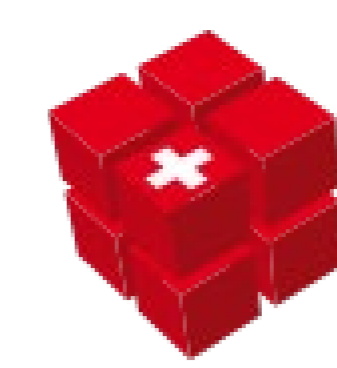
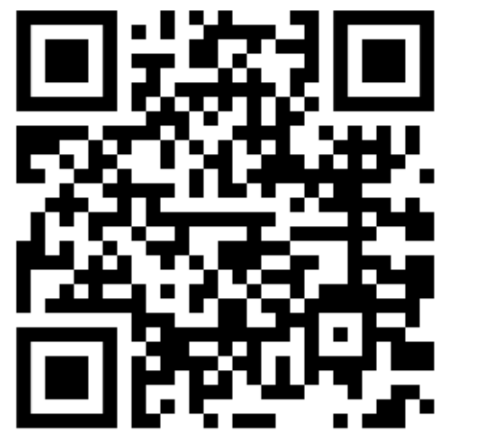


# High-Efficiency Perovskite-based Thin-Film Solar Cells and Mini-modules



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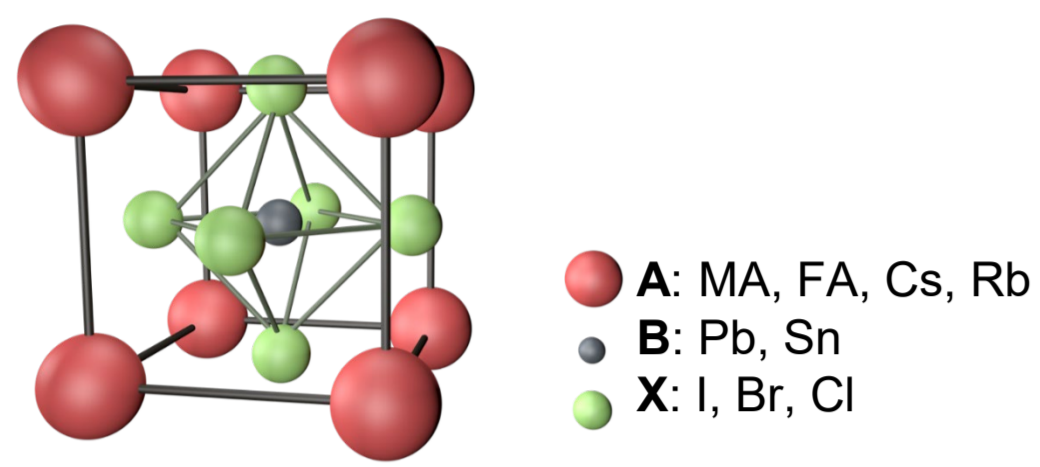
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## Perovskite solar cells

### Materials & devices

Crystal structure:  $ABX_3$



- ✓ Low cost and low CO<sub>2</sub> footprint
- ✓ Broadly tunable bandgap (1.2-3.0 eV)
- ✓ Thin, flexible, lightweight
- ✓ Colorful & see-through

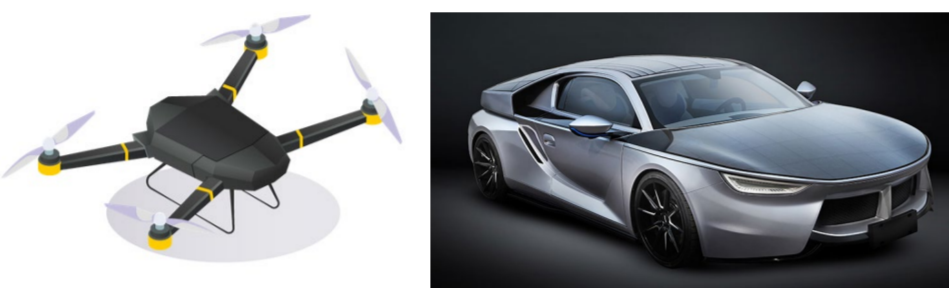
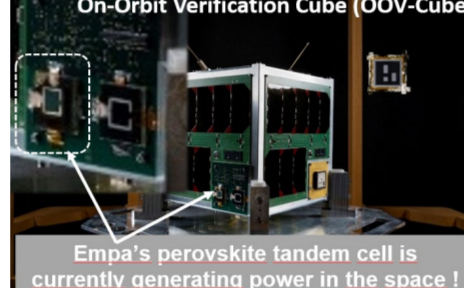
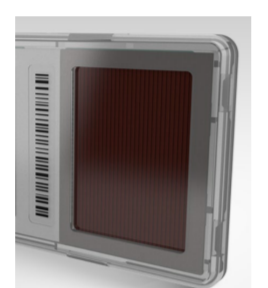
### Potential applications

BIPV & AgriVoltaics

Indoor PV & IoT

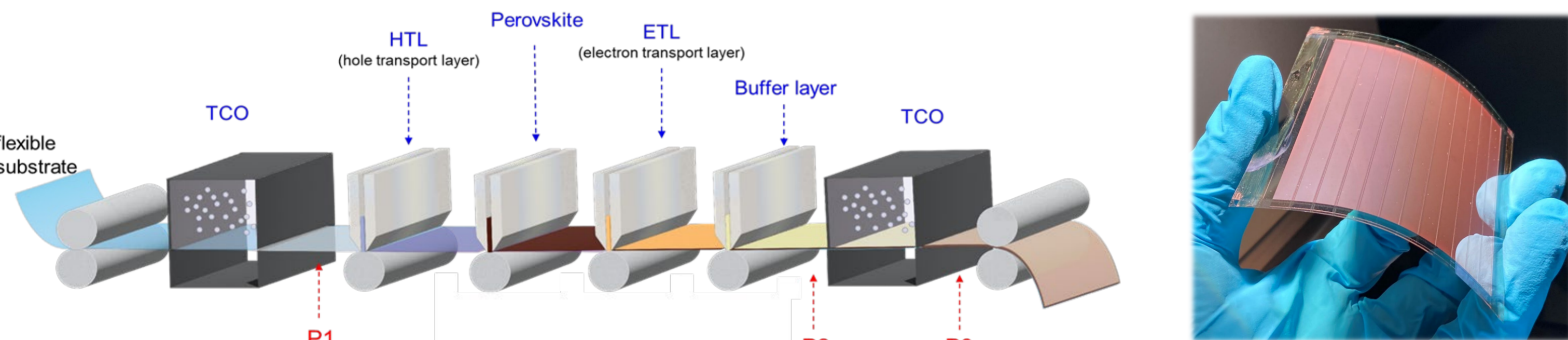
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Mobility



