

## Supporting Information

# CaI<sub>2</sub>: A More Effective Passivator of Perovskite Films than PbI<sub>2</sub> for High Efficiency and Long-term Stability of Perovskite Solar Cells

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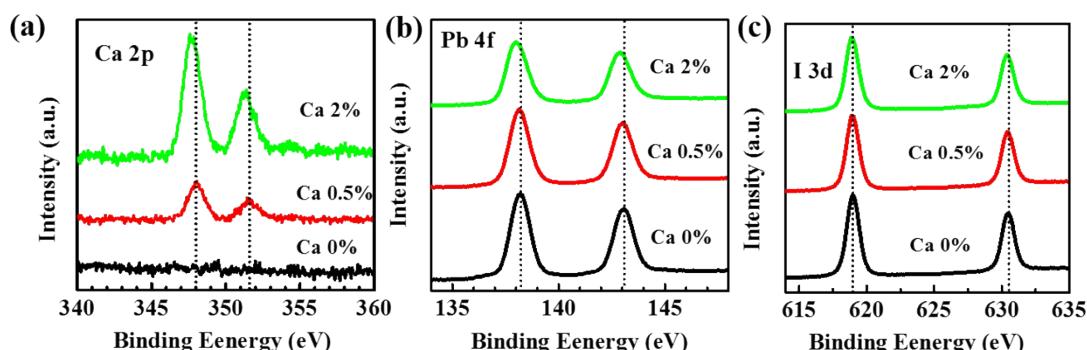


Figure S1. XPS spectra of (a) Ca 2p, (b) Pb 4f and (c) I 3d at the surface of the MAPbI<sub>3</sub>, MAPbI<sub>3</sub>(CaI<sub>2</sub>)<sub>0.005</sub>, MAPbI<sub>3</sub>(CaI<sub>2</sub>)<sub>0.02</sub> films, respectively.

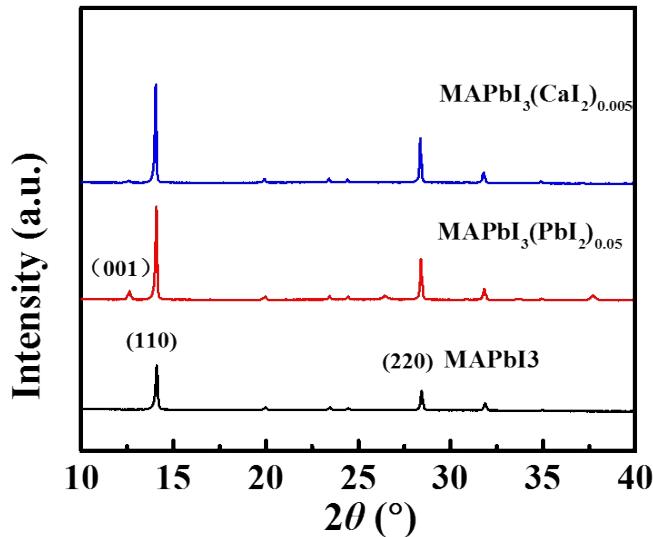


Figure S2. XRD patterns of the pristine  $\text{MAPbI}_3$ ,  $\text{MAPbI}_3(\text{PbI}_2)_{0.05}$  and  $\text{MAPbI}_3(\text{CaI}_2)_{0.005}$  films, respectively.

