Exploring the Photovoltaic Properties and Stability of Triple Cation Tin Halide Perovskite Solar Cells

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Tin halide perovskite solar cells are a promising alternative to highly efficient, but toxic lead perovskite based solar cells [1]. Their power conversion efficiencies (PCEs) have been continuously improved over the last three years mainly due to compositional engineering. Currently, PCEs up to 8 - 9.6% are reported [2,3], however, the long-term stability is still an important issue. In this contribution, we present a novel triple cation based tin perovskite MA_{0.75}FA_{0.15}PEA_{0.1}SnI₃ (MA: methylammonium, FA: formamidinium, PEA: phenylethylammonium) with a mixed 2D/3D crystal structure. Solar cells with this material as absorber layer show very encouraging stability under inert conditions. After more than 5400 h of storage, still 87% of the initial PCE are retained and further stability tests under active load and continuous illumination revealed exceptional stability also in operation [4]. These devices exhibit PCEs of 5.0%, a photocurrent generation up to a wavelength of 1000 nm and only limited trapmediated recombination. Furthermore, the incorporation of bromide into this triple cation tin iodide perovskite was investigated, which led to increased optical band gaps and enhanced photovoltages of the solar cells.

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