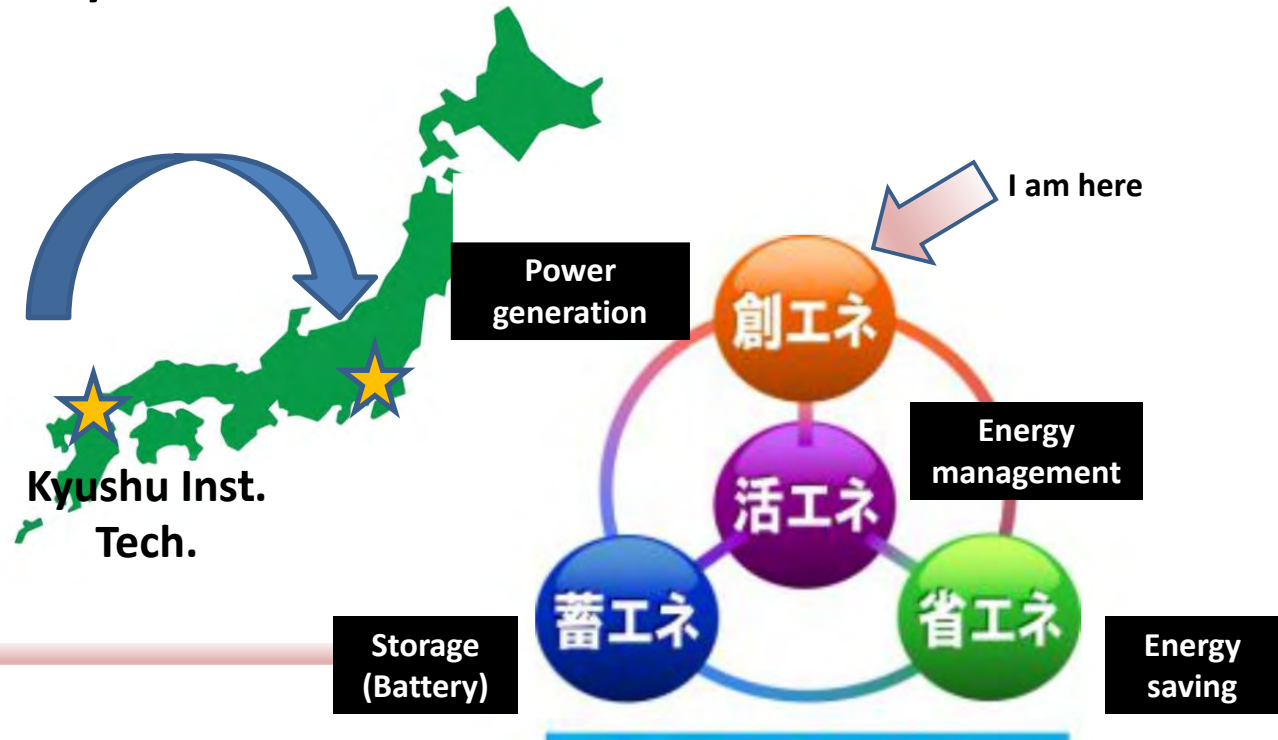


# Narrow band gap perovskite solar cells consisting of thin perovskites and application to perovskite tandem solar cells

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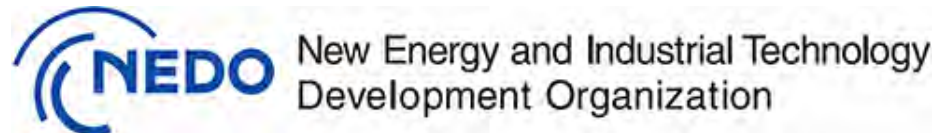
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# Introduction of our research



**Collaboration with Fujico, CKD, Ushio**

**Industrial Research (a-Si)**

**Fundamental Research**

**Flexible solar cell**

- Dye-sensitized solar cells
- Perovskite solar cells



# Semi-flexible cylindrical solar cells with flexible a-Si sheet (Demonstration Experiment)



**Agri photovoltaics**

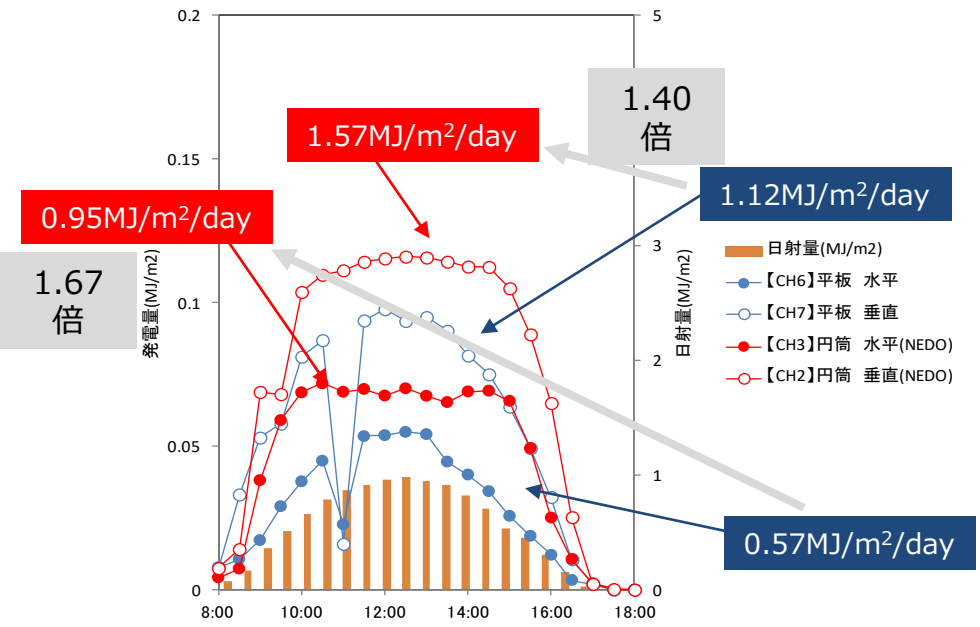


**Started from 2005**  
**Cylindrical Dye-sensitized solar cells →**  
**Cylindrical a-Si solar cells →**  
**Cylindrical perovskite solar cells**

**Fundamental research: DSSC(1995), Perovskite: (2015)**

**Collaboration: Fujico Co. Ltd, CKD Co., Ushio Inc**

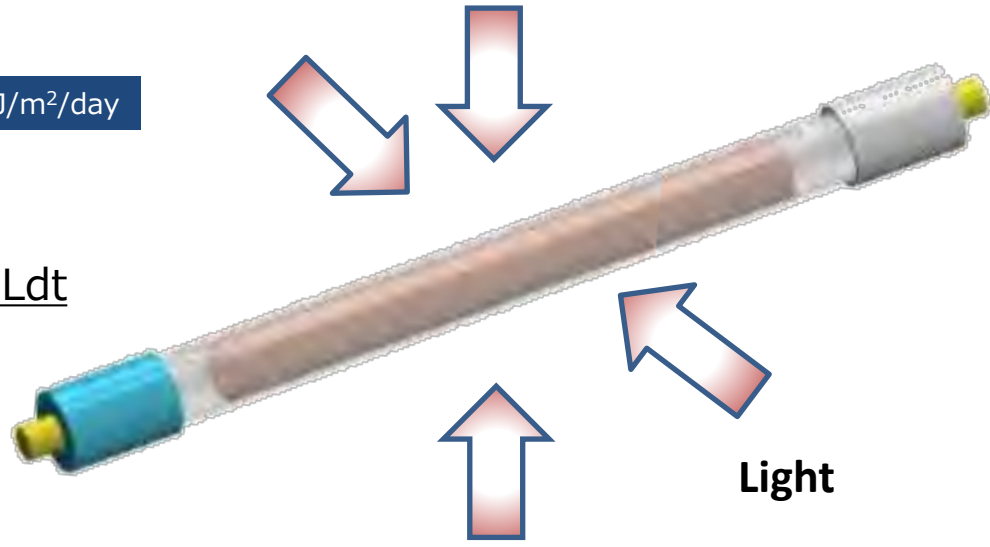
# Advantage of cylindrical solar cells with plastic photoconversion layer



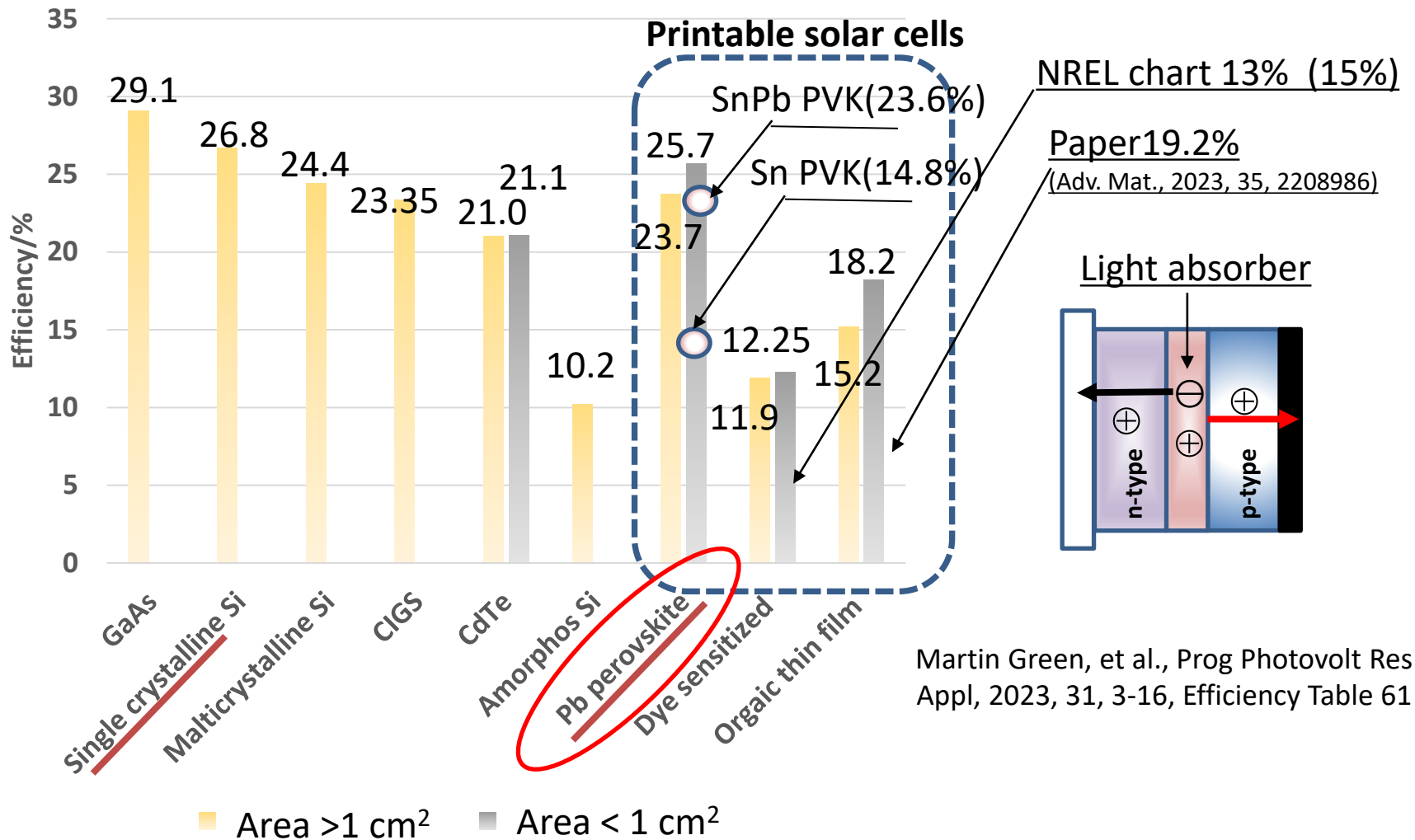
- Light weight
- Perfect glass sealing (High stability)
- Large total power generation in a day

2021/1/4 2021年 by Fijico co. Ltd

全天日射量 : 11.09 MJ/m²/day



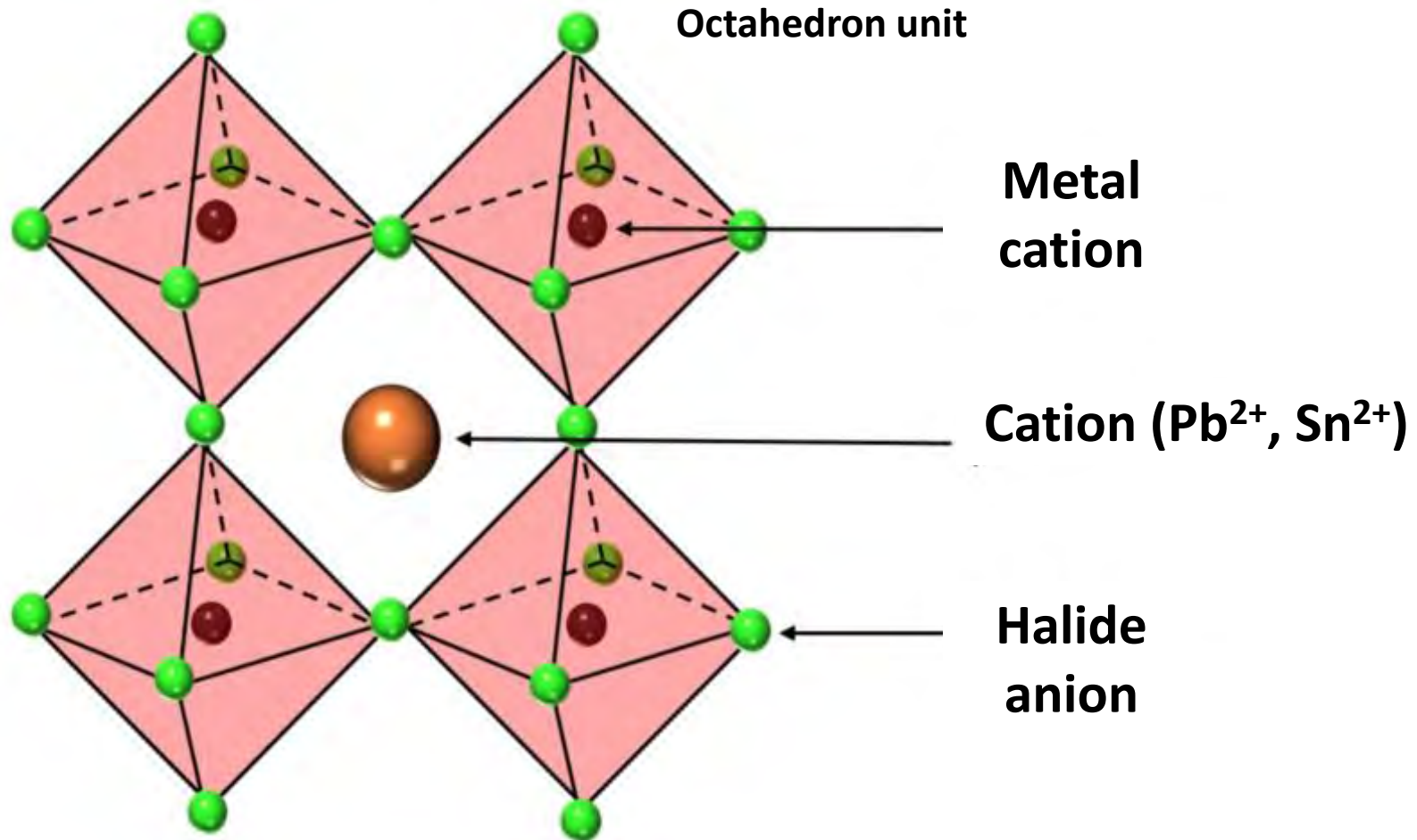
# Certified efficiency for various solar cells



The efficiency of PVK is close to that of the Si solar cell even though the cell is prepared at 100 °C process.



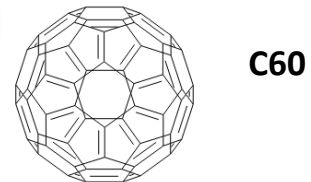
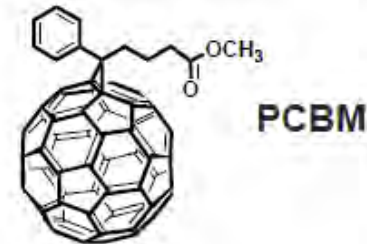
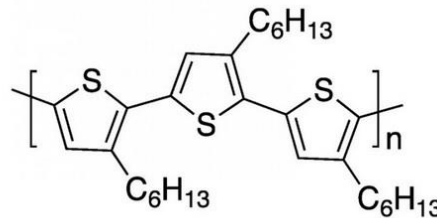
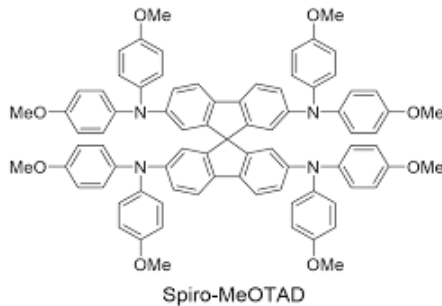
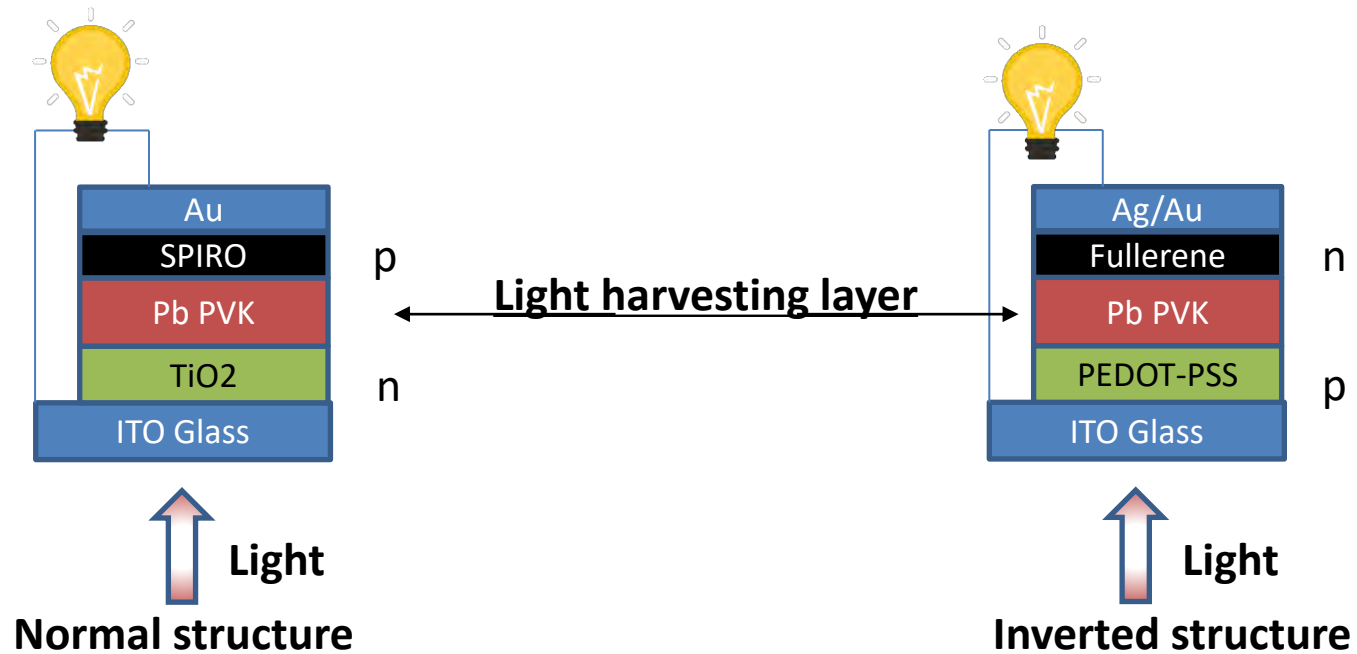
# Halide perovskite



**$\text{ABX}_3$ : A ( Cation,  $\text{Cs}^+$ ,  $\text{MA}^+$ , etc), B ( $\text{Pb}^{2+}$   $\text{Sn}^{2+}$ ); X (I $^-$ , Br $^-$ )**

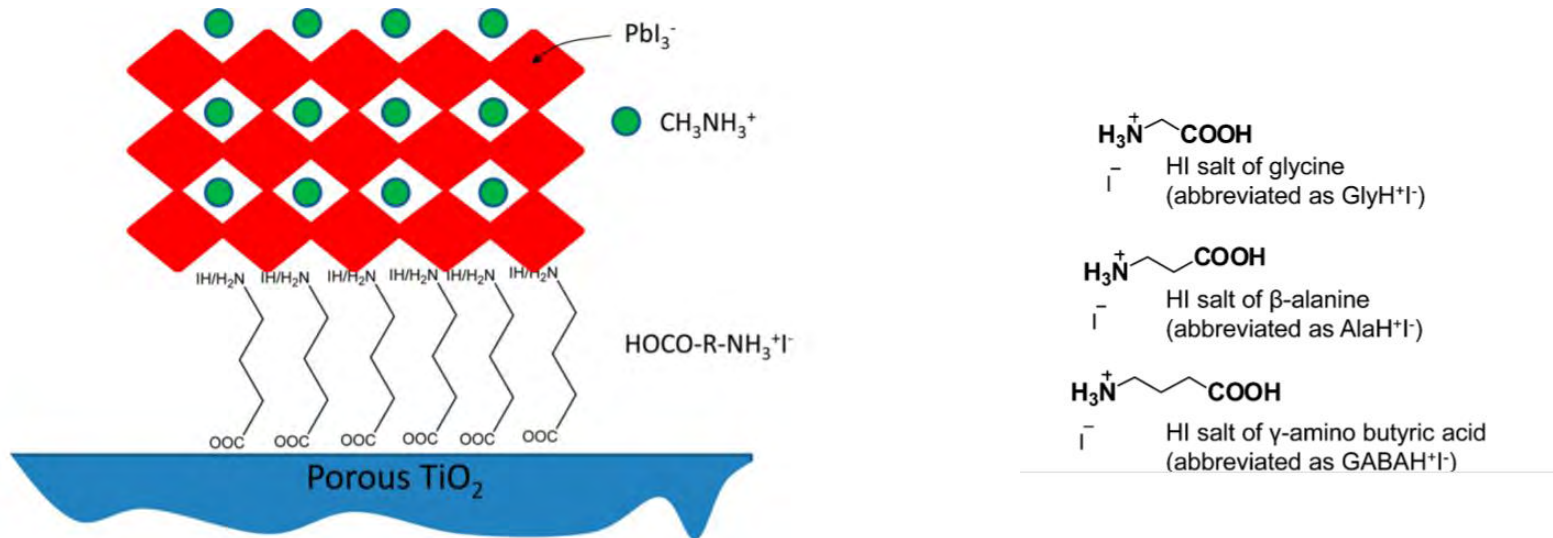
Tin PVK has structure similar to Lead PVK

# Two types of perovskite solar cell structures



**Pb-PVK PV: Normal (25.7%) > Inverted (25%)**  
**Sn-PVK-PV: Normal (5%) <<< Inverted (14.8%)**

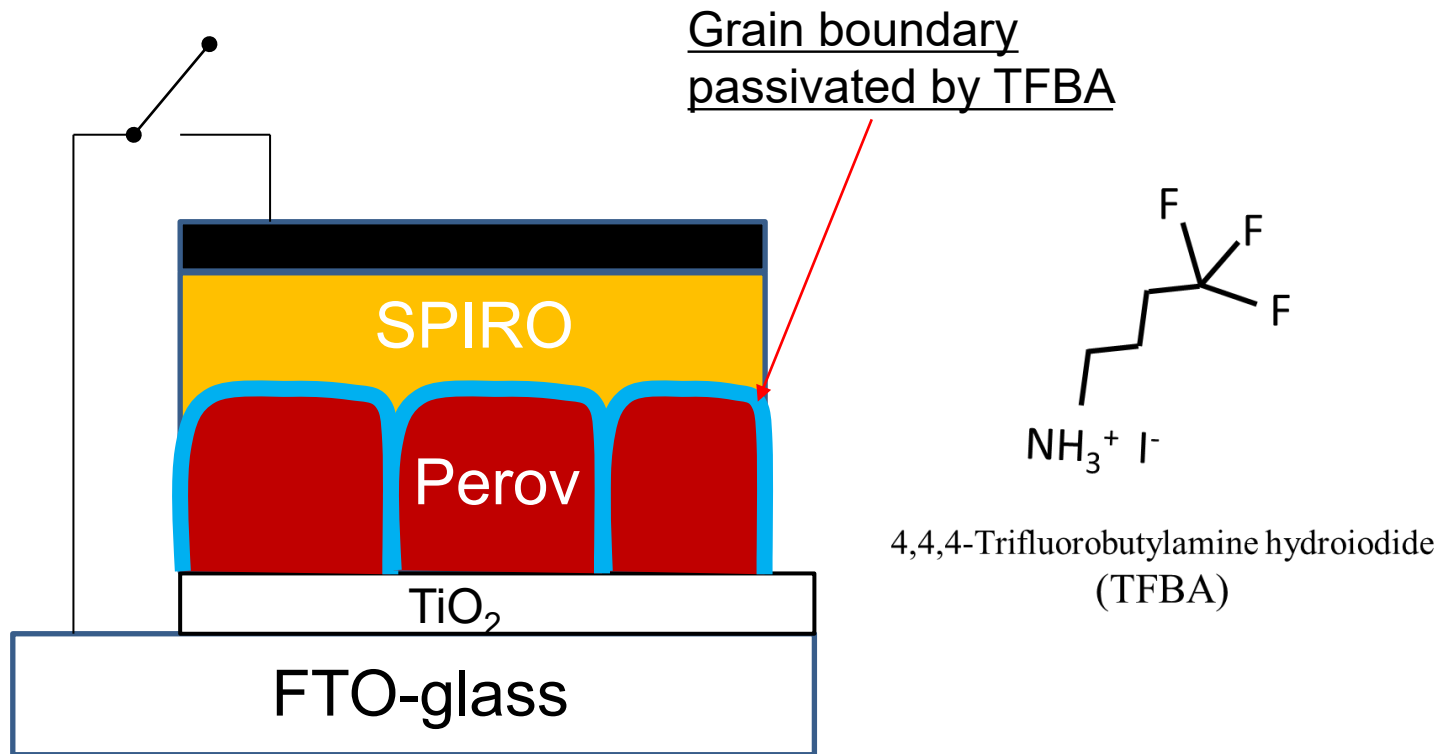
# Titania surface passivation (less trap density)



**Figure 1.** Structure of titania anode where HOCO-R-NH<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> was inserted between perovskite and porous titania.

Ogomi, Y., Morita, A., Tsukamoto, S., Saitho, T., Shen, Q., Toyoda, T., Yoshino, K., Pandey, S.S., Ma, T., Hayase, S., All-solid perovskite solar cells with HOCO-R-NH<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>I<sup>-</sup> anchor-group inserted between porous titania and perovskite, *Journal of Physical Chemistry C*, 118, p.16651-16659, 2014.

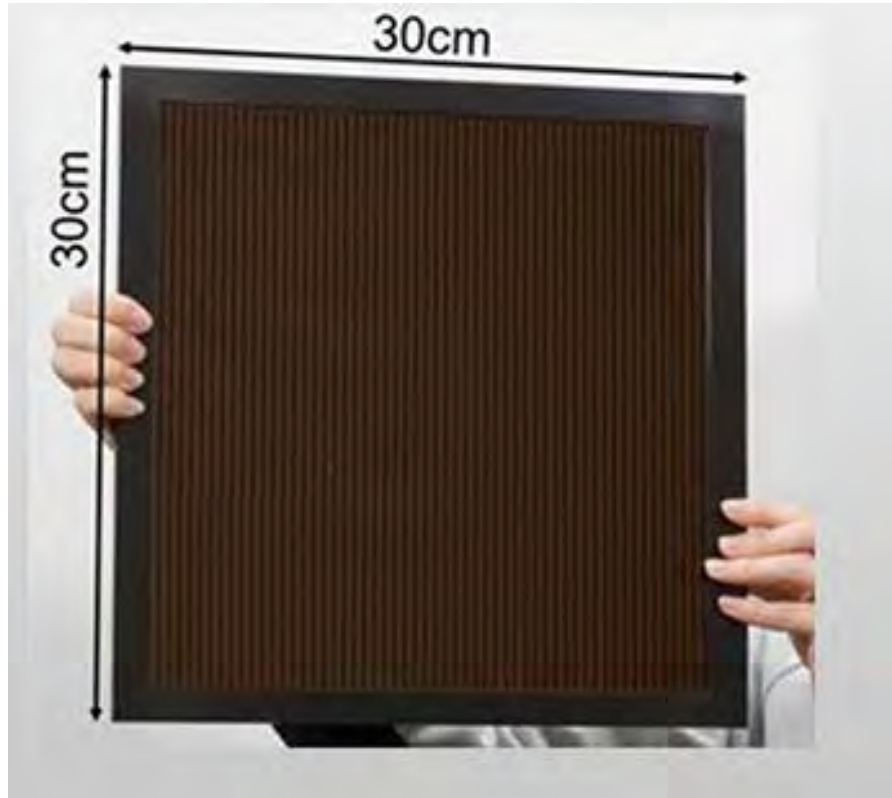
# Grain boundary passivation



ChemSusChem, 9, p.2634-2639, 2016.

Grain boundary may be passivated by TFBA

# Fabrication of Pb perovskite solar cells with large area



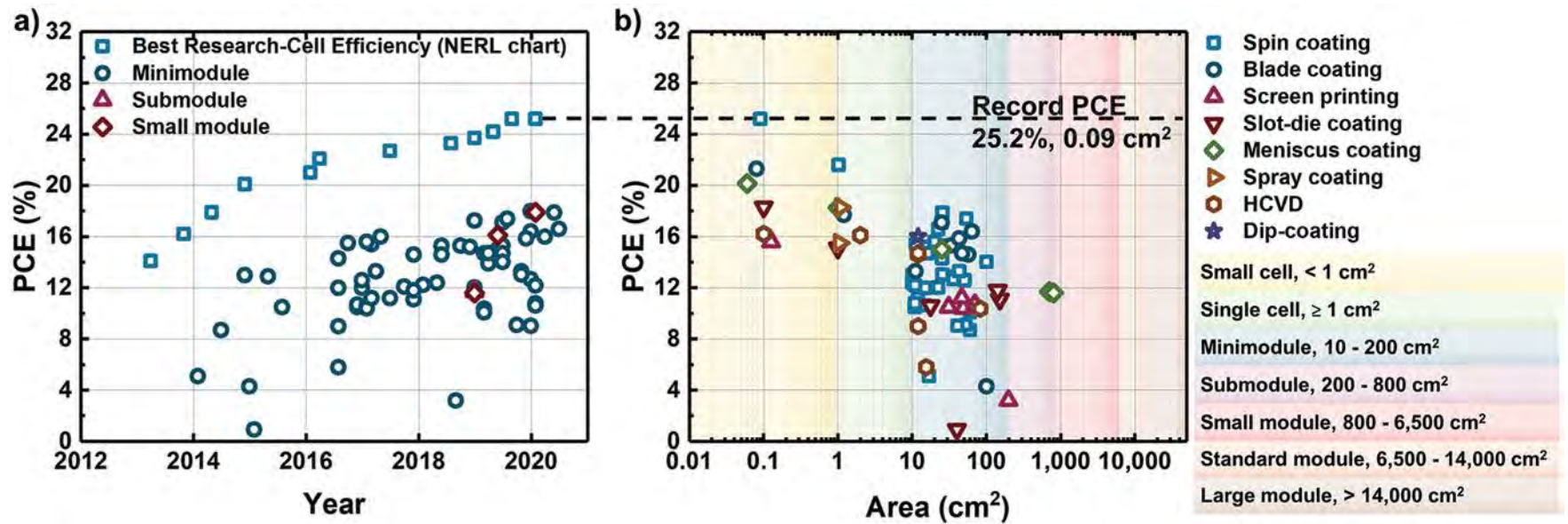
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(Aperture size  $802 \text{ cm}^2$ :  $30 \text{ cm} \times 30 \text{ cm} \times 2 \text{ mm}$ ), Certified efficiency 16.09%.

