

Supporting Information

**Effect of the Solvent Used for Fabrication of Perovskite Films by
Solvent Dropping on Performance of Perovskite Light-Emitting
Diodes**

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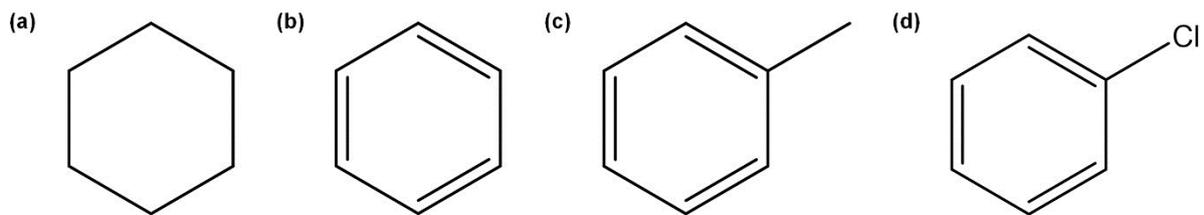


Figure S1. Chemical structures of (a) cyclohexane, (b) benzene, (c) toluene and (d) chlorobenzene.

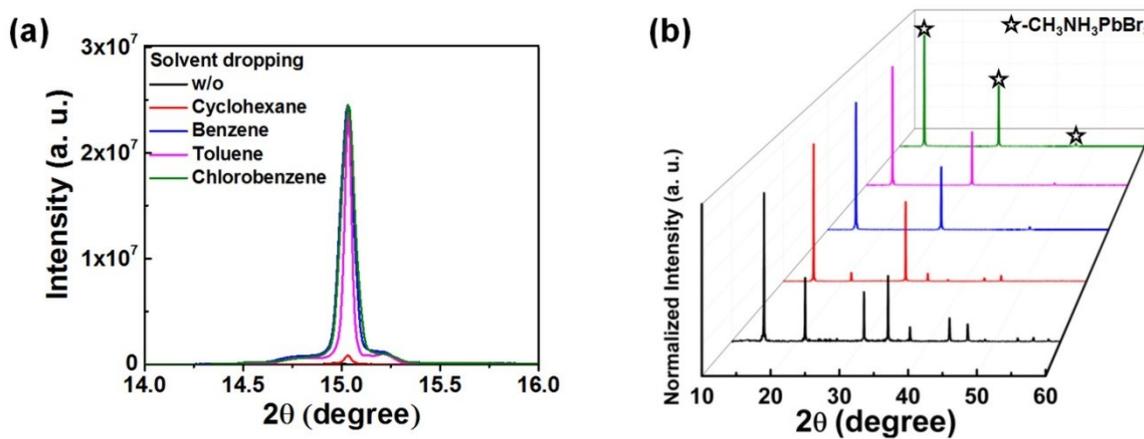


Figure S2. XRD patterns of $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbBr}_3$ films prepared using various solvents with PMMA as the encapsulation layer and calculated for $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbBr}_3$, with preferred orientations along the (100), (200) and (300) directions.

