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Metal halide perovskites: From curiosity driven research to mainstream PV production

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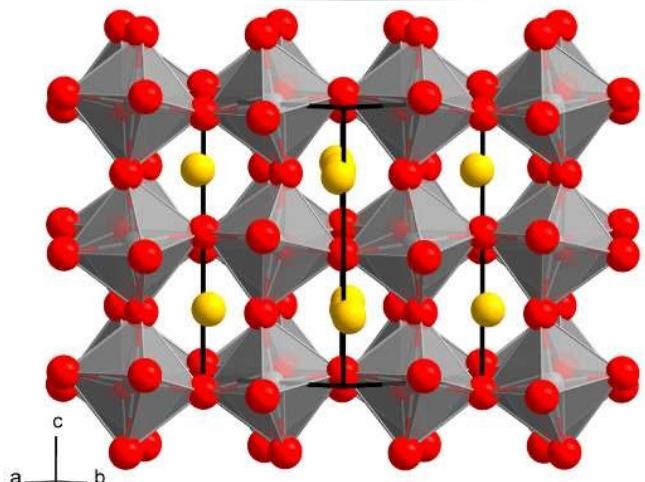
Silicon – powering the world today

Winning since 1954 - can anything be better?

Perovskites: from 1892 to 2009



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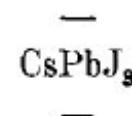
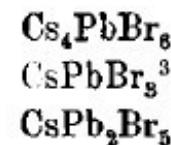
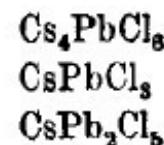


Über die Cäsium- und Kalium-Bleihalogenide.

Von

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Als Fortsetzung der in diesem Laboratorium² begonnenen Arbeit über Doppelhalogenide ist von den Herren G. F. CAMPBELL, P. T. WALDEN und A. P. WHEELER eine Untersuchung über die Cäsium-Bleisalze unternommen worden. Diese Herren haben die Untersuchung mit vielem Eifer und Geschick durchgeführt, und es macht mir Freude, ihnen meinen Dank auszusprechen. Sie haben die Existenz folgender Salze konstatiert:



Sheffield Scientific School, New Haven, Conn., Oktober 1892.

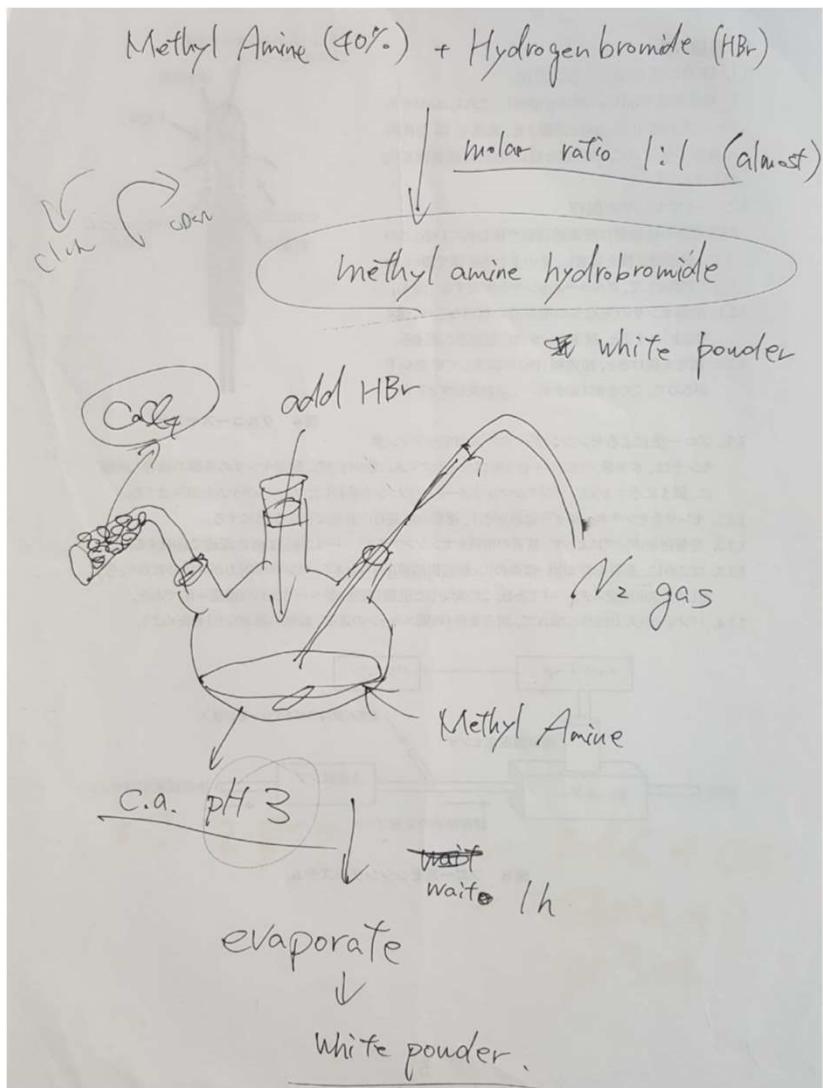
Discovery:

1892

Solar energy
conversion:

2009

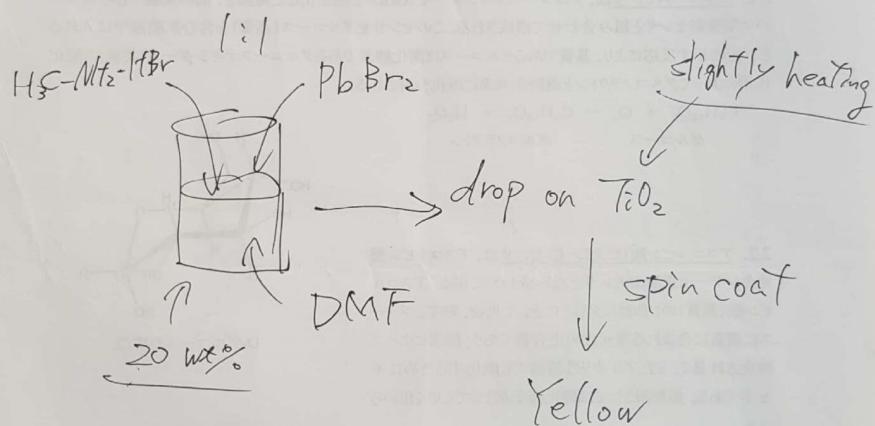
Our starting point in 2010



methylamine hydrobromide ($\text{H}_3\text{C}-\text{NH}_2 \cdot \text{HBr}$)