⇒ Improved to 17.9% with  $804 \text{ cm}^2$  (55cells) (Highest certified efficiency)

Martin Green, et al., Prog Photovolt. Res. Appl., 2022;30:687–701. Efficiency Table 60.

# Relationship between efficiency and cell area



Sang-Won Lee, et al., Adv. Mater. 2020, 32, 2002202



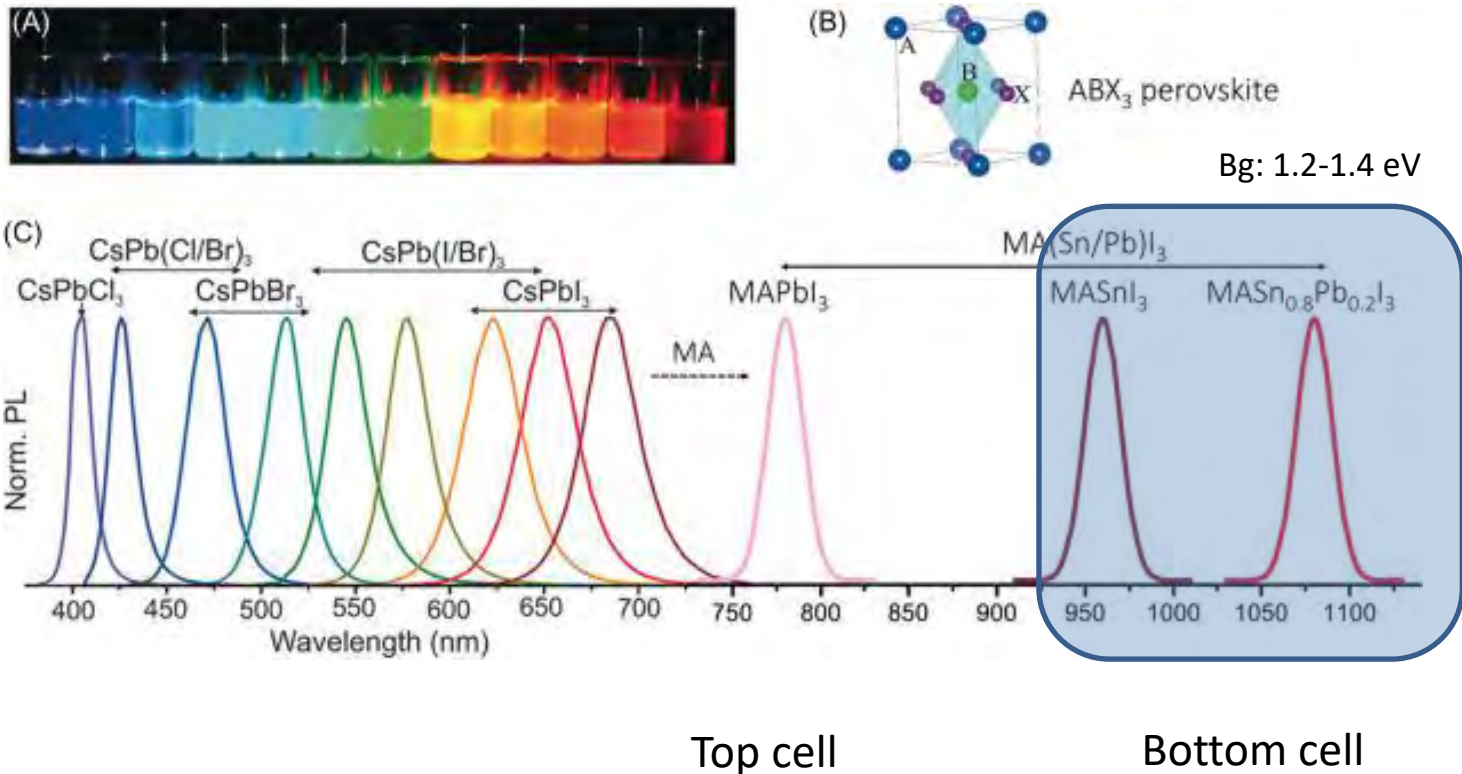
# Comparison of Pb perovskite solar cell with conventional Si solar cell

Solar cell	Light harvesting layer	Certified efficiency	Starting material	Crystallization	Substrate
Pb perovskite PV	Perovskite (0.5-1.0 $\mu$ m)	25.7%	Perovskite ink	100°C (Coating)	Plastic substrate (Light and flexible) (1-4kg/m <sup>2</sup> )
Single crystalline Si PV	Si (100-200 $\mu$ m)	26.7%	Si	1500°C (Crystallization)	With glass (12-15kg/m <sup>2</sup> )

The efficiency of the perovskite solar cells crystallized at low temperature-coating process is catching up that of Silicon solar cells crystallized and purified at high temperature.

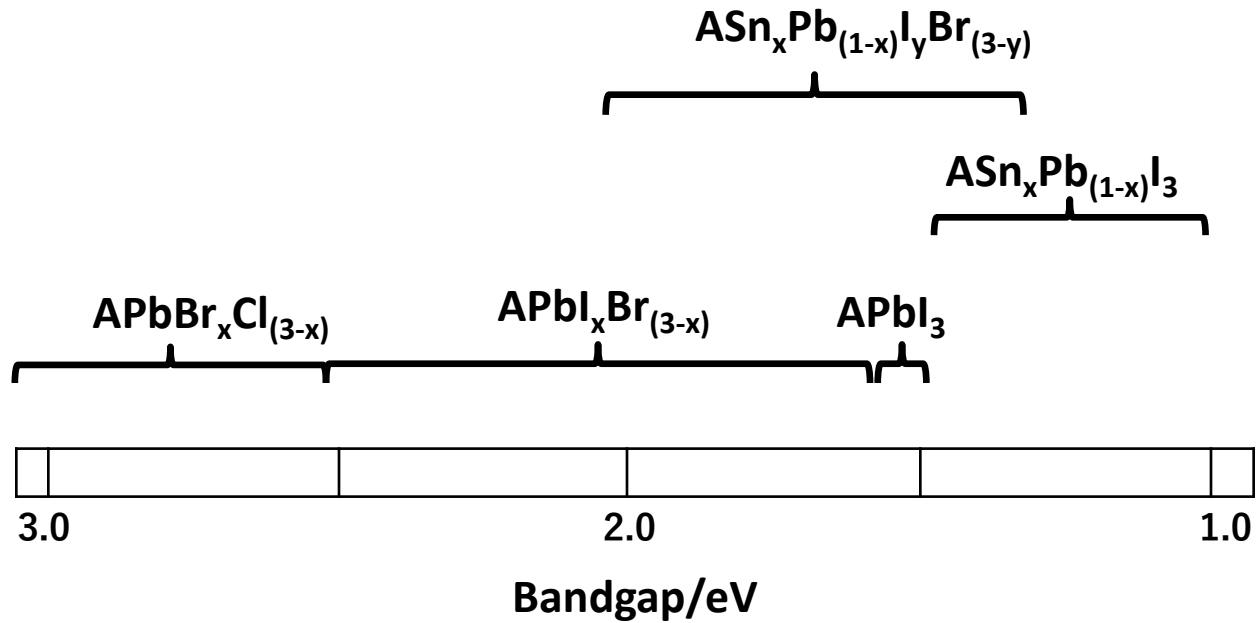
# Band gap control

Characterization Techniques for Perovskite Solar Cell Materials, Micro and Nano Technologies, 2020, Pages 1-22  
 Somayeh Gholipour, Michae ISaliba, <https://doi.org/10.1016/B978-0-12-814727-6.00001-3>



- Pb perovskite:  $APbX_3$ : **A** site: Large size  $\Rightarrow$  Narrow band gap  
**X** site: Br substitution  $\Rightarrow$  wide band gap
- Sn perovskite:  $ASnX_3$ : **A** site: Large size  $\Rightarrow$  Wide band gap  
**X** site: Br substitution  $\Rightarrow$  wide band gap

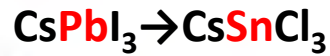
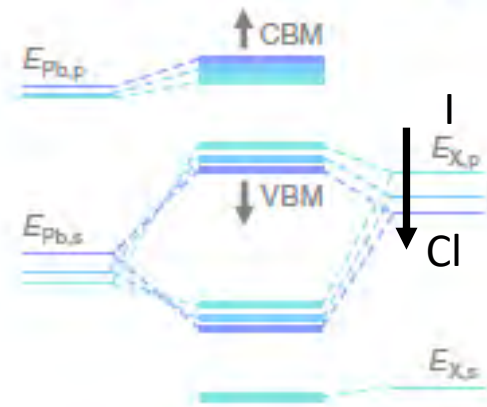
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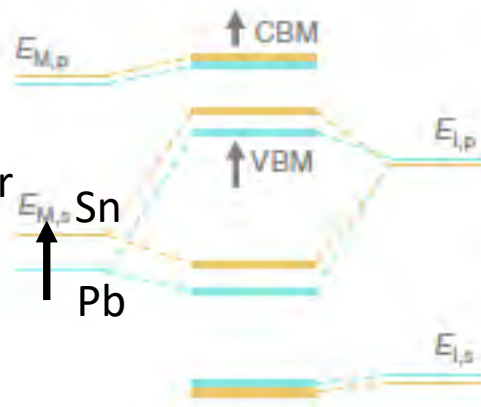
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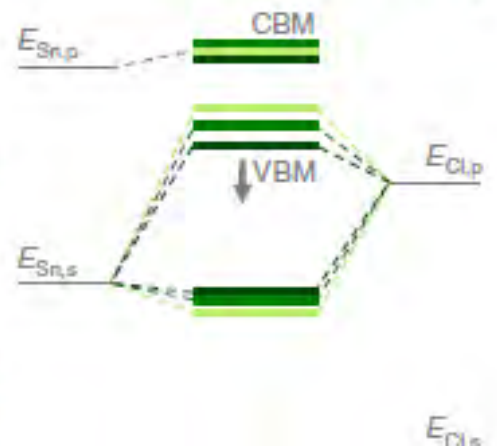
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**b**  $\text{CsPbI}_3$  vs  $\text{CsSnI}_3$



**c**  $\text{CsSnCl}_3$  vs  $\text{MASnCl}_3$  vs  $\text{FASnCl}_3$

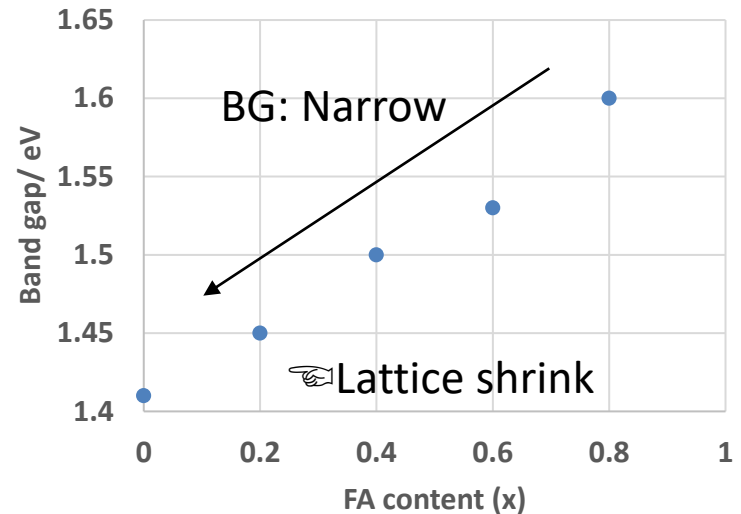
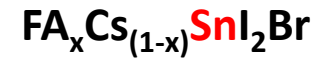
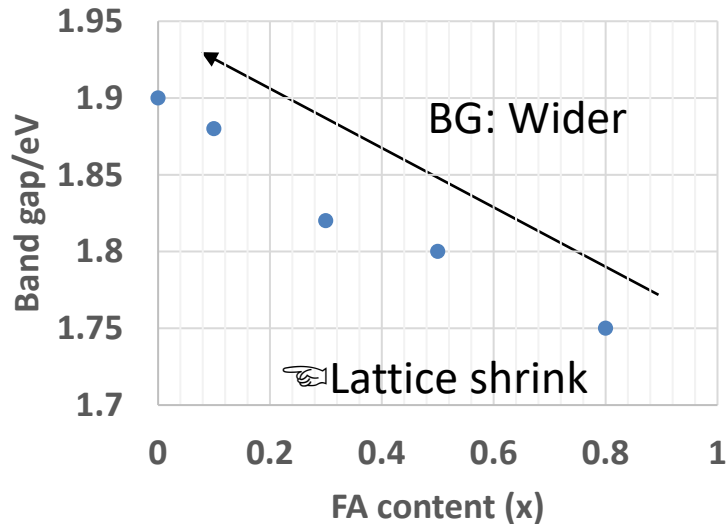
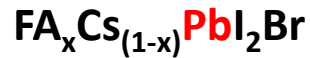


Absolute energy level positions in tin and lead-based halide perovskites

Shuxia Tao, Ines Schmidt, Geert Brocks, Junke Jiang, Ionut Tranca, Klaus Meerholz & Selina Olthof, Nature Communication, 2019, 10, 2560.

# X dependence on band gap: $\text{FA}_x\text{Cs}_{(1-x)}\text{MI}_2\text{Br}$

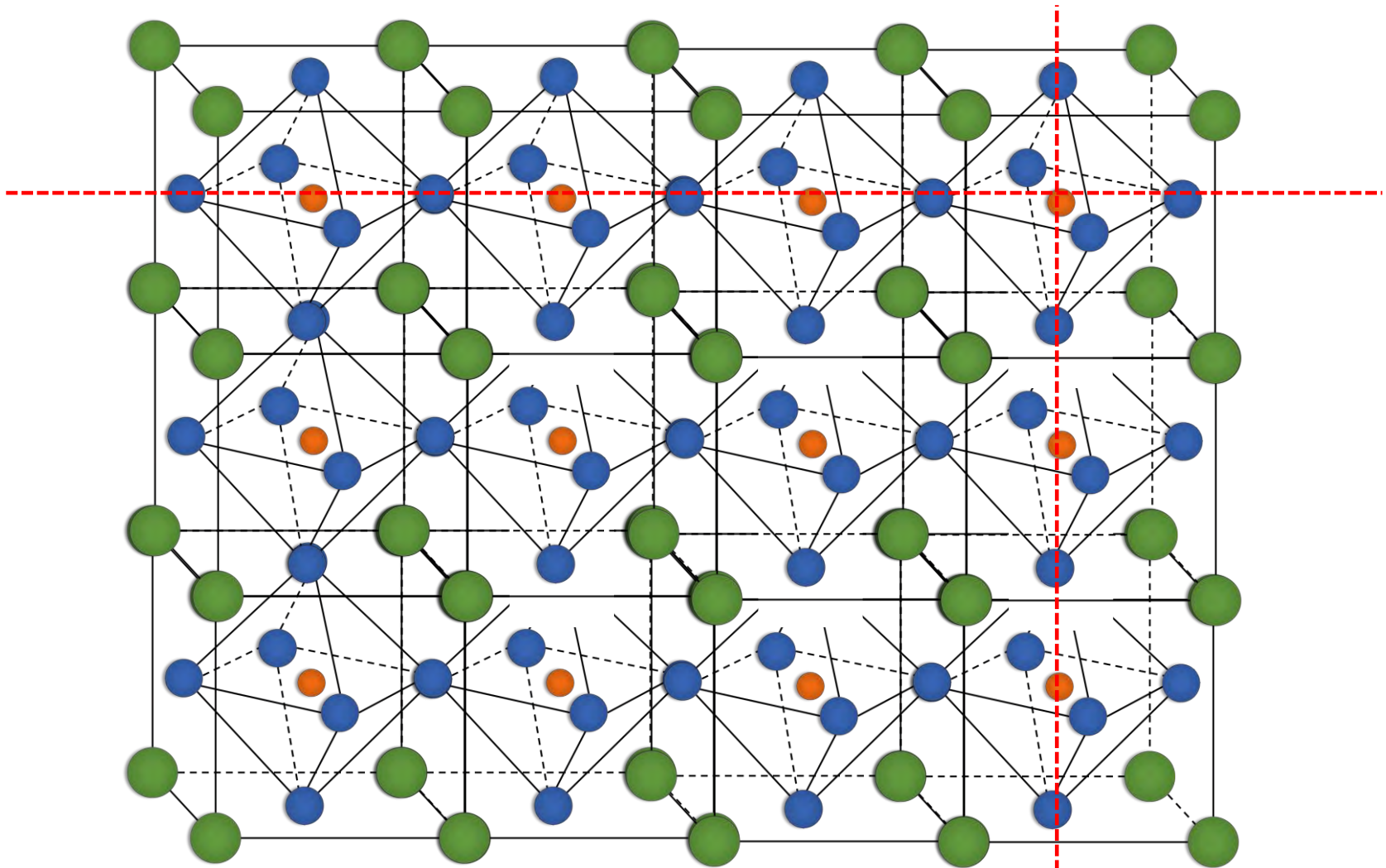
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Pb perovskite:  $\text{APbX}_3$ :  
Small size **A** site  $\Rightarrow$  Wide band gap

Sn perovskite:  $\text{ASnX}_3$ :  
Small **A** site  $\Rightarrow$  Narrow band gap

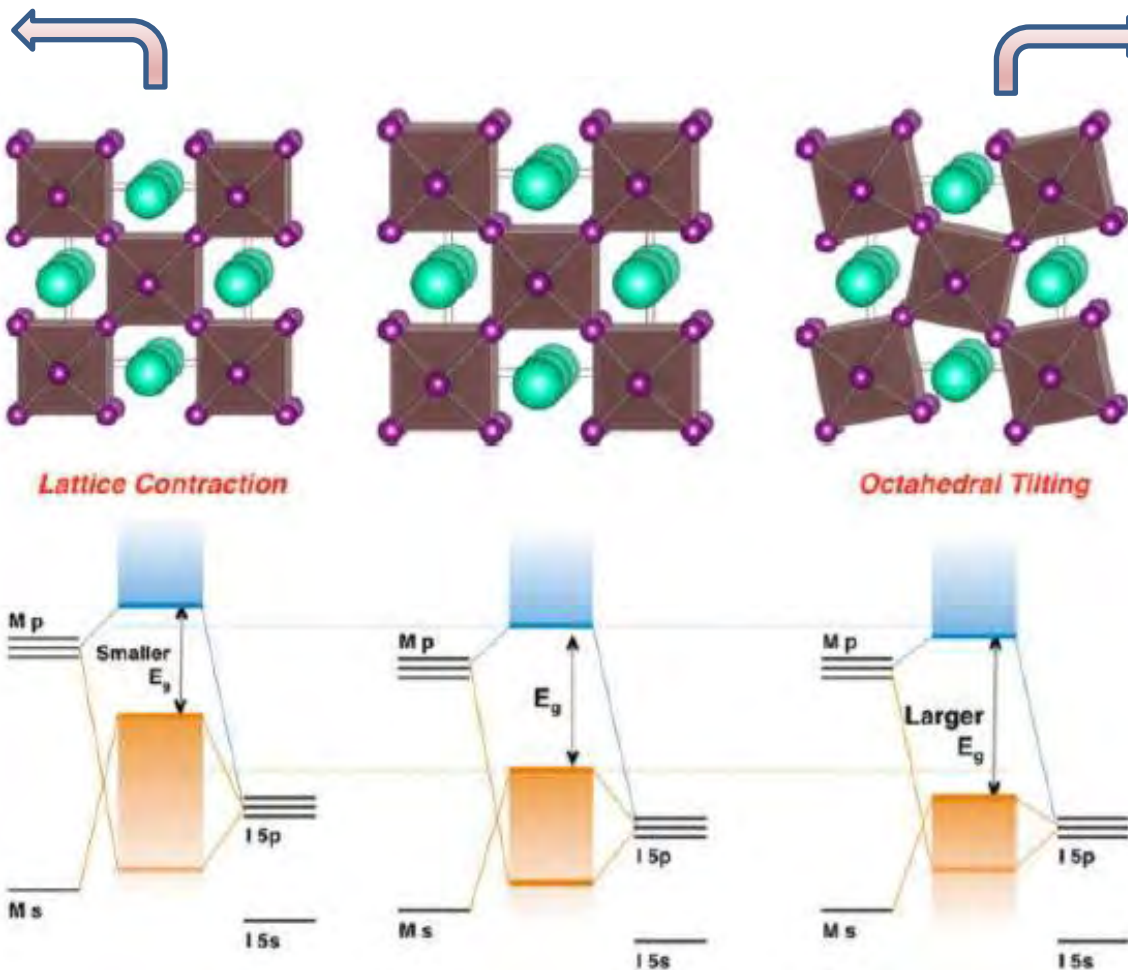
# Perovskite (MAPbI<sub>3</sub>) structure (-Pb-I-Pb-I- arrangement)





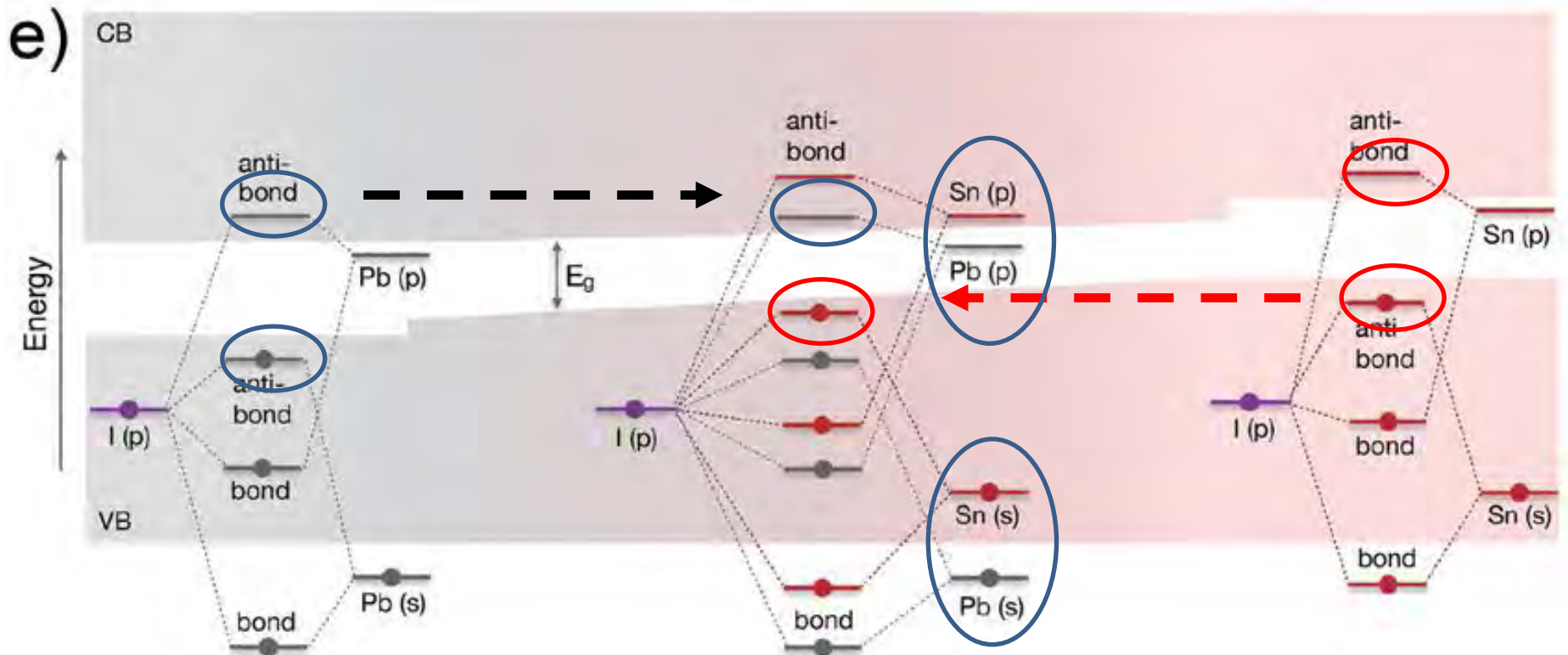
# Relationship between tilting and contraction of lattice

Sn PVK:  
Introduction of **small size ions**  
↓  
Contraction of lattice size  
↓  
Strong interaction of I-Pb orbital  
↓  
leading to shallow band energy and **narrow bandgap.**



Pb PVK:  
Introduction of **small size ions**  
↓  
Lattice tilting  
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weak interaction of I-Pb orbital  
↓  
leading to deep band energy and **wide bandgap.**

# Why is the bandgap of SnPb PVK narrower than Sn PVK?



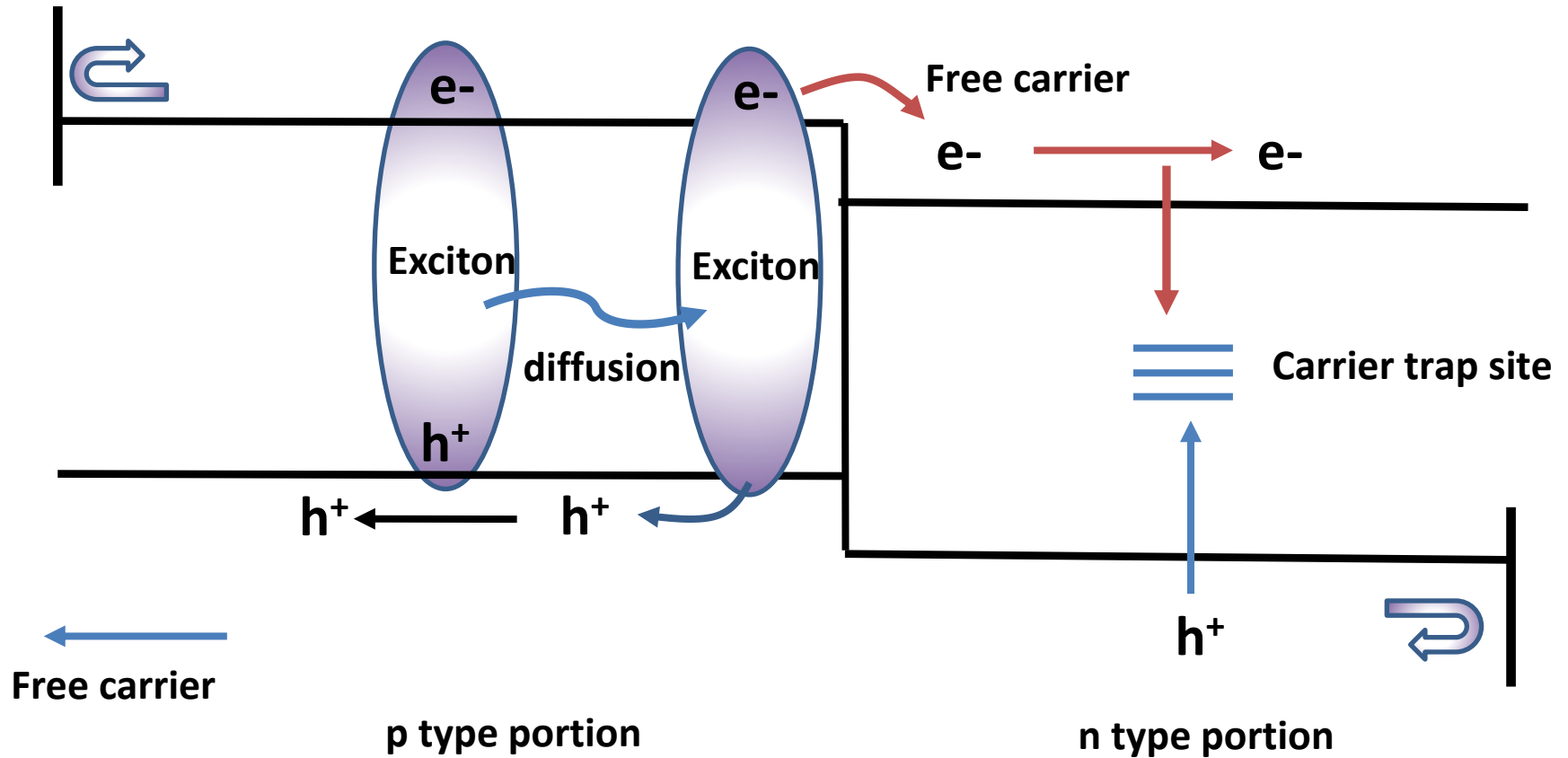
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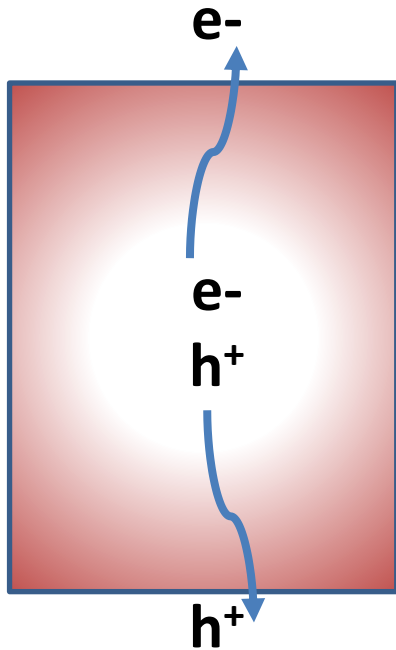
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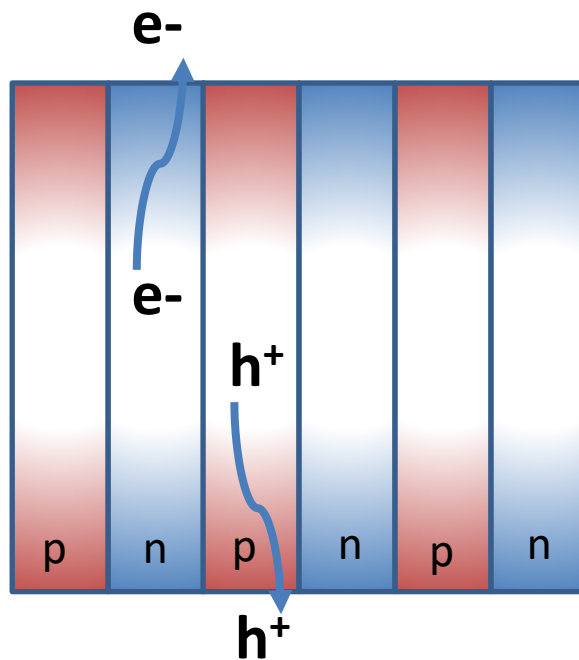
# Carrier generation and collection