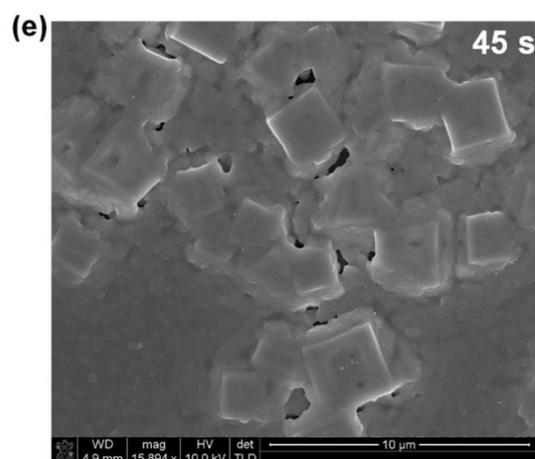
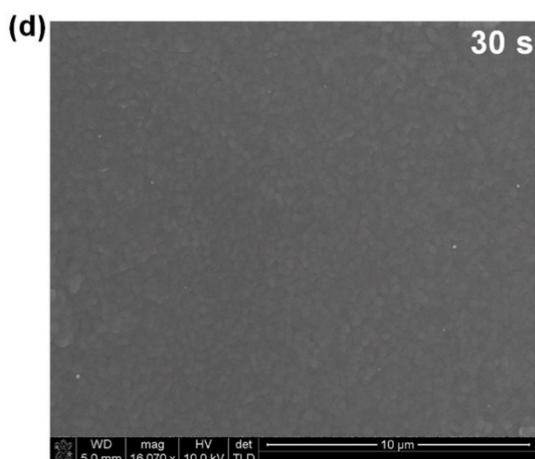
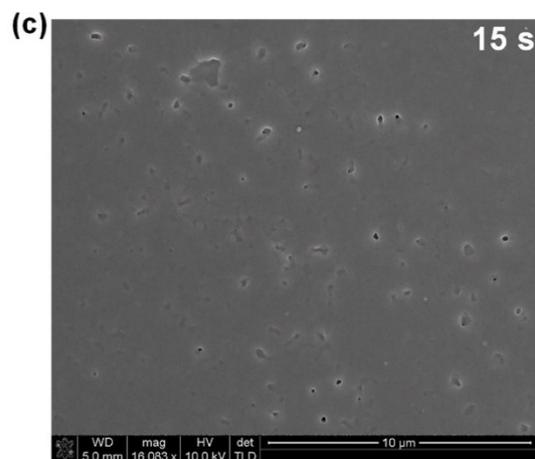
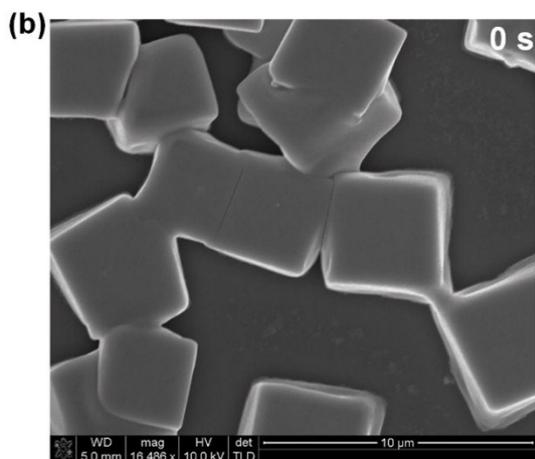
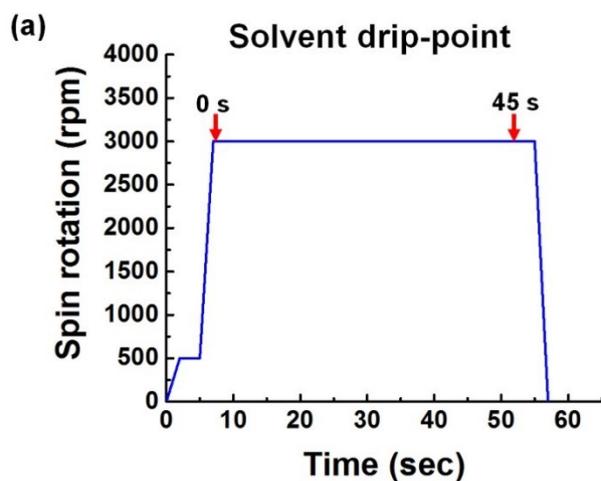


Figure S3. (a) Speed-time profile of spin-coating process for the solvent dropping method. (b-e) SEM images of $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbBr}_3$ films prepared using chlorobenzene dropping after delays of 0 s (without dropping), 15 s, 30 s and 45 s after beginning the spin-coating step at 3,000 rpm.