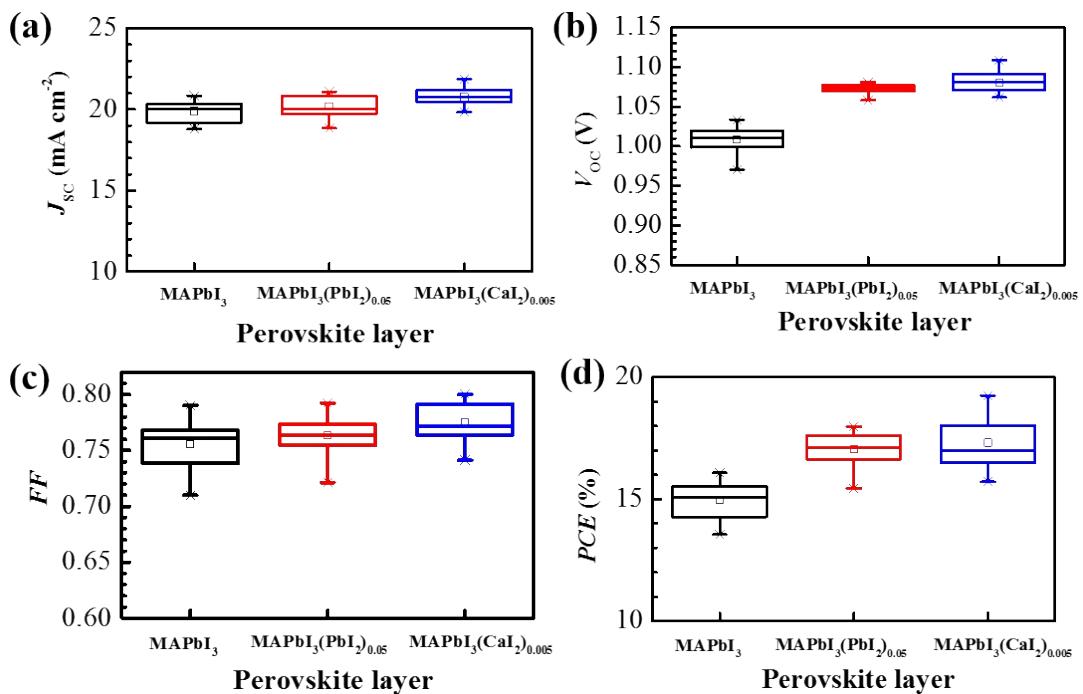


Figure S3. Statistic on the performance parameters of 16 pieces solar cells based on the pristine  $\text{MAPbI}_3$ ,  $\text{MAPbI}_3(\text{PbI}_2)_{0.05}$  and  $\text{MAPbI}_3(\text{CaI}_2)_{0.005}$  films: (a)  $J_{SC}$ , (b)  $V_{OC}$ , (c)  $FF$ , (d)  $PCE$ .

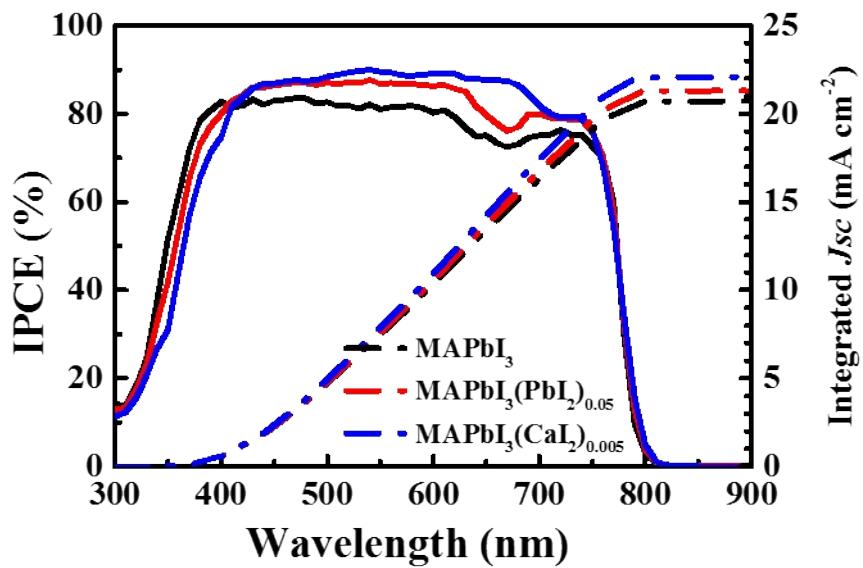


Figure S4. IPCE spectra (solid lines) and the integrated photocurrent density (dashed lines) of the devices based on the pristine  $\text{MAPbI}_3$ ,  $\text{MAPbI}_3(\text{PbI}_2)_{0.05}$  and  $\text{MAPbI}_3(\text{CaI}_2)_{0.005}$  films, respectively.