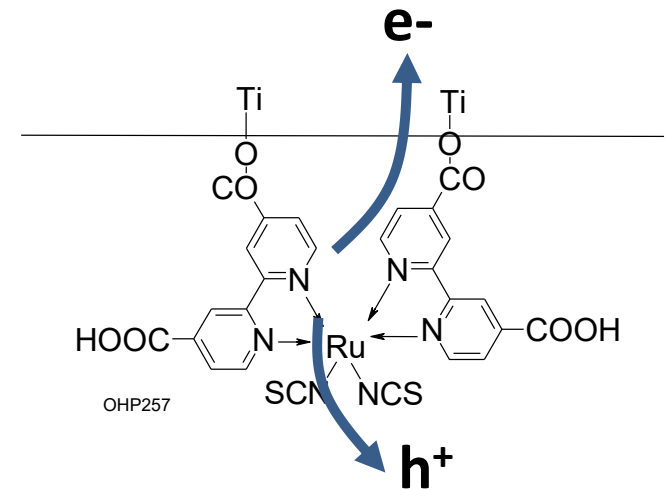
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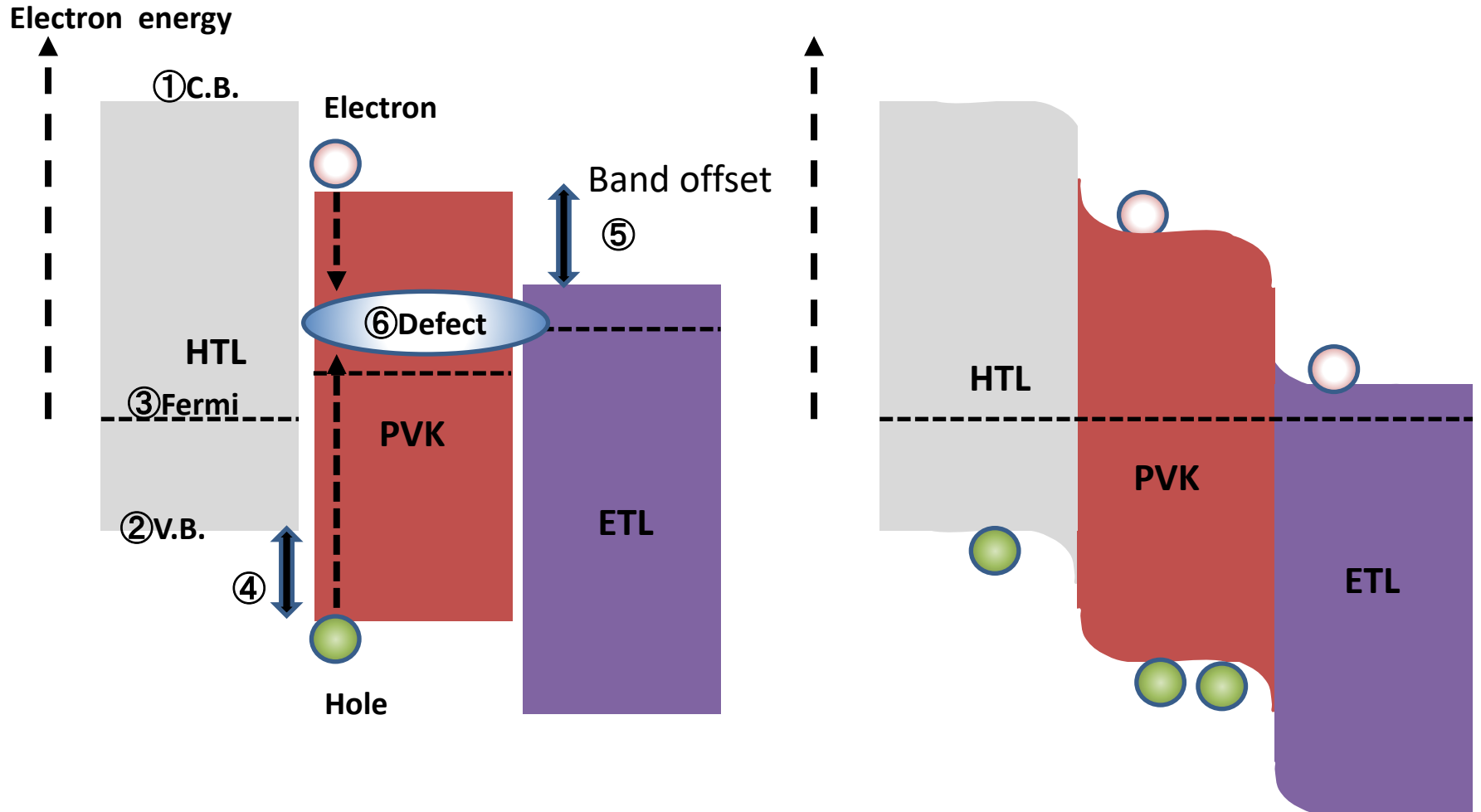


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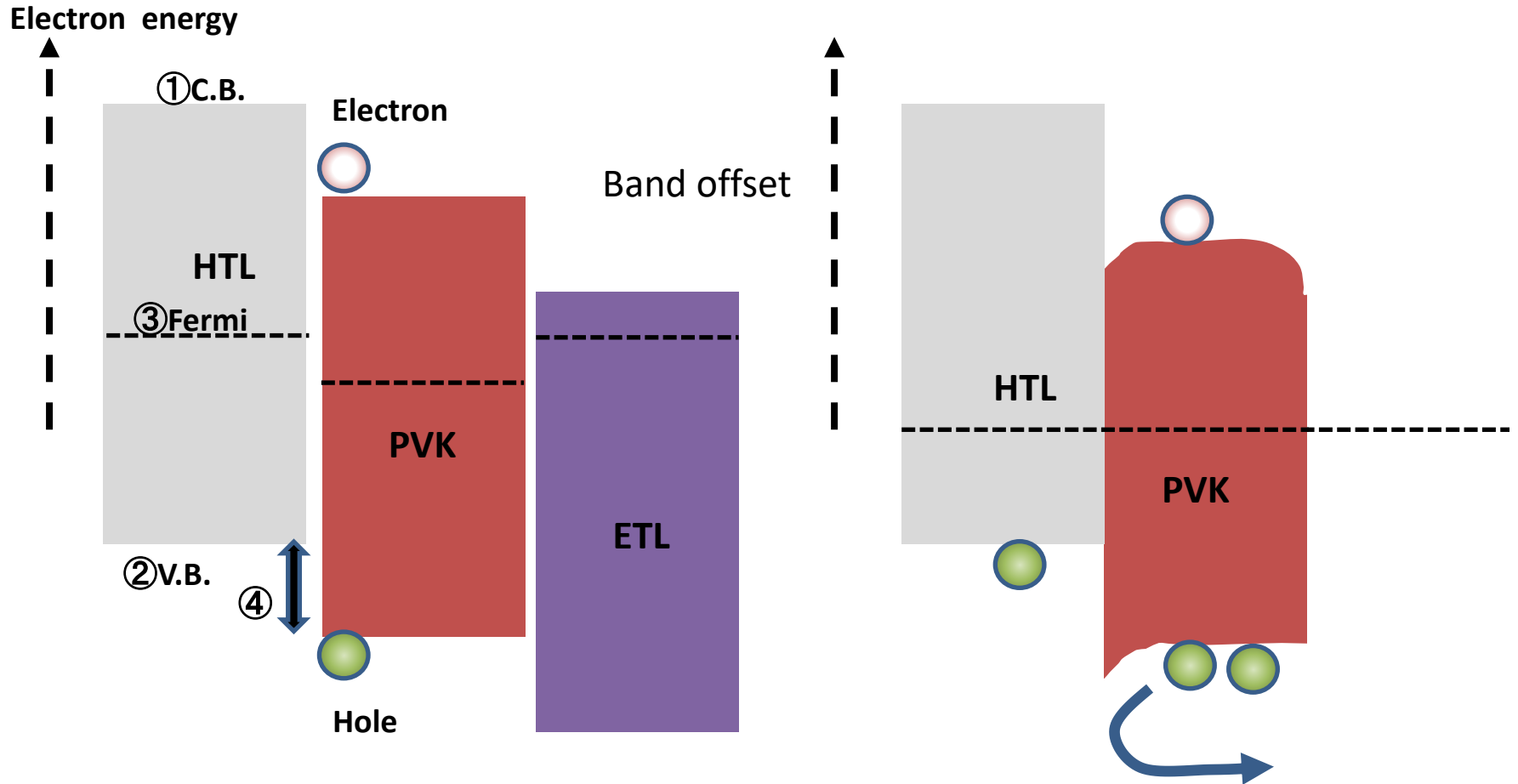


c) Dye LHL in DSSC

# General items for enhancing solar cell efficiency

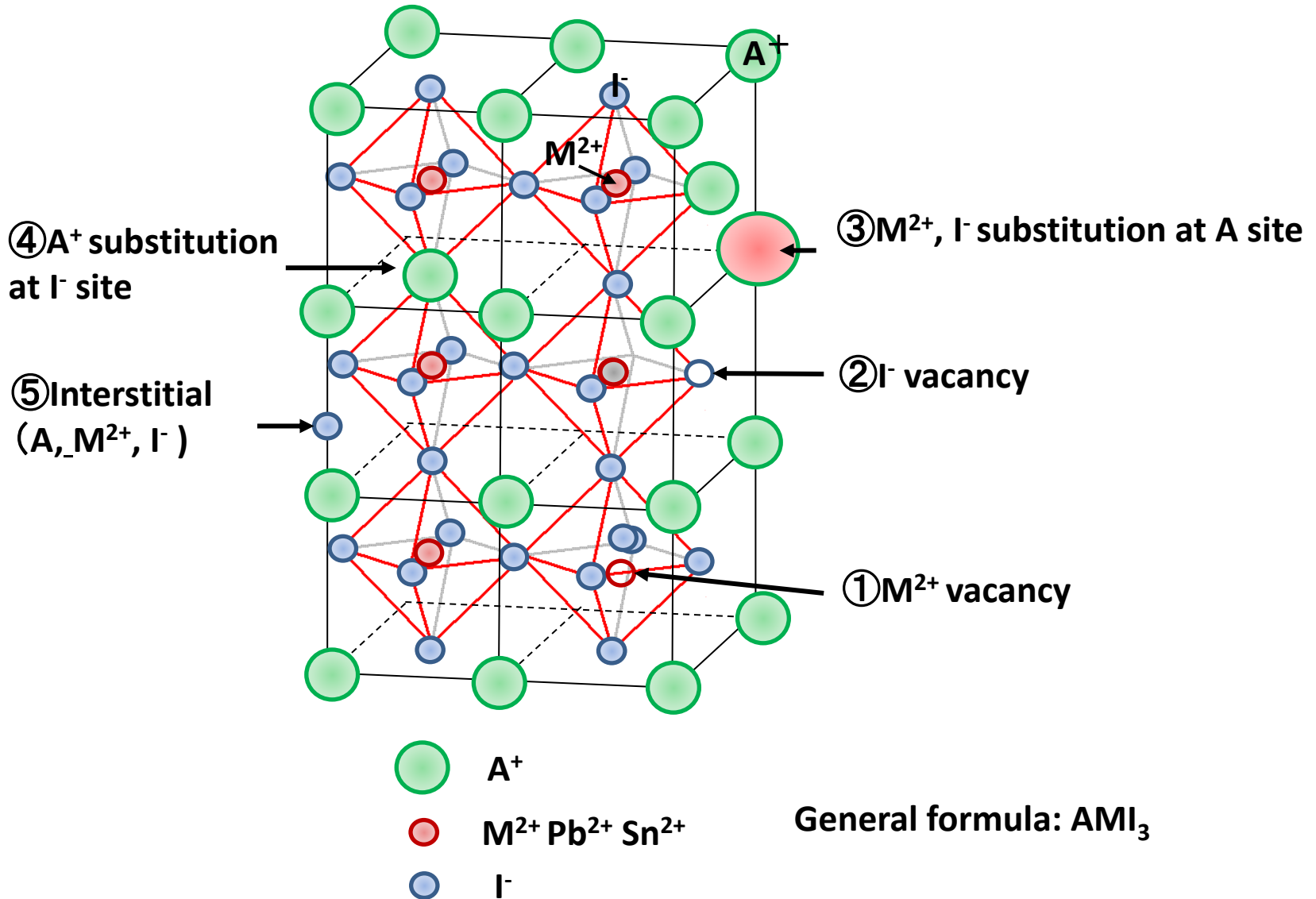


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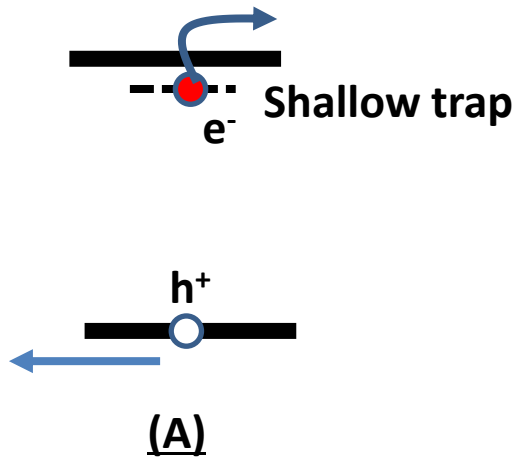


# Defects in metal perovskite

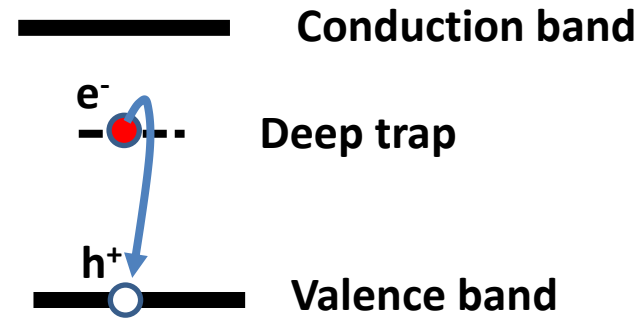


# Carrier trap depth and defect formation energy

Low defect formation energy and deep trap causes serious efficiency decrease



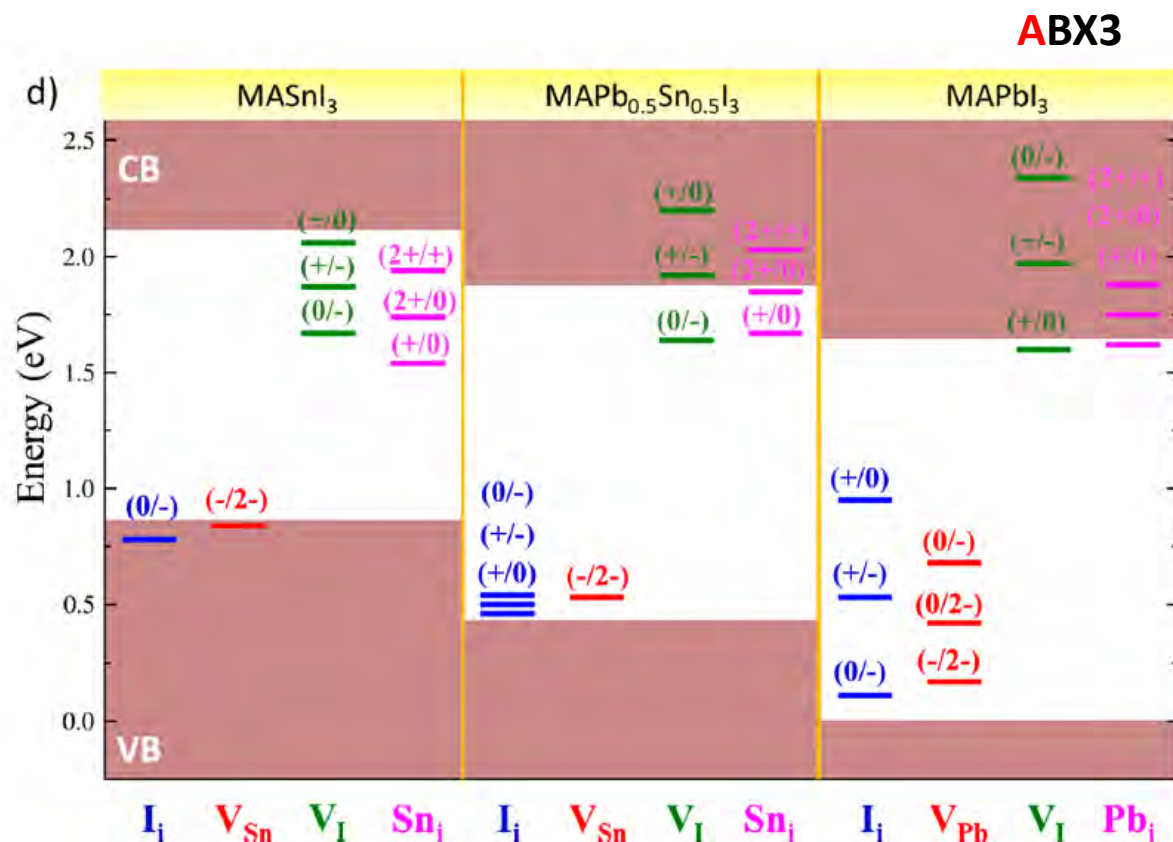
Trapped charge can be escaped



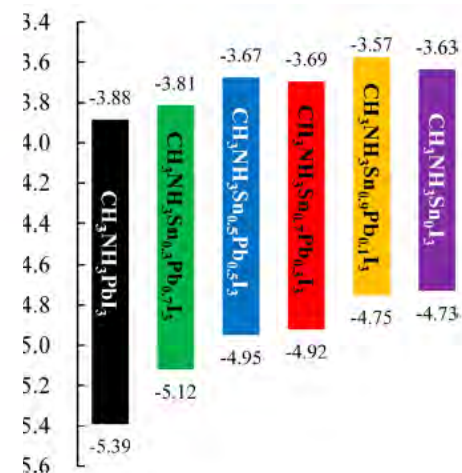
Carrier recombination occurs

# Defect energy level for MAPbI<sub>3</sub> MASnI<sub>3</sub> and MASnI<sub>3</sub>

(Heat of formation and trap depth)



Experimental results



Y. Ogomi, S. Hayase, et al.

*J. Phys. Chem. Lett.* 2014, 5, 1004-1011

**Thermodynamically unstable**  
**(large formation energy)**

## □ Lead-free perovskite (without Sn based perovskite)

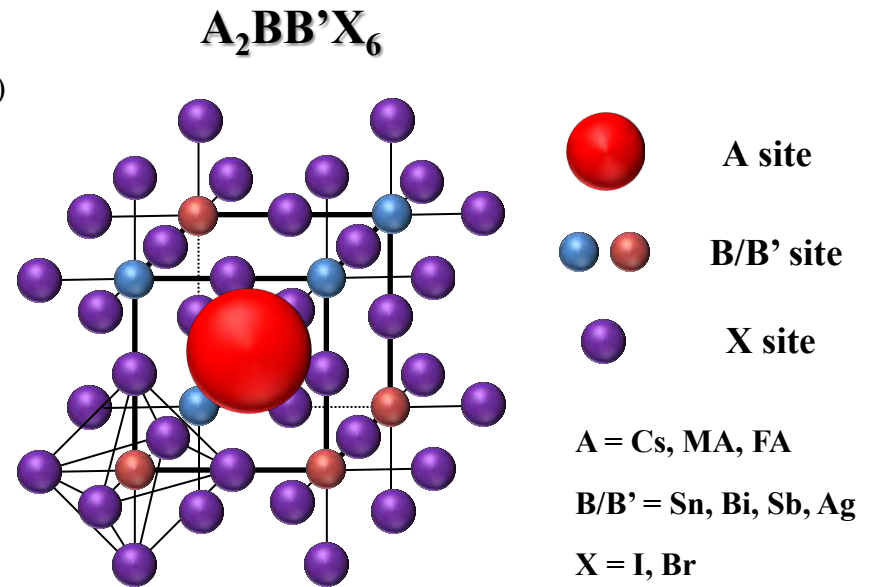
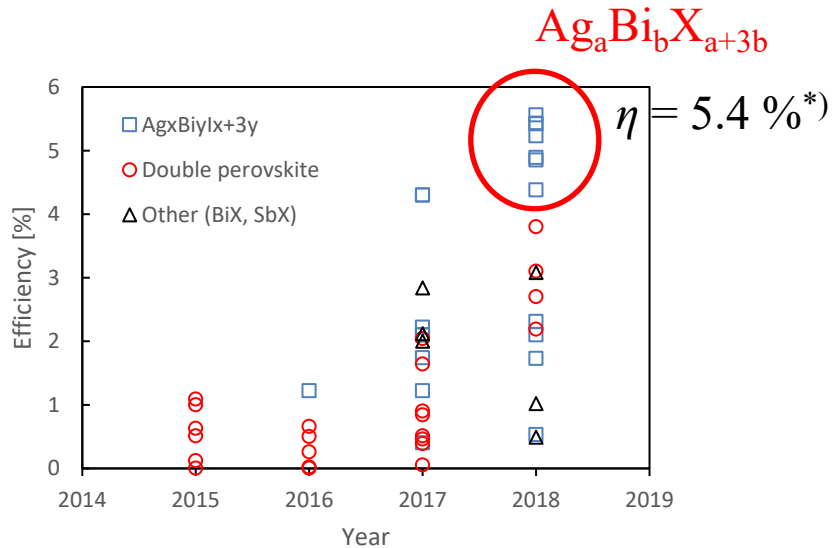


Fig. Changes of efficiency of lead-free double perovskite and silver bismuth solar cells by year.

\*) Pai, N., Lu, J., Gengenbach, T. R., Seeber, A., Chesman, A. S. R., Jiang, L., ... Simonov, A. N. (2018). Silver Bismuth Sulfoiodide Solar Cells: Tuning Optoelectronic Properties by Sulfide Modification for Enhanced Photovoltaic Performance. *Advanced Energy Materials*, 1803396. doi:10.1002/aenm.201803396

# Summary

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## Tin perovskite vs. Lead perovskite

- **Lead PVK PV : 25.7%**
- **Tin PVK PV:14.8%**
- **Tin Lead alloyed PVK PV:23.8%**
  
- **Band gap of PVK covers 3 eV-1.2 eV**
  
- **Lead PVK PV is defect tolerance properties**
  
- **To enhancement of Tin PVK PV efficiency, defects must be decreased.**

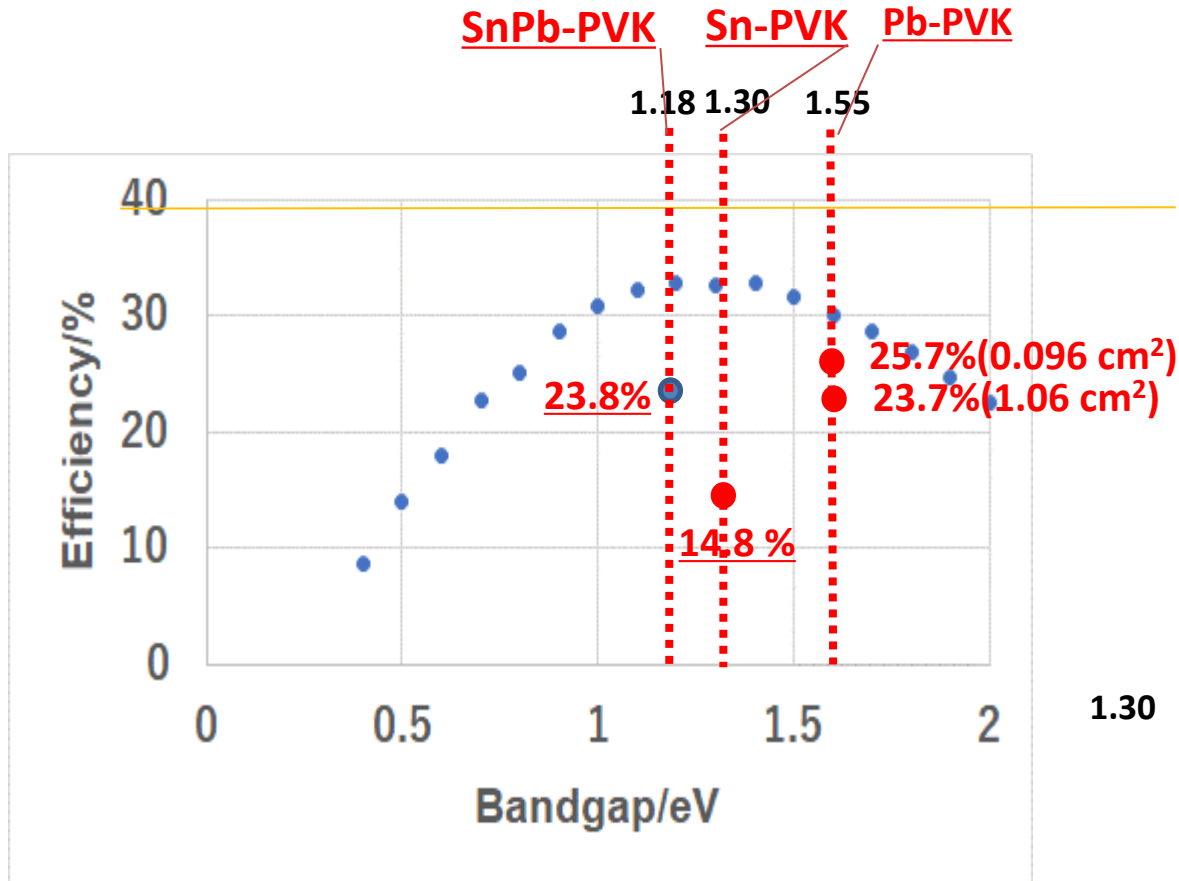
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# Featured items of Tin based perovskite solar cells

## Shockley-Queisser limit curve



## Featured items

**Sn PVK**

Lead-free PVK solar cell

Best band gap for high efficiency from the viewpoint of SQ limit

Narrow band gap PVK working as bottom cell of tandem solar cells

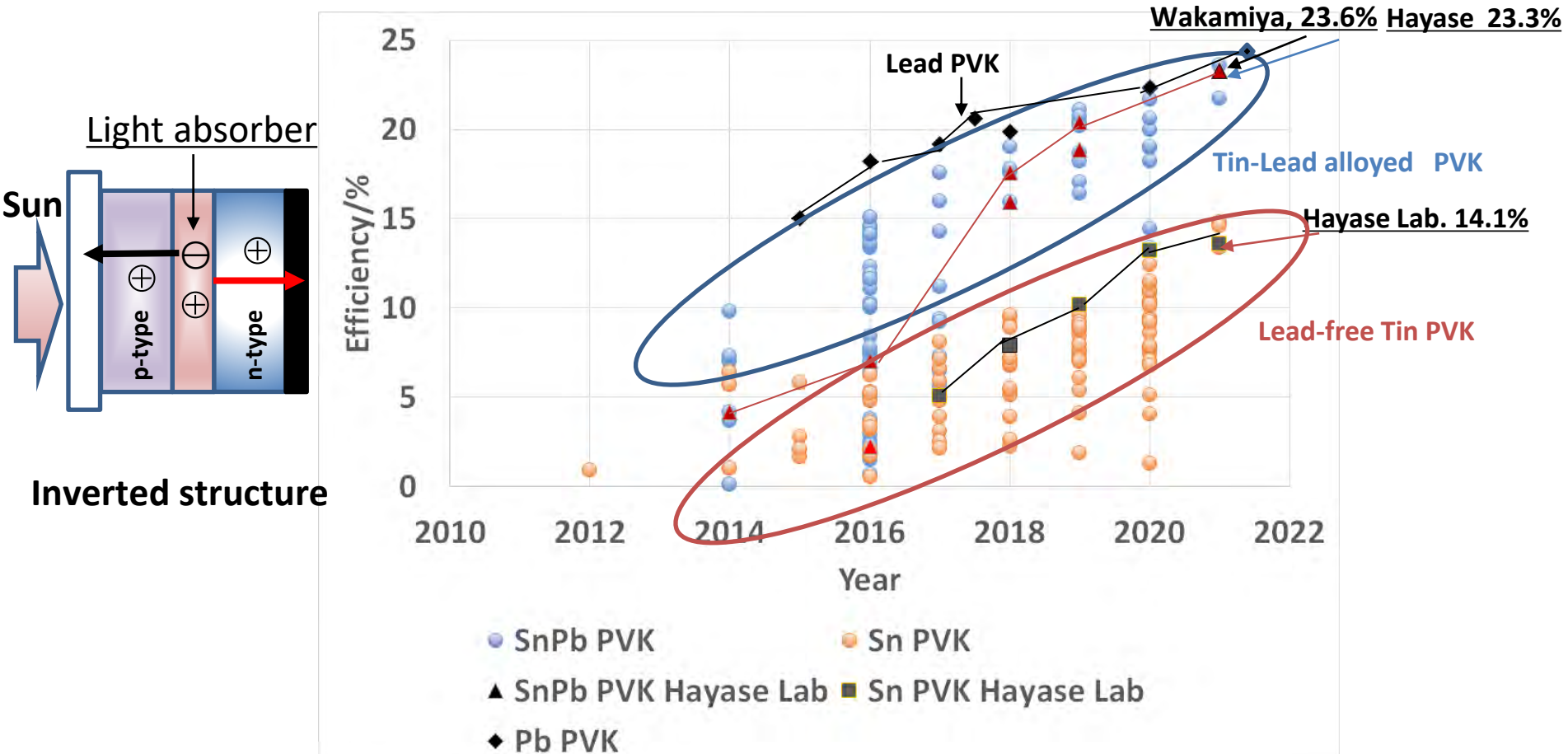
**SnPb alloyed PVK**

Martin Green, et al., Prog Photovolt Res Appl, 2022;30:687–701.. Efficiency Table 60

Theoretically, Tin and Tin-Lead alloyed perovskites have the best band gap for high efficiency cell. However, the efficiency was still low.



# Efficiency trend for Tin and Tin-Lead alloyed perovskite solar cells (Inverted structure)



The efficiency of the Tin-Lead alloyed perovskite solar cell is almost the same as that of the Lead perovskite solar cell. The Lead-free Tin perovskite solar cell efficiency is 14-15% and is improving.