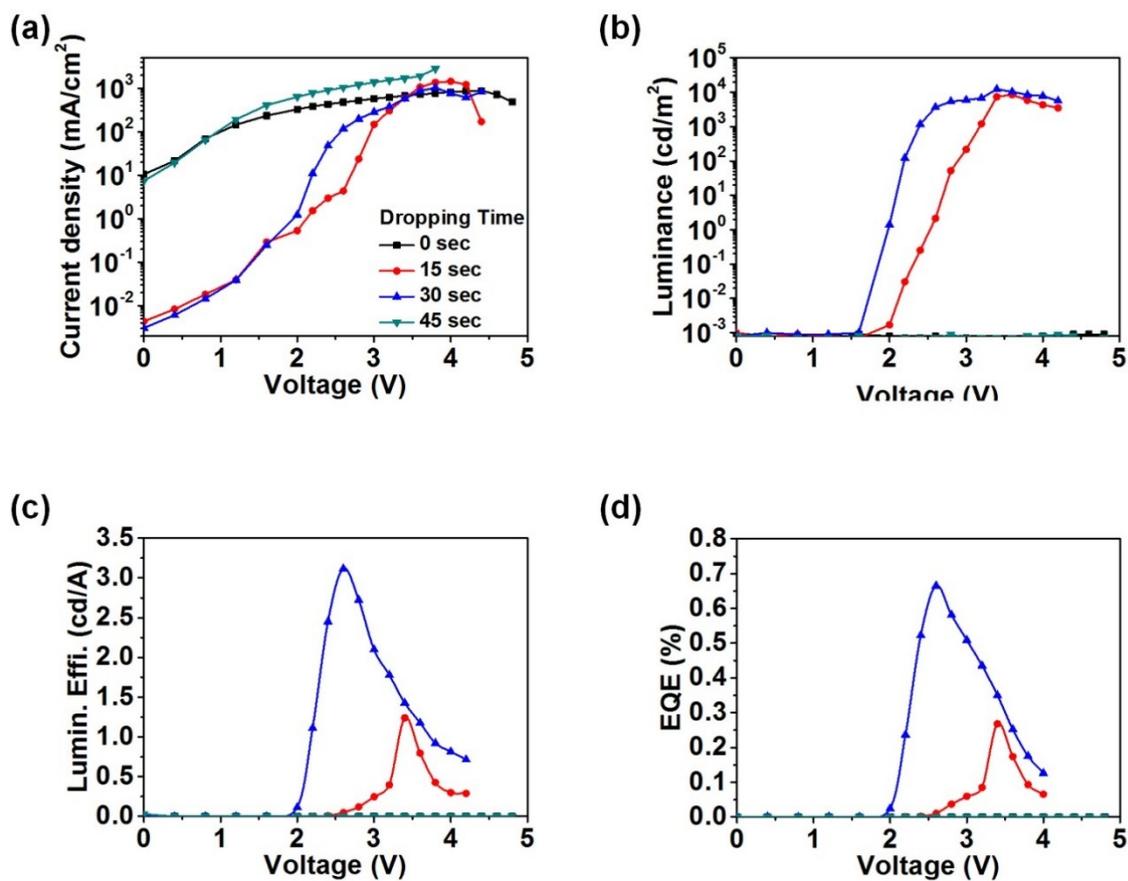


Figure S4. Light-emitting characterization of the PeLEDs with $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbBr}_3$ films prepared using chlorobenzene dropping after delays of 0 s (without solvent dropping), 15 s, 30 s and 45 s after beginning the spin-coating step at 3,000 rpm in terms of the (a) current density vs. voltage ($J-V$), (b) luminance vs. voltage ($L-V$), (c) luminous efficiency vs. voltage ($LE-V$), and (d) external quantum efficiency vs. voltage ($EQE-V$).