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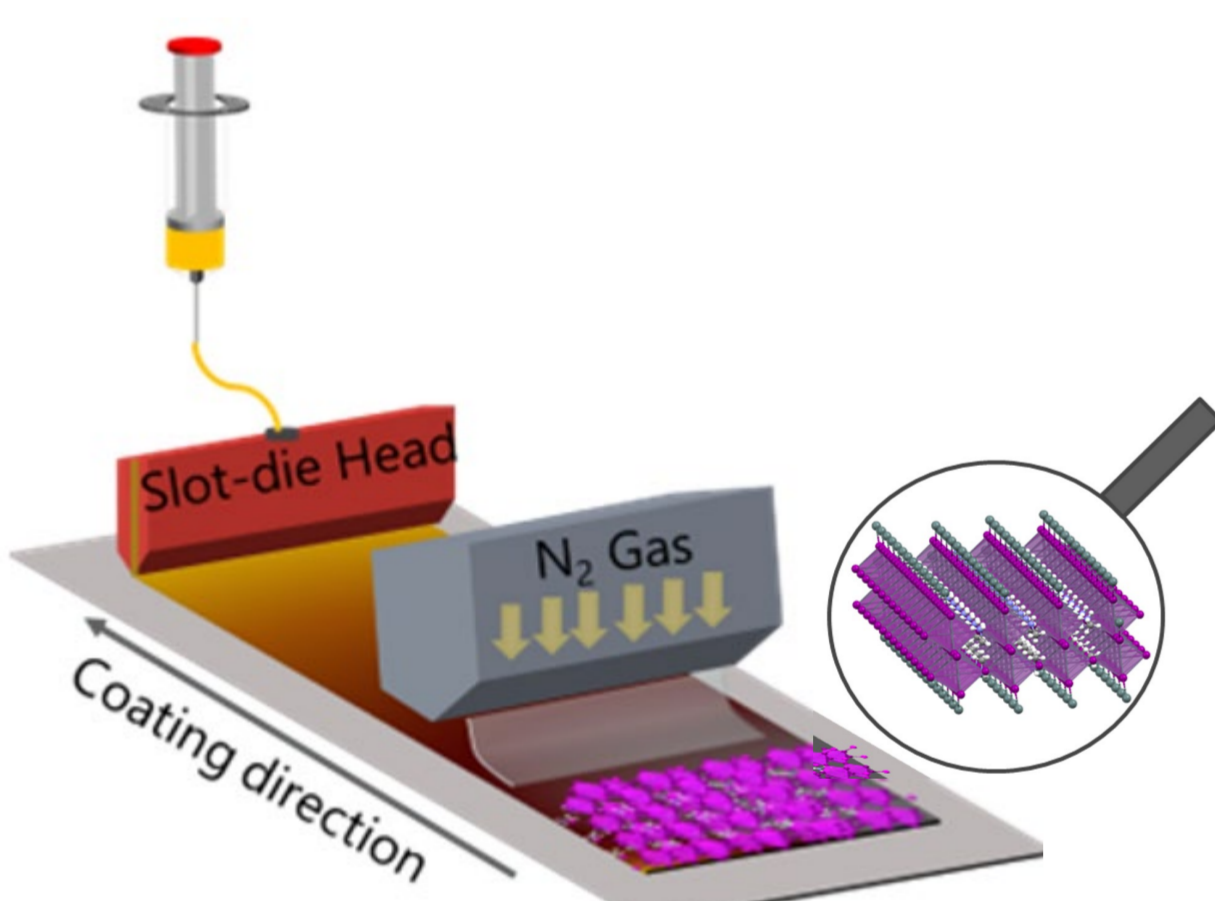
### Our vision: High-throughput R2R manufacturing of flexible Perovskite Solar Modules



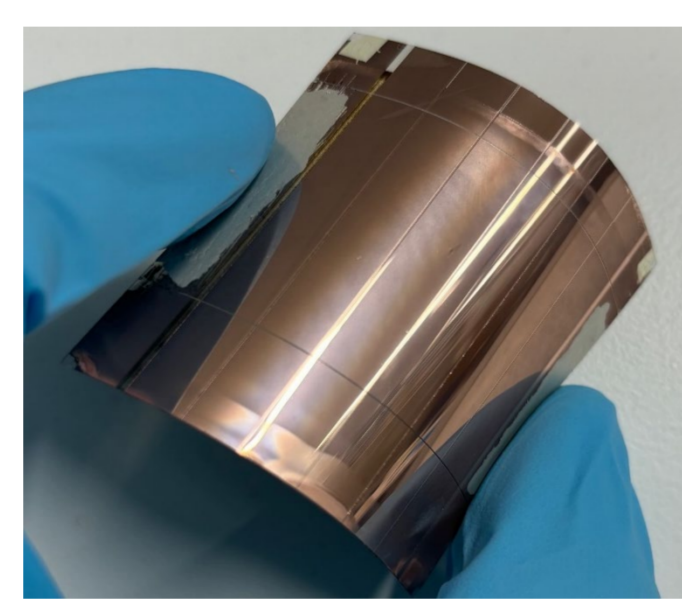
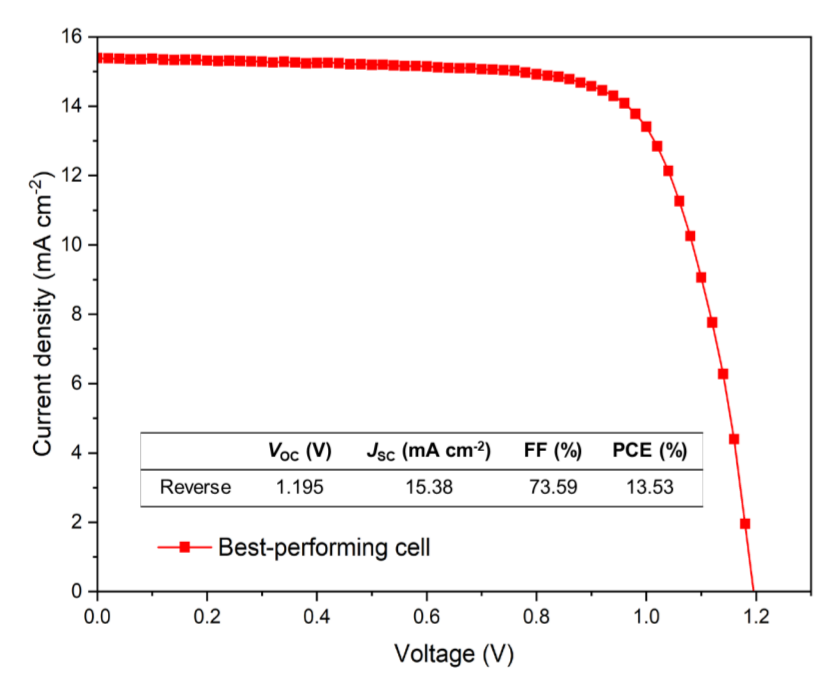
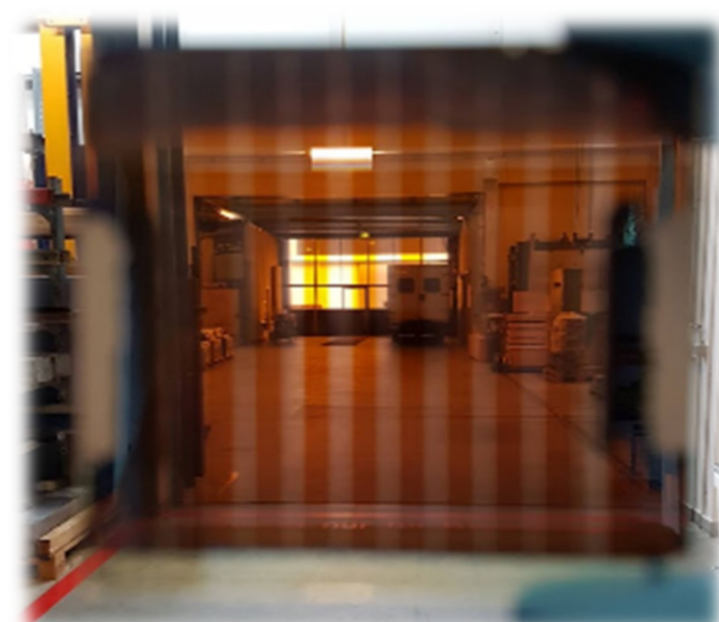
One example of in-line R2R manufacturing of flexible perovskite module using the slot-die coating. Other industrial scalable methods, such as the vacuum-based method or vacuum/solution hybrid process are also possible.