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# CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>Sn<sub>x</sub>Pb<sub>(1-x)</sub>I<sub>3</sub> Perovskite Solar Cells Covering up to 1060 nm

Yuhei Ogomi<sup>\*†</sup>, Atsushi Morita<sup>†</sup>, Syota Tsukamoto<sup>†</sup>, Takahiro Saitho<sup>†</sup>, Naotaka Fujikawa<sup>†</sup>, Qing Shen<sup>‡</sup>, Taro Toyoda<sup>‡</sup>, Kenji Yoshino<sup>§</sup>, Shyam S. Pandey<sup>†</sup>, Tingli Ma<sup>†</sup>, and Shuzi Hayase<sup>\*†</sup>

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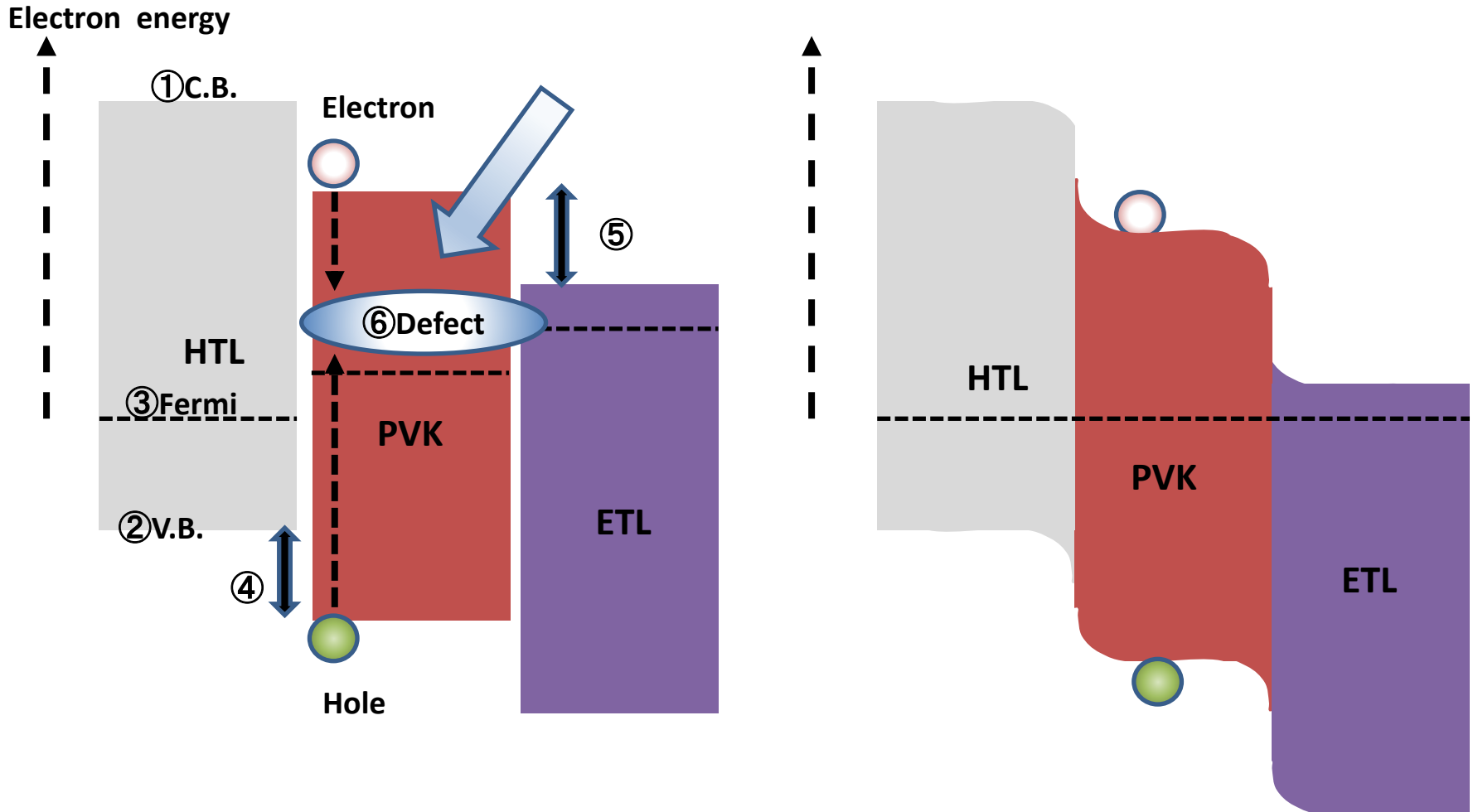
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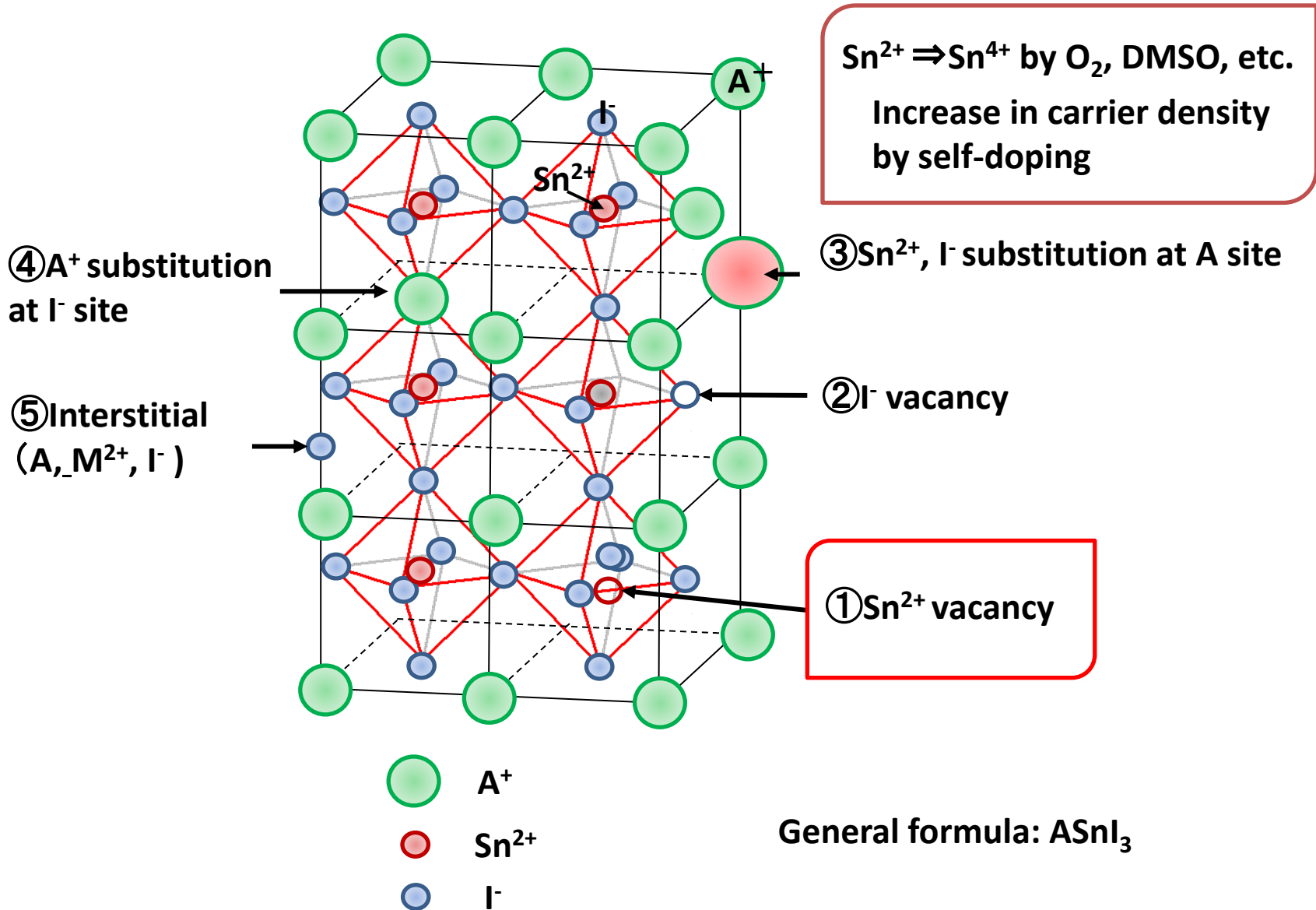
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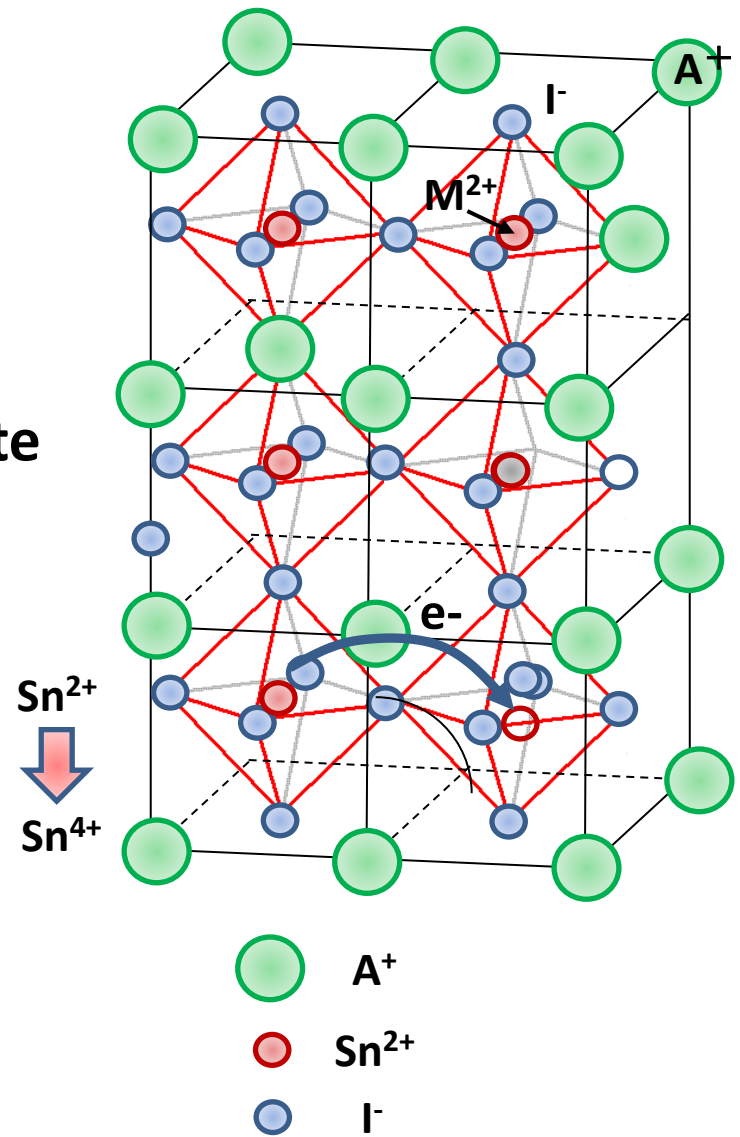
# Defects in Sn perovskite



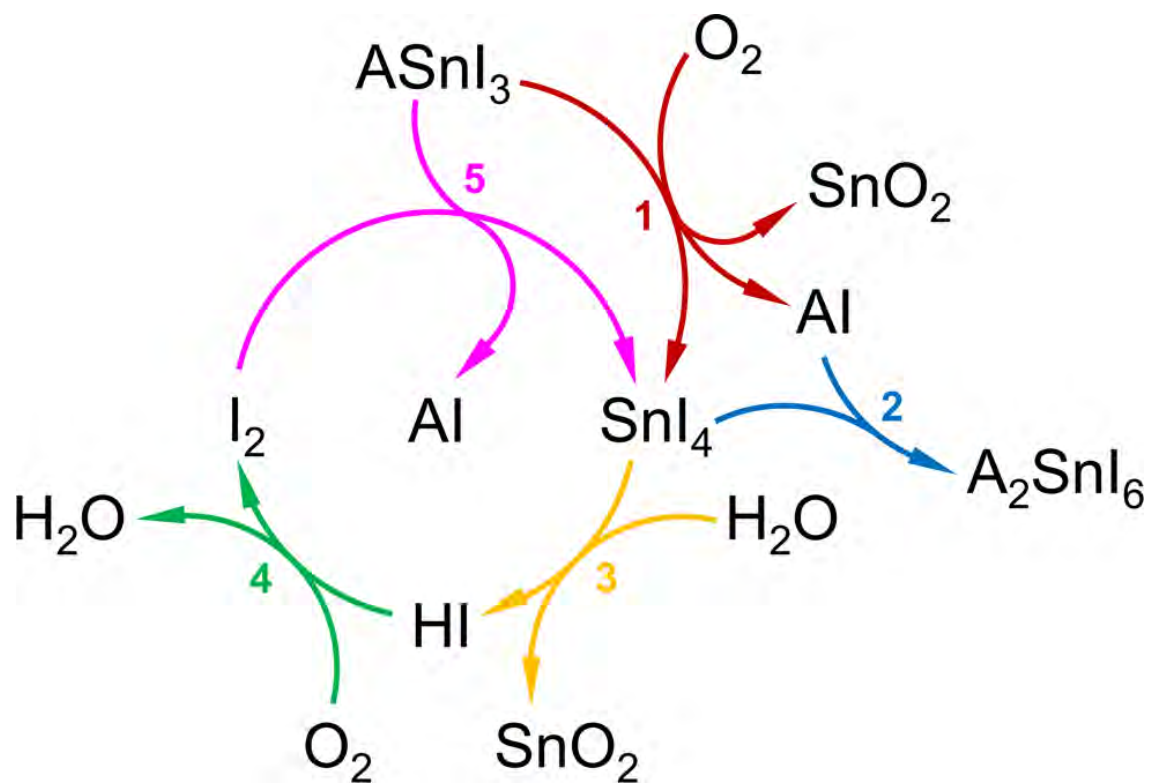
# Sn<sup>4+</sup> formation

- Material
- Perovskite ink during storage
- During preparation of perovskite film
- Perovskite film in PV

By solvent such as DMSO  
By oxygen  
By I<sub>2</sub> formed in perovskite  
By Sn<sup>2+</sup> vacancy



## Predicted route for Sn<sup>4+</sup> formation



L. Lanzetta, T. Webb, N. Zibouche, X. Liang, D. Ding, G. Min, R.J. Westbrook, B. Gaggio, T.J. Macdonald, M.S. Islam, Nat. Commun., 12 (2021) 1-11

# To enhance efficiency

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## 1) Defect

- $\text{Sn}^{4+}$
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- $\text{I}^-$  vacancy

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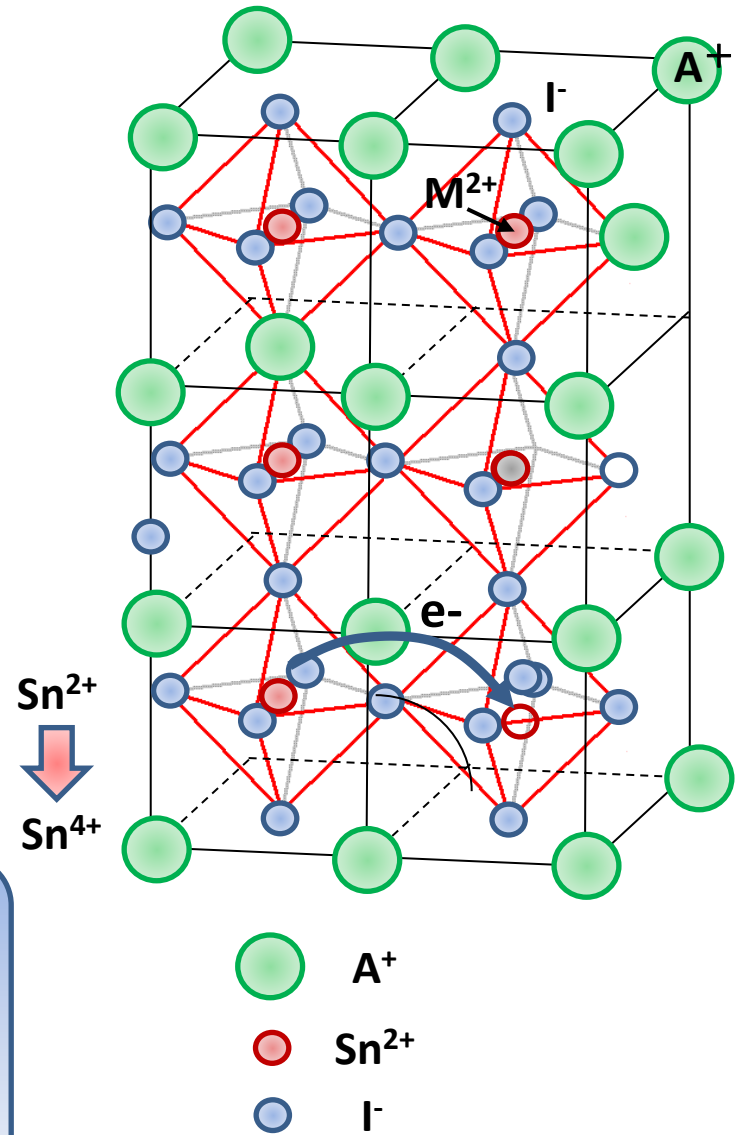
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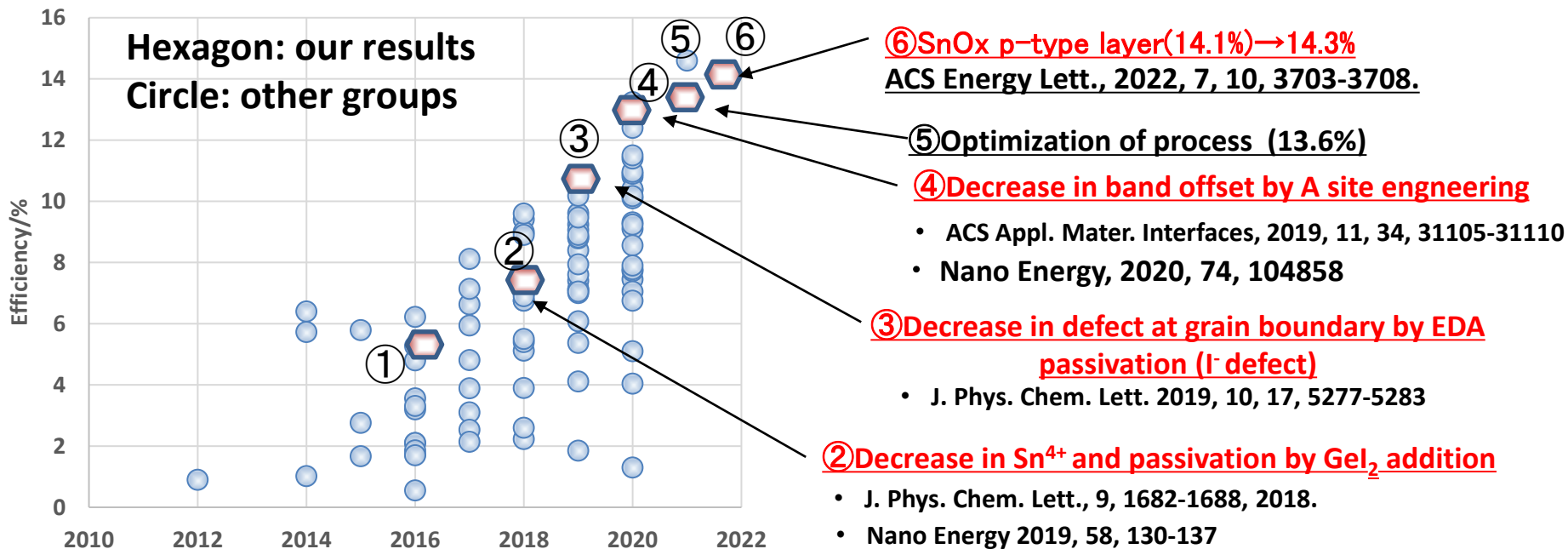
By oxygen

By I<sub>2</sub> formed in perovskite  $\text{Sn}^{2+} + \text{I}_2 \rightarrow \text{Sn}^{4+} + 2\text{I}^-$

By Sn<sup>2+</sup> vacancy



# Progress of efficiency for Tin perovskite solar cells




Method	Perovskite composition	Solar cell structure
1 <b>Reference</b>	FA <sub>0.75</sub> MA <sub>0.25</sub> SnI <sub>3</sub>	ITO/PEDOPPSS/PVK/PCBM/C60/BCP/Ag/Au
2 <b>Ge<sub>2</sub> addition</b> <b>Decrease in Sn<sup>4+</sup></b>	FA <sub>0.75</sub> MA <sub>0.25</sub> SnI <sub>3</sub> (5 mol % Ge doping)	ITO/PEDOPPSS/PVK/PCBM/C60/BCP/Ag/Au
3 <b>EDA passivation</b> <b>Decrease in surface defect</b>	FA <sub>0.98</sub> EDA <sub>0.01</sub> SnI <sub>3</sub>	FTO/PEDOPPSS/PVK/C60/BCP/Ag/Au
4 <b>Ge + EDA passivation+Et sub.</b> <b>Less Lattice disordering,</b> <b>Less band offset</b>	(EA <sub>0.1</sub> FA <sub>0.9</sub> ) <sub>0.98</sub> EDA <sub>0.01</sub> SnI <sub>3</sub> (5mol% Ge <sub>2</sub> doped)	FTO/PEDOPPSS/PVK/C60/BCP/Ag/Au

# Sn<sup>4+</sup> reduction to Sn<sup>2+</sup> by Ge<sup>2+</sup>


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Strong oxidation reagent



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## Electronic properties before and after Ge<sup>2+</sup> ion addition

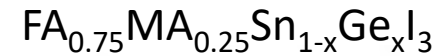
Composition	Carrier concentration cm <sup>3</sup>	Mobility cm <sup>2</sup> /v/s	Lifetime ns	Diffusion length nm
Sn-PVK w/o SnF <sub>2</sub>	4.1 x 10 <sup>20</sup>	1.05	-	-
Sn-PVK with SnF <sub>2</sub>	9.11x10 <sup>17</sup>	12.49	3.51	352.9
Ge <sub>2</sub> doped Sn-PVK with SnF <sub>2</sub>	1.69x10 <sup>15</sup>	98.27	5.09	1191.8
ref. MAPbI <sub>3</sub>	10 <sup>13-15</sup>	up to 60	3,000	120-175,000

Ref: Samuel D. Henry J. Snaith, et al Science, 2013, 342, 6156, 341-344,  
Igal Levine, Isaac Balberg, et al., J. Phys. Chem. Lett. 2016, 7, 24, 5219–5226,

C.-H. Ng, S. Hayase, et.al., Nano Energy, 2019, 58, 130-137.

**Ge<sup>2+</sup> addition decreased carrier concentration and increased mobility**

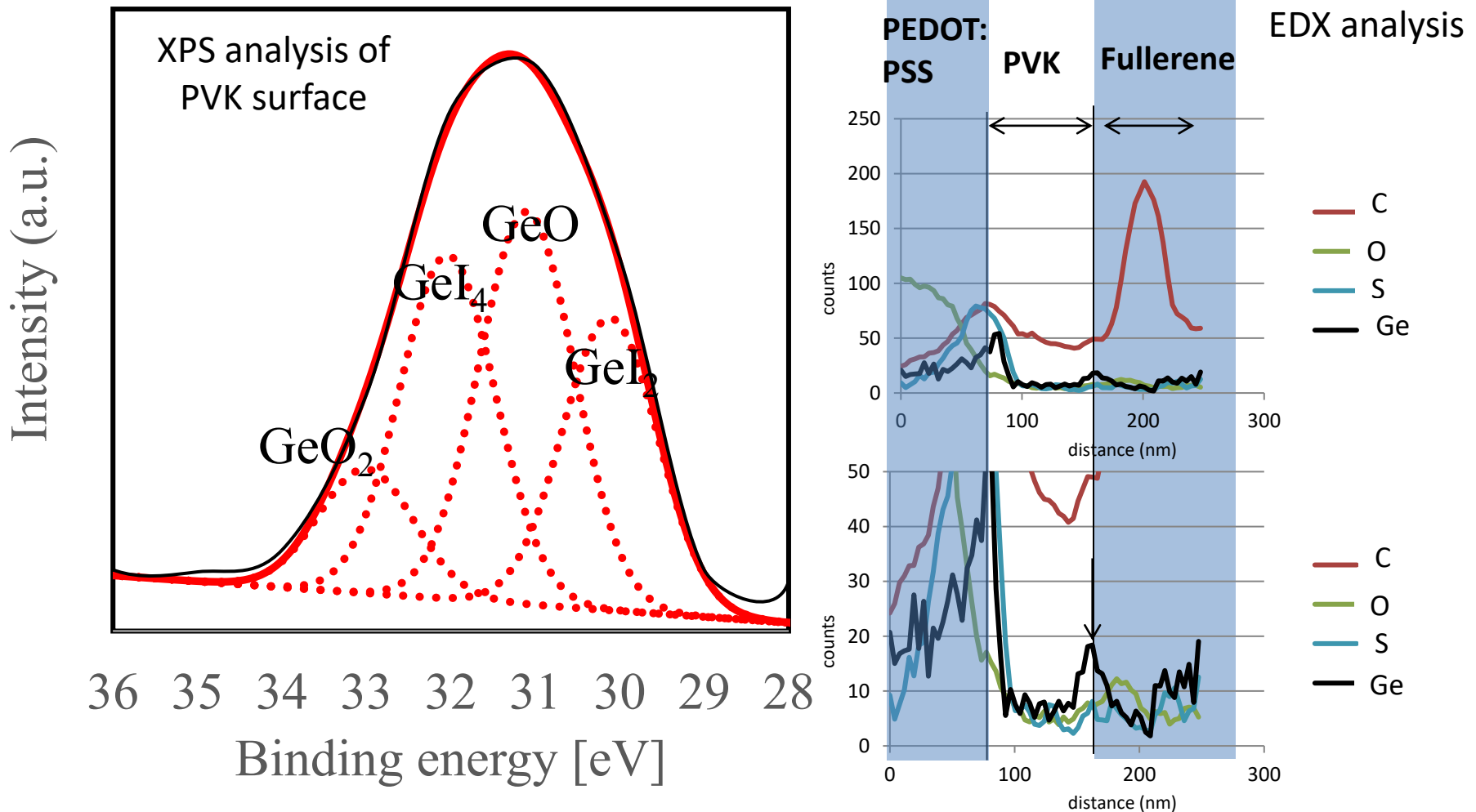
## Efficiency of Sn-PVK-PV vs GeI<sub>2</sub> addition



Perovskites	J <sub>sc</sub> (mA/cm <sup>2</sup> )	V <sub>oc</sub> (V)	FF	PCE (%)
FASnI <sub>3</sub> (FSI)	17.99	0.34	0.64	3.86
FPSGI (0Ge)	16.27	0.36	0.68	3.92
FPSGI (2.5Ge)	19.85	0.43	0.69	5.84
FPSGI (5.0Ge)	19.84	0.47	0.72	6.80
FPSGI (7.5Ge)	21.92	0.46	0.73	7.45
FPSGI (10.5Ge)	10.85	0.26	0.40	1.14

Huey, Hayase et al, J. Mater. Chem. A, 2020,8, 2962-2968

# Ge distribution in cross-section of solar cell

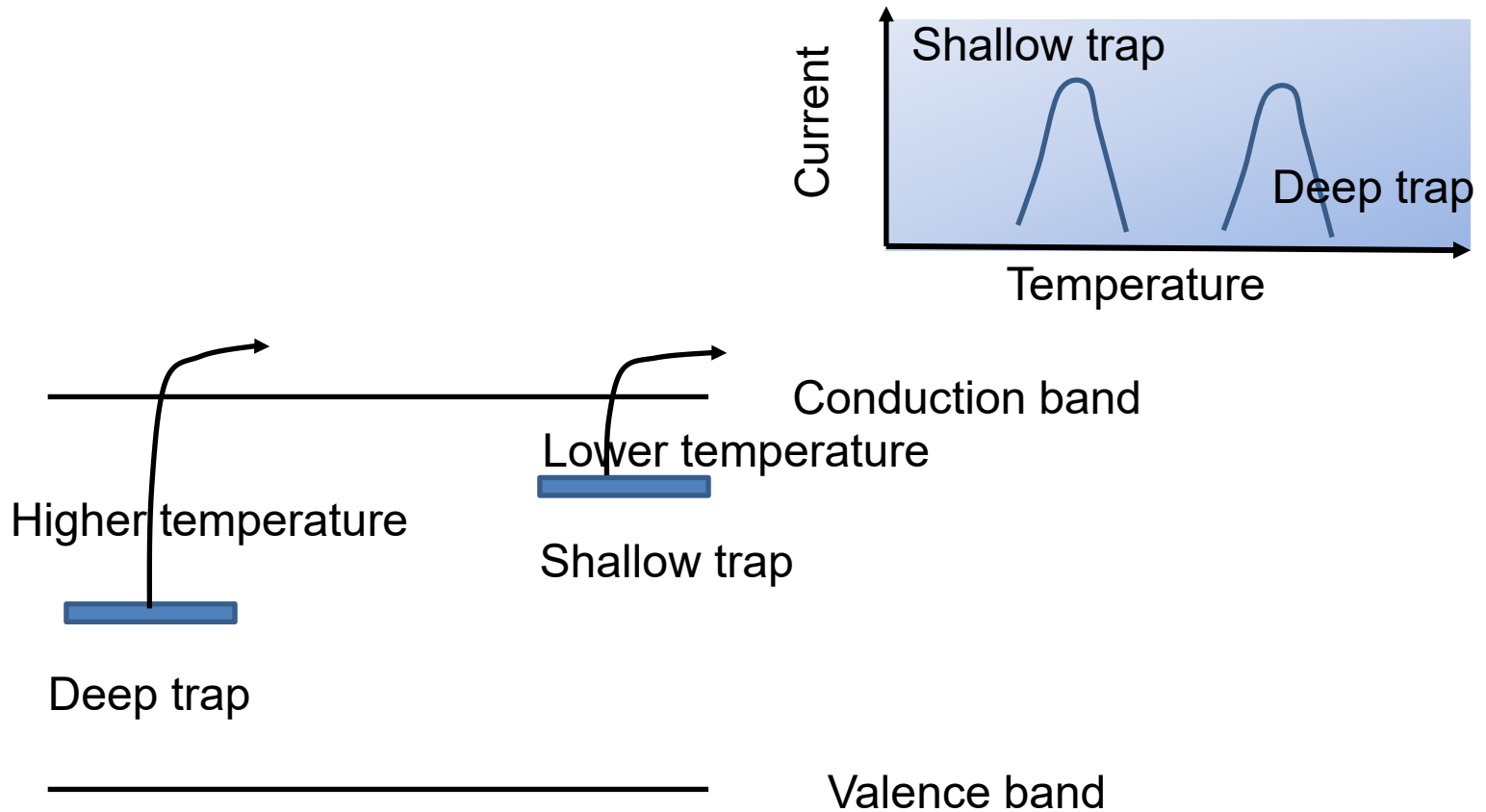


Hayase, S., Sn-based Halide Perovskite Solar Cells, Chapter 10, 293-319, 2021, Perovskite Photovoltaics and Optoelectronics, Edited by Miyasaka, T., Wiley-VCH,