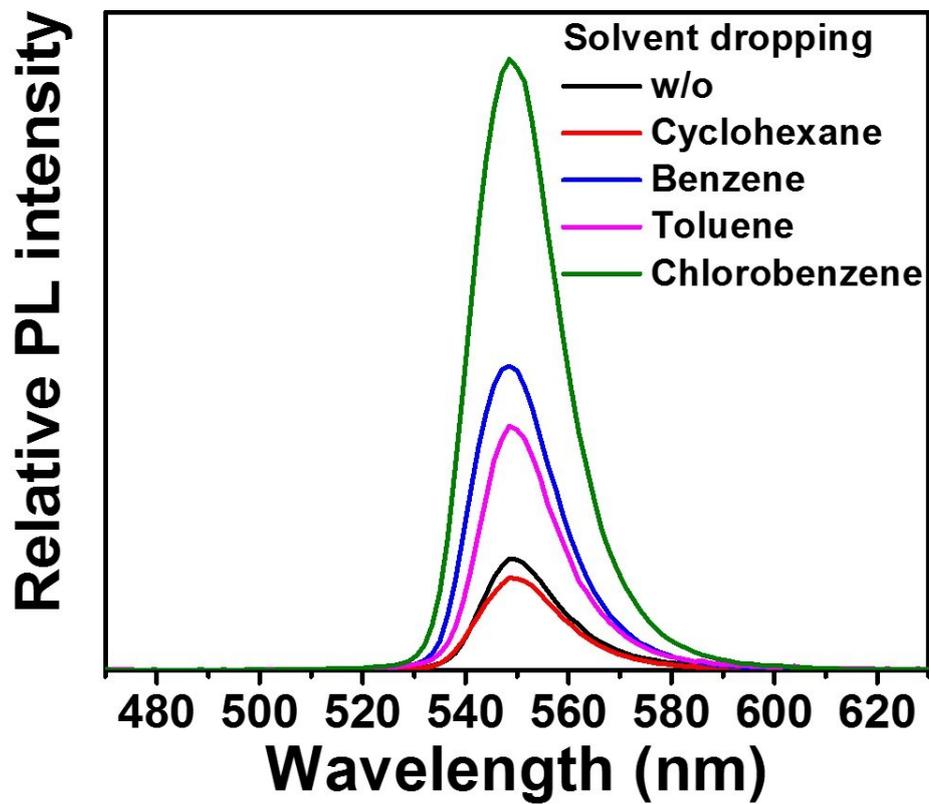


Figure S5. PL spectra for $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbBr}_3$ films prepared using various solvents dropped on a quartz substrate with PMMA as the encapsulation layer.

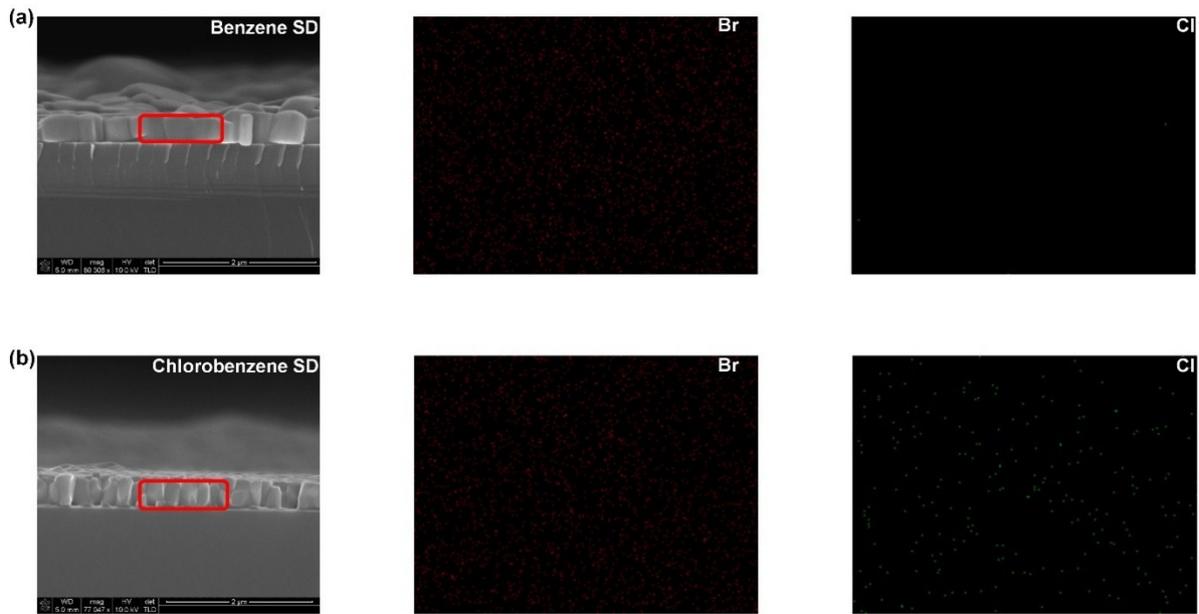


Figure S6. Cross-sectional SEM images of $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbBr}_3$ films prepared using (a) benzene and (b) chlorobenzene dropping and elemental mappings of bromine and chlorine within $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbBr}_3$ films by EDS.