## Upscaling Perovskite Solar Cells

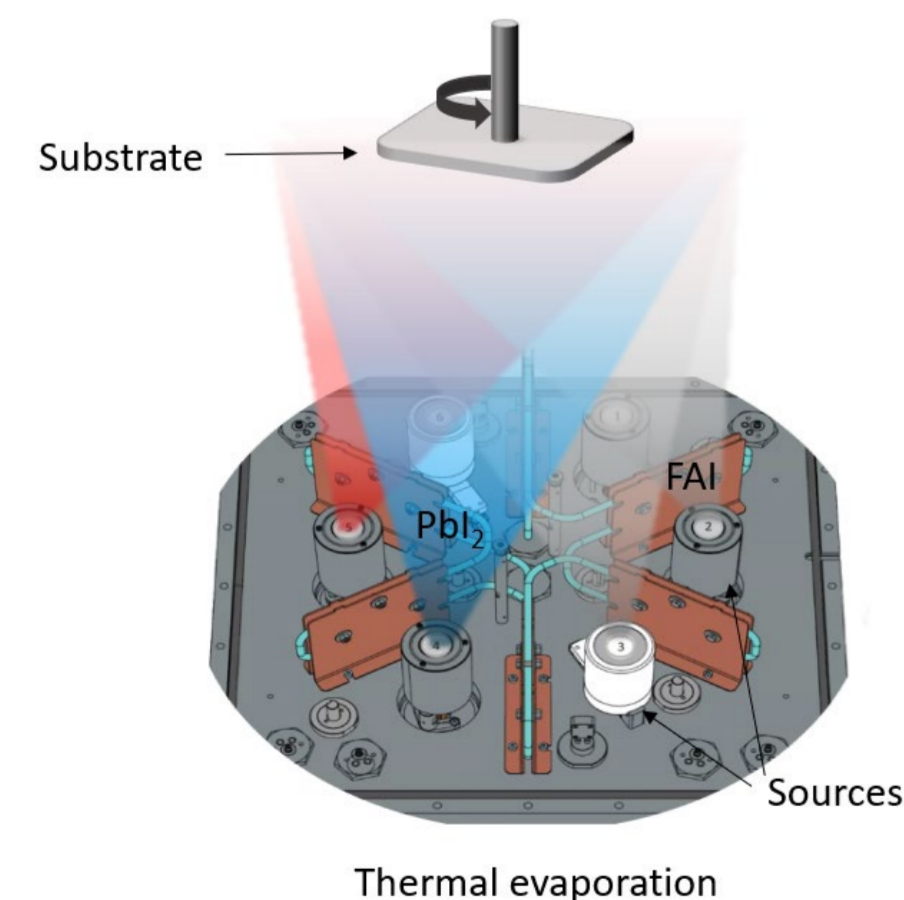
### Slot-die Coating (Solution-based method)