**Higher concentration area of Ge was detected at both interfaces of ETL and HTL**

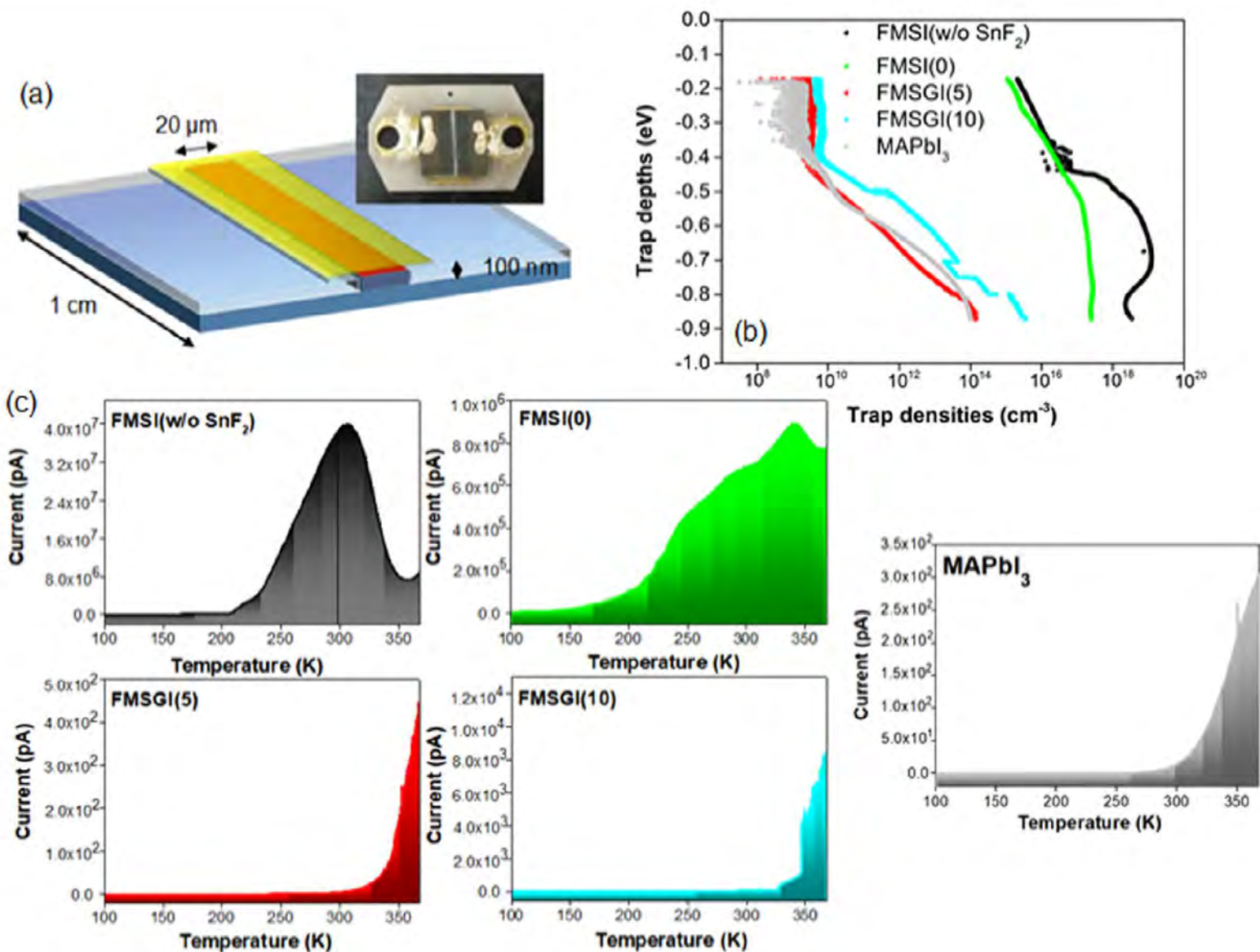


# Thermally stimulated current

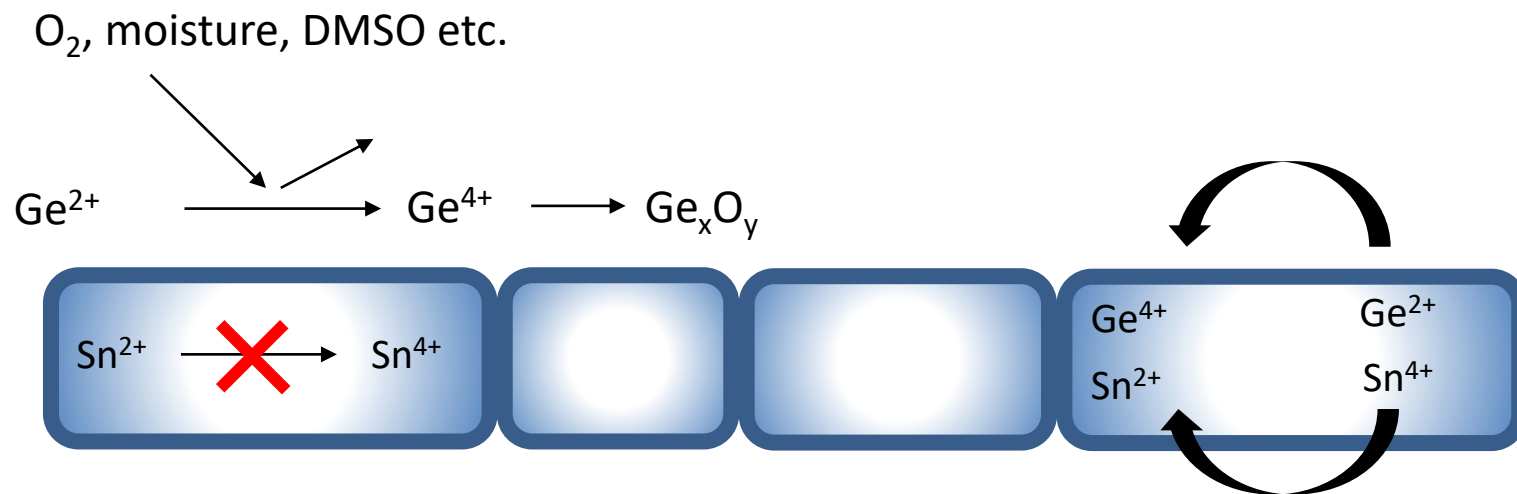


# Thermally stimulated current after $\text{GeI}_2$ addition

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# Role of Ge<sup>2+</sup> doping



## Ge ion

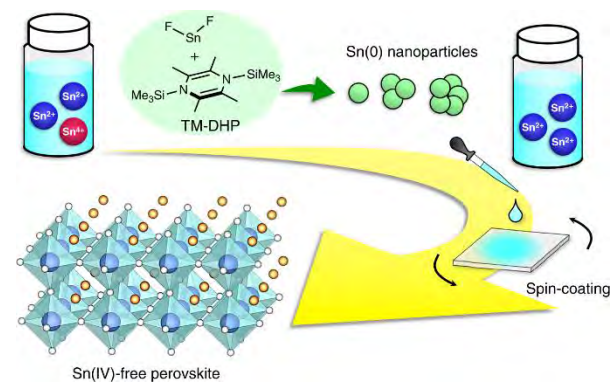
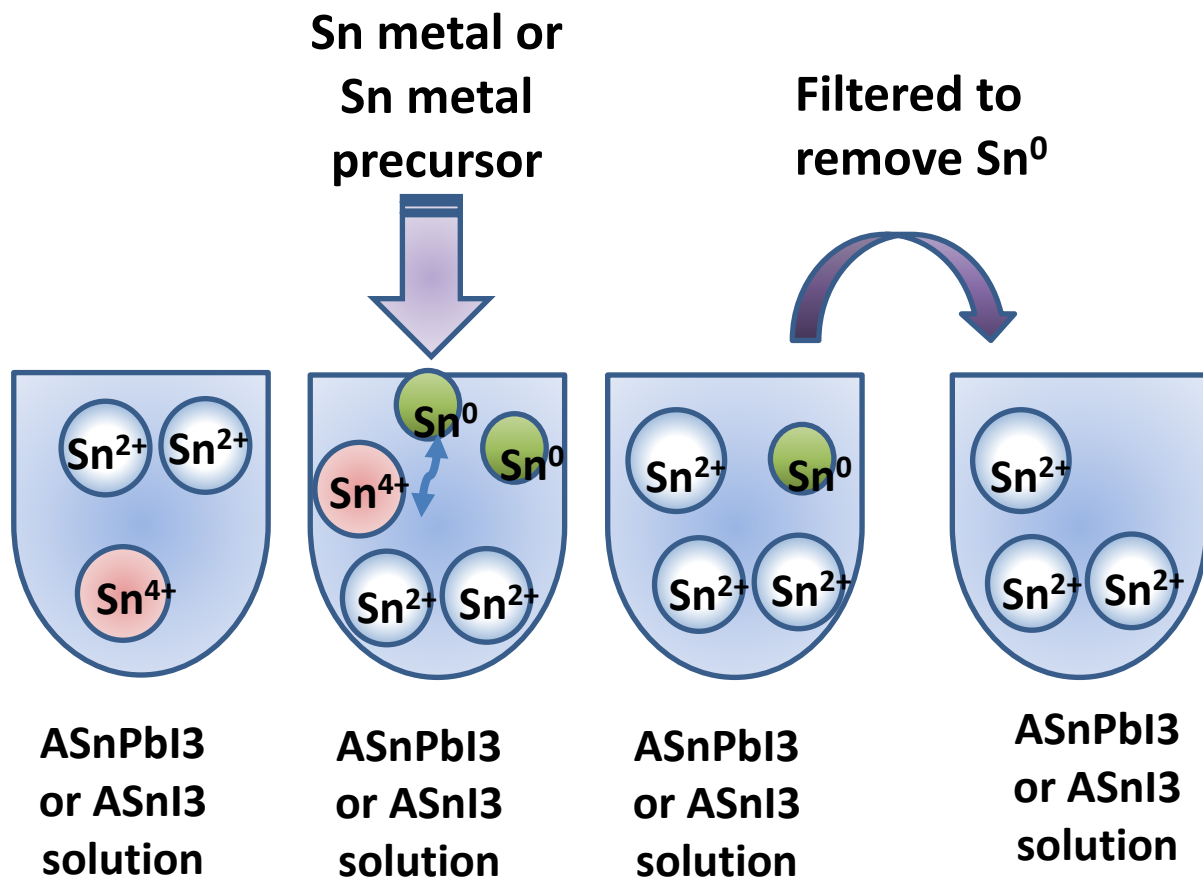
- decreases Sn<sup>4+</sup> concentration by working as reducing agent.
- decreases Sn<sup>2+</sup> vacancy site by inserted in the lattice because Sn<sup>2+</sup> vacancy formation energy becomes larger after Ge<sup>2+</sup> was inserted.
- becomes G<sub>x</sub>O<sub>y</sub> on the surface (and grain boundary) and protects the inside of the perovskite layer

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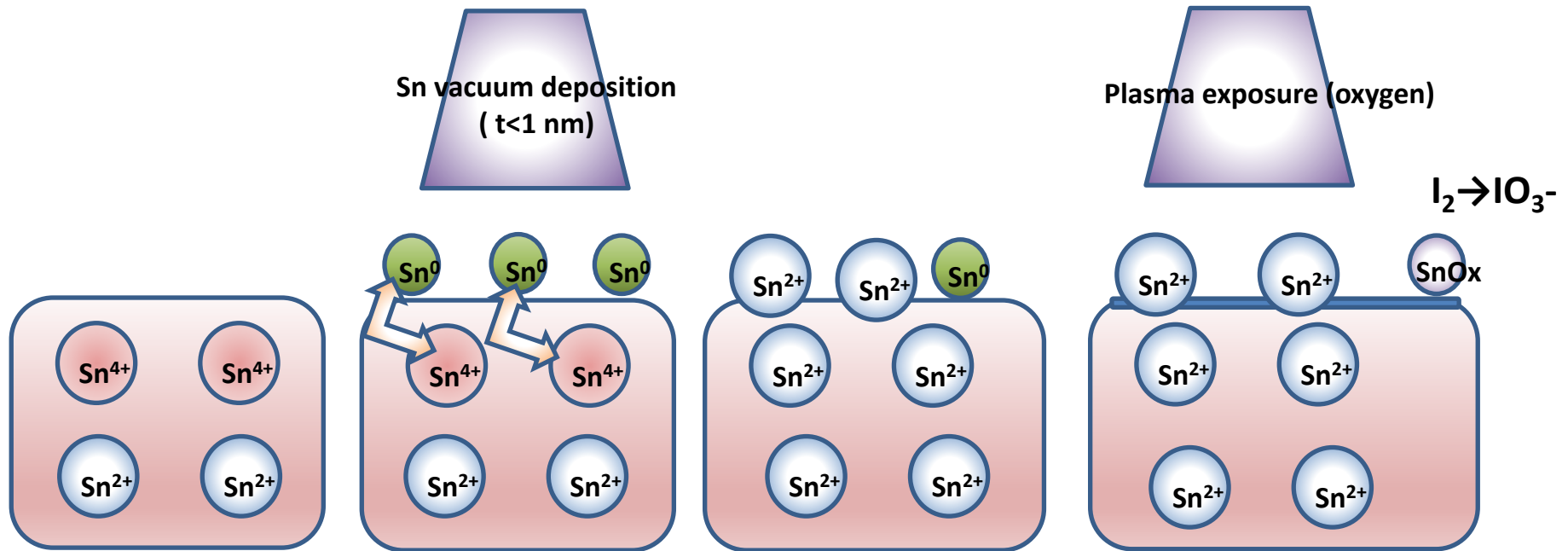
# Previous report: Decrease in $\text{Sn}^{4+}$ concentration in precursor solution



Jiang, T., et al., Solar RRL., 2019, 10.1002/solr.201900467.

Nakamura, T., et al., Nature Communications, 2020, 11, 3008.

# Direct metal deposition on Sn-PVK layer (Expected effect)

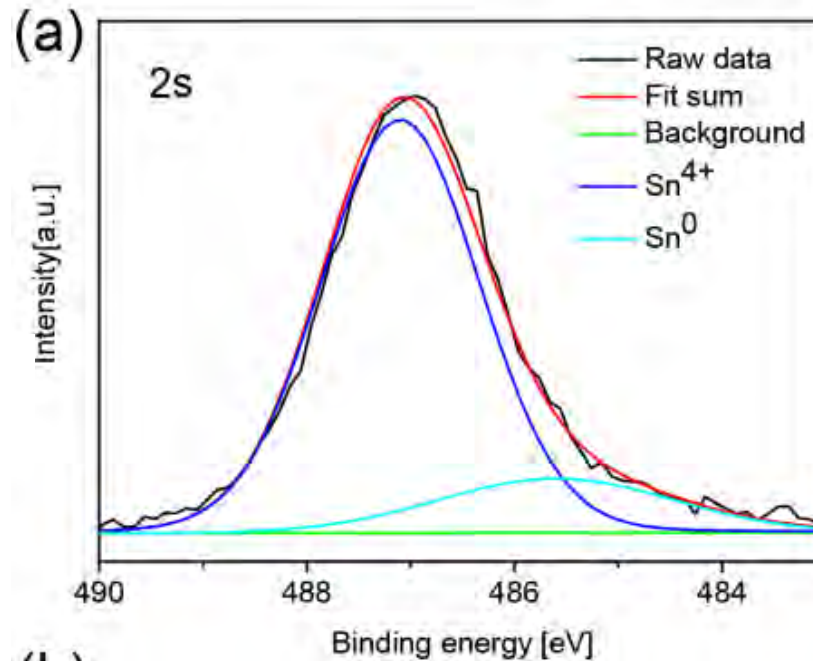


ASn<sub>3</sub> film

Decrease in Sn<sup>4+</sup> concentration by XPS

- Purpose of O<sub>2</sub> plasma exposure**
- Oxidation of Si metal surface
  - Oxidation of I<sub>2</sub>

# 1nm Sn metal exposed by 2 sec. plasma



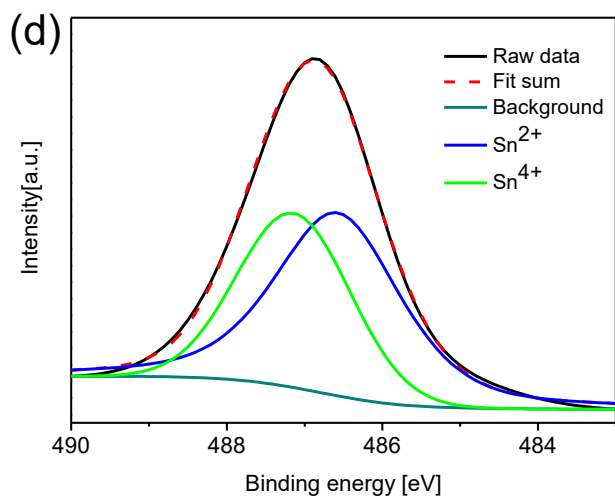
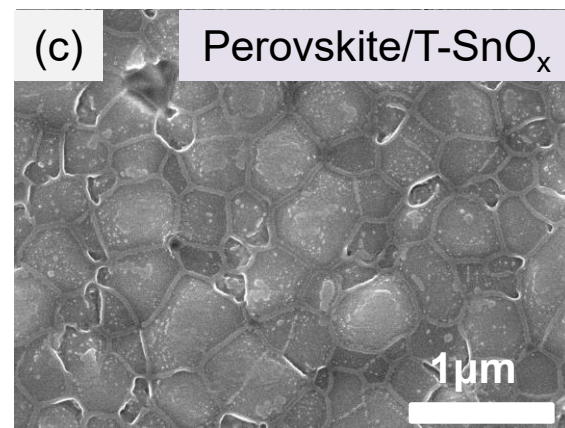
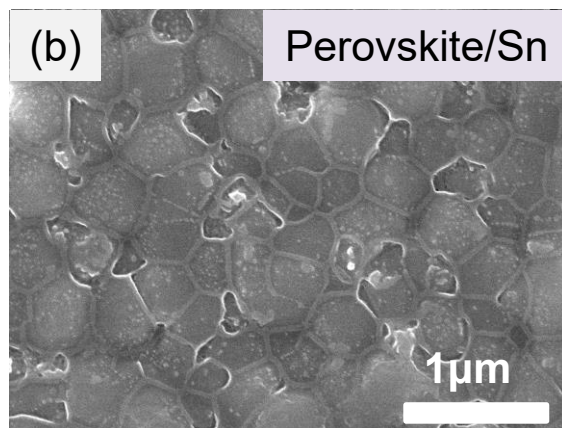
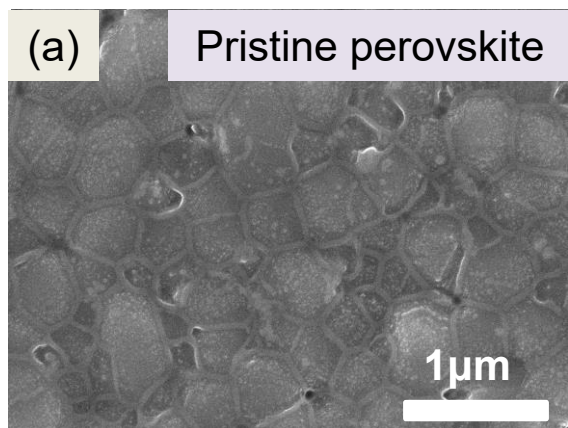
**SnOx prepared by  
plasma exposure**

Wang Lian, Shuzi Hayase, et al., ACS Energy Lett., 2022, 7, 10, 3703-3708.

**Only  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$  and Sn metal were detected.**

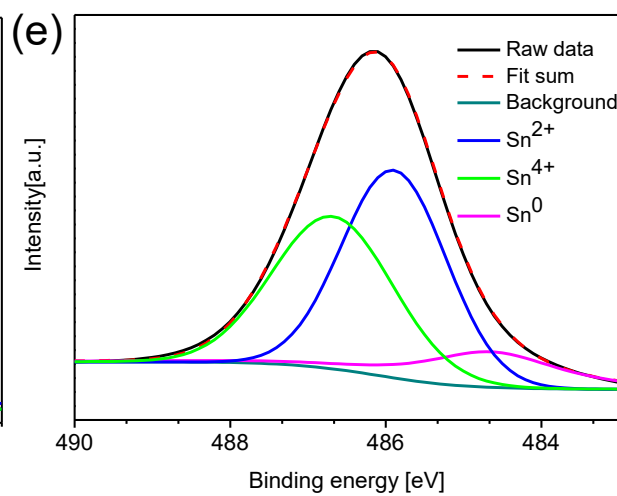


# SEM and XPS analysis: Perovskite layer



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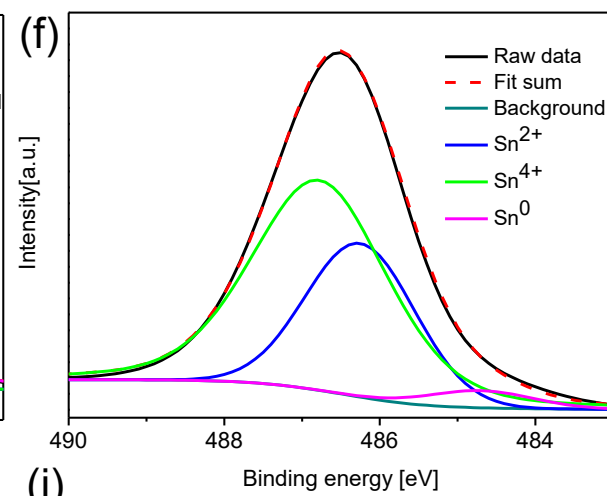
$$\text{Sn}^{4+}/\text{Sn}^{2+} = 0.96$$



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$$\text{Sn}^{4+}/\text{Sn}^{2+} = 0.70$$

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$$\text{Sn}^{4+}/\text{Sn}^{2+} = 1.87$$

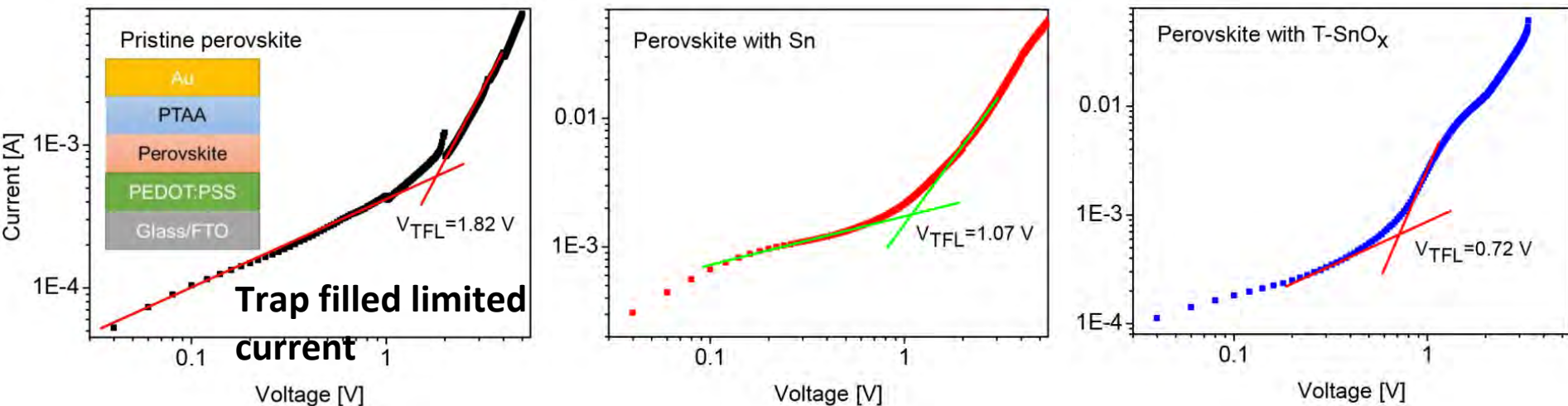
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# Trap density of perovskite layer

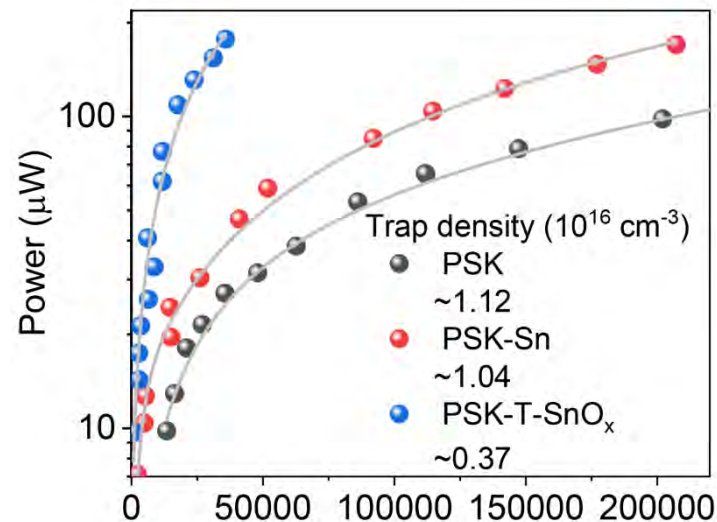
## Method: 1 SCLC: Space charge limited current



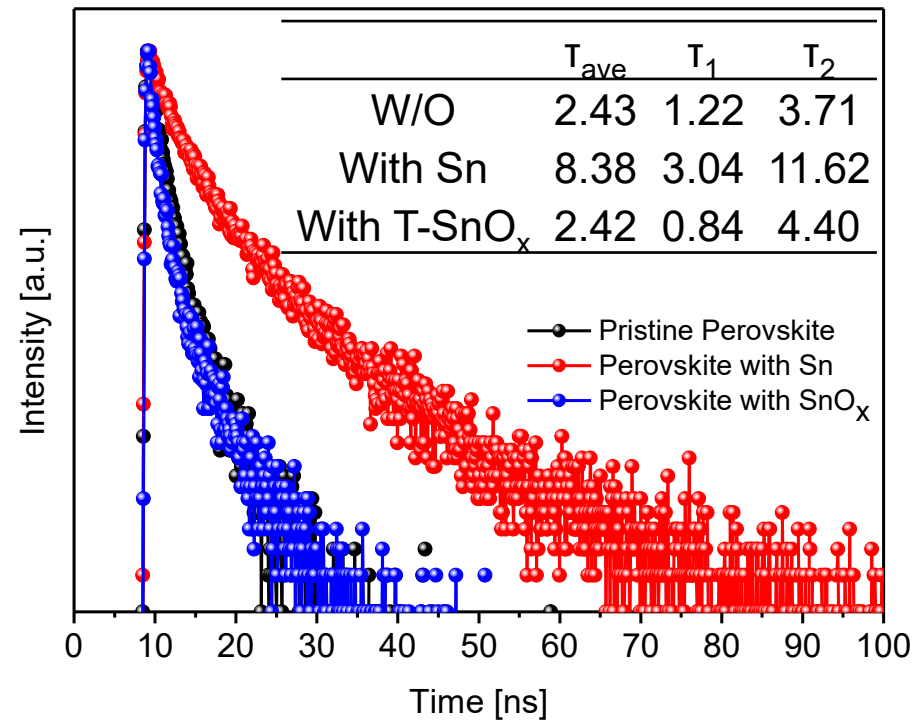
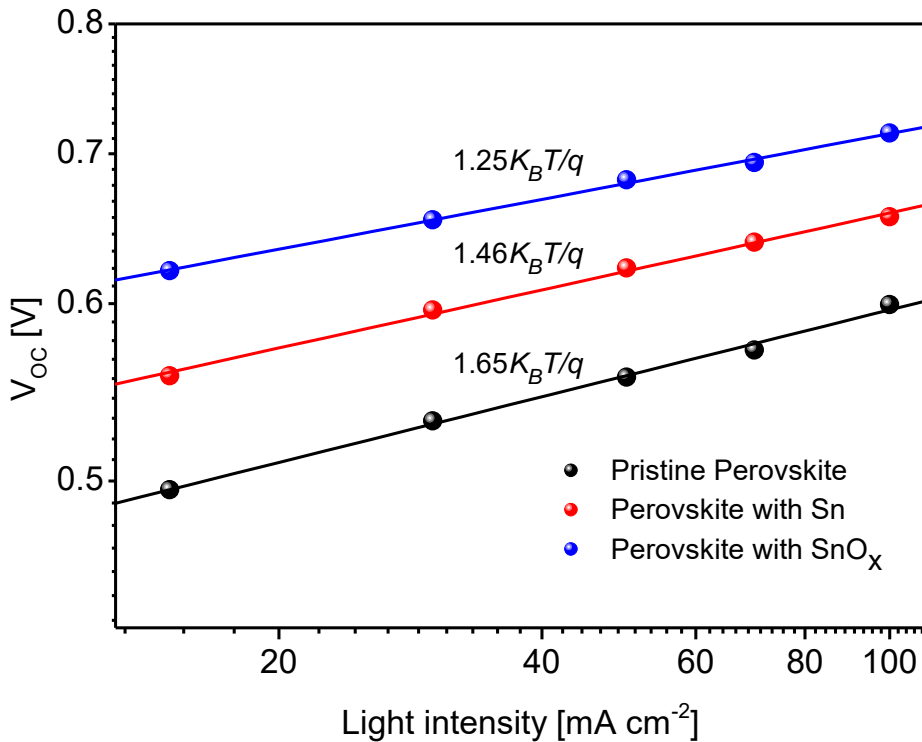
$$N_{\text{defects}} = 2\epsilon\epsilon_0 V_{\text{TFL}} / eL^2$$

## Method: 2

	$V_{\text{TFL}}/\text{V}$	Trap density/ $10^{16} \text{ cm}^{-3}$
Pristine perovskite	1.82	2.41
Perovskite-Sn	1.07	1.42
Perovskite-T-SnO <sub>x</sub>	0.72	0.72



# Recombination inhibition and fast carrier transport



# Redox potential of each ion

Strong oxidation reagent

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Strong reducing reagent

Chem. Lett., 2019, 48, 836-839

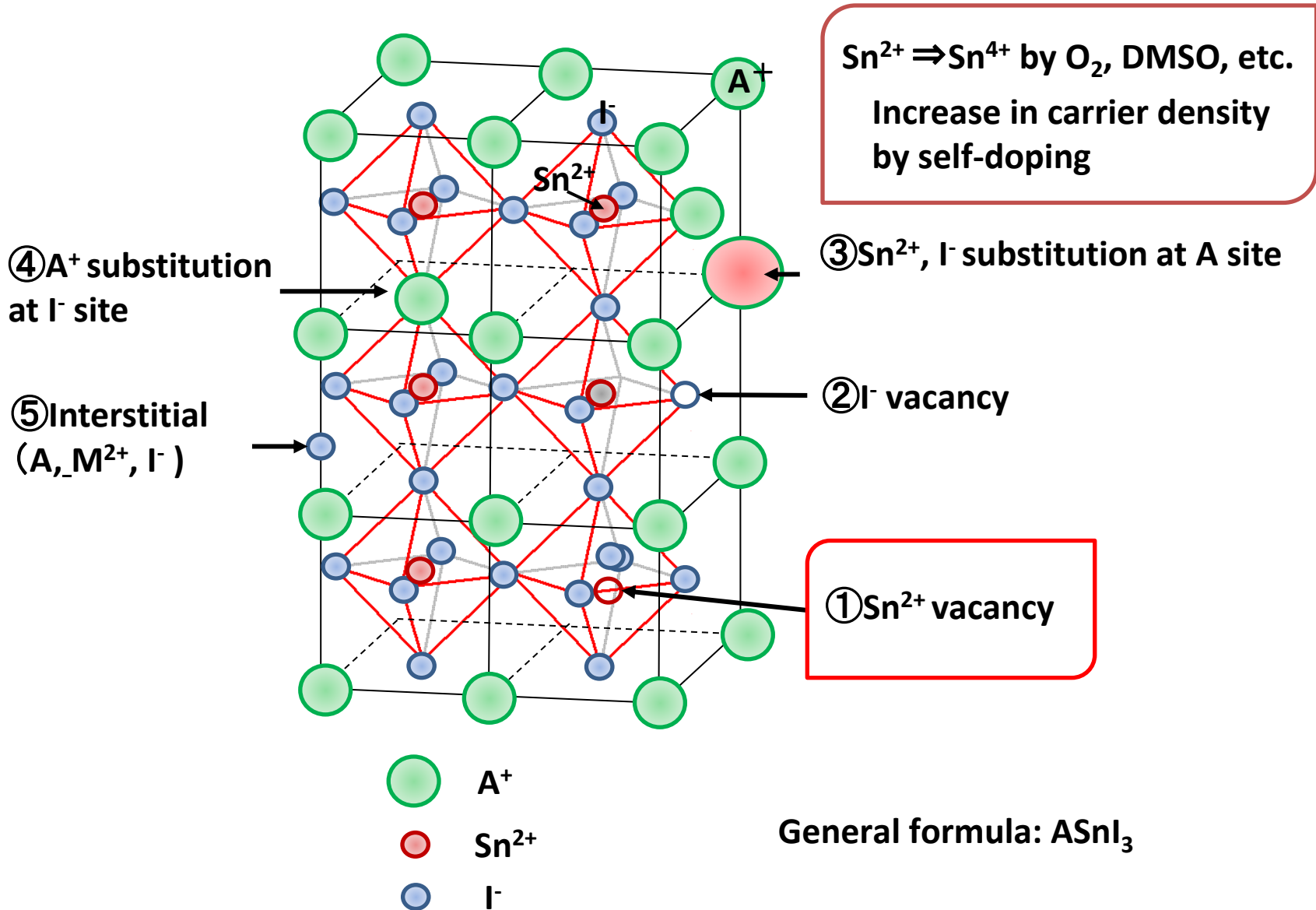
PhSiH<sub>3</sub>  
(submitted)

# Reports on decreasing Sn<sup>4+</sup> concentration by adding perovskite ink

Addition of reducing agents such as SnF<sub>2</sub><sup>1)</sup>、GeI<sub>2</sub><sup>2-4)</sup>、Nano Sn particle<sup>5)</sup> and their related material<sup>6)</sup>、benzyl azide salts<sup>7)</sup>、and removal of low boiling point Sn<sup>4+</sup> salts by heating<sup>8)</sup>。

1. Kumar, M., *Advance Materials*, 2014, 5, 26, 7122–7.
2. Ito, N., *Journal of Physical Chemistry, Letters*, 2018, 9, 1682–1688.
3. Ng, C., *J. Mater. Chem. A.*, 2020, 8, 2962–2968.
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6. Nakamura, T., *Nature Communications*, 2020, 11, 3008.
7. Wang, C., *Advanced Materials*, 2020, 32, 1907623.
8. Zhou J., *Matter*, 2021, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.matt.2021.12.013>.

