

Area5, Perovskite Solar Cells

203mm × 203mm largest sized highly efficient MAPbI₃ solar module

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Large size organic - inorganic halide perovskite solar modules were fabricated. We used CH₃NH₃PbI₃ as light absorbers, mesoporous TiO₂ as ETM (n type) and SpiroOMeTAD as HTM (p type) and realized a cascade connection structure of 35 cells on the largest 203 mm square glass substrate as the perovskite solar modules. We achieved an efficiency of 12.6% with the largest sized perovskite module.

The module configuration we used for experiments is shown in Fig. 1. FTO films and compact TiO₂ films coated glasses with a size of 203 mm × 203 mm × 0.5 t were used for a substrate. The FTO films were scribed with a wavelength of 1.06 μm YAG laser to form P1-grooves (width 75 μm, pitch 200 μm). Subsequently, 10 mL of a dispersion ethanol solution of TiO₂ nanoparticles was spin-coated to form mesoporous TiO₂ layers. Subsequently, 10 mL of a 0.7 M CH₃NH₃PbI₃ / DMSO solution was spin coated, drip treatment was performed with 10 mL of toluene, and heat treatment was performed on a hot plate at 100 °C for 60 min. A 500 nm thick CH₃NH₃PbI₃ film was formed and further spin-coated with 7.5 mL of Spiro OMeTAD / chlorobenzene solution containing Li-TFSI and Co-PF₆ to form a Spiro OMeTAD film. After P2-grooves (width 200 μm) were formed by mechanical scribing with a super steel blade, an Au vapor deposited film with a thickness of 200 nm was formed, and furthermore a mechanical scribe with a super steel blade similarly formed P3-groove to separate the cells. Figure 2 shows the picture of the perovskite module.

I-V curves of the modules are shown in Fig. 3. The module with Au/TiO₂/FTO contacts on P2 showed an efficiency of 9.4% (V_{oc}=35.85V, J_{sc}=170.2mA, FF=54.7%, red curve). The low FF is attributed to the high contact resistance R_c of Au/TiO₂/FTO on P2 measured to be about 0.5Ωcm². In order to decrease the R_c of P2, the TiO₂ and FTO films were mixed by THG-YAG laser irradiation. The R_c of Au/TiO₂/FTO decreased down to 0.1Ωcm² by the laser irradiation. An efficiency of the module increased up to 12.6% (V_{oc}=38.60V, J_{sc}=167.0mA, FF=69.2%, blue curve) by reduction of the R_c on P2. Here, an average Voc /cell of 1.103 V is equivalent with a small sized cell. This result indicates that uniform cell performances can be obtained by the coating process in a large area.

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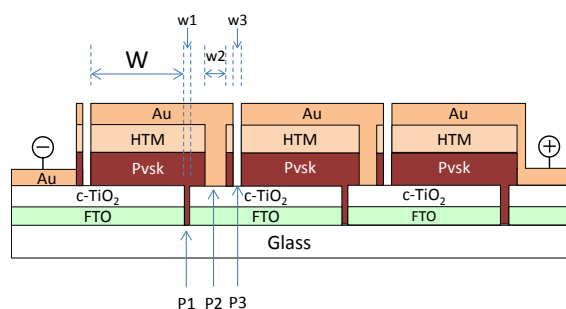


Figure 1: Schematic of perovskite solar module. TiO₂ layer remains between Au and FTO.

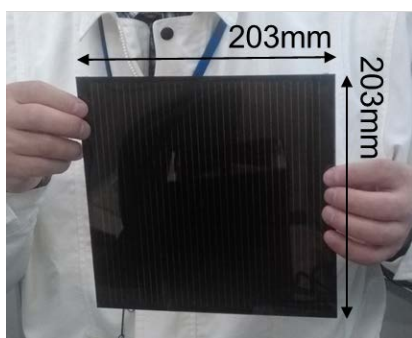


Figure 2: Perovskite module

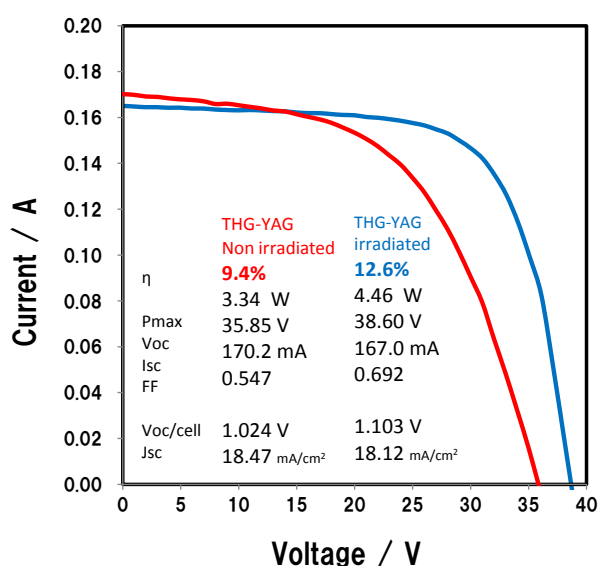


Figure 3: I-V curves of modules with (blue curve) and without (red curve) THG-YAG treatment on P2 part of TiO₂ layer.