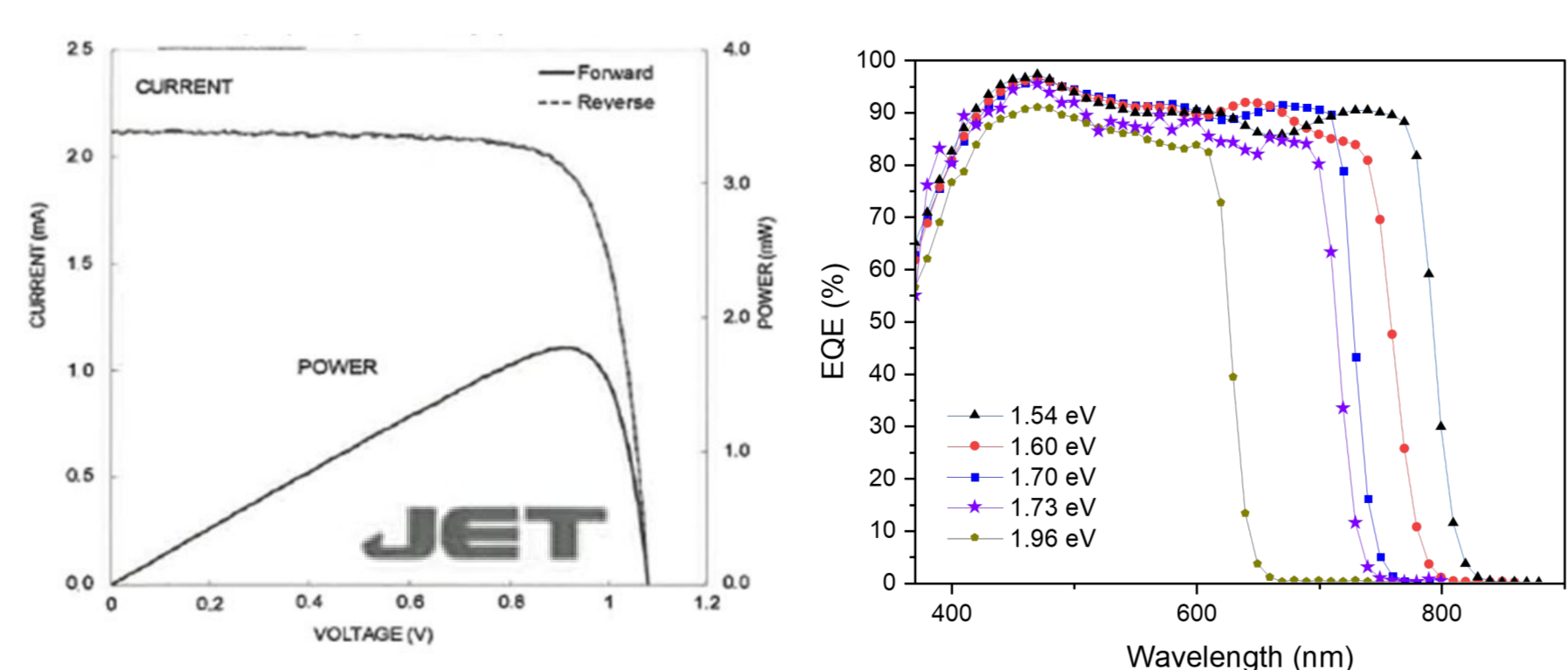
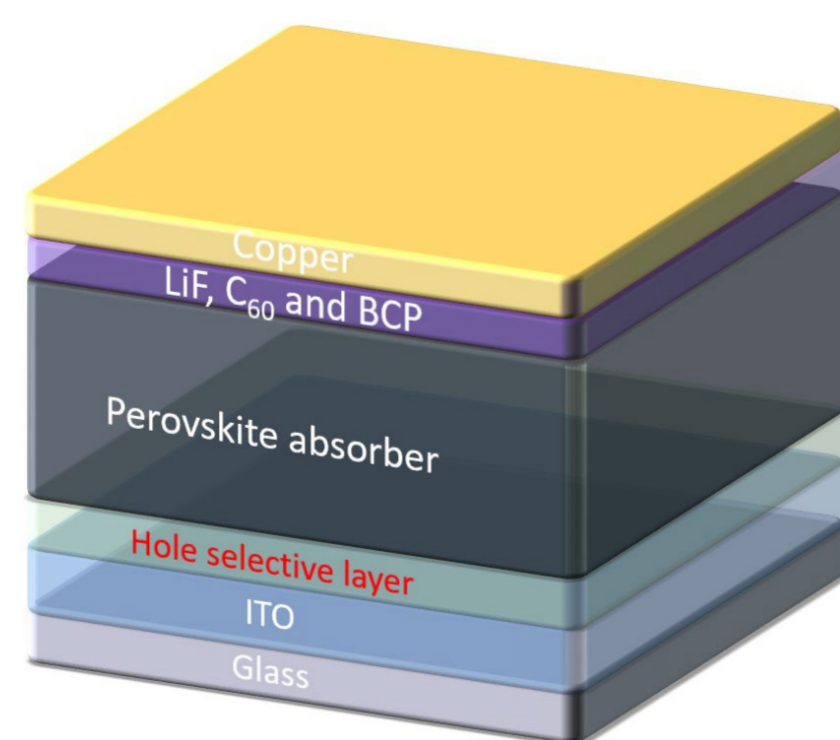
- ✓ Solution-based method
- ✓ High performance
- ✓ High speed & low temperature deposition
- ✓ Facile composition, additive, and passivation engineering
- ✓ Compatible with high throughput R2R process
- ✗ Toxic solvent
- ✗ Edge effect