+
 Pb Br_2

C
 porouskyte

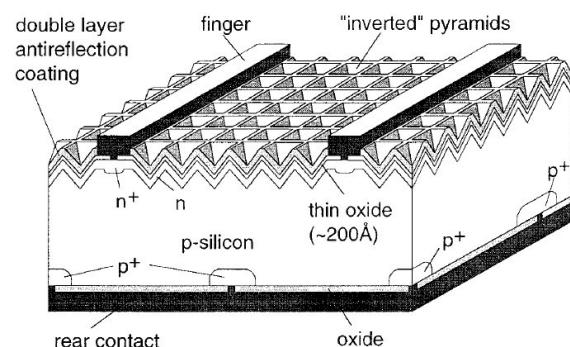


Takuro Murakami's Notes
for Mike Lee

Two disparate “tribal” fields of research (pre-perovskites)

“Traditional” PV:

Silicon and thin-film

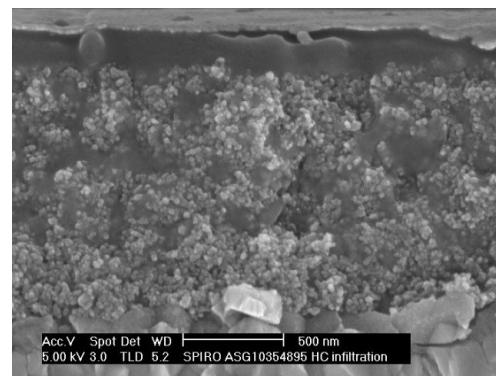
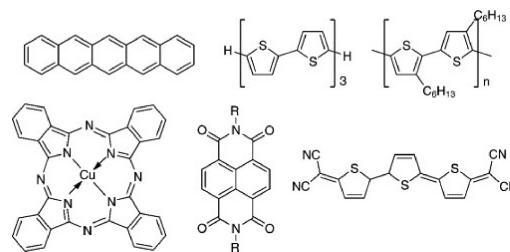


Solid poly, micro or crystalline absorber layer sandwiched between charge selective contacts

Figure 1. PERL (passivated emitter, rear locally-diffused) cell structure

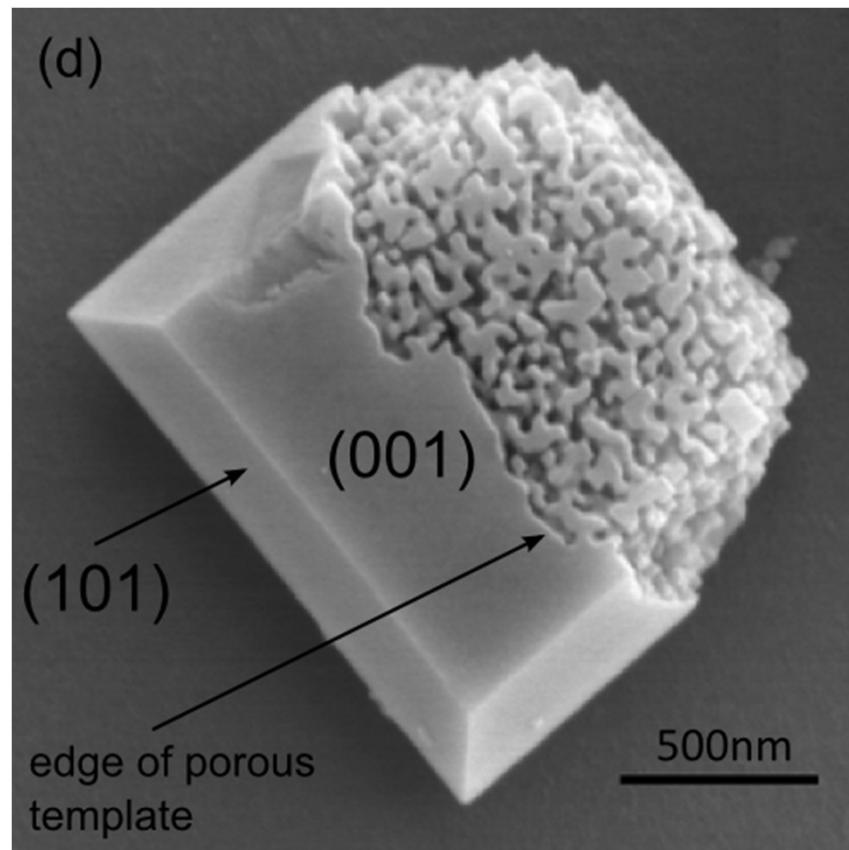
Emerging PV:

Organic, dye-sensitized and nanostructured PV

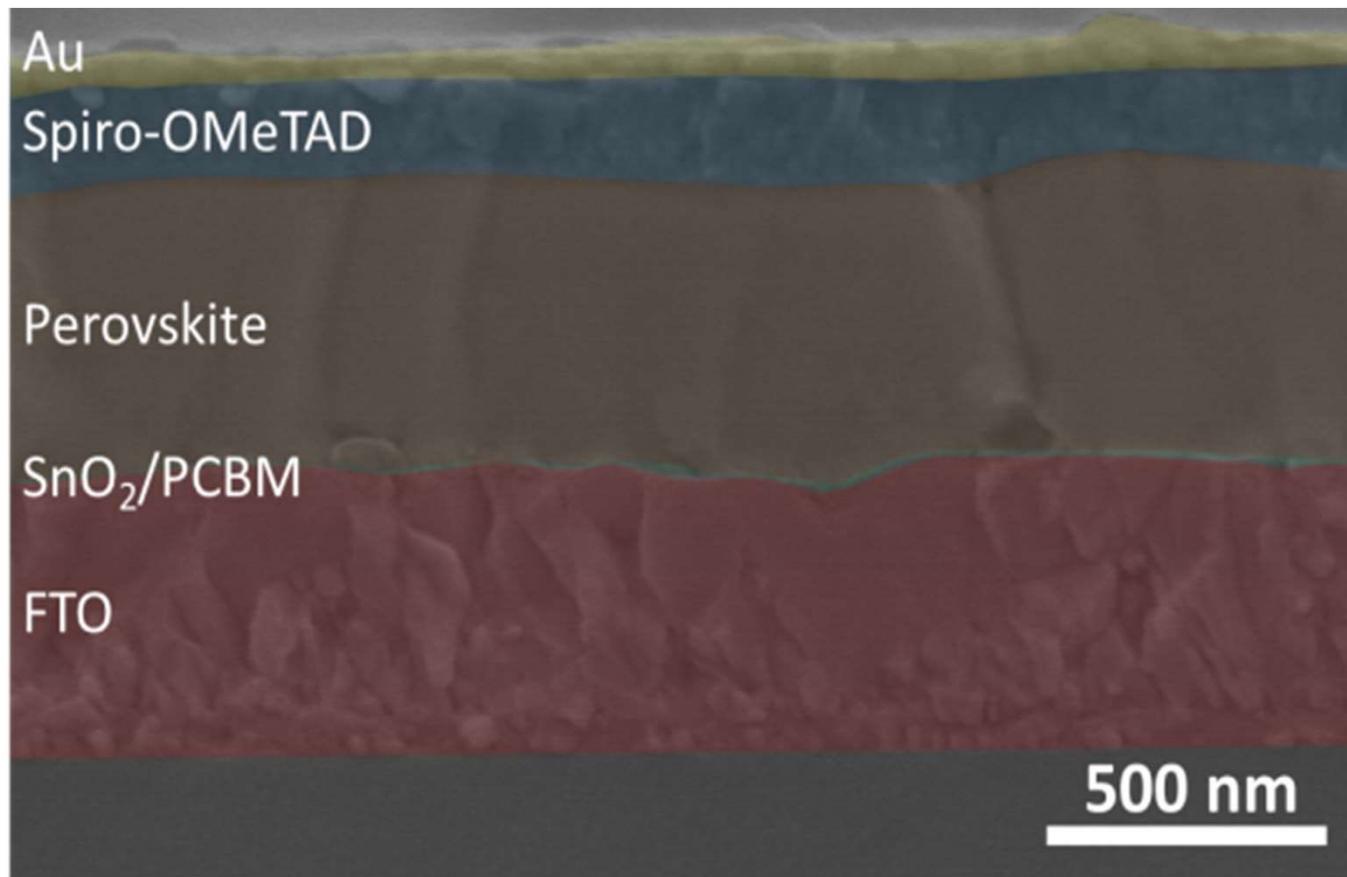


Based on interpenetrating networks on electron and hole conducting materials – required to separate tightly bound excitons and transport electron and holes in highly disordered materials.

Are perovskites best when porous or crystalline?



