

Scalable Open-Air Deposition of Compact ETL TiO_x on Perovskite for Fullerene-Free Solar Cells

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Carrier N ₂ Flow Rate:	4 SLM
Precursor Concentration:	80 vol. % Ti(OEt) ₄ , 20 vol. % Toluene
Precursor Flow Rate:	2 µL/min
Evaporator Temperature:	250°C
Substrate Temperature:	100°C
Nozzle to Substrate Distance:	1 mm
Raster Line Speed:	10 cm/s
Raster Line Spacing:	0.5 mm
Number of Passes:	8

Table S1: OA-CVD deposition parameters for 70 nm thick TiO_x film.

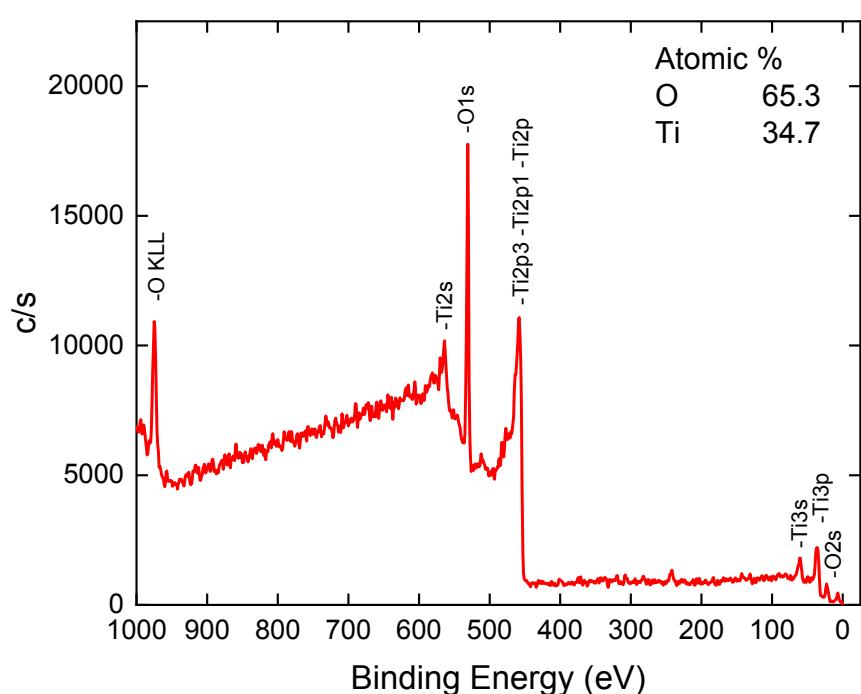


Figure S1: XPS survey spectra of TiO_x film.