### Thermal Evaporation (Vacuum-based method)



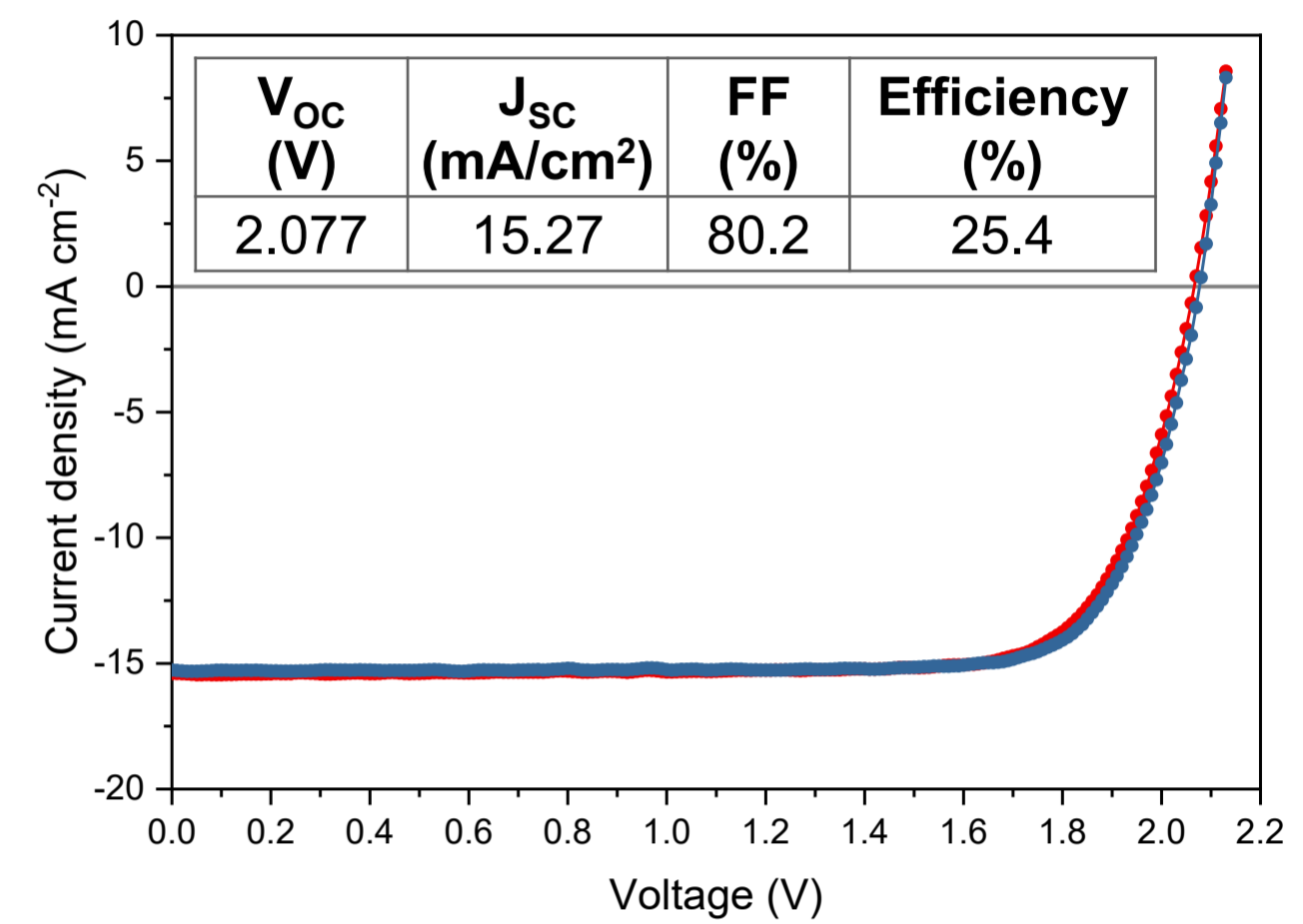
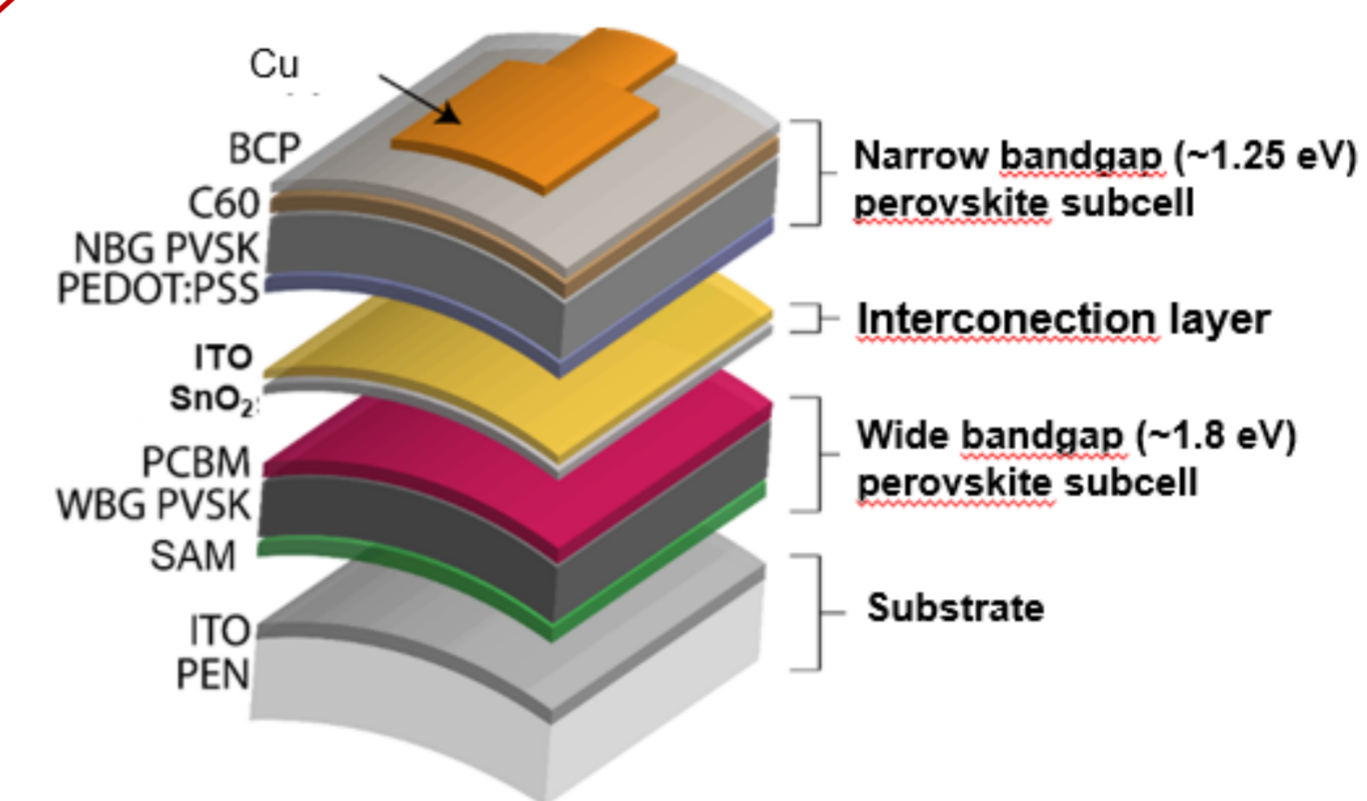
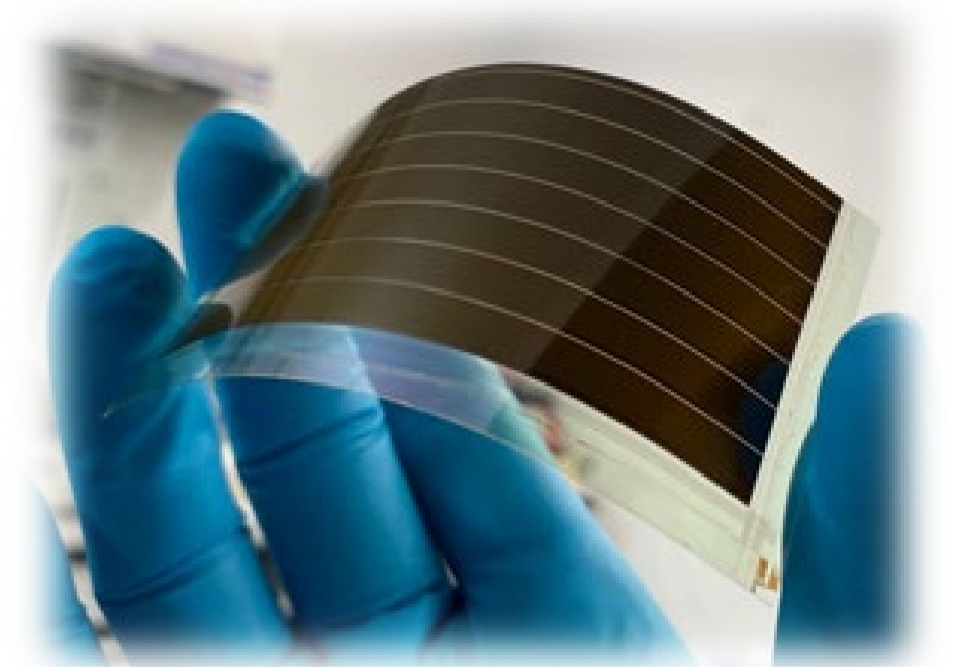
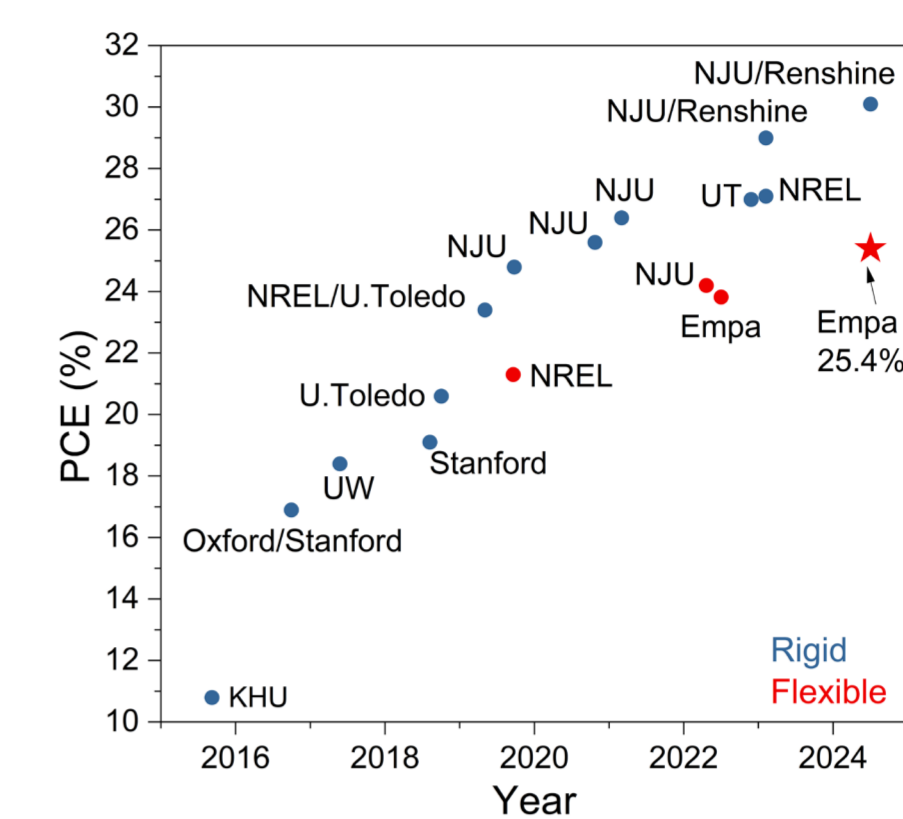
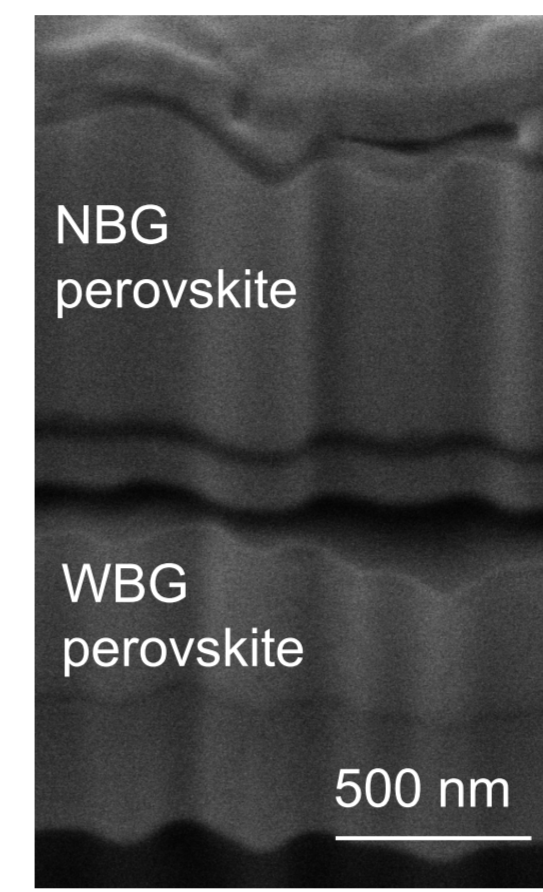