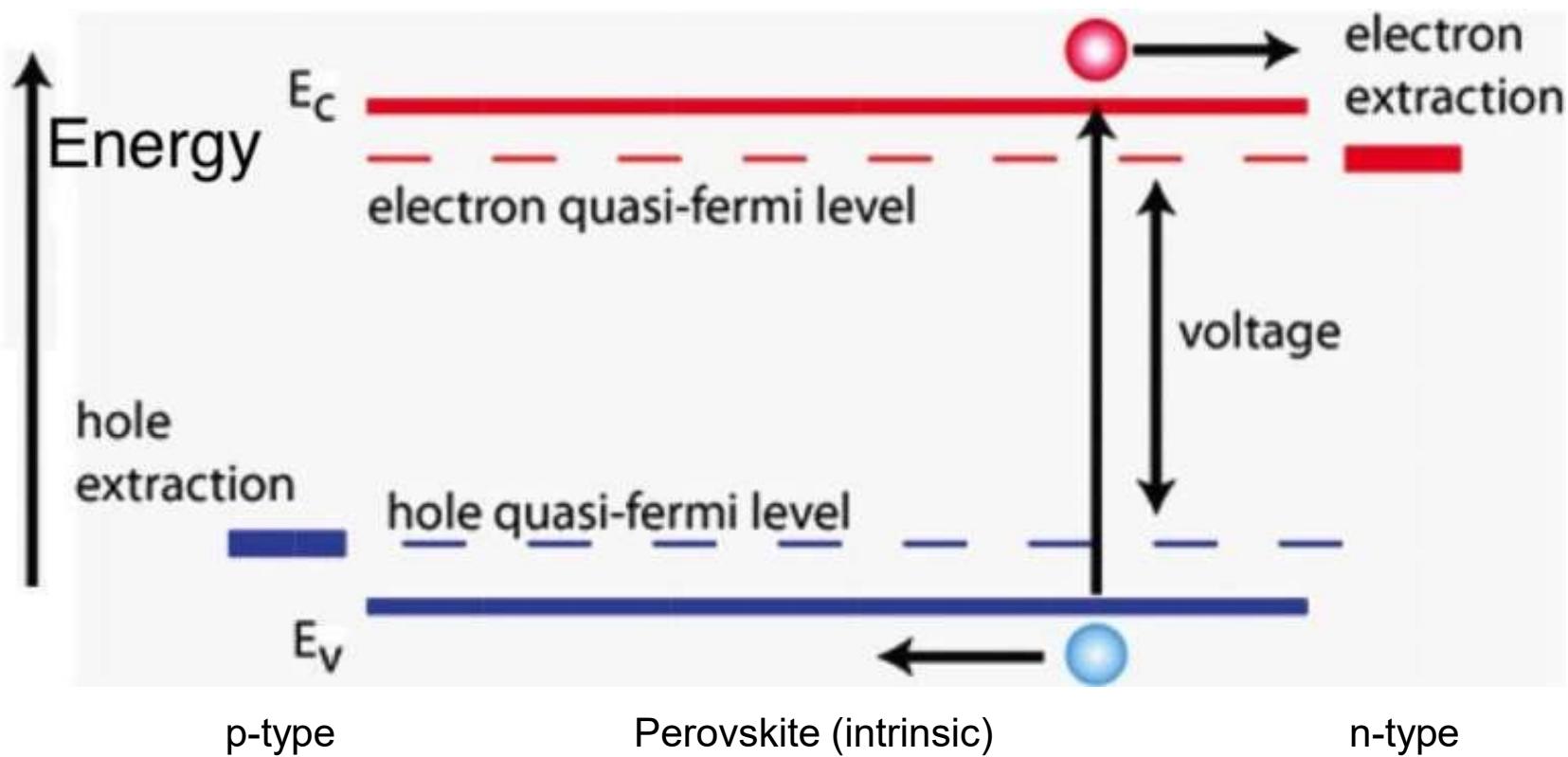
The n-i-p “planar” heterojunction



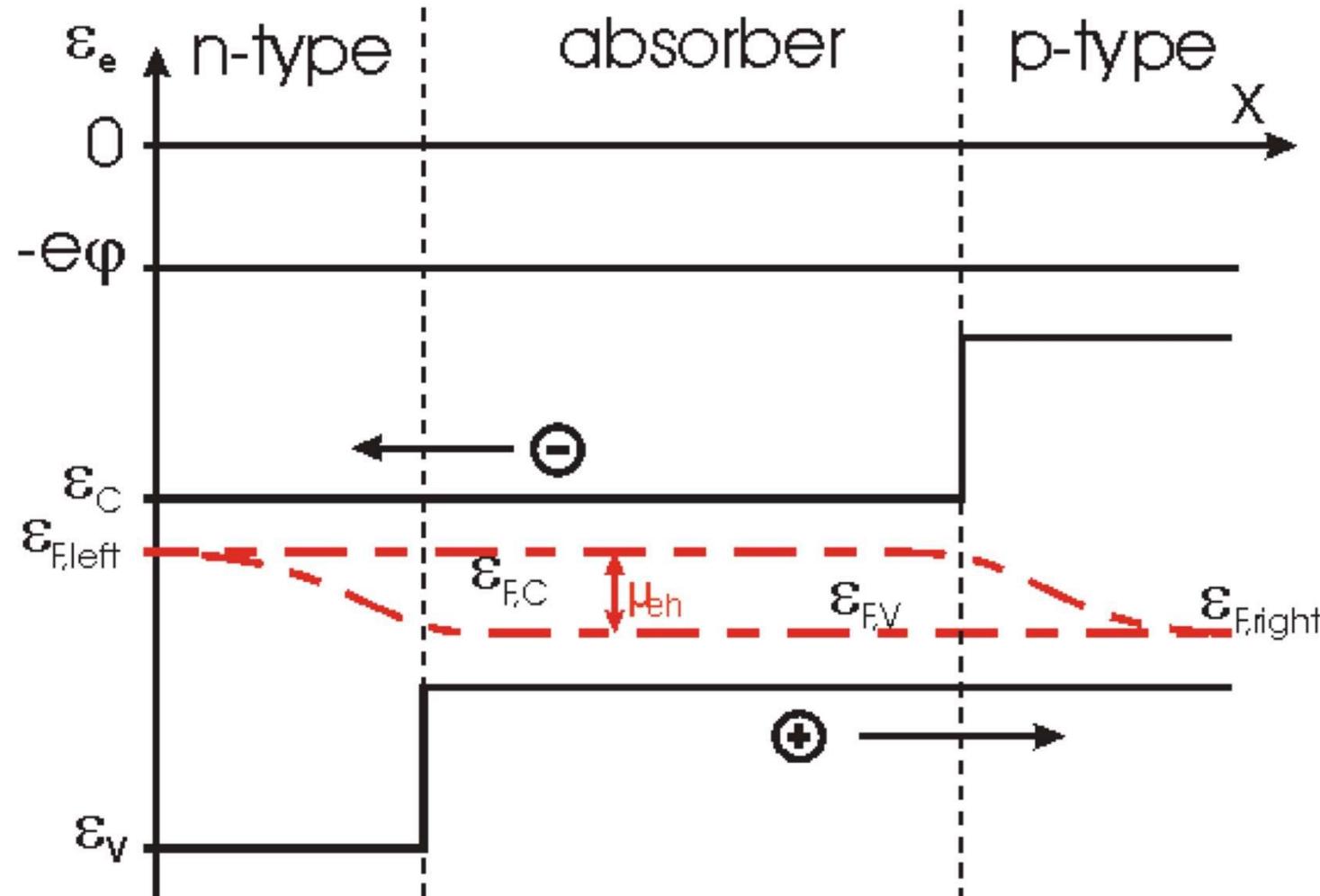
Surprise discovery:

- No efforts for passivation - Benign defects
- Long carrier lifetimes
