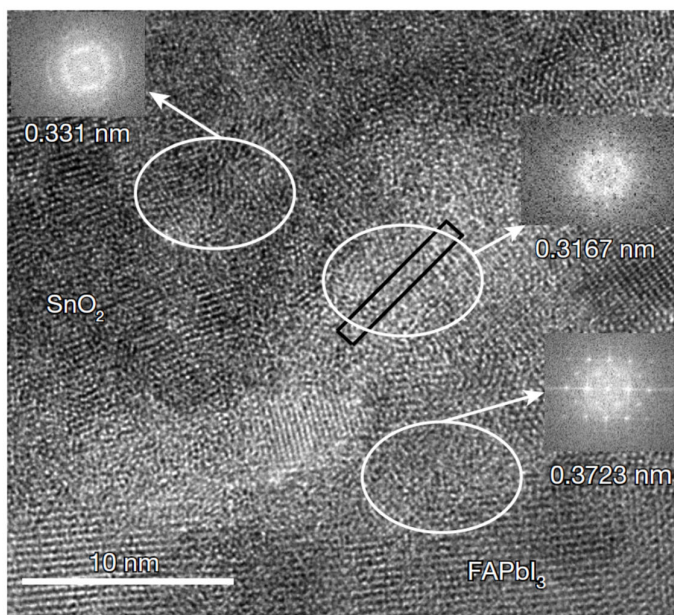


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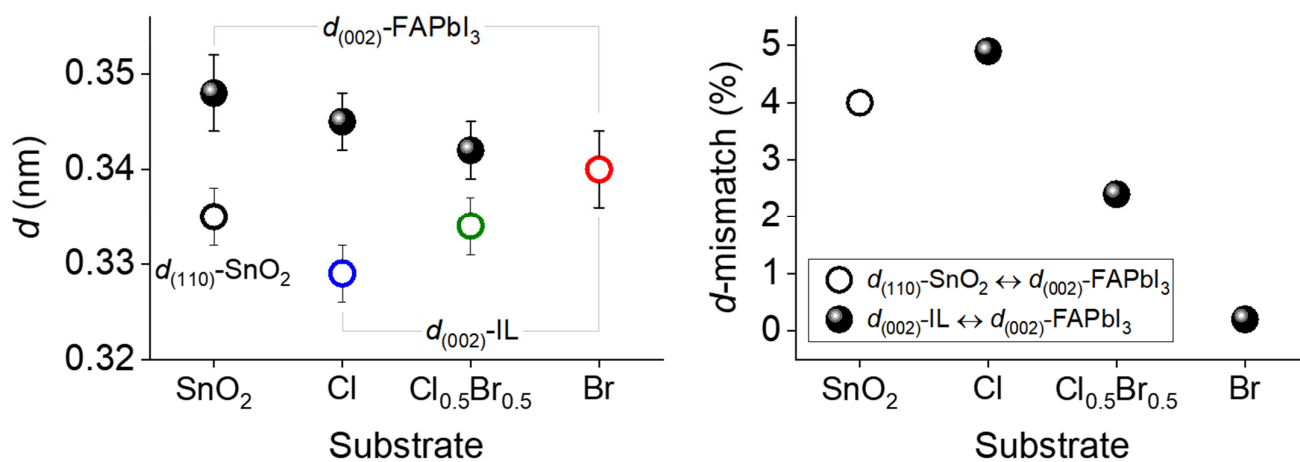