# Defects in metal perovskite



# To enhance efficiency

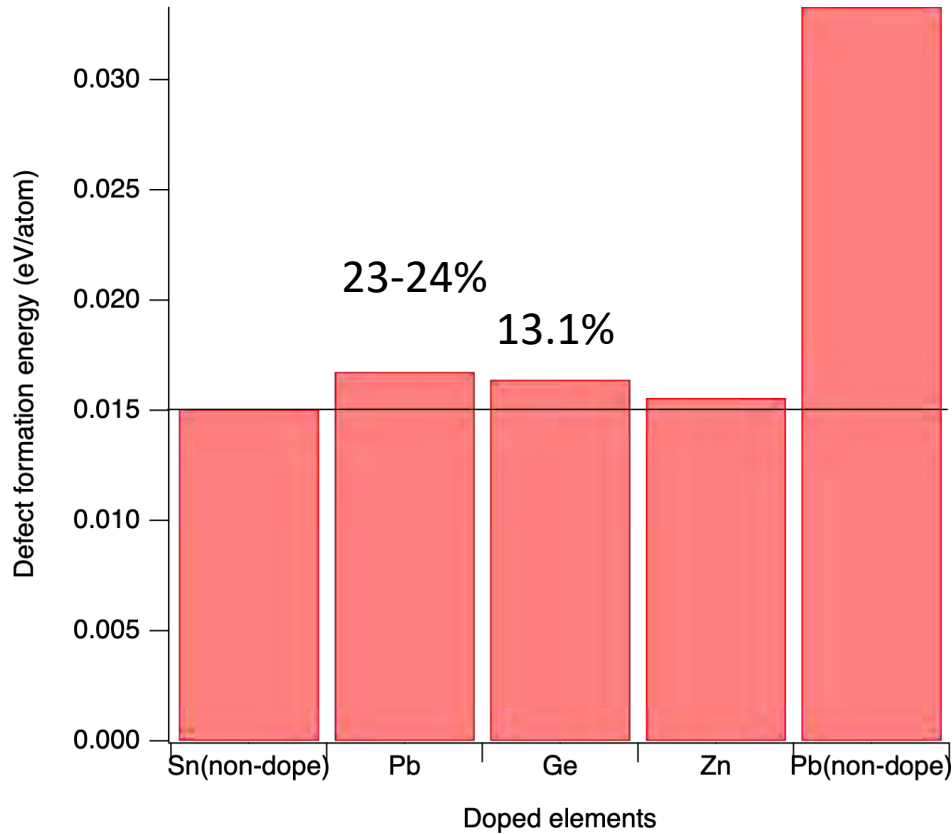
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## 1) Defect

- $\text{Sn}^{4+}$
- **$\text{Sn}^{2+}$  vacancy**
- $\text{I}^-$  vacancy

## 2) Band offset

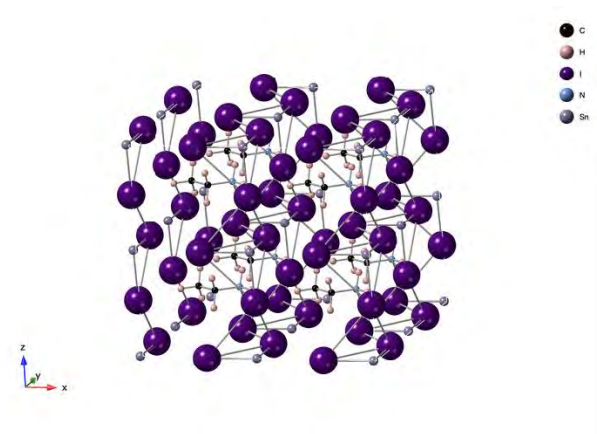
# Defect formation energy of Sn<sup>2+</sup>



$$E_{form} = E_{tot}^{PVK-Sn} - E_{tot}^{PVK} + E_{tot}^{Sn}$$



*S. Iikubo, et al., Jpn. J. Appl. Phys. 61 031003*



**Initial motivation: Ge ion doping would decrease the defect formation energy of Sn<sup>2+</sup>, resulting in the decrease in the Sn<sup>2+</sup> vacancy concentration.**



# To enhance efficiency

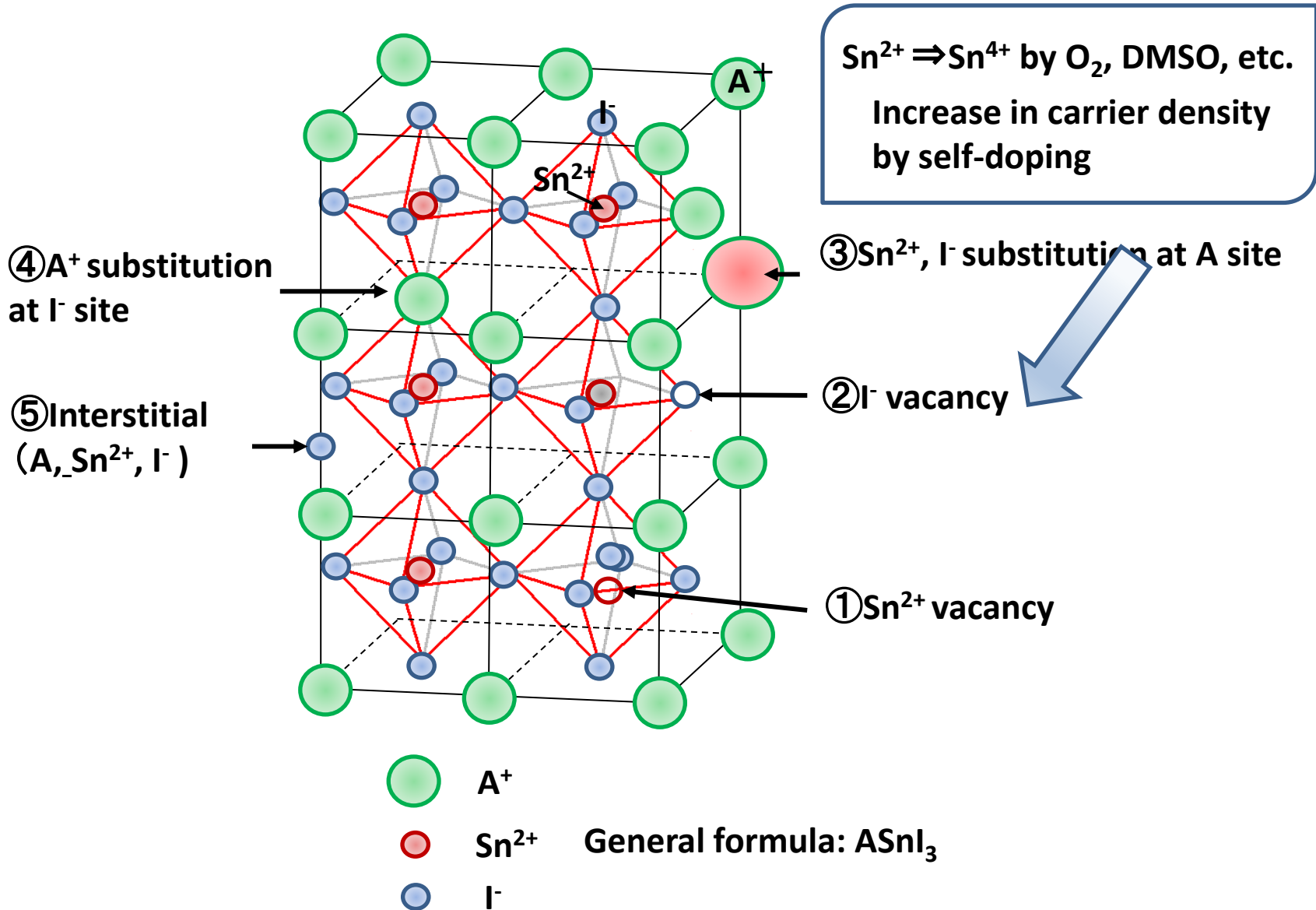
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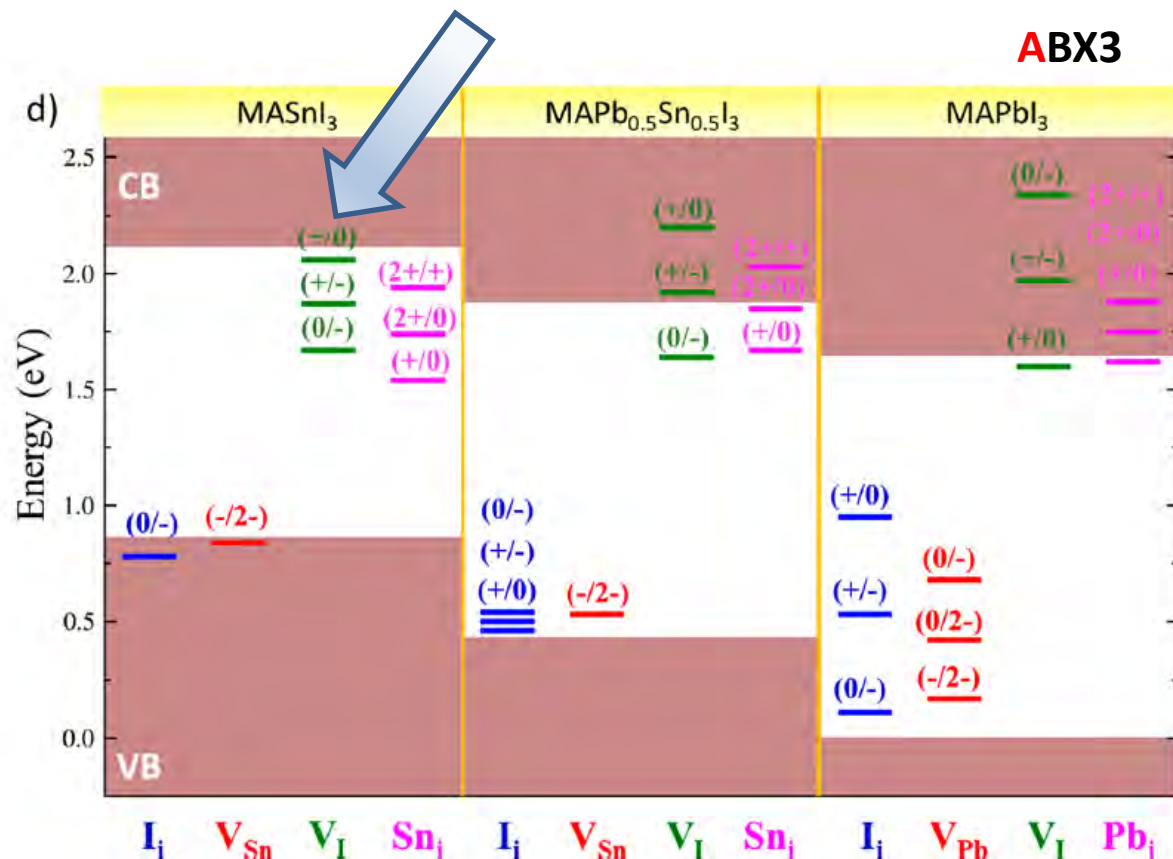
## 2) Band offset

# Defects in Tin perovskite and Tin-Lead alloyed perovskite

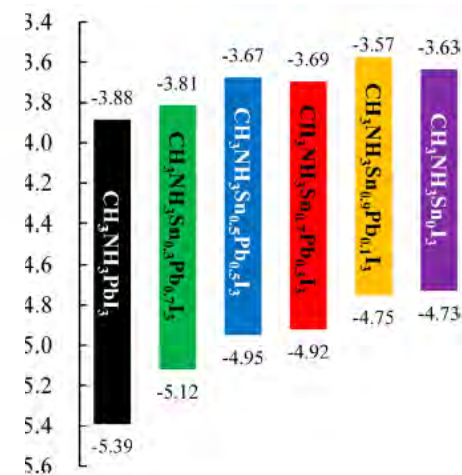


# Defect energy level for MAPbI<sub>3</sub> MASnI<sub>3</sub> and MASnI<sub>3</sub>

(Heat of formation and trap depth)



Experimental results

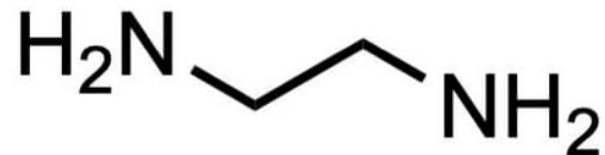


Y. Ogomi, S. Hayase, et al.

*J. Phys. Chem. Lett.* 2014, 5, 1004-1011

**Thermodynamically unstable**  
**(large formation energy)**

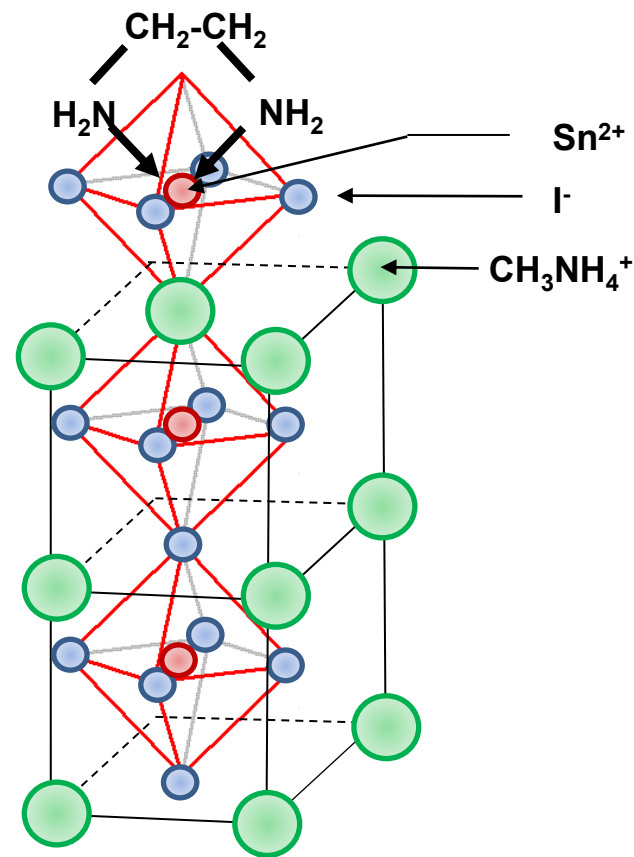
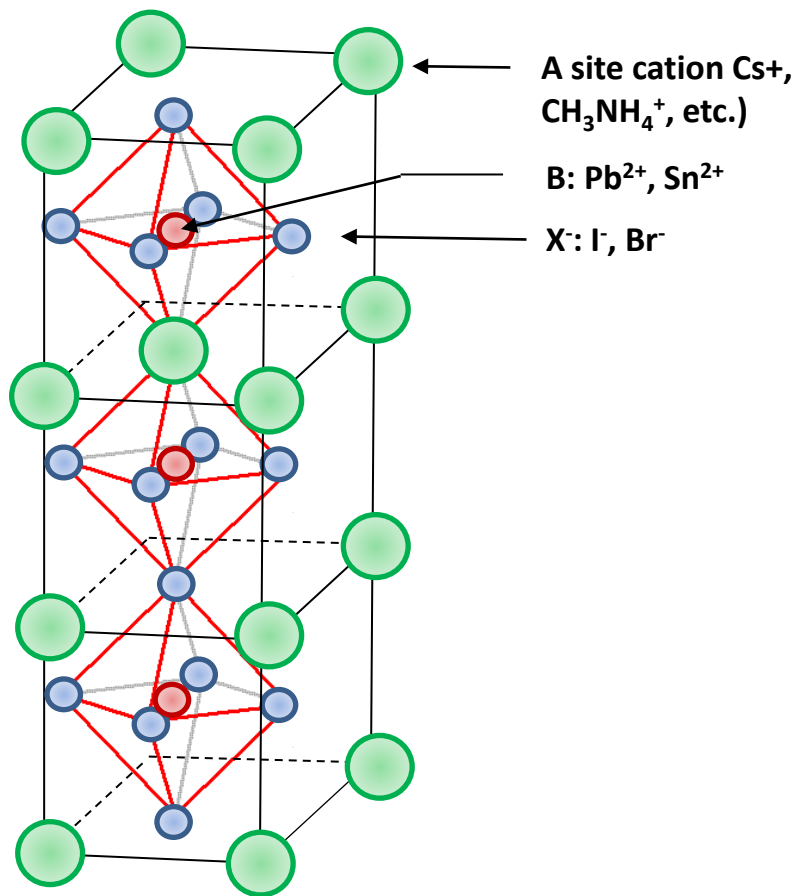
## Effect of EDA passivation



Ethylenediammonium salts addition to perovskite precursor (not passivation)

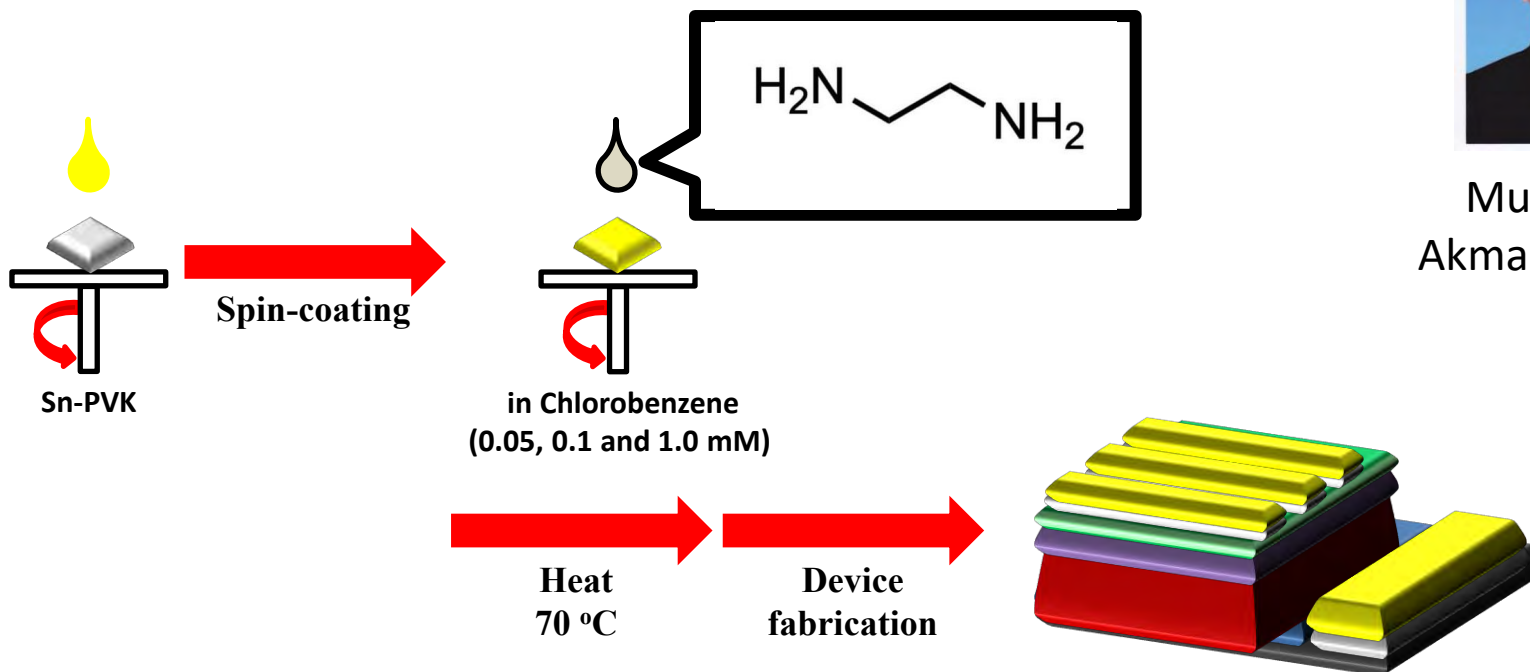
- Jokar, E., Chien, C., Tsai, C., Fathi, A., Diao, ERobust Tin-Based Perovskite Solar Cells with Hybrid Organic Cations to Attain Efficiency Approaching 10%, *Advanced Materials*, 2019, 31, 1804835.
- Ke, W., Stoumpos, C., Spanopoulos, I., Chen, Wasielewski, M., Kanatzidis, M. Diammonium Cations in the FASnI<sub>3</sub> Perovskite Structure Lead to Lower Dark Currents and More Efficient Solar Cells. *ACS Energy Lett.*, 2018, 3, 7, 1470–1476.

# One of possible explanations on EDA passivation



Coordination model

# Ethylene diamine passivation process

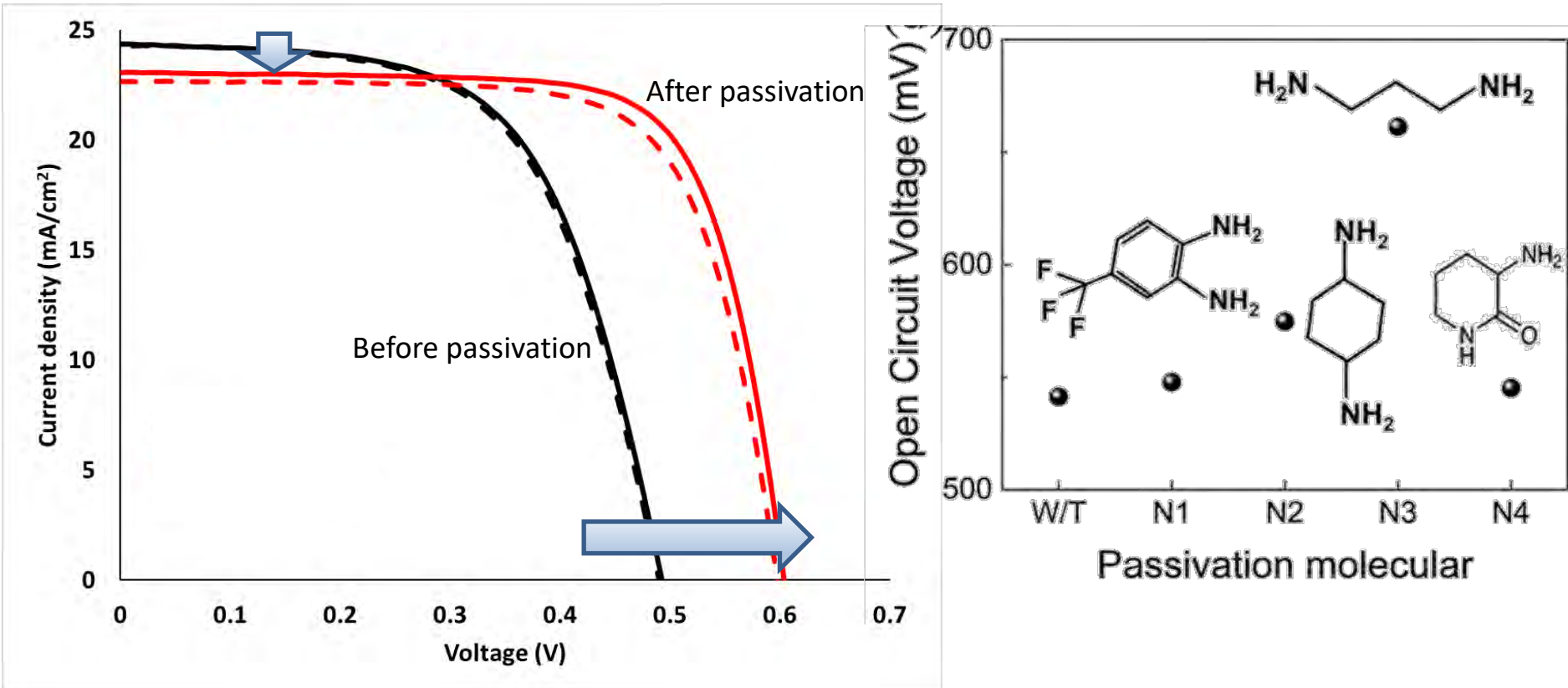


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$(\text{EA}_{0.1}\text{FA}_{0.9})_{0.98}\text{EDA}_{0.01}\text{SnI}_3(5\text{mol}\% \text{GeI}_2 \text{ doped})$   
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M. A. Kamarudin, S. Hayase, et.al., Journal of Physical Chemistry, Letter,  
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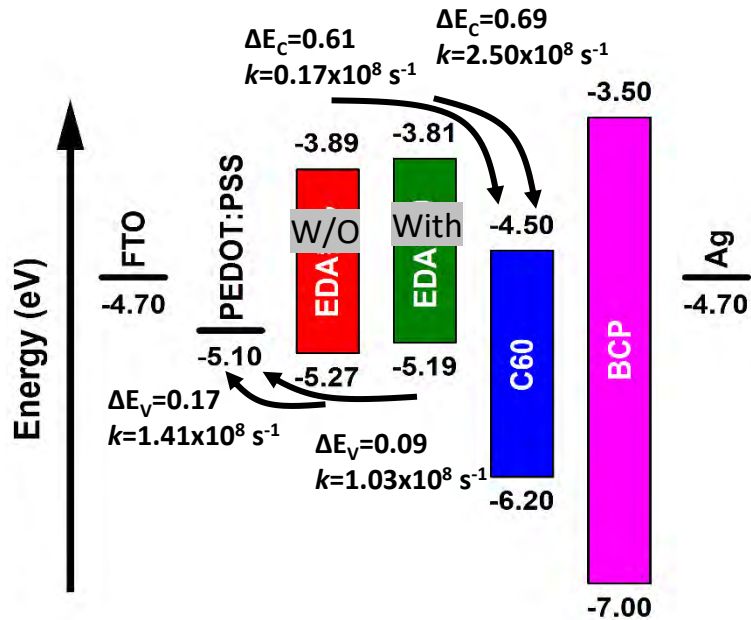
# I-V curves of Sn perovskite solar cells before and after DEA passivation



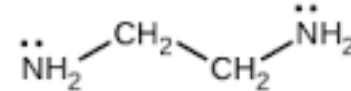
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Sn perovskite composition:  $\text{FA}_{0.98}\text{EDA}_{0.01}\text{SnI}_3$

Shuzi Hayase, Sn based and Pb free perovskite solar cells, Chapter 10 in Perovskite photovoltaics and optoelectronics, Wiley-VCH, Edited by Tsutomu Miyasaka, 2021.

# Charge injection balance between holes and electrons after EDA passivation

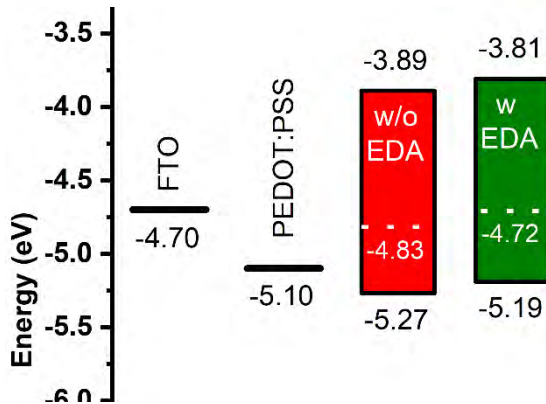


EDA: ethylenediamine



Sample	Electron injection (s <sup>-1</sup> )	Hole injection (s <sup>-1</sup> )
W/O EDA	0.17 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	1.41 x 10 <sup>8</sup>
With EDA	2.50 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	1.03 x 10 <sup>8</sup>

FA<sub>0.98</sub>EDA<sub>0.01</sub>SnI<sub>3</sub> + 5 mol% GeI<sub>2</sub>

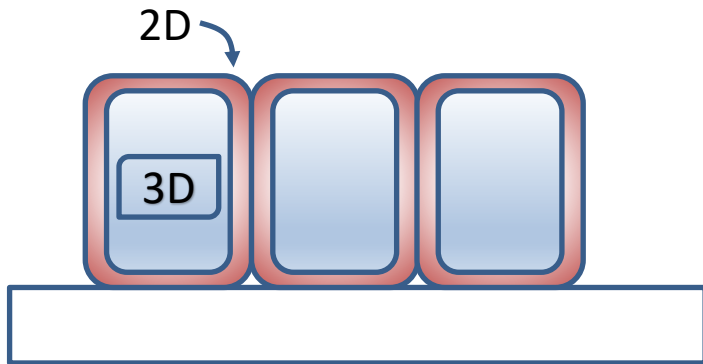
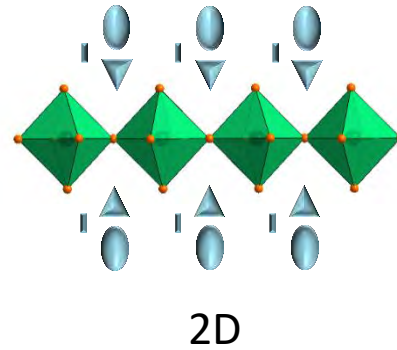
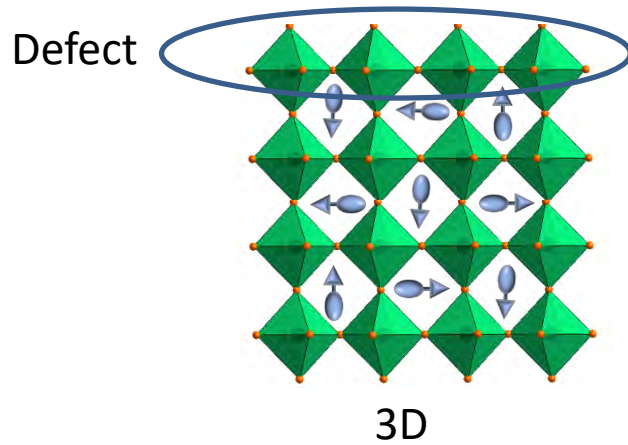


EDA passivation made Fermi level of the surface shallower and improved electron injection into C60, resulting in balanced charge injection between holes and electrons.