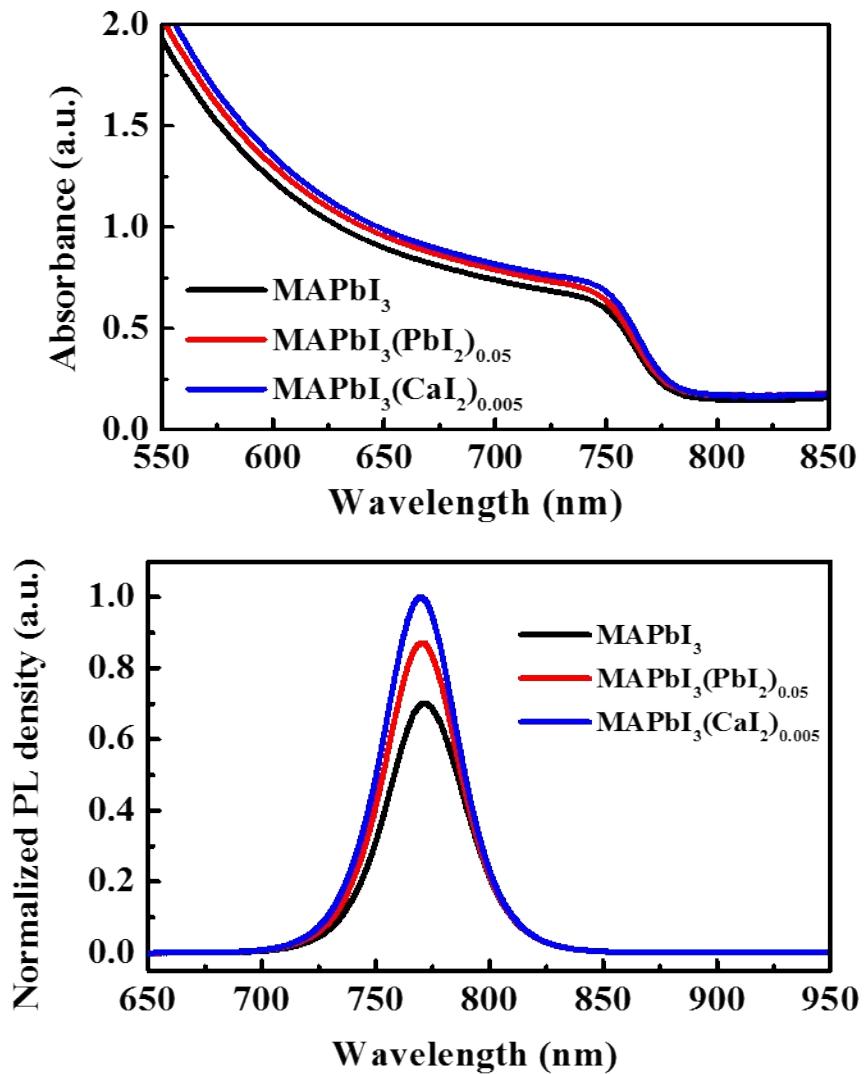


Figure S5. (a) UV–vis absorption spectra of the pristine MAPbI<sub>3</sub>, MAPbI<sub>3</sub>(PbI<sub>2</sub>)<sub>0.05</sub> and MAPbI<sub>3</sub>(CaI<sub>2</sub>)<sub>0.005</sub> films on glass substrates. (b) Steady-state PL spectra of the compared three films on glass substrates.

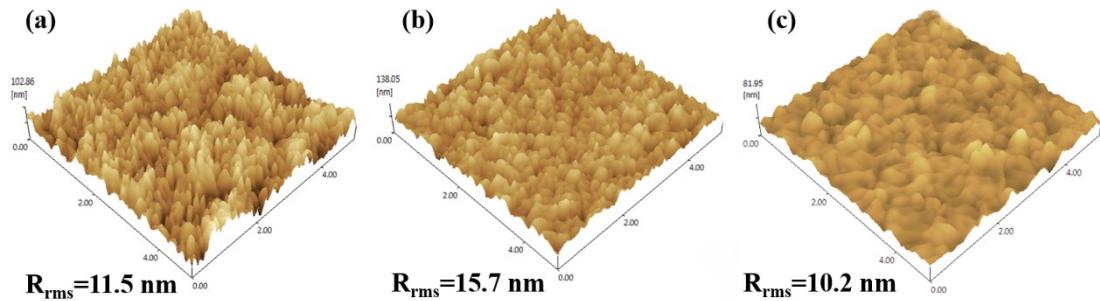


Figure S6. AFM three-dimensional views of (a) the pristine  $\text{MAPbI}_3$ , (b)  $\text{MAPbI}_3(\text{PbI}_2)_{0.05}$  and (c)  $\text{MAPbI}_3(\text{CaI}_2)_{0.005}$  films; their root mean square roughness ( $R_{\text{rms}}$ ) are 11.5 nm, 15.7 nm and 10.2 nm, respectively.