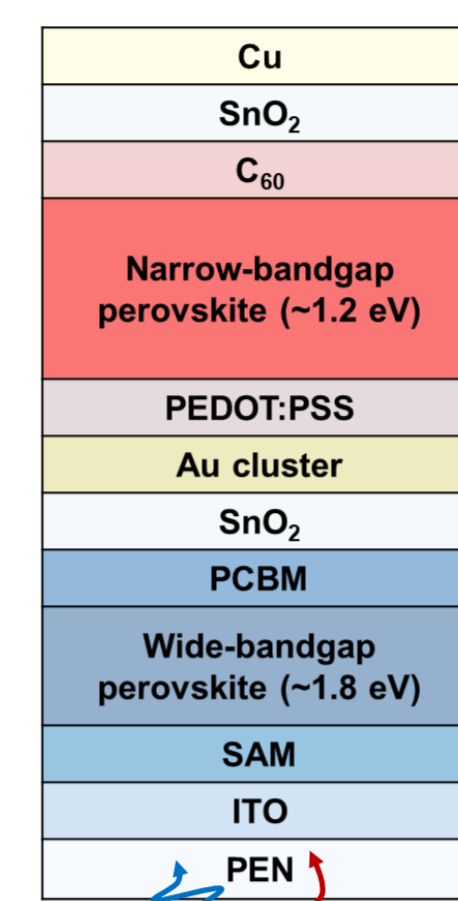
- ✓ Solvent free
- ✓ Conformal coating
- ✓ Controllable thickness
- ✓ Industrial mature technology
- ✗ Challenges in composition and passivation engineering
- ✗ Reproducibility