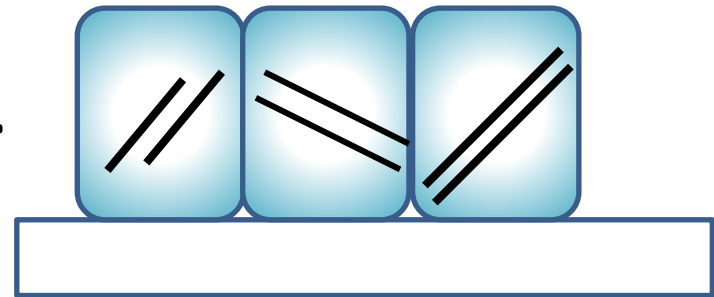


# Surface passivation by decreasing surface defect

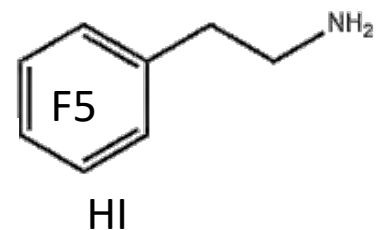
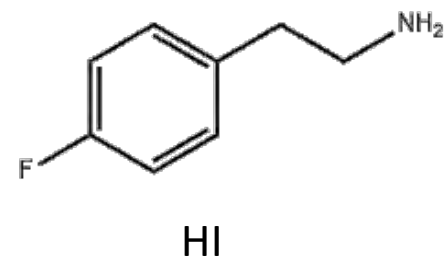
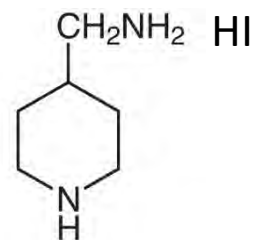
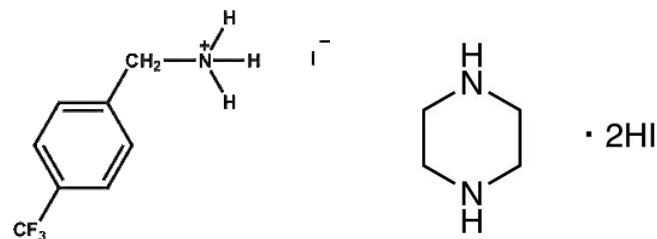
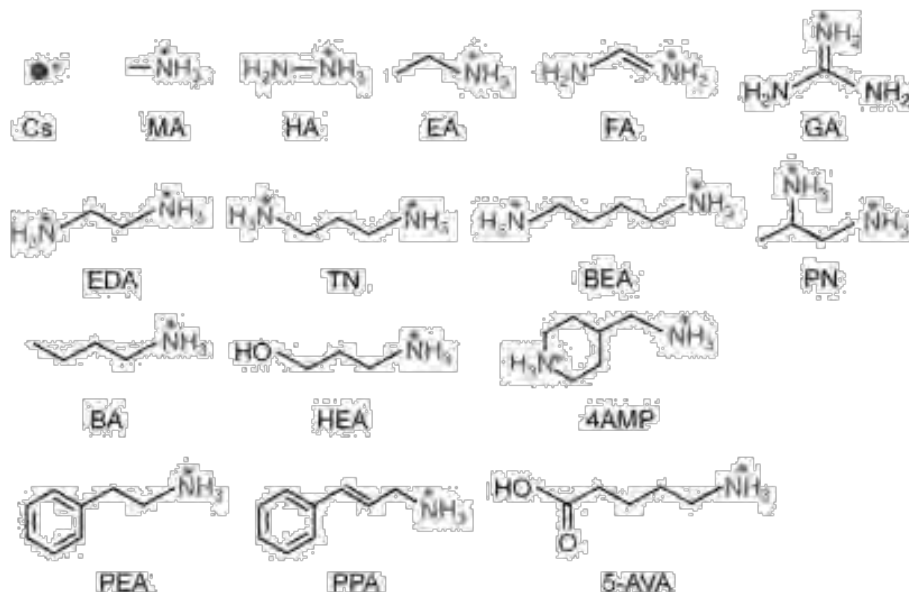
## Optimized 2D/3D structure



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# Examples of additives or substitution of A site in Sn-PVK-PV



# Examples of additives or substitution of A site in Pb-PVK-PV

Passivator type	PCE	Passivator type	PCE
Alkylamine ligands (AALs) [22]	23.0%	DMAI-TFMPHC [23]	21.4%
Phenethyl ammonium iodide (PEAI) [24]	20.31%	Dicyandiamide (DICY) [25]	20.05%
1-Ethyl-3-methylimidazolium (EMIMX) [26]	20%	2-Amino-5-iodobenzoic acid (AIBA) [27]	20.23%
Phenethylammonium chloride (PEACl) [28]	22.7%	Multifunctional pyridine unit [29]	22%
1,4 -Phenyl mercaptan (PHMT) [30]	21.11%	Tetra-n-octadecyl ammonium bromide (TODB) [31]	20.36 %
Poly(styrene-co-acrylonitrile) (PS-PAN) polymer [32]	22.02%	p-Chlorobenzenesulfonic acid (CBSA) [33]	21.8%
2-Mercaptobenzimidazole (MBI) [34]	21.20%	Amine, 3,4,5-trifluorobenzylamine (TFBA) [35]	20.39%
Benzylammonium thiocyanate + MACl [36]	22.3%	3-Hydrazinobenzoic acid (3-HBA) [37]	23.5 %
Homologous PbI <sub>2</sub> [38]	22.13%	Sulfonyl and ammonium [39]	21.76%
Methylamine cyanate (MAOCN) molecules [40]	21.28%	Benzenebutanammonium iodide (PBAI) [41]	23.33%
2-Phenylethylammonium iodide (PEAI) [15]	21.00%	4-Chloro-phenylethylammonium iodide (Cl-PEAI) [15]	22.64%
4-Fluoro-phenylethylammonium iodide (F-PEAI) [15]	23.32%	Piperazinium iodide (PI) [42]	23.37%

# To enhance efficiency

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## 1) Defect

- $\text{Sn}^{4+}$
- $\text{Sn}^{2+}$  vacancy
- $\text{I}^-$  vacancy

## 2) Band offset

# Top efficiency reported so far

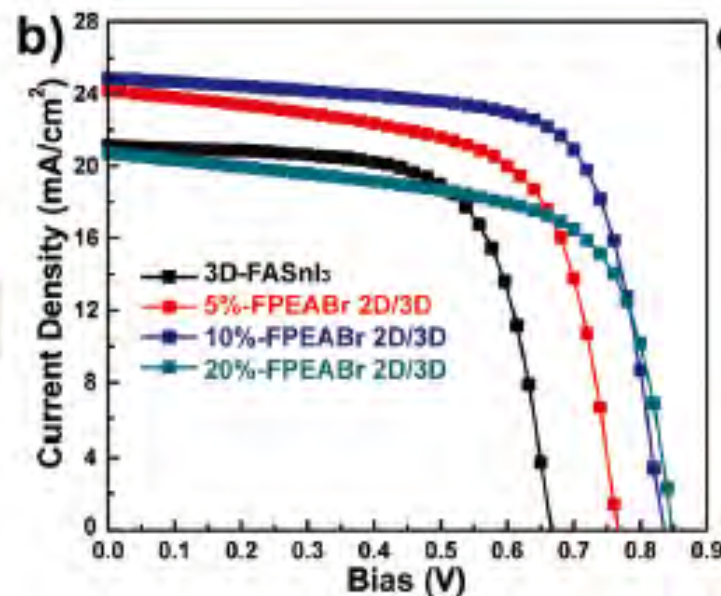
## Tin perovskite solar cells with 14.8% efficiency



Band offset optimization



Surface passivation



4-fluoro-phenethylammonium bromide

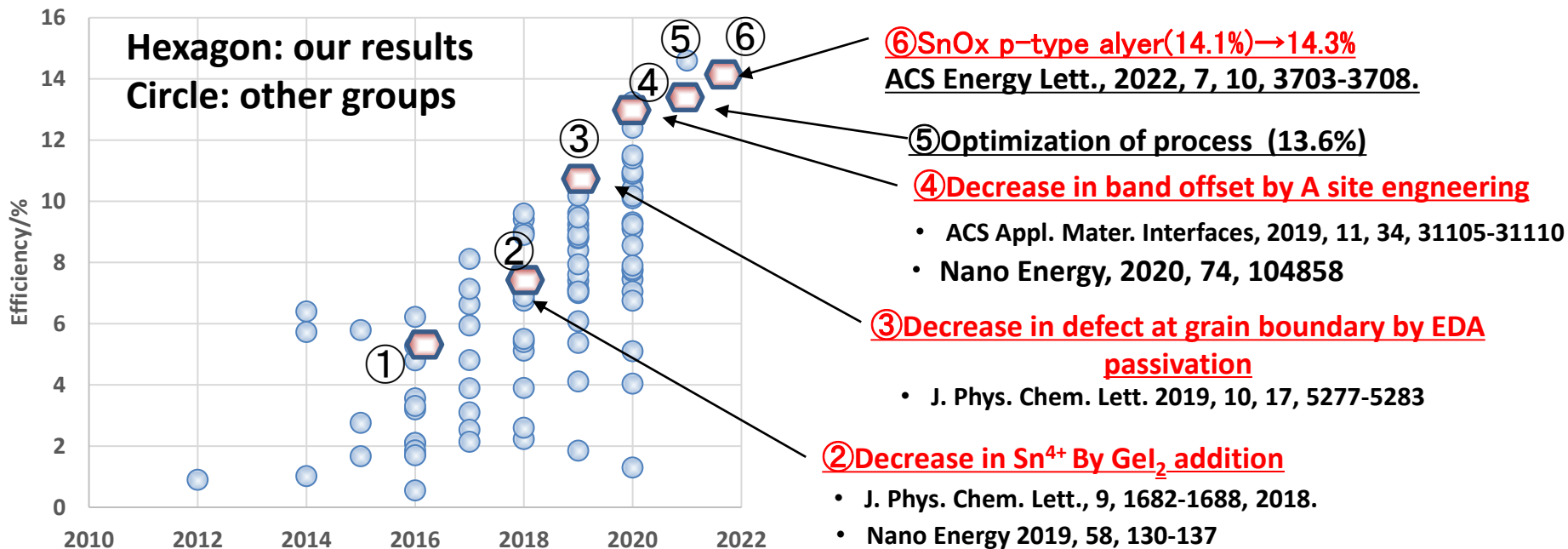
Bin-Bin Yu, Zhenhua Chen, Yudong Zhu, Yiyu Wang, Bing Han, Guocong Chen,  
Xusheng Zhang, Zheng Du, and Zhubing He, *Adv. Mater.*, 2021, 2102055

# Examples of reports on Tin perovskite solar cells with efficiency higher than 13%

Year	Efficiency	Composition	Title	Authors	Paper
2020	13.24	(FAEA)EDASn <sub>3</sub>	Lead-free Tin-halide Perovskite Solar Cells with 13% Efficiency ( <b>passivation and Reducing agent</b> )	K Nishimura, S. Hayase, et al.	Nano Energy, 2020, 74, 104858
2021	13.4	FASn <sub>3</sub>	Perovskite Solar Cell under Coordinated Control of Phenylhydrazine and Halogen Ions ( <b>Reducing agent</b> )	Chengbo Wang, et al.	Matter, 2021, 4, 709-721
2021	14.6	FA(EDA)Sn <sub>3</sub> (Br)	One-Step Synthesis of SnI <sub>2</sub> · (DMSO) <sub>x</sub> Adducts for High-Performance Tin Perovskite Solar Cells ( <b>Purification</b> )	Xianyuan Jiang, et al.	JACS, <a href="https://doi.org/10.1021">https://doi.org/10.1021</a>
2021	14.8	FA(FPEABr)Sn <sub>3</sub>	Heterogeneous 2D/3D Tin-halides perovskite solar cells with certified conversion efficiency braking 14%( <b>Passivation</b> )	Bib-Bin Yu	Adv. Mater, 2021, 2102055
2021	14.7	FA <sub>0.75</sub> MA <sub>0.25</sub> Sn <sub>3</sub>	Chemo-Thermal Surface Dedoping for High-performance Tin Perovskite Solar Cells ( <b>Purification</b> )	J. Zhou, Y. Zhou et al.,	Matter, 2021, <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.matt.2021.12.013">https://doi.org/10.1016/j.matt.2021.12.013</a> .
2022	13.8	FASn <sub>3</sub>	Heterogeneous FASn <sub>3</sub> absorber with enhance Electric field for high-performance lead-free perovskite solar cells ( <b>Band optimization</b> )	T. Wu, L. Han, et al.,	Nano-Micro Letters, 2022, 14:99
2022	14.07	Cs <sub>0.02</sub> (FA <sub>0.9</sub> DEA <sub>0.1</sub> ) <sub>0.98</sub> 0.99EDA <sub>0.01</sub> I <sub>3</sub>	SnO <sub>x</sub> as Bottom Hole Extraction Layer and Top In-situ Protection Layer Yields over 14% Efficiency in Sn-based Perovskite Solar Cells ( <b>Hole collector+ reducing agent</b> )	Liang Wang, Shuzi Hayase, et al.,	ACS Energy Lett., in press

The efficiency is being enhanced step by step.

# Progress of efficiency for Tin perovskite solar cells



Method	Perovskite composition	Solar cell structure
1 <u>Reference</u>	FA <sub>0.75</sub> MA <sub>0.25</sub> SnI <sub>3</sub>	ITO/PEDOPPSS/PVK/PCBM/C60/BCP/Ag/Au
2 <u>GeI<sub>2</sub> addition</u> <b>Decrease in Sn<sup>4+</sup></b>	FA <sub>0.75</sub> MA <sub>0.25</sub> SnI <sub>3</sub> (5 mol % Ge doping)	ITO/PEDOPPSS/PVK/PCBM/C60/BCP/Ag/Au
3 <u>EDA passivation</u> <b>Decrease in surface defect</b>	FA <sub>0.98</sub> EDA <sub>0.01</sub> SnI <sub>3</sub>	FTO/PEDOPPSS/PVK/C60/BCP/Ag/Au
4 <u>Ge + EDA passivation+Et sub.</u> <b>Less Lattice disordering,</b> <b>Less band offset</b>	(EA <sub>0.1</sub> FA <sub>0.9</sub> ) <sub>0.98</sub> EDA <sub>0.01</sub> SnI <sub>3</sub> (5mol% GeI <sub>2</sub> doped)	FTO/PEDOPPSS/PVK/C60/BCP/Ag/Au

# Summary

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## Sn PVK PV

- To decrease  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$  concentration : reduced reagents
- Grain boundary defect: Introduction of 2D structure
- To decrease  $\text{Sn}^{2+}$  defect :  $\text{Ge}^{2+}$  addition
- To decrease  $\text{I}^-$  defect : ethylenediamine
- To decrease band offset : A site optimization of  $\text{ASnX}_3$
- To improve carrier injection: Heterointerface modification
- Charge injection balance optimization



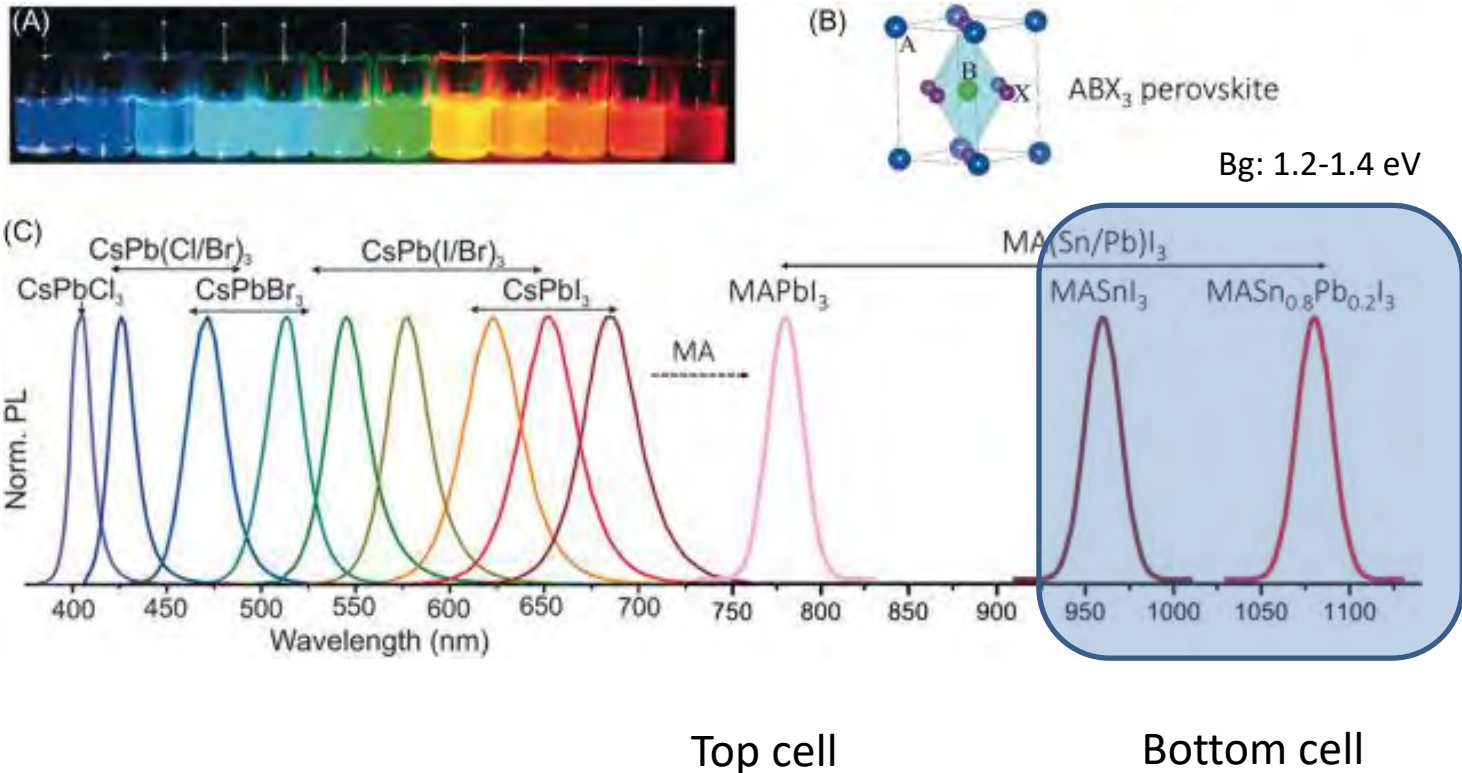
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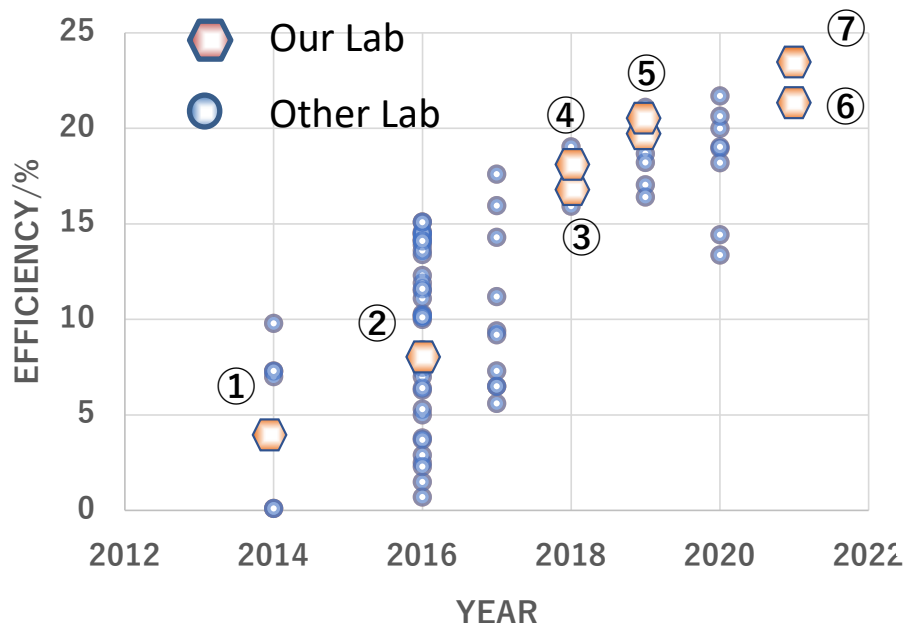
# Band gap control

Characterization Techniques for Perovskite Solar Cell Materials, Micro and Nano Technologies, 2020, Pages 1-22  
Somayeh Gholipour, Michae ISaliba, <https://doi.org/10.1016/B978-0-12-814727-6.00001-3>



- Pb perovskite:  $APbX_3$ : Large size **A** site  $\Rightarrow$  Narrow band gap, **X** site Br substitution  $\Rightarrow$  wide band gap
- Sn perovskite:  $ASnX_3$ : Large size **A** site  $\Rightarrow$  Wide band gap

# Efficiency progress of SnPb perovskite solar cell



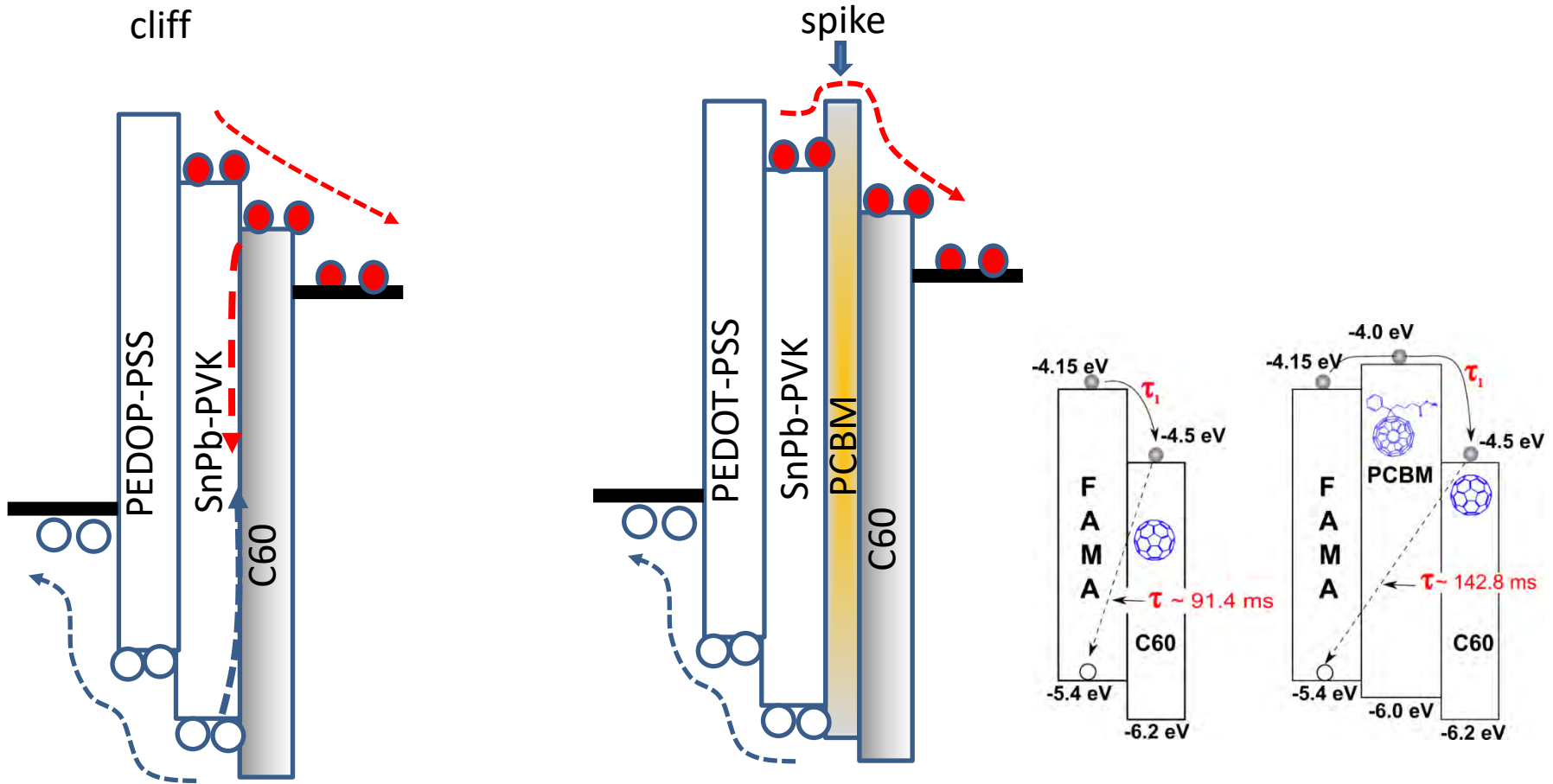
- ② J. Phys. Chem. Lett. 2014, 5 (6), 1004–1011.
- ② ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces 2020, 12, 1776-17782
- ③ J. Phys. Chem., C: 2018, 122, 27284–27291
- ④ Nano Letters, 18, p.3600-3607, 2018
- ⑤ ACS. Energy Lett., 2019, 4, 1991 – 1998
- ⑥ Advance Energy Materials ,doi.org/10.1002/aenm.2021010692021 ) (21.7%)
- ⑦ ACS. Energy Lett., 2022, 7, 3, 966–974.(23.3%)

Method		PVK	Cell structure
normal	1	$\text{MASn}_{0.5}\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{I}_3$	FTO/ $\text{TiO}_2$ /PVK/P3HT/Au
inverted	2	$\text{MASn}_{0.5}\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{I}_3$	ITO/PEDOTPSS/PVK/C60/BCP/Ag
DMSO complex	3	$\text{MASn}_{0.5}\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{I}_3$	ITO/PEDOTPSS/PVK/C60/BCP/Ag
Spike structure	4	$\text{FA}_{0.5}\text{MA}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{I}_3$	ITO/PEDOTPSS/PVK/PCBM/C60/BCP/Ag
FTO structure	5	$\text{FA}_{0.5}\text{MA}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{I}_3$	FTO/PEDOTPSS/PVK/PCBM/C60/BCP/Ag
Lattice strain+EDA	6	$\text{Cs}_{0.025}\text{FA}_{0.475}\text{MA}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{I}_3$	FTO/PEDOTPSS/PVK/PCBM/C60/BCP/Ag

**Direction:**

**Low defect density, low lattice strain, band structure for retarding charge recombination**

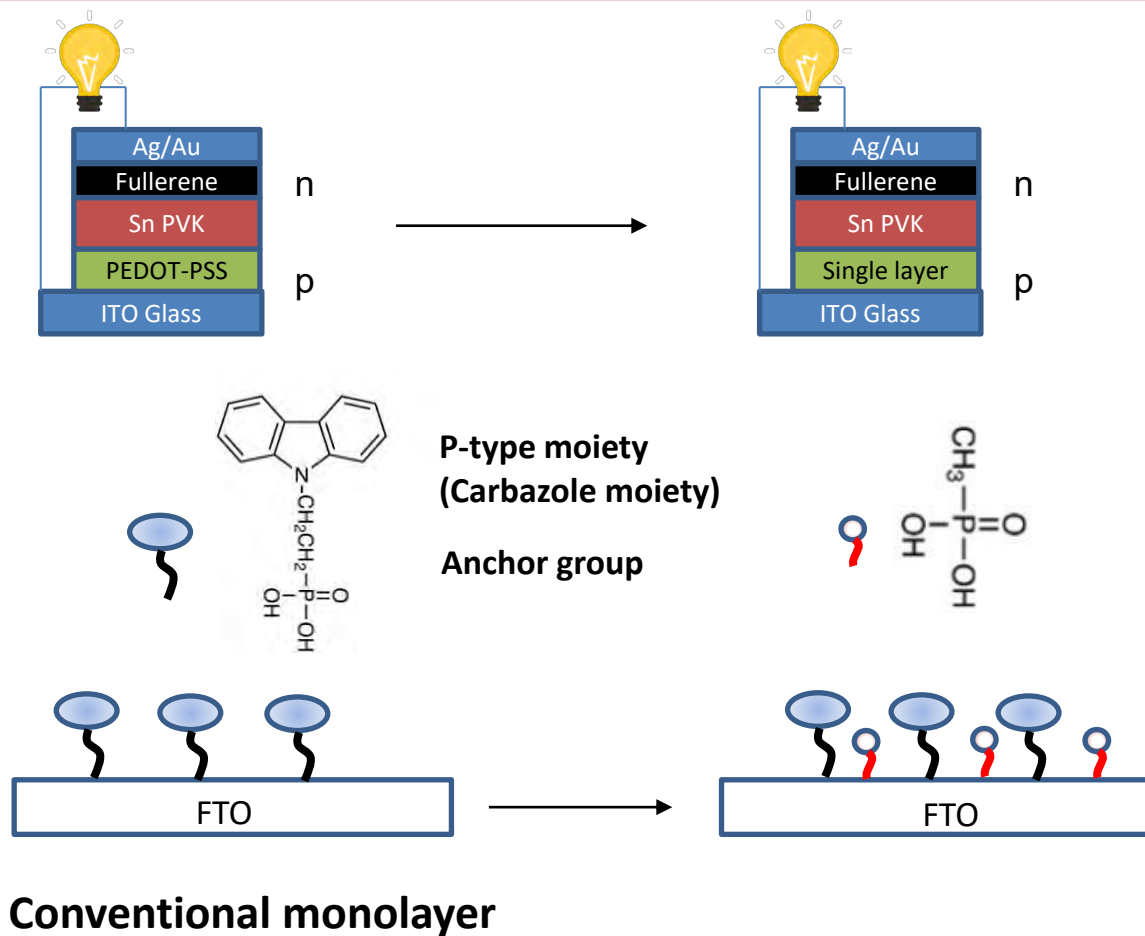
# Spike and Cliff band structure at SnPb-PVK and C60 interfaces



Previously recommended  
(cascade structure)

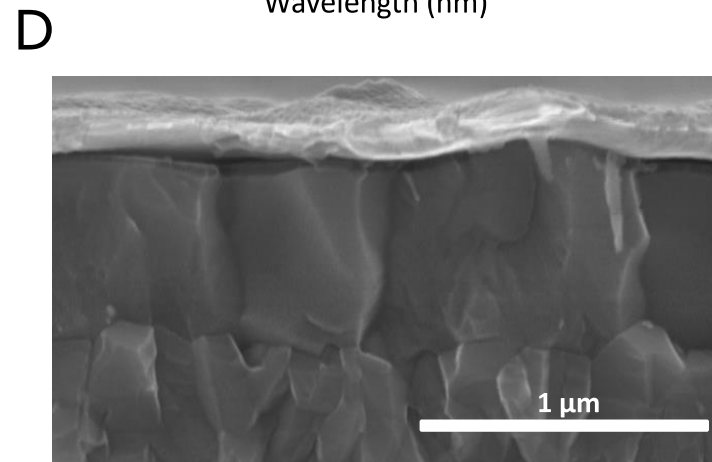
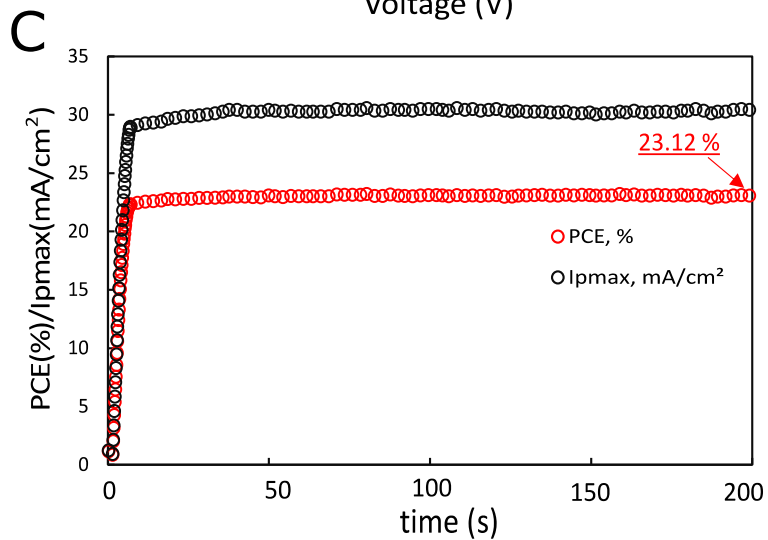
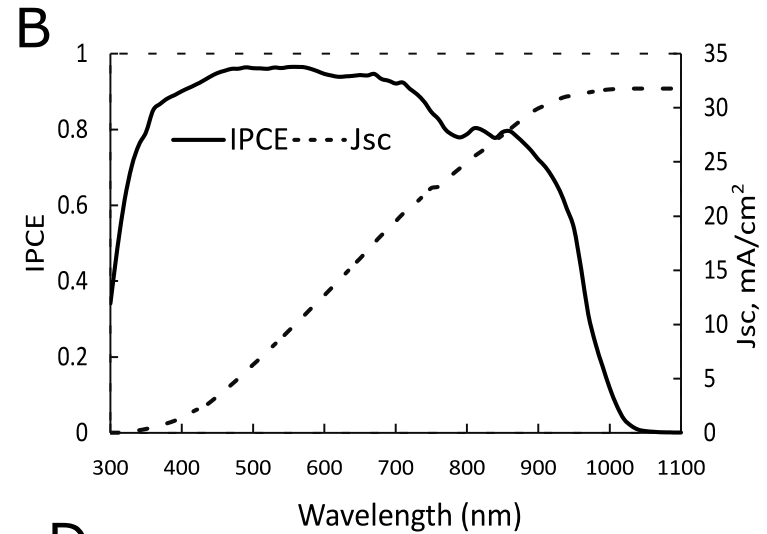
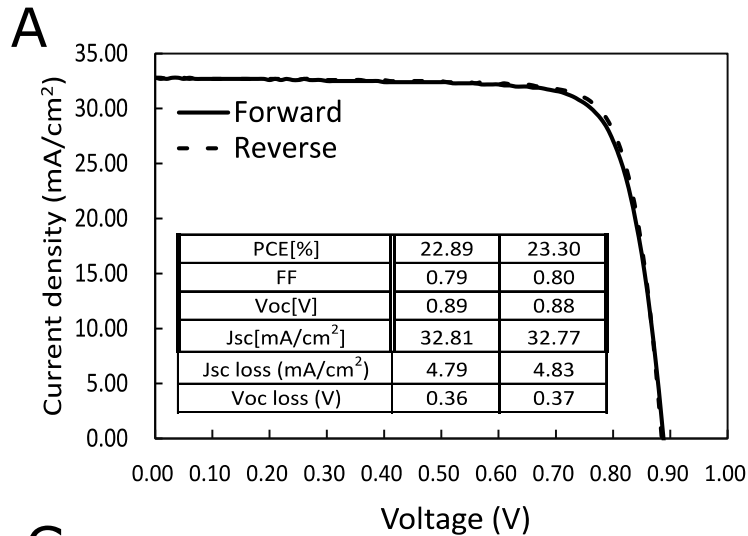
Band structure tried  
Recommended from CIGS study

# Increase in surface coverage with p-type monomolecular layer

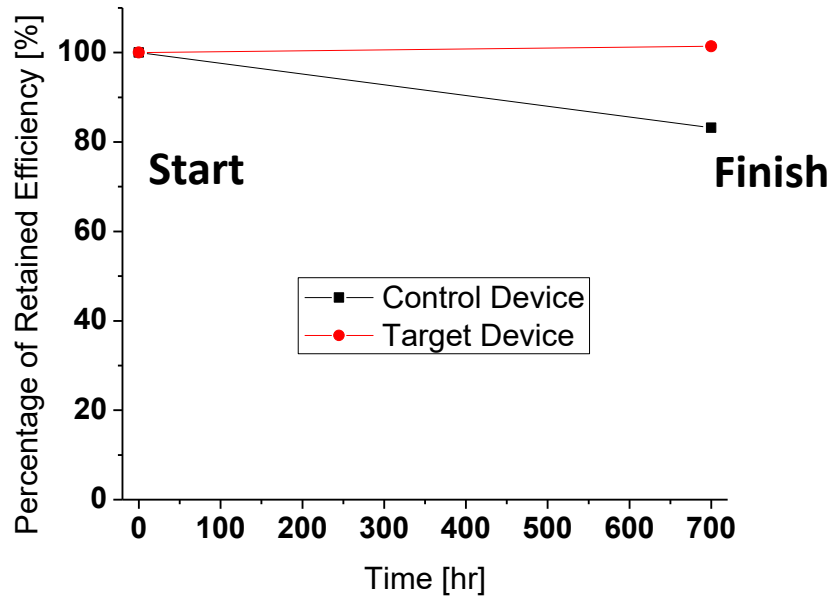


Mixed monolayer enhanced the efficiency of Tin-Lead alloyed perovskite solar cells

# Optimized device



# Thermal stability of SnPb PVK solar cells



Condition for thermal stability test: Samples were placed on a hotplate at 85 degree Celsius in dark storage, nitrogen atmosphere for over 700 hrs.



The detail will be presented in Japan Society of Applied Physics spring meeting by Shahrir Razey Sahamir

No degradation of efficiency was observed after 85°C for 700 hrs after optimization of the devaice structure.

# summary

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## Tin Lead alloyed PVK PV

- **Decrease in defect density**
- **Introduction of spike structure to reduce heterointerface charge recombination**
- **Decrease in distortion of ABX<sub>3</sub> by A site optimization**
- **Increase in surface coverage of ITO or FTO by co-adsorption of SAM molecules**

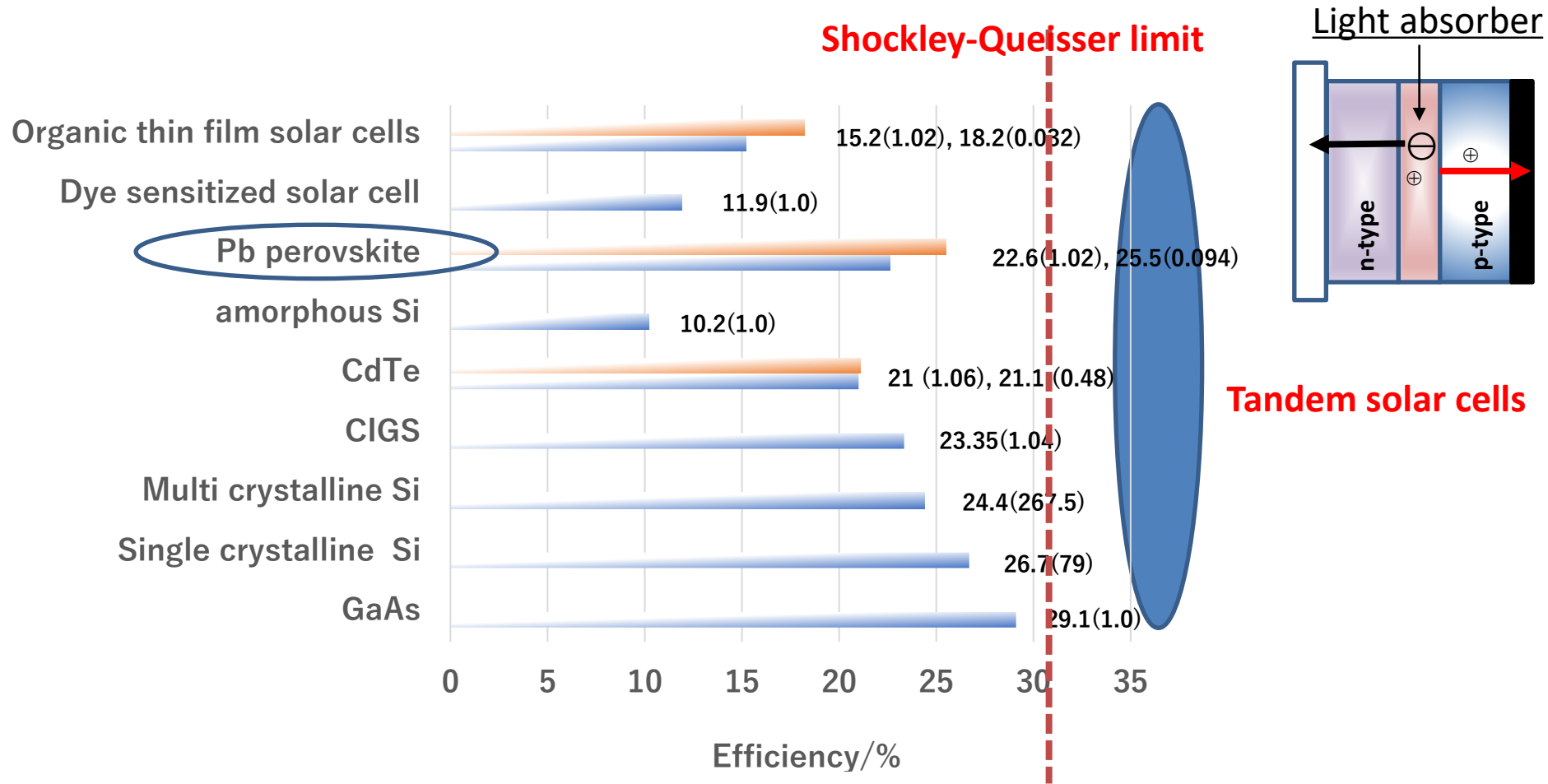


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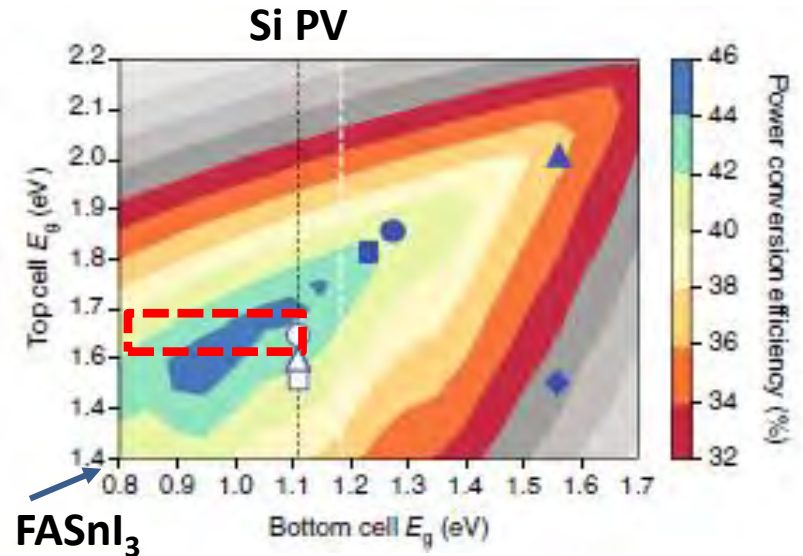
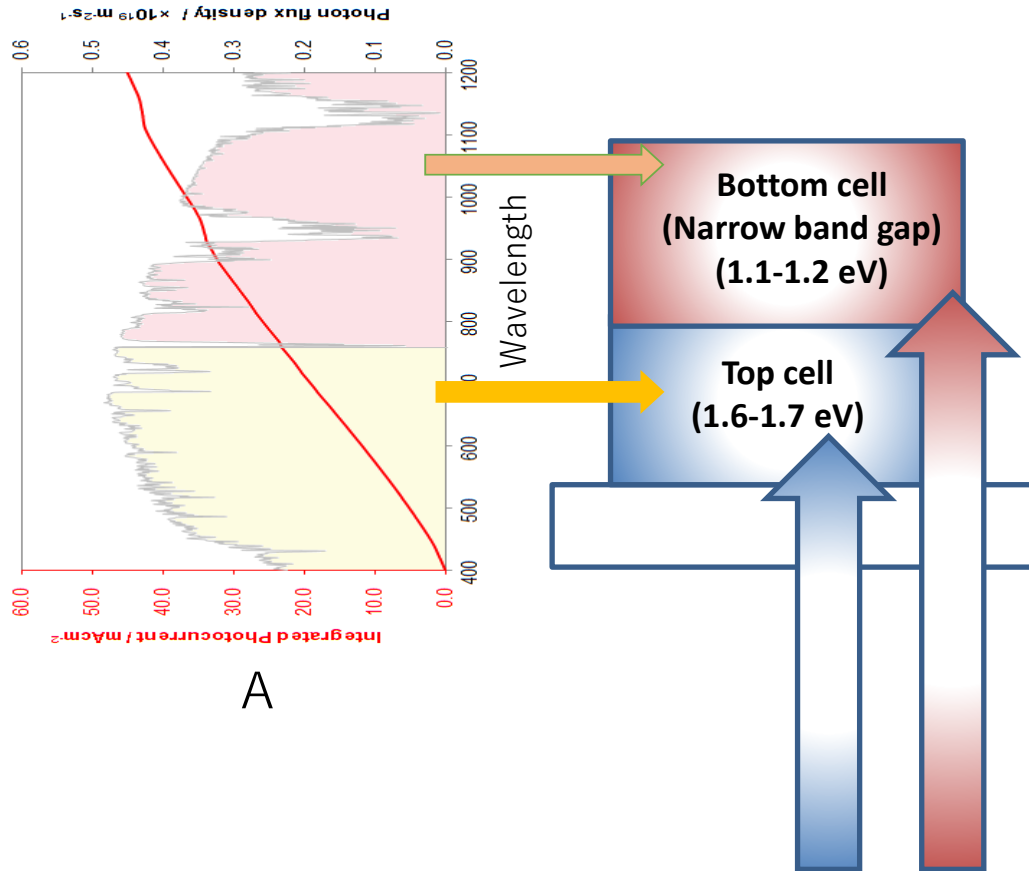
# Certified efficiency for various solar cells larger than 1cm<sup>2</sup>



Martin Green, Ewan Dunlop, Jochen Hohl-Ebinger, Masahiro Yoshita, Nikos Kopidakis, Xiaojing Hao, Prog Photovolt Res Appl2021;1-11. Efficiency Table 58

Efficiency of PVK is close to that of Si solar cell even though the cell is prepared at 100 °C process.

# Perovskite tandem solar cells

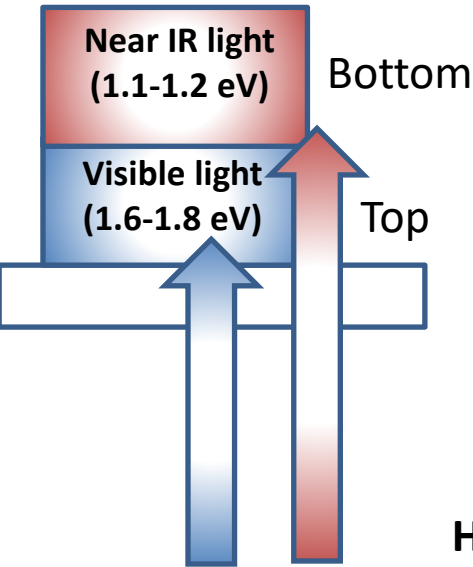


T. Leijtens et al, Nature Energy, 2018, 3, 828-838

Tandem Voc = V1 + V2, Tandem Jsc = Jsc

Tin perovskite with 1.6 – 1.7 eV wide band gap is needed.

# Perovskite tandem solar cell efficiency



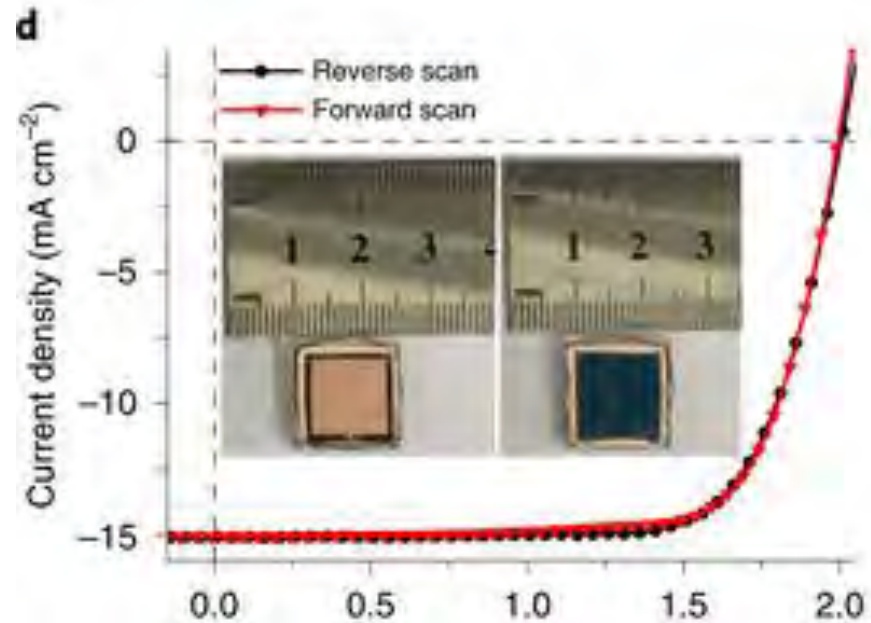
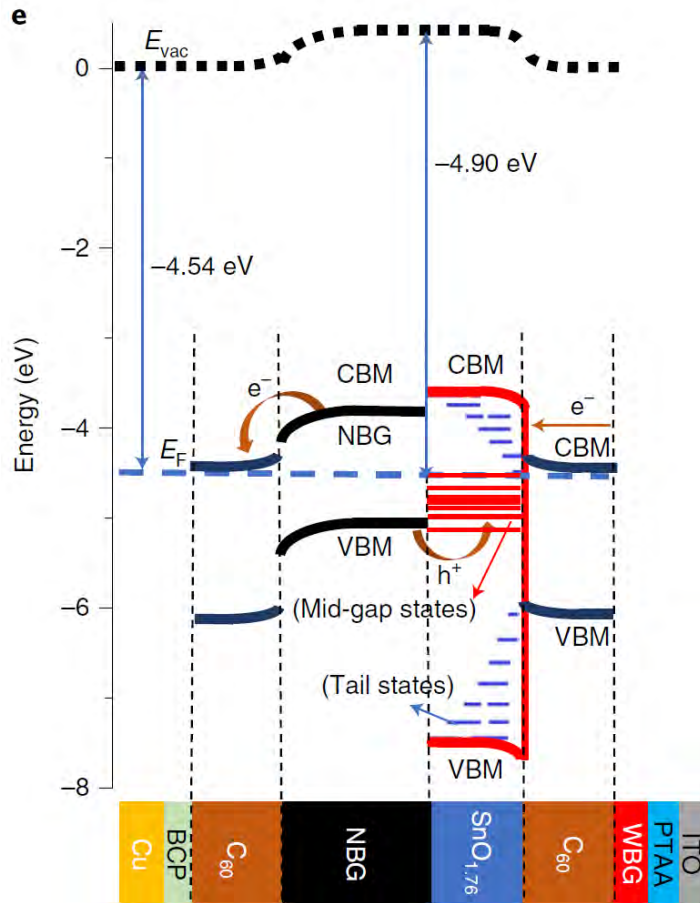
Tandem	Efficiency %	Area cm <sup>2</sup>	Institute
Pb PVK(top)/Si(Bottom)	32.5→33.2		HZB→KAUST
Pb PVK(top)/Si(Bottom)	31.3	1.17	EPFL/CSEM
Pb-PVK/CIGS	24.2	1.045	HZB
Pb-PVK/SnPb-PVK	26.4	1.04	SichuanU/EMP
Pb-PVK/SnPb-PVK	28.0	0.0495	Nanjin Univ.
Si(single) PV	26.8	79	ISFH
Pb PVK PV	25.7	0.096	UNIST

Hayase Lab. Perovskite/perovskite tandem solar cells: 26.5% (2023/4)

Advantage of the all-perovskite tandem solar cells over others  
 ⇒Flexible tandem solar cells

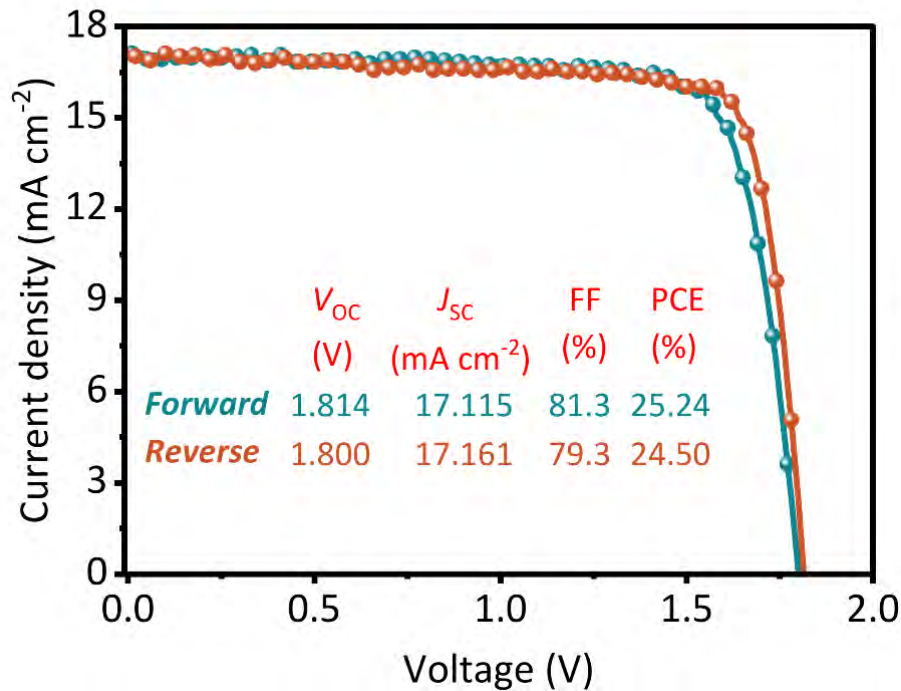
Perovskite tandem solar cells with efficiency higher than 30% is now realized

# Charge recombination layer with ALD SnOx/C60

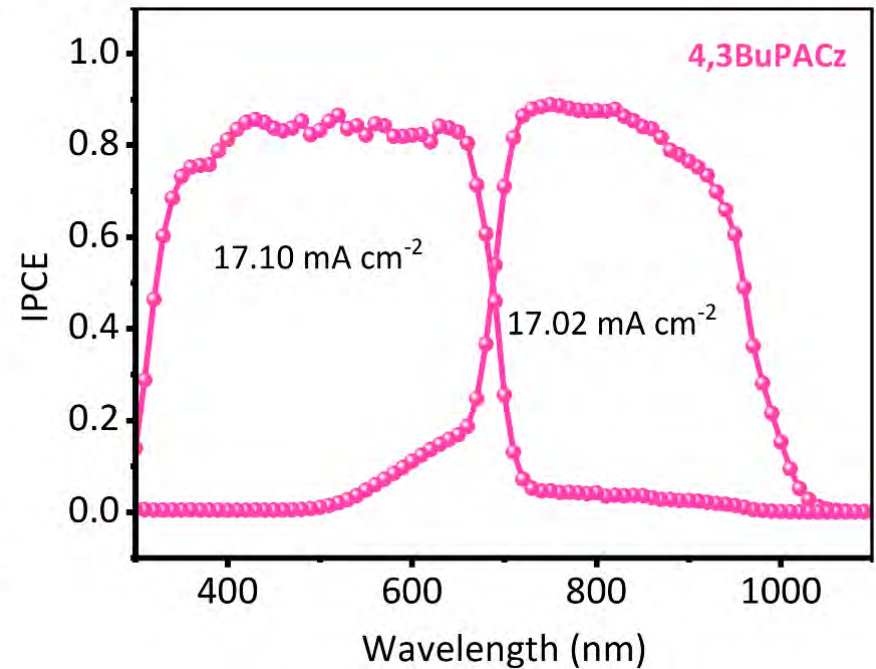


Small-area tandem cells ( $5.9 \text{ mm}^2$ ) and large-area tandem cells ( $1.15 \text{ cm}^2$ ) to 24.4% and 22.2%

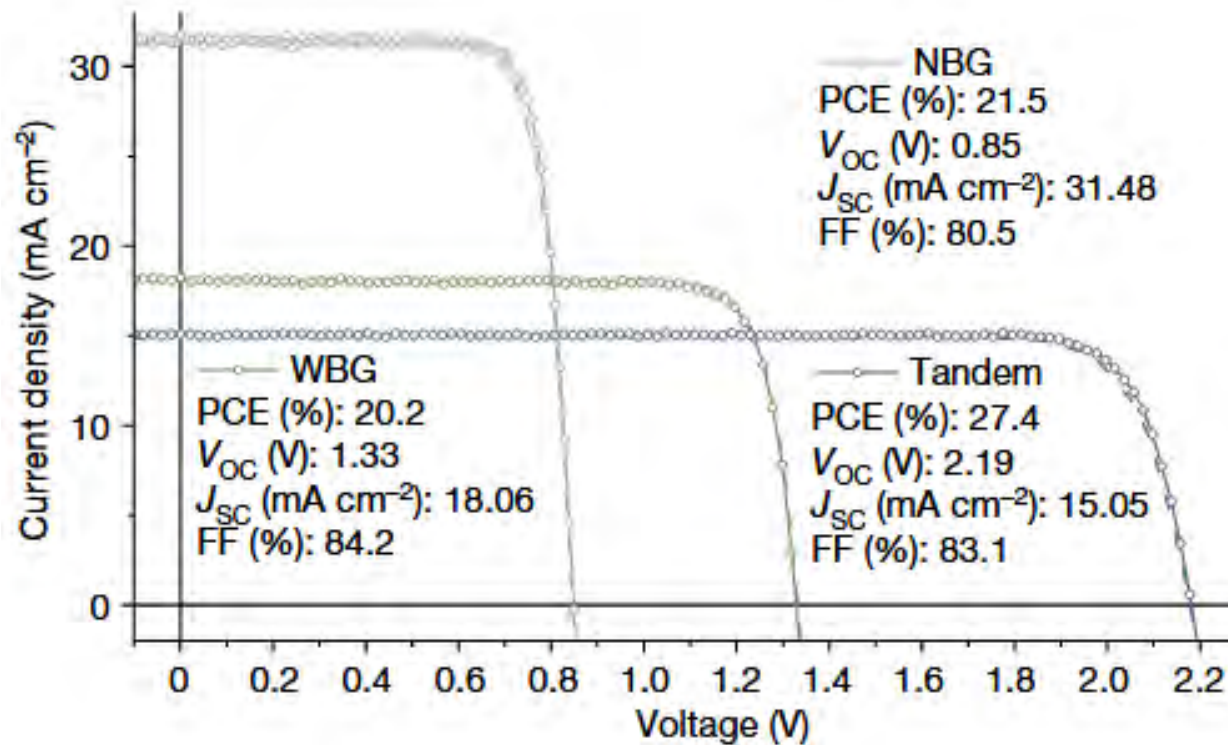
# Our perovskite/perovskite tandem solar cells



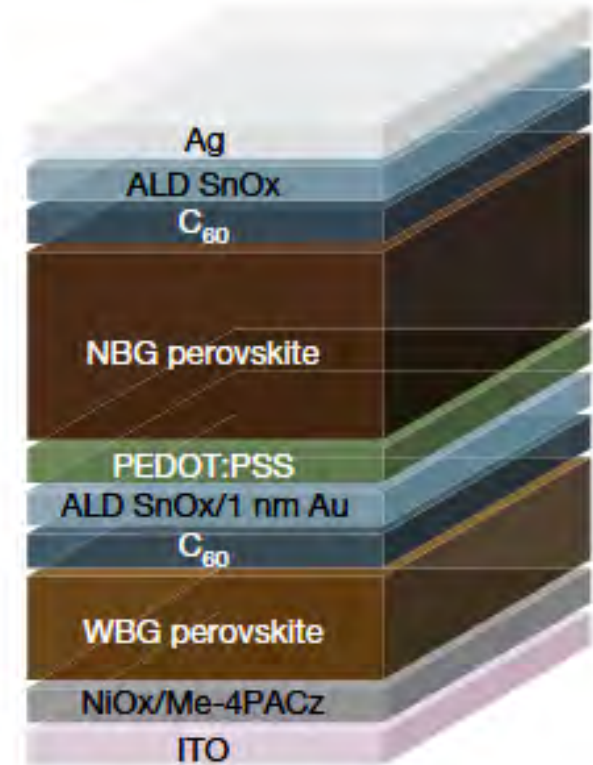
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# Highest all perovskite tandem cell published so far!



Area =  $0.049 \text{cm}^2$





# Summary

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## Perovskite tandem solar cels

- **Top cell-bandgap: 1.6-1.8 eV**
- **Bottom cell-bandgap: 1.1-1.2eV**
- **Pb PVK (top)/Si PV(bottom): 33.2%**
- **All-perovskite tandem solar cell: Pb PBK(top)/SnPb PVK PV(bottom): 28%**
- **All-perovskite solar cells has advantage over other solar cells from view point of flexibility.**



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# Research trends in Feb. 2023

## Current situation

- **Sn-Pb alloyed perovskite: 23.3% in Hayase Lab (world: 23.6%) which is almost the same as that of Pb perovskite(Inverted structure).**
- **Sn-PVK: 14.3 % in Hayase Lab (World:14.8%)**

## Solution

- **Decrease in carrier concentration (Ge(II) ion addition)**
- **Decrease in defects of grain boundary (EDA passivation)**
- **Conduction band and valence band energy level optimization (A site engineering)**
- **Decrease in Lattice disordering (A site engineering)**
- **Surface passivation by 2D structure**
- **Charge injection balance (EDA passivation)**

## Tandem

- **Perovskite/Perovskite tandem solar cells 28% (world) (our Lab. 26.8%)**
- **Perovskite/Si tandem aiming at 35% (present: 33.2%) (our Lab. 27-28%)**

**Thank you for kind attention!**