Table S1. Performance parameters of the champion cells based on  $\text{MAPbI}_3(\text{CaI}_2)_x$  perovskite layers measured in the forward and reverse scan directions at a scan rate of  $0.05 \text{ V s}^{-1}$  under simulated solar light (AM 1.5G,  $100 \text{ mW cm}^{-2}$ ).

<b>MAPbI<sub>3</sub>(CaI<sub>2</sub>)<sub>x</sub></b>	<b>Scan</b>	<b>V<sub>OC</sub></b>	<b>J<sub>SC</sub></b>	<b>FF</b>	<b>PCE</b>	<b>R<sub>S</sub></b>	<b>R<sub>SH</sub></b>
	direction	(V)	(mA cm <sup>-2</sup> )		(%)	Ω cm <sup>2</sup>	KΩ cm <sup>2</sup>
<b>n</b>							
<b>x=0</b>	Forward	<b>1.028</b>	<b>20.57</b>	<b>0.760</b>	<b>16.07</b>	<b>1.86</b>	<b>1.55</b>
	Reverse	<b>1.039</b>	<b>20.31</b>	<b>0.752</b>	<b>15.85</b>	<b>2.02</b>	<b>1.50</b>
<b>x=0.0025</b>	Forward	<b>1.059</b>	<b>21.35</b>	<b>0.791</b>	<b>17.88</b>	<b>1.37</b>	<b>2.72</b>
	Reverse	<b>1.055</b>	<b>21.33</b>	<b>0.786</b>	<b>17.68</b>	<b>1.51</b>	<b>3.11</b>
<b>x=0.005</b>	Forward	<b>1.109</b>	<b>21.87</b>	<b>0.794</b>	<b>19.25</b>	<b>1.08</b>	<b>12.44</b>
	Reverse	<b>1.099</b>	<b>21.88</b>	<b>0.797</b>	<b>19.17</b>	<b>1.21</b>	<b>11.41</b>
<b>x=0.01</b>	Forward	<b>1.049</b>	<b>13.85</b>	<b>0.705</b>	<b>10.25</b>	<b>3.54</b>	<b>0.63</b>
	Reverse	<b>1.038</b>	<b>13.62</b>	<b>0.695</b>	<b>9.83</b>	<b>5.72</b>	<b>0.59</b>
<b>x=0.02</b>	Forward	<b>0.958</b>	<b>5.956</b>	<b>0.528</b>	<b>3.01</b>	<b>9.54</b>	<b>0.52</b>
	Reverse	<b>0.968</b>	<b>5.792</b>	<b>0.518</b>	<b>2.91</b>	<b>10.57</b>	<b>0.50</b>

Table S2. Performance parameters of the champion solar cells based on the pristine MAPbI<sub>3</sub>, MAPbI<sub>3</sub>(PbI<sub>2</sub>)<sub>0.05</sub> and MAPbI<sub>3</sub>(CaI<sub>2</sub>)<sub>0.005</sub> films, respectively, measured at a rate of 50 mV s<sup>-1</sup> under simulated solar light (AM 1.5G, 100 mW cm<sup>-2</sup>).

Perovskite layer	Scan direction	V <sub>OC</sub> (V)	J <sub>SC</sub> (mA cm <sup>-2</sup> )	FF	PCE (%)	R <sub>S</sub> Ω cm <sup>2</sup>	R <sub>SH</sub> KΩ cm <sup>2</sup>
<b>n</b>							
MAPbI <sub>3</sub>	Forward	1.028	20.57	0.760	16.07	1.86	1.55
	Reverse	1.039	20.31	0.752	15.85	2.02	1.50
MAPbI <sub>3</sub> (PbI <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>0.05</sub>	Forward	1.080	21.07	0.790	17.98	1.58	2.53
	Reverse	1.079	21.20	0.767	17.54	1.64	2.43
MAPbI <sub>3</sub> (CaI <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>0.005</sub>	Forward	1.109	21.87	0.794	19.25	1.08	12.44
	Reverse	1.099	21.88	0.797	19.17	1.21	11.05