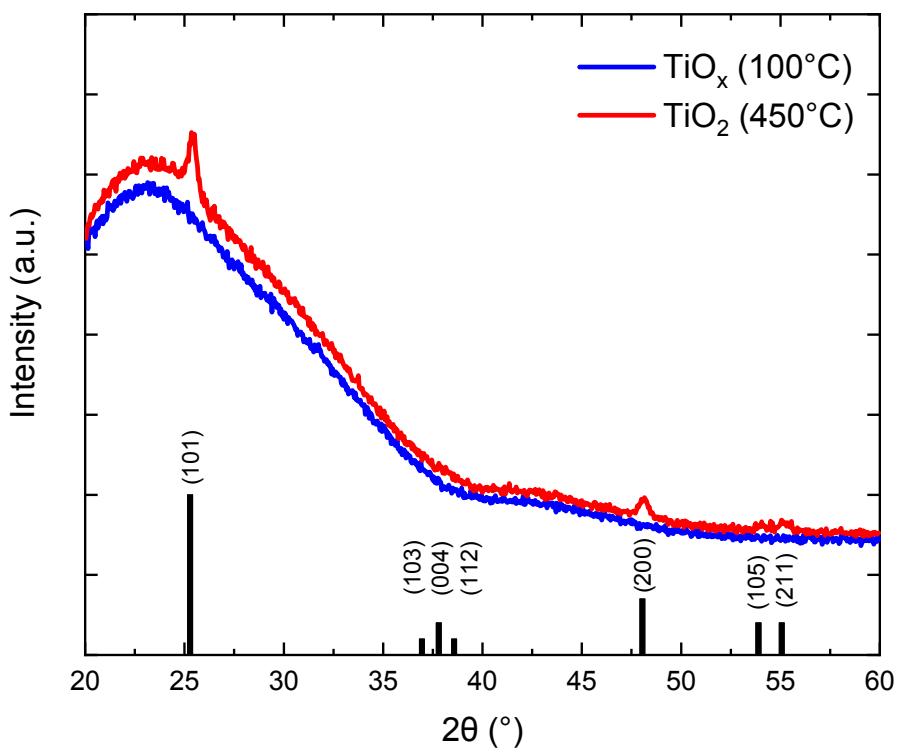


Figure S2: GIXRD of OA-CVD deposited TiO_x films on glass substrate as formed (100°C) and after annealing at 450°C for 30 minutes, compared to a reference spectrum for anatase TiO_2 (ICCD PDF-4+ Ref. No. 00-021-1272).

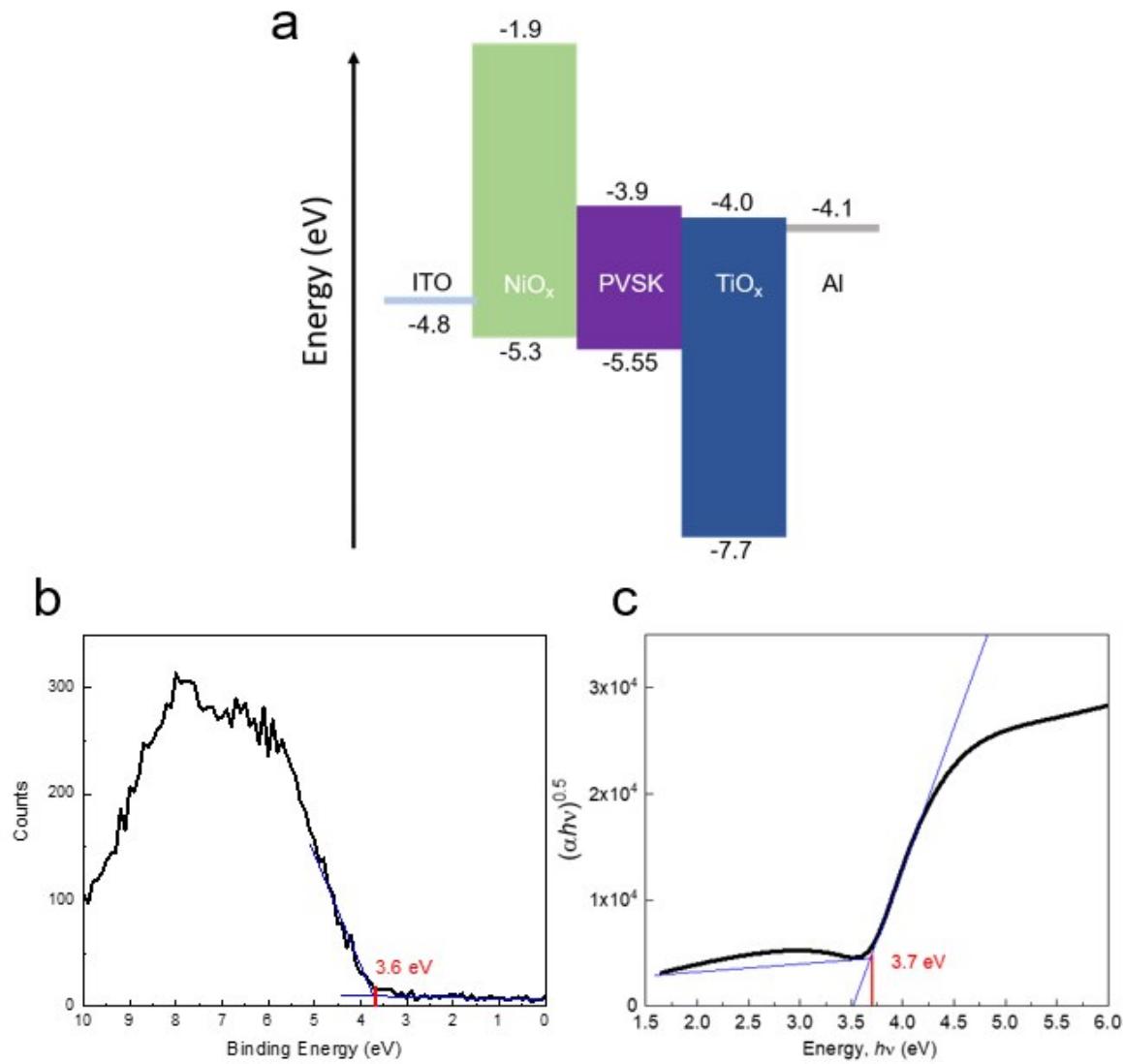


Figure S3: (a) Energy band diagram of complete device. (b) XPS measurement of TiO_x valence band maximum (VBM) energy difference, $E_{Fermi} - E_{VBM}$. (c) Tauc plot indirect band gap determination of TiO_x.