- High charge carrier mobility
- Very high radiative efficiency

The n-i-p “planar” heterojunction



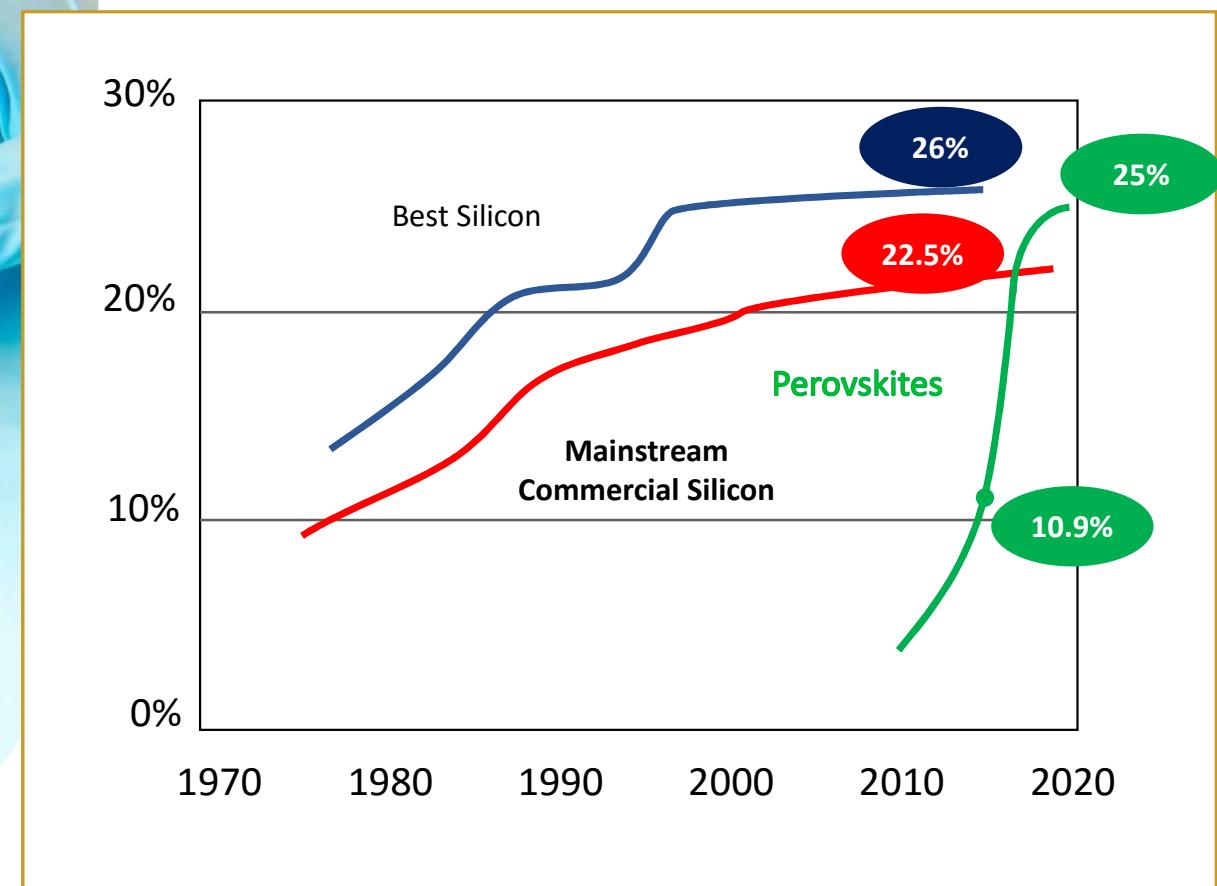
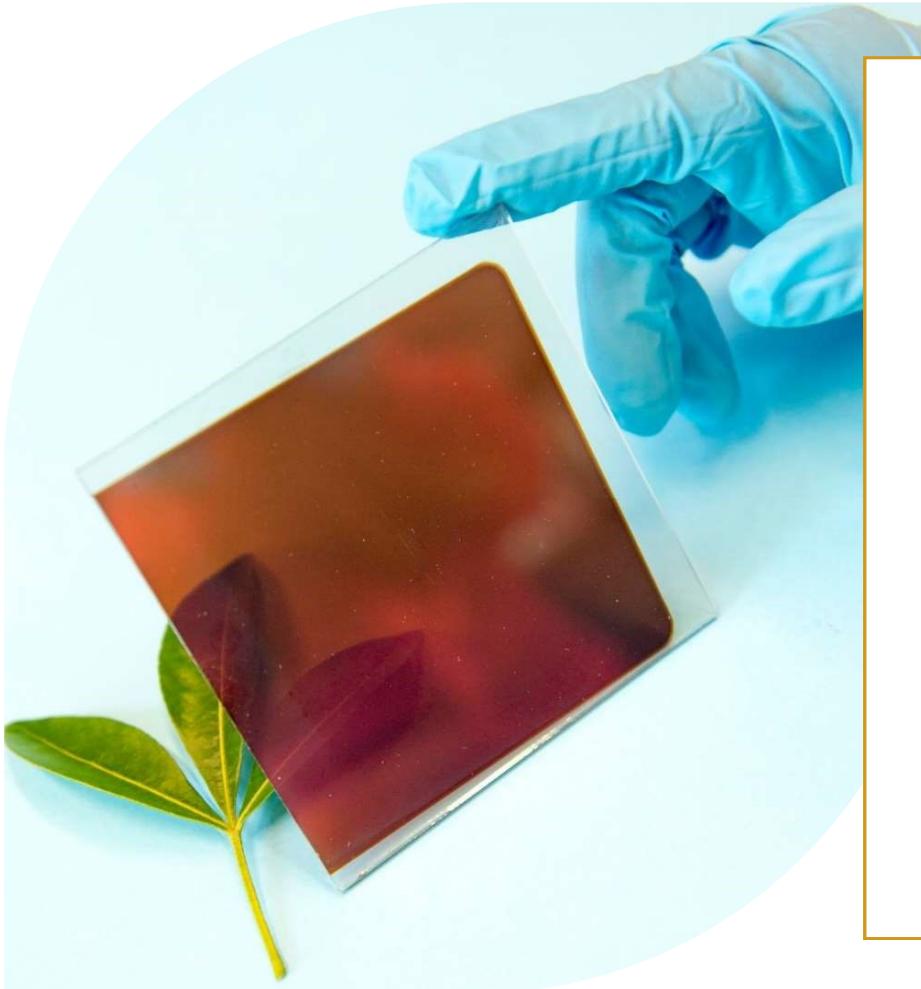
c.f. the “Würfel cell”