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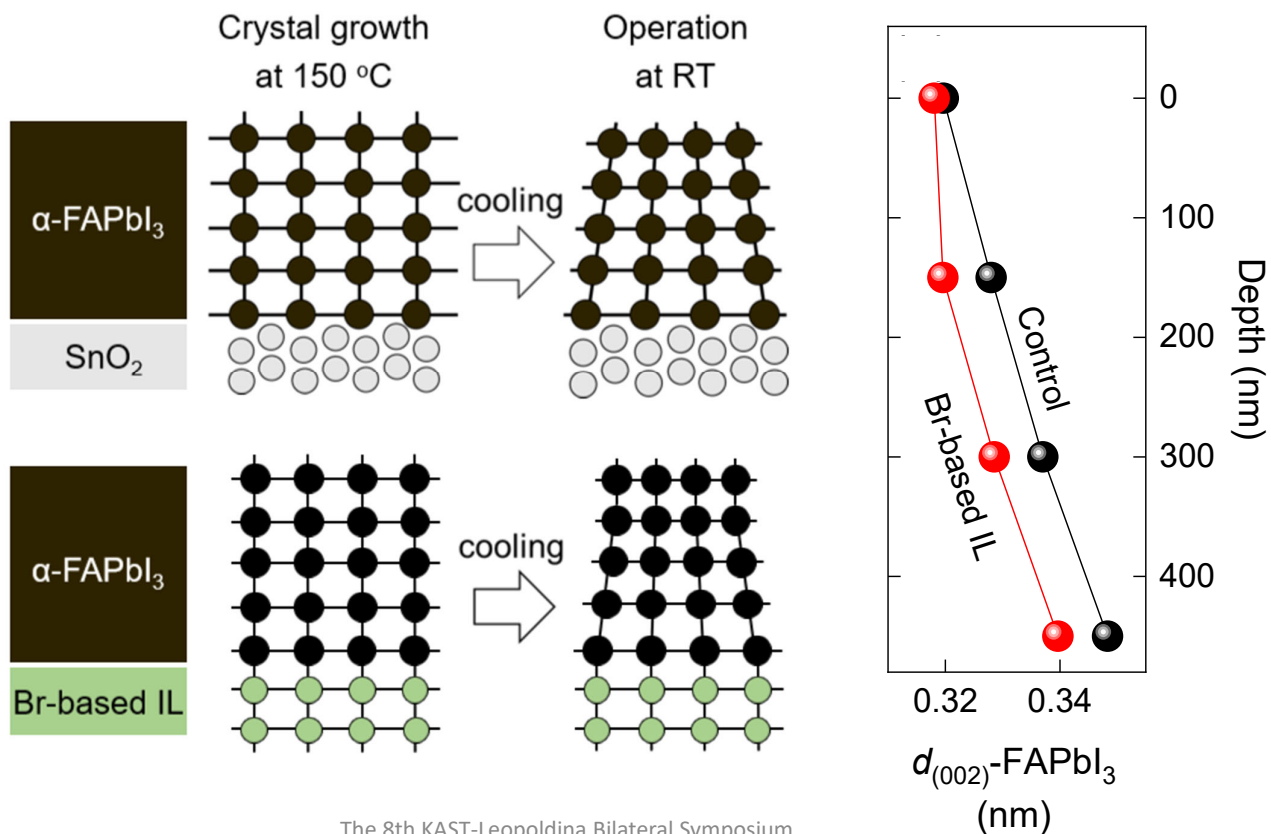
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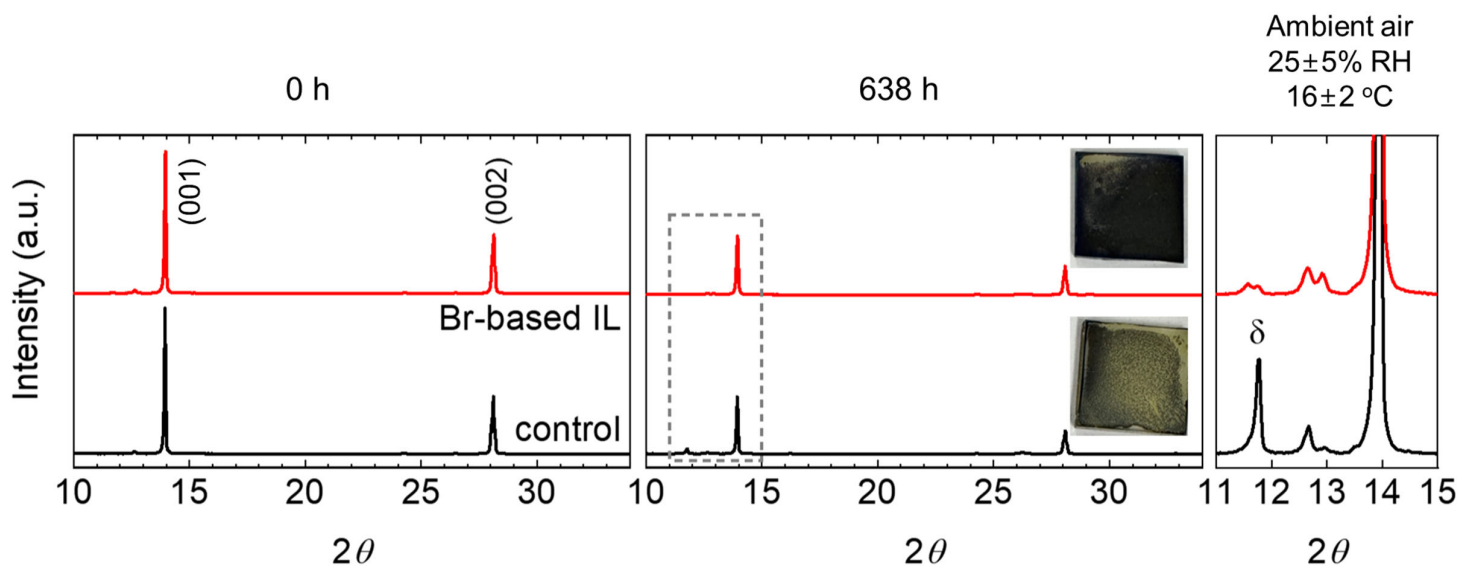