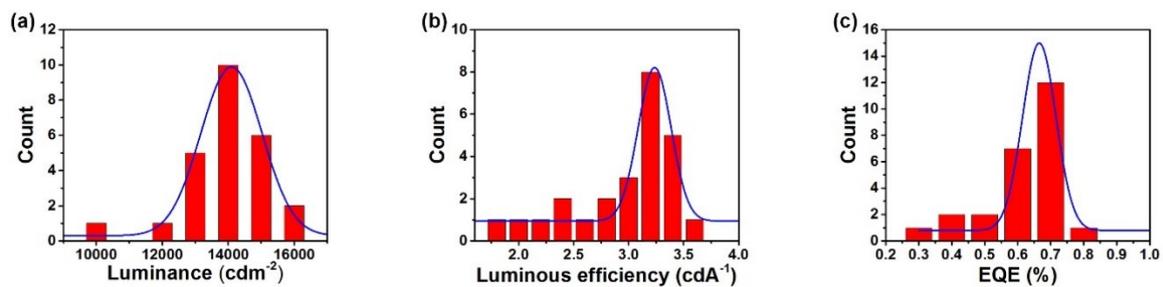


Figure S7. Histograms for each value of (a) luminance, (b) luminous efficiency and (c) EQE of 25 samples from PeLEDs (ITO/PEDOT:PSS/ $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbBr}_3$ prepared by chlorobenzene dropping/TPBi/LiF/Ag).

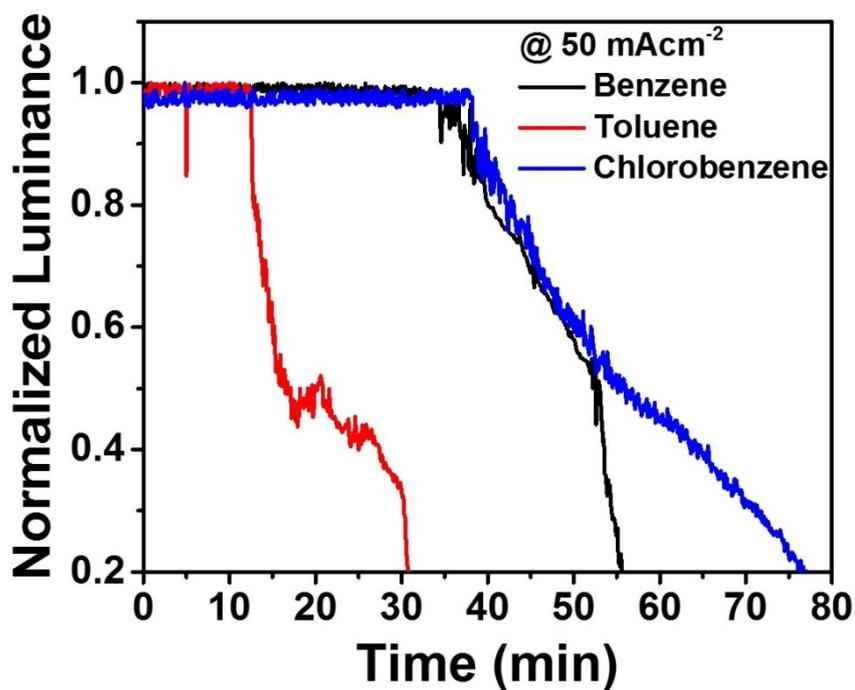


Figure S8. The long-term stability of encapsulated PeLEDs with $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbBr}_3$ film using benzene, toluene, and chlorobenzene drop-casting method were evaluated in terms of normalized luminance under ambient air conditions.

Table S1. Summary of the solvent polarity indexes.

Solvent	Polarity index
Cyclohexane	0.004
Benzene	3.0
Toluene	2.3
Chlorobenzene	2.7

Table S2. Summary of the device performances of PeLEDs with CH₃NH₃PbBr₃ films prepared using chlorobenzene dropping after various delay times after beginning the spin-coating step at 3,000 rpm.

Device configuration (ITO/PEDOT:PSS/CH₃NH₃PbBr₃ (Chlorobenzene dropping)/TPBi/LiF/Ag)	L_{max} [cd/m²] @ bias	LE_{max} [cd/A] @ bias	EQE_{max} [%] @ bias
Dropping Time 0 s	-	-	-
Dropping Time 15 s	8,490 @ 3.6	1.24 @ 3.4	0.27 @ 3.4
Dropping Time 30 s	12,330 @ 3.4	3.12 @ 2.6	0.67 @ 2.6
Dropping Time 45 s	-	-	-