

Supporting Information

Luminescent down-shifting CsPbBr₃ perovskite nanocrystal for flexible Cu(In,Ga)Se₂ solar cells

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Crystallinity of CsPbBr₃ perovskite nanocrystals

To confirm the crystallinity of CsPbBr₃ perovskite nanocrystals, X-ray diffraction (XRD) pattern was measured by using X-ray diffractometer (X'pert PRO, PANalytical). The XRD pattern of the CsPbBr₃ perovskite nanocrystals is shown in Figure S1 of CsPbBr₃ structure. The three strong peaks of (101), (121), and (202) are observed at 15.14°, 21.40°, and 30.70°, respectively. Considering that the XRD pattern is well matched with JCPDS 18-0364, the CsPbBr₃ perovskite nanocrystals in this study are highly crystallized.

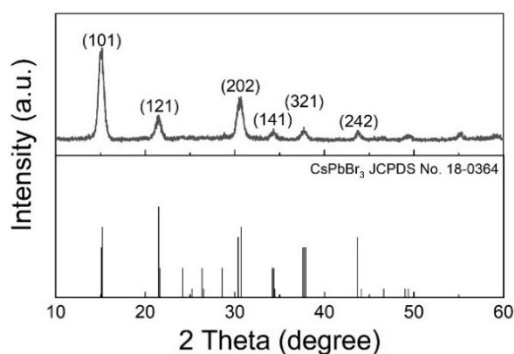


Figure S1. XRD pattern of CsPbBr₃ perovskite nanocrystals

Optical transmittance of CsPbBr₃ perovskite

The optical transmittance of the 760-nm-thick CsPbBr₃ perovskite on top of borosilicate glass was measured by using UV–VIS–IR spectrophotometer. The transmittance of the CsPbBr₃ perovskite in Figure S2 shows that it is higher than 90% in long wavelength range between 520 and 1200 nm, but it decreases to 38% in wavelength range shorter than 520 nm due to the light absorption by CsPbBr₃ perovskite.

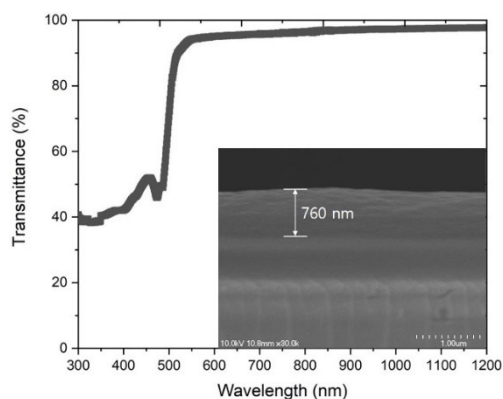


Figure S2. The optical transmittance of the 760-nm-thick CsPbBr₃ perovskite. The inset figure shows the cross sectional SEM image of the CsPbBr₃ perovskite thin film on top of borosilicate glass.

Refractive index spectrum of CsPbBr₃ perovskite

The refractive index of the CsPbBr₃ perovskite was measured by using ellipsometer (Uvisel, HORIVA). The measured refractive index of the CsPbBr₃ perovskite is shown in Figure S3. Refractive index decreases as the wavelength increases beyond 500 nm and reaches 1.82 at wavelength of 800 nm. From the refractive index spectrum, it was confirmed that CsPbBr₃ perovskite luminescent down-shifting (LDS) layer act as an anti-reflection coating because the refractive index of CsPbBr₃ perovskite is lower than that of ZnO based transparent conductive oxide (TCO) layer at wavelengths longer than 500 nm¹.

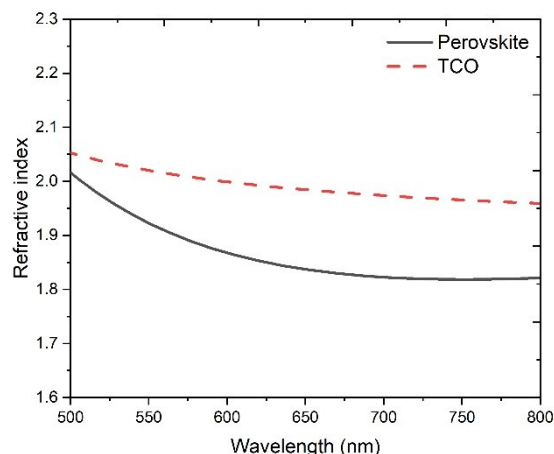


Figure S3. Refractive index spectra of the CsPbBr₃ perovskite and TCO layer.

Comparison of surface reflectance spectra of the flexible CIGS solar cell with and without CsPbBr₃ perovskite LDS layer

The surface reflectance spectra of the flexible CIGS solar cell with and without CsPbBr₃ perovskite LDS layer are compared in Figure S4. Surface reflectance of the flexible CIGS solar cell with CsPbBr₃ perovskite LDS layer is reduced in the wavelength range between 333 nm and 1072 nm compared to that of the conventional flexible CIGS solar cell without LDS layer.

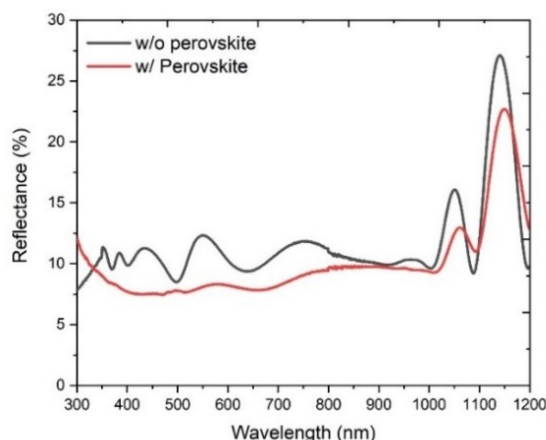


Figure S4. Surface reflectance spectra of the flexible CIGS solar cell with and without CsPbBr₃ perovskite nanocrystals

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