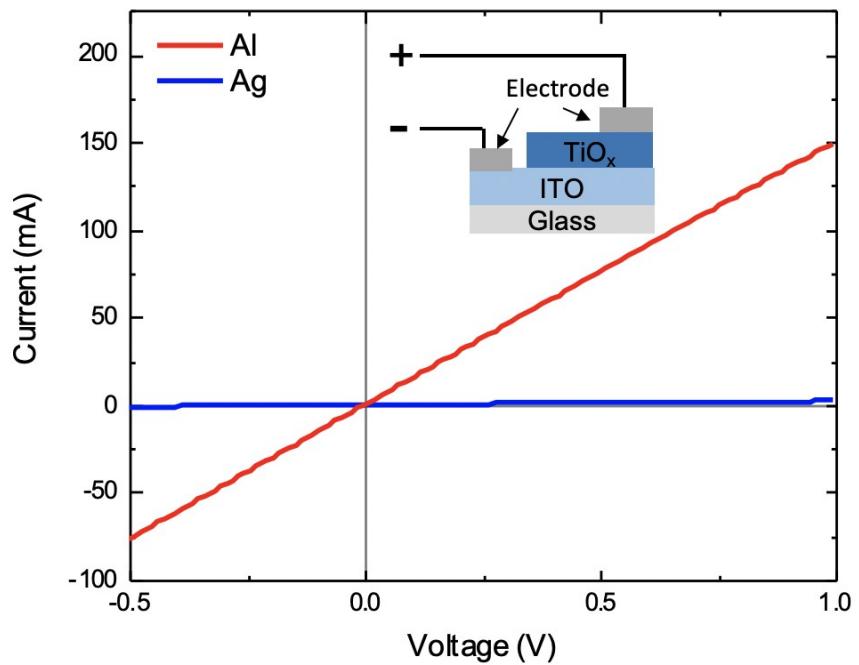


Figure S4: Current-voltage plots of glass/ITO/ TiO_x test structure with different metal contacts.

V_{oc} (mV)	J_{sc} (mA·cm $^{-2}$)	Fill Factor (%)	PCE (%)
1030 ± 37 (1080)	19.7 ± 0.8 (19.8)	60 ± 1.7 (62.4)	12.2 ± 0.6 (13.3)

Table S2: Device performance summary for $N = 15$ devices of ITO/NiO $_x$ /CsFA/TiO $_x$ /Al architecture with optimized 70 nm TiO $_x$ thickness. Champion performance is indicated in parenthesis.