Surging Efficiency

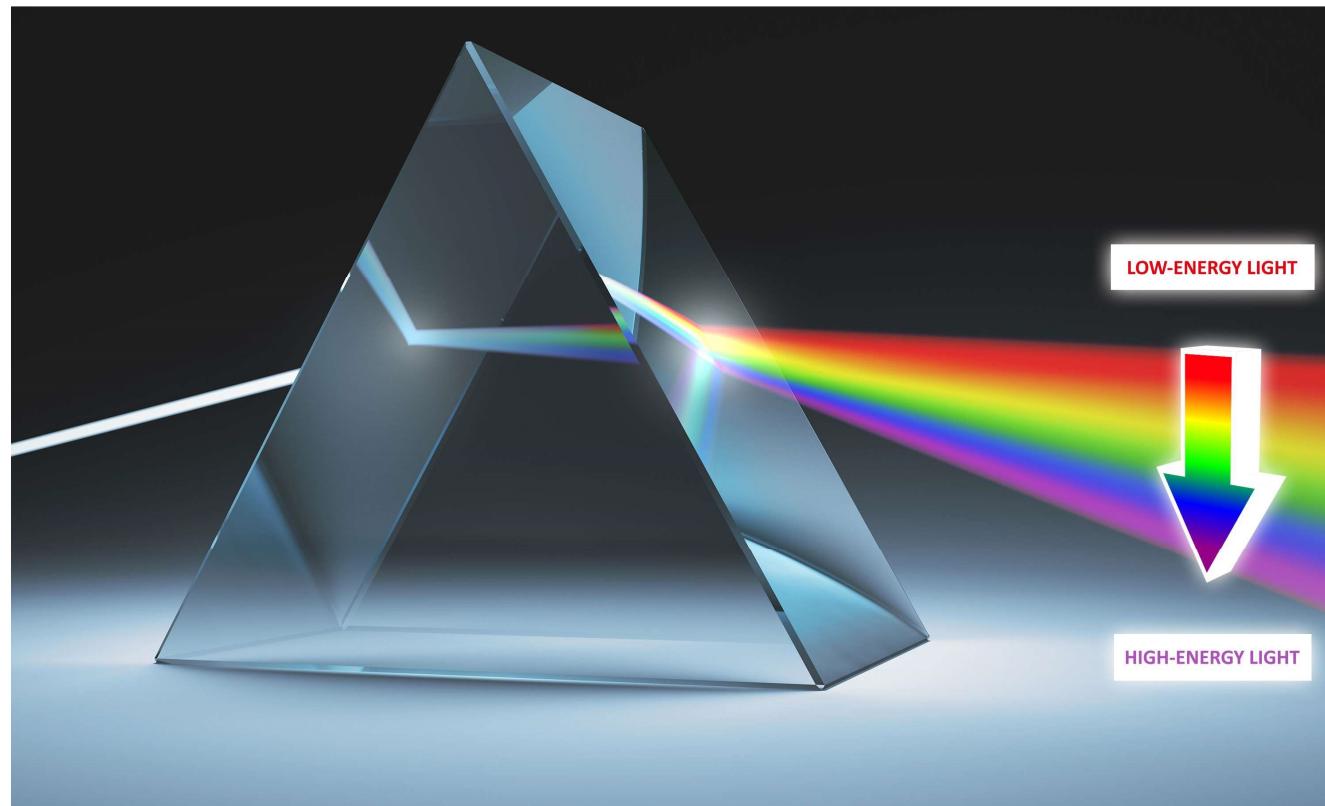


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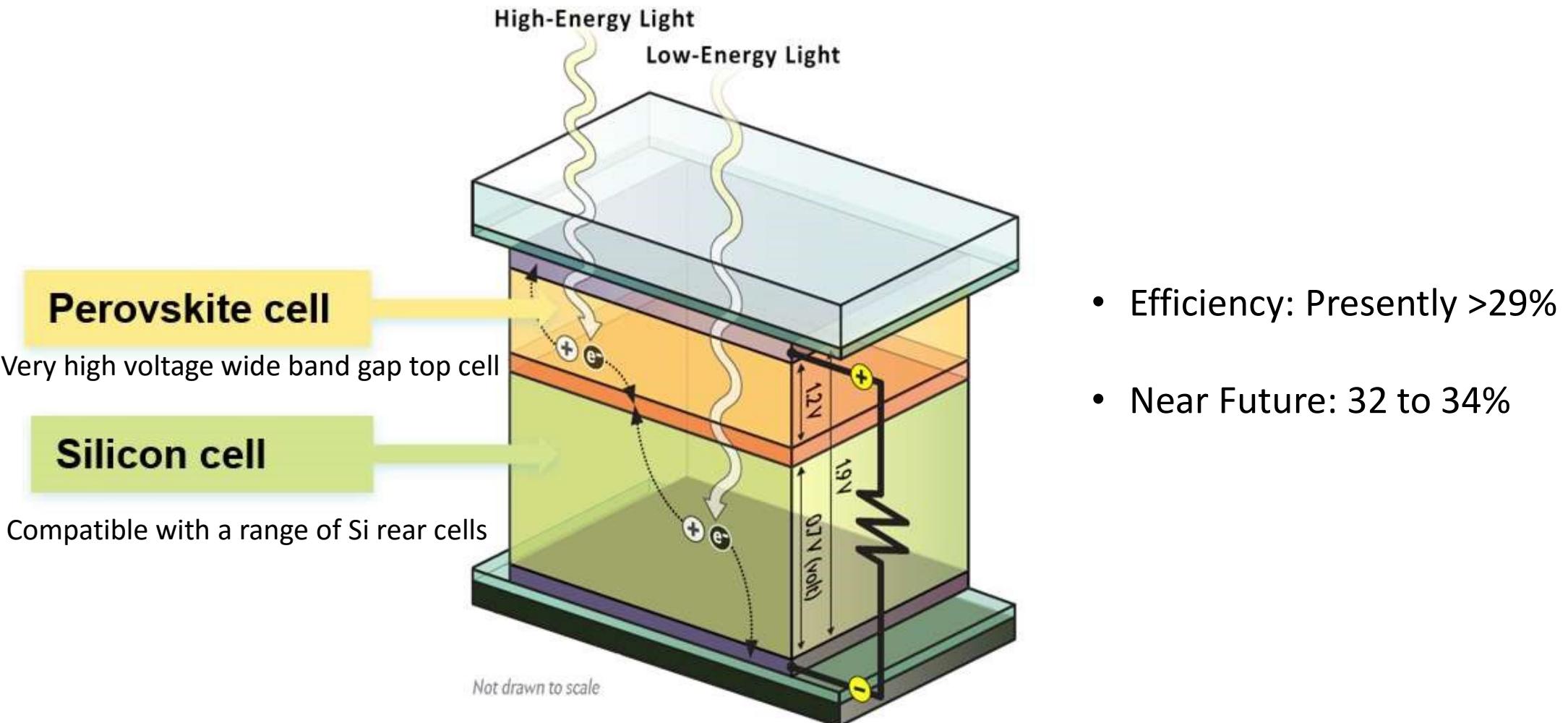


How Can We Extract More Energy From Sun Light?

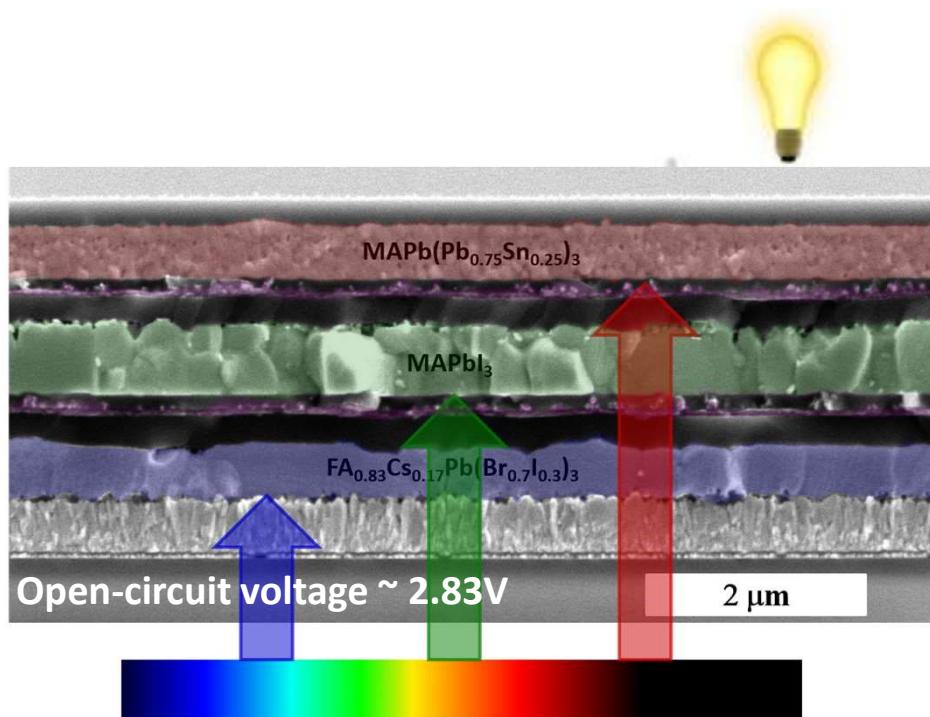
The “tandem” concept



Perovskite-on-silicon tandems



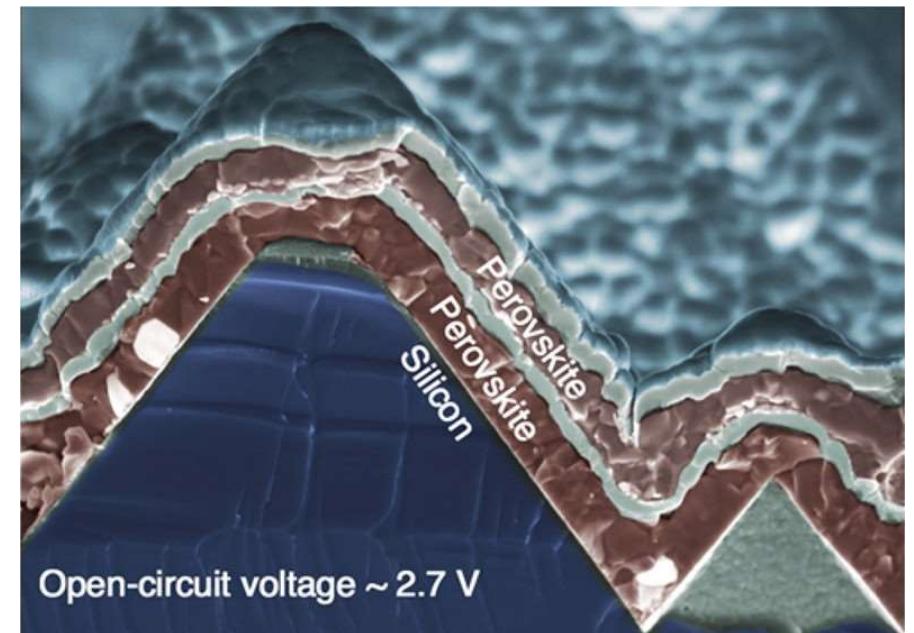
Where to go beyond 2 junctions?