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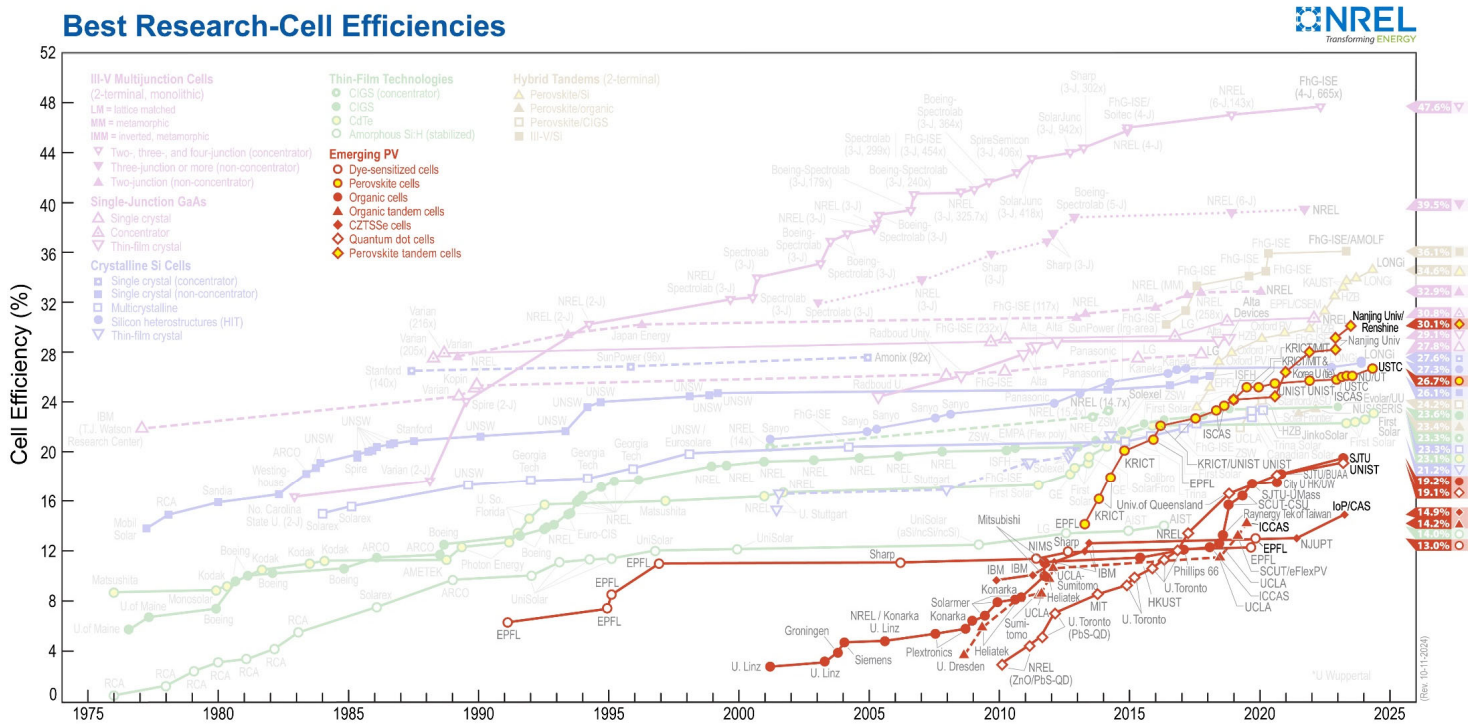


Phase stability



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