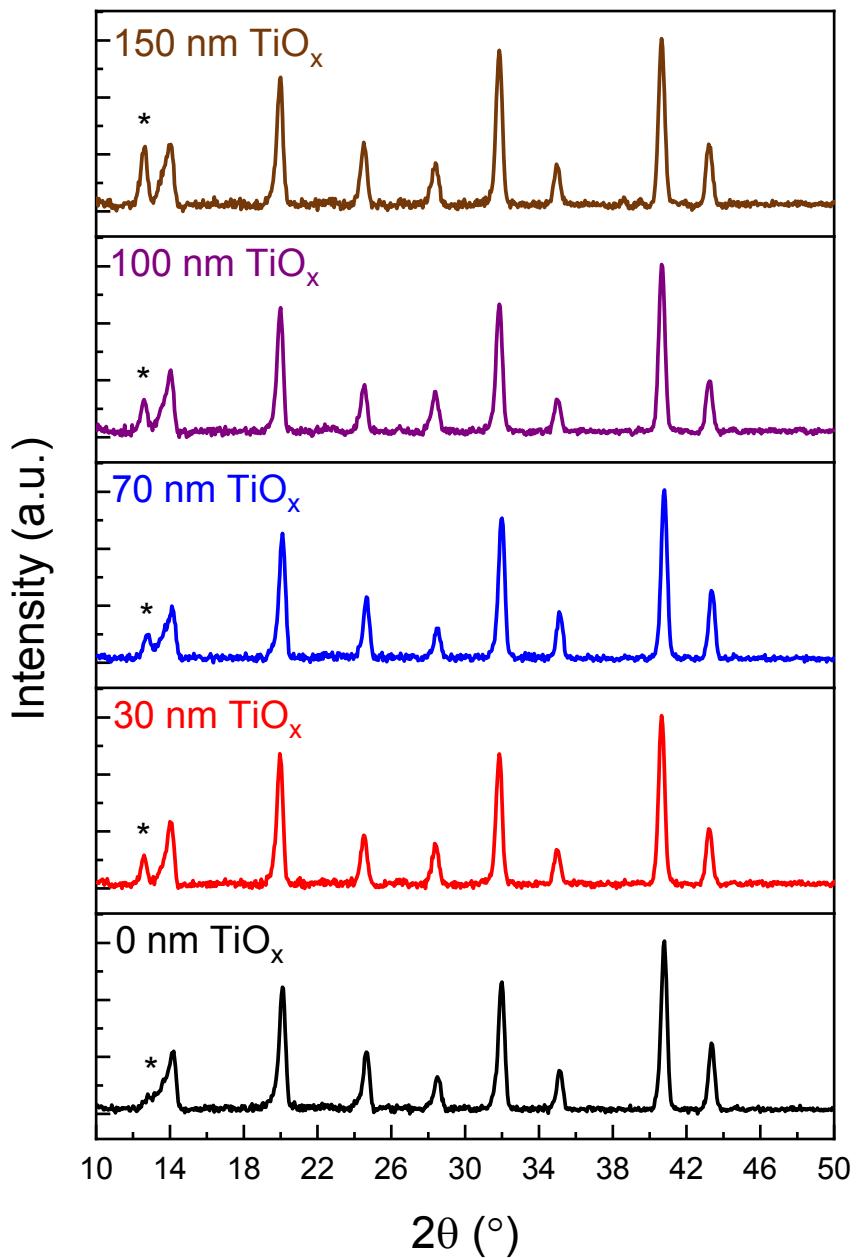


Figure S5: XRD spectra of glass/perovskite/ TiO_x test structure with different TiO_x thicknesses. PbI_2 peaks are denoted with *.

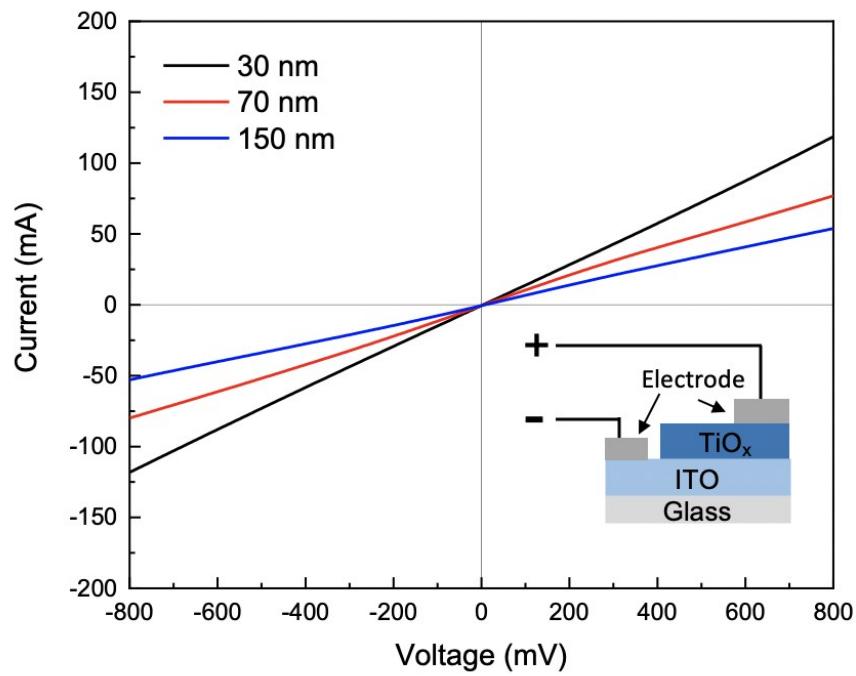


Figure S6: Current-voltage plots of glass/ITO/ TiO_x /Al test structure with different TiO_x thicknesses.