D. McMeekin et al. 2019 Joule

Triple Junction "All-perovskite" thin-film
Potential for 37% efficiency

3- Junctions!

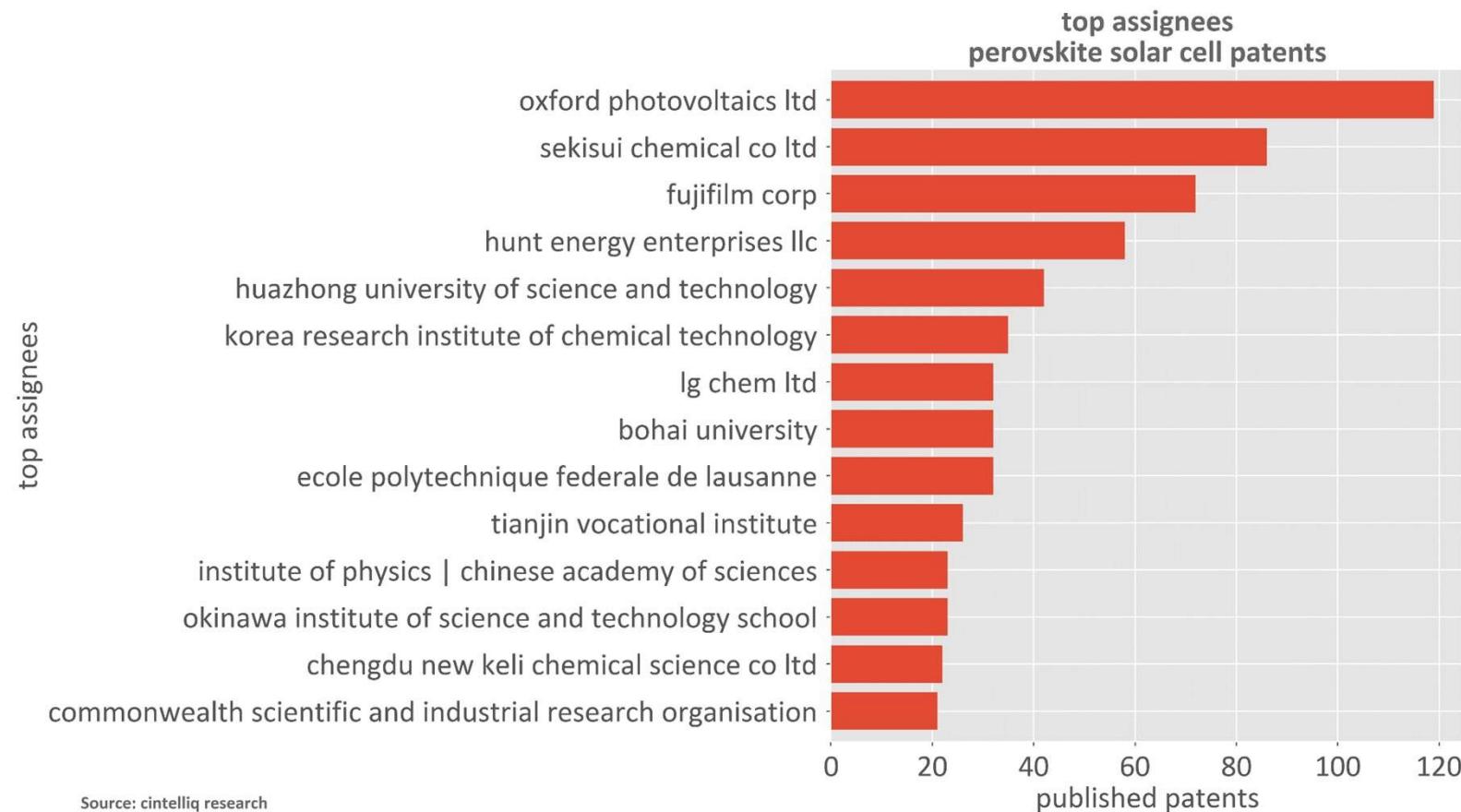


J. Werner et al. 2018 ACS Energy Letters

Triple Junction "perovskite-perovskite-silicon"
Potential for 39% efficiency

Patent landscape....

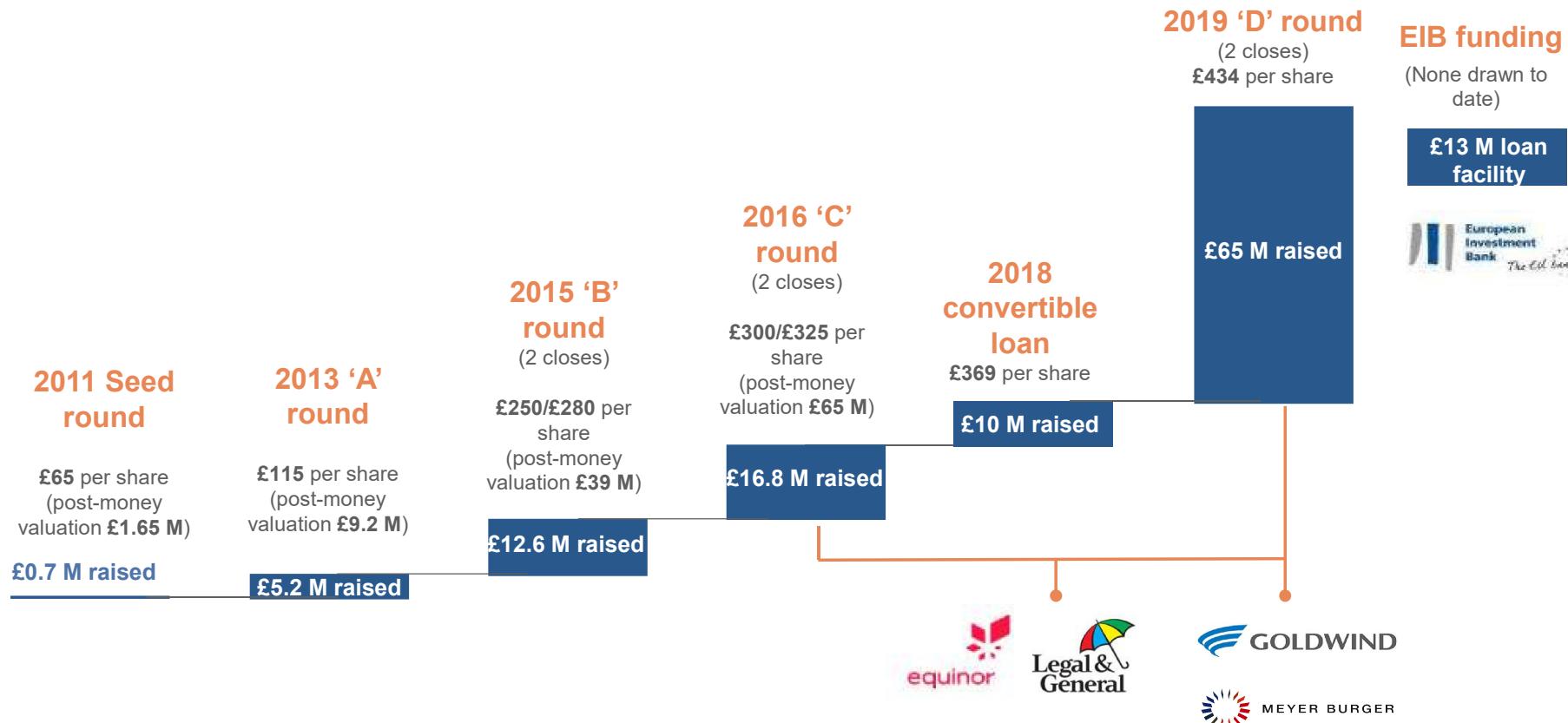
Explosion in academic and industrial activity all over the world