- ✓ Thermally evaporated p-i-n perovskite solar cells over broad range of bandgaps.
- ✓ Certified record efficiency of 20.2% @ 0.09 cm<sup>2</sup>

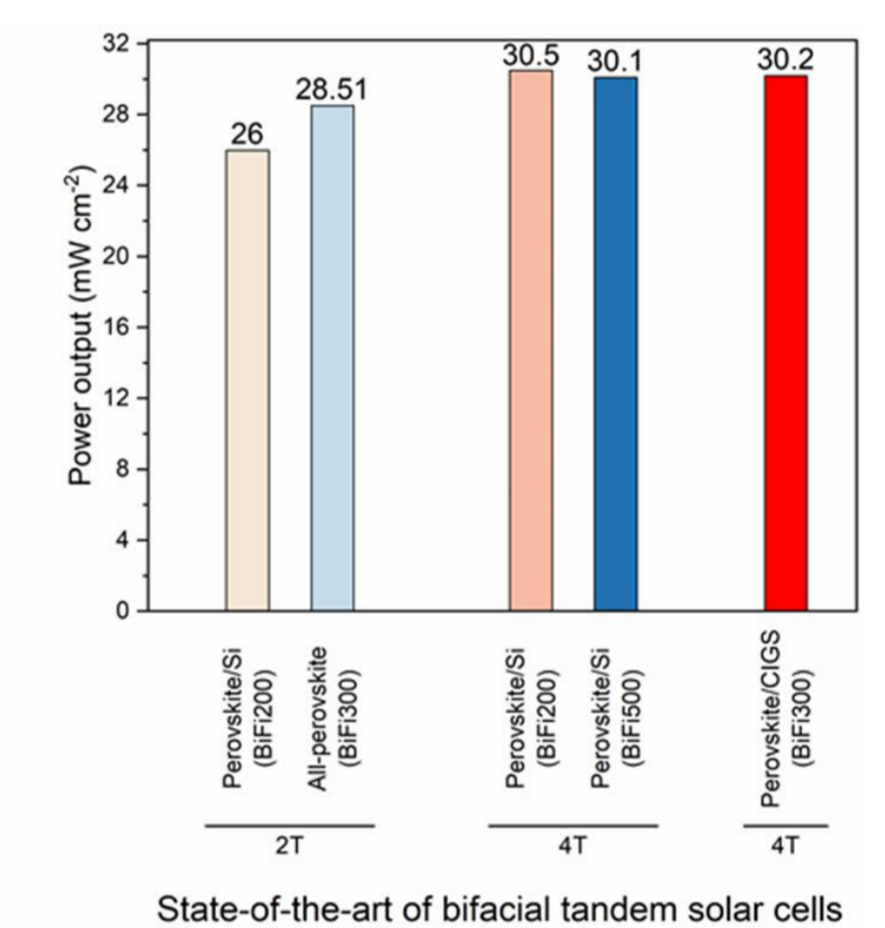
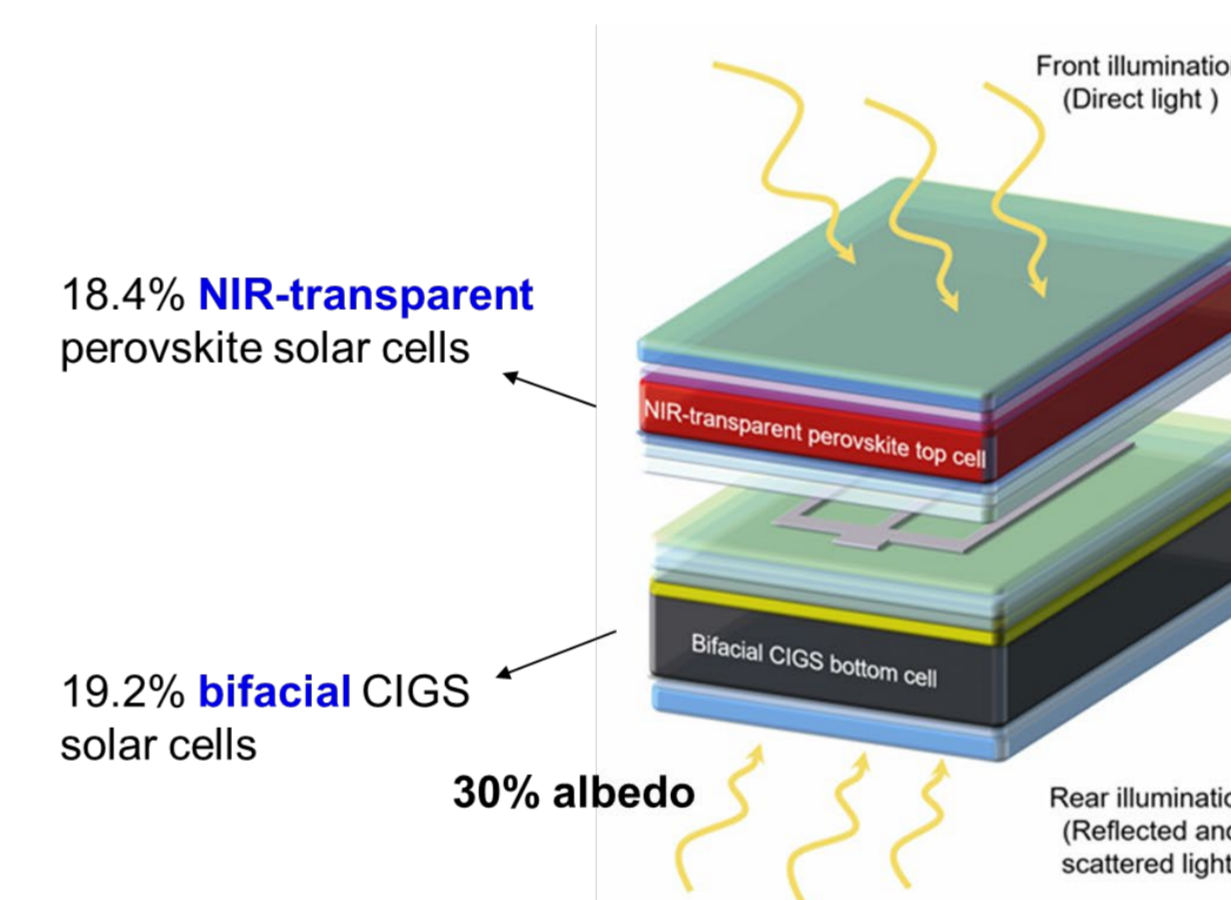
## Thin-film tandem solar cells with record efficiencies

### Flexible 2 terminal all-perovskite tandem solar cell



- We demonstrate >25% flexible all-perovskite tandem solar cell, which is the highest value for flexible polycrystalline thin-film solar cells reported so far

### Bifacial 4-terminal perovskite-CIGS tandem solar cell

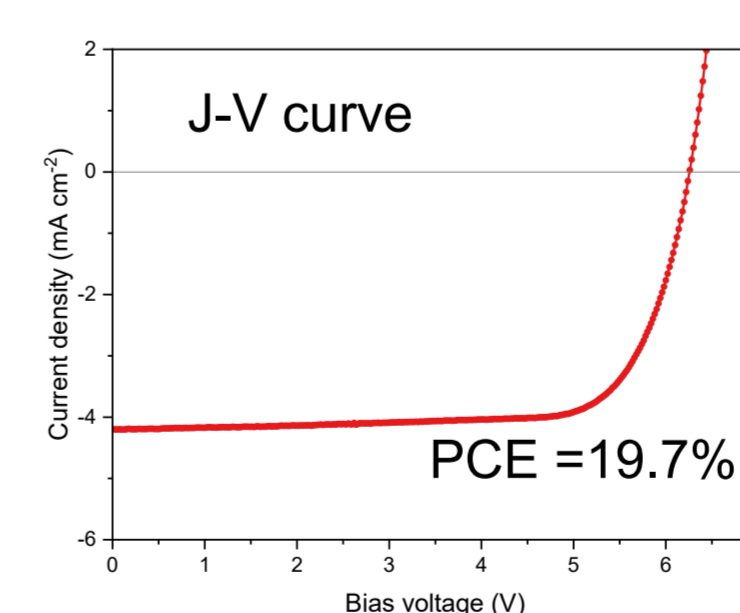
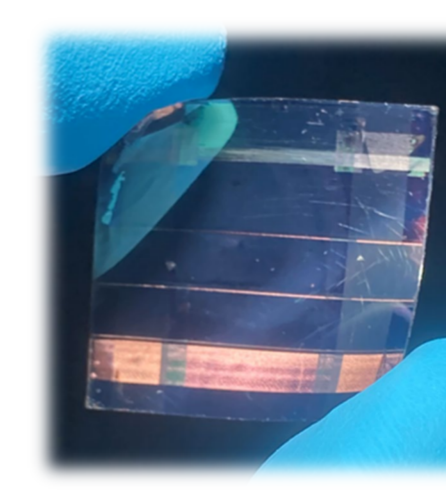
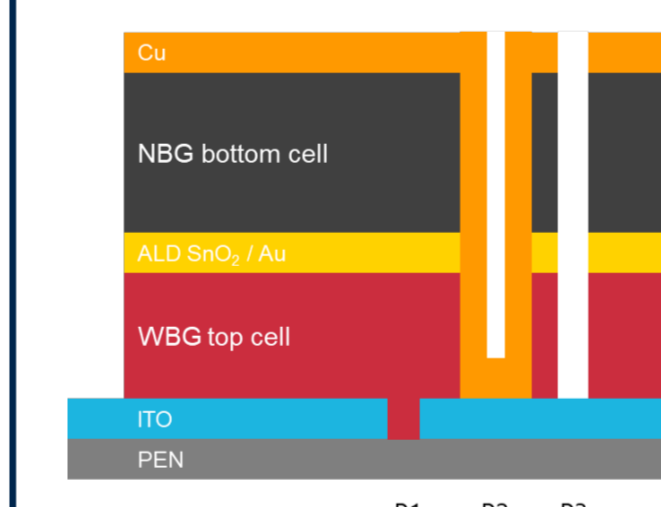