Independent assessment done in early **2018**, total number of **patents trebled by 2020**

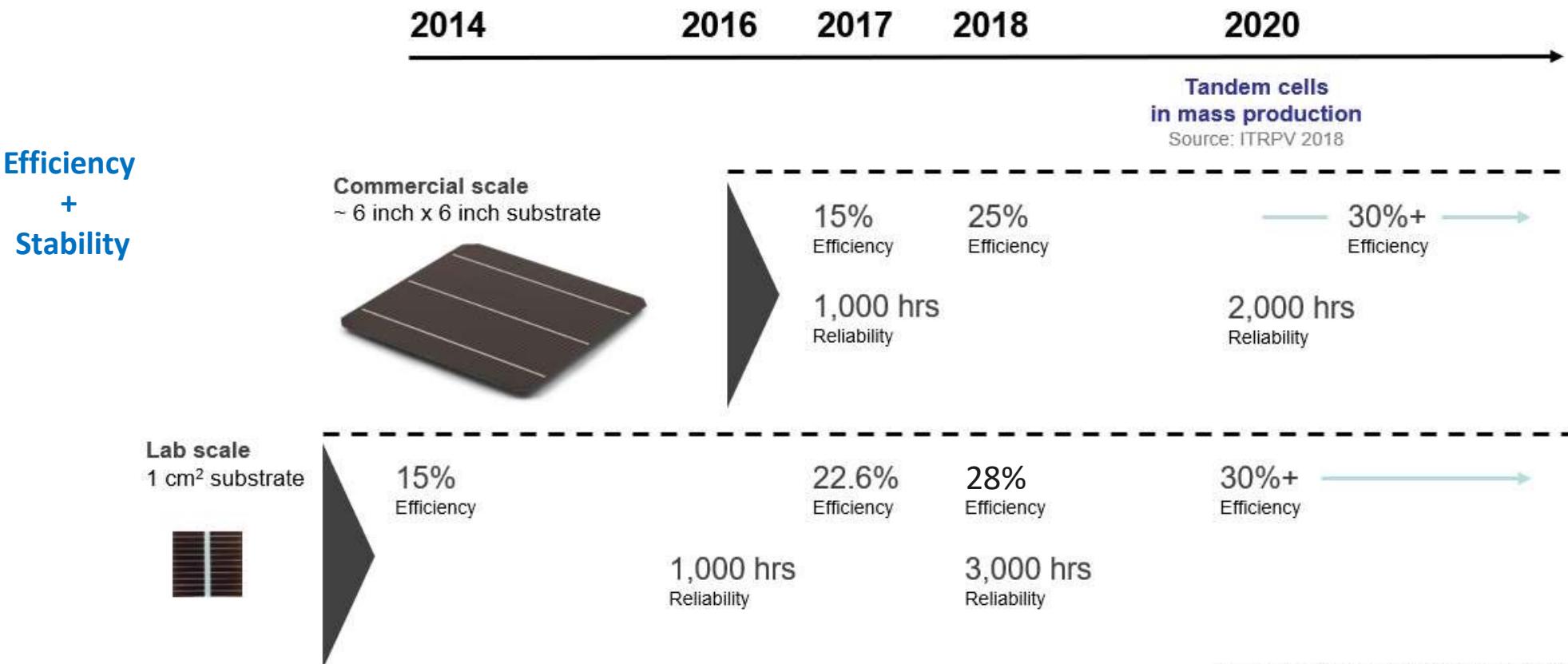
Our commercialisation Path

>£110 million raised to date



Oxford PV tandem cell roadmap

To 30% efficiency and beyond....



Volume manufacturing

2019
Low volume production



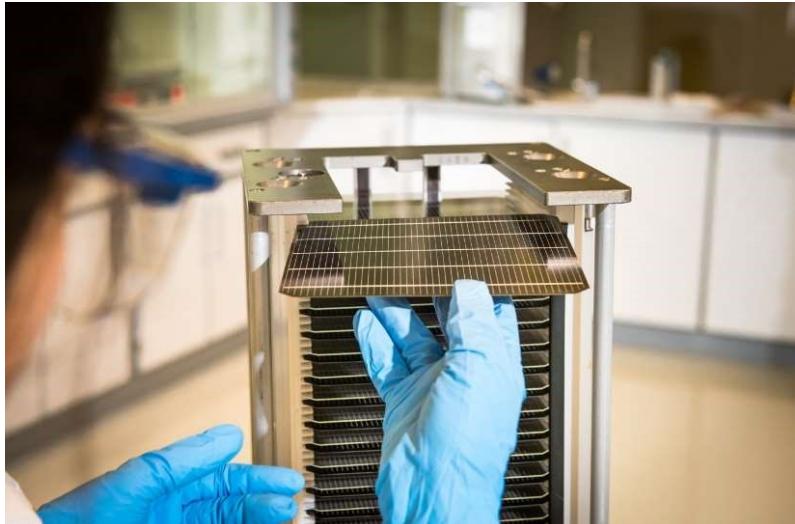
2019 / 2020
Scale up

2021
Volume manufacturing



Roadmap to high volume manufacturing

>100 MW production during 2021 then to GW scale and beyond....



Cells to modules*



*the automation is presently being installed....

Thanks to.....



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