- Power output > 30 mW/cm<sup>2</sup> under 30% albedo
- Perovskite-CIGS thin-film tandems could reach similar performance as perovskite-silicon based tandems

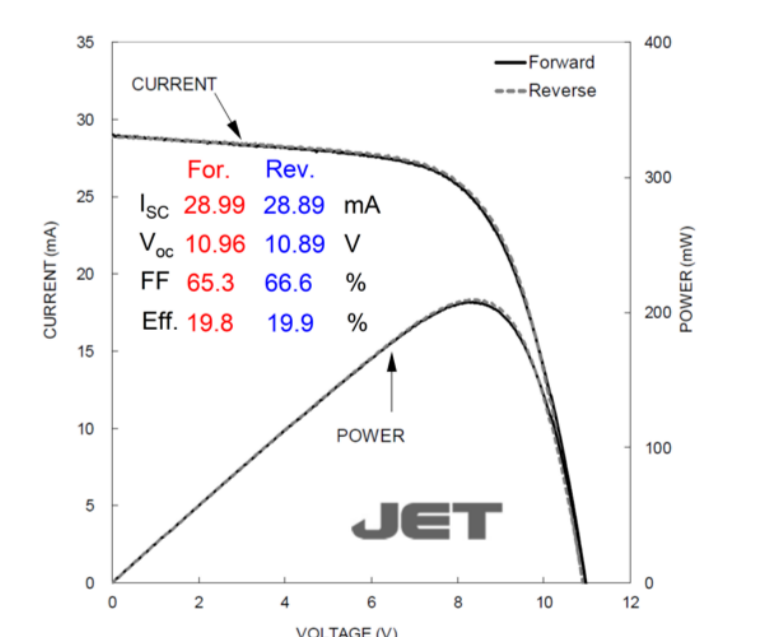
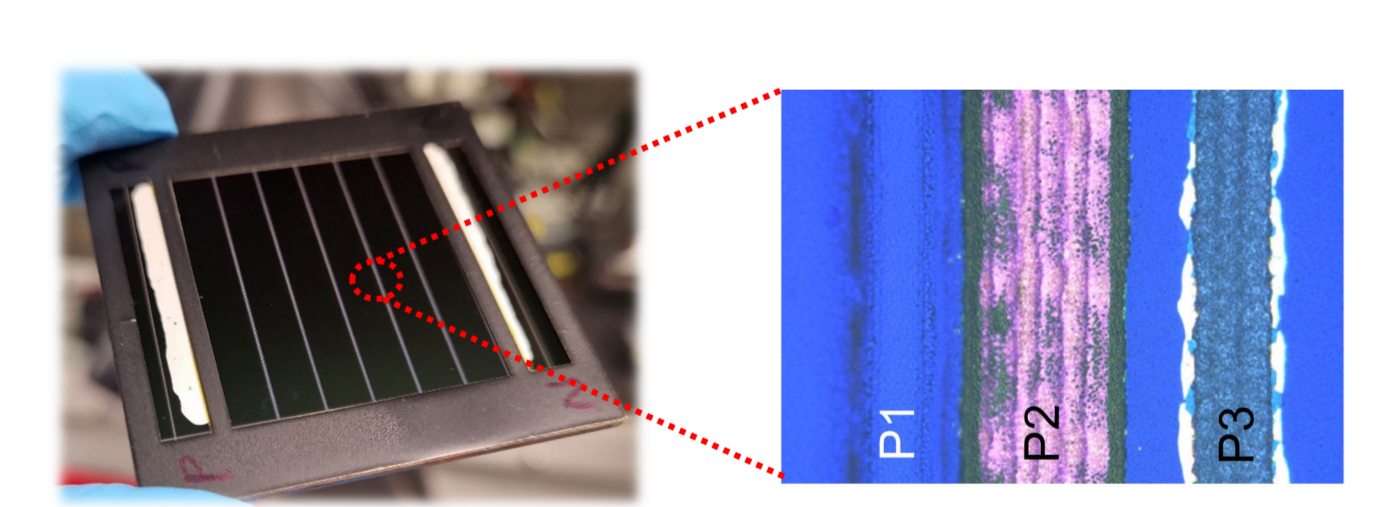
## Tandem mini-modules

### Monolithic interconnection perovskite module

#### Flexible all-perovskite tandem solar mini-module



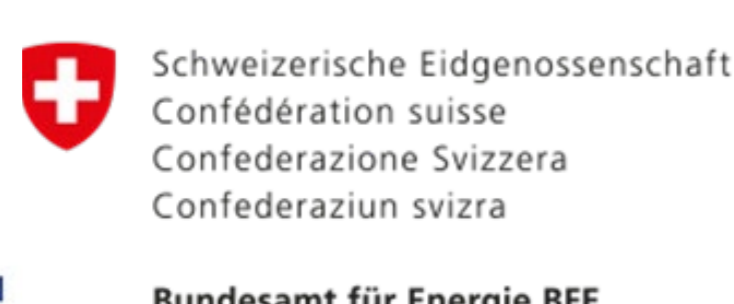
#### 2T perovskite-CIGS tandem mini-module



## Conclusions

- ✓ Perovskite PV technology is ideal for a broad range of applications at low cost, including indoor PV & IoT, BIPV & AgriVoltaics, mobility, and ultra-high efficiency tandems for space applications.
- ✓ We demonstrate high-efficiency perovskite solar cells by using various industry-scalable methods, including vacuum-based and solution-based methods.
- ✓ We demonstrate flexible 2T all-perovskite tandem solar cells with power conversion efficiency over 25%, which are the highest values among all polycrystalline thin-film solar cells reported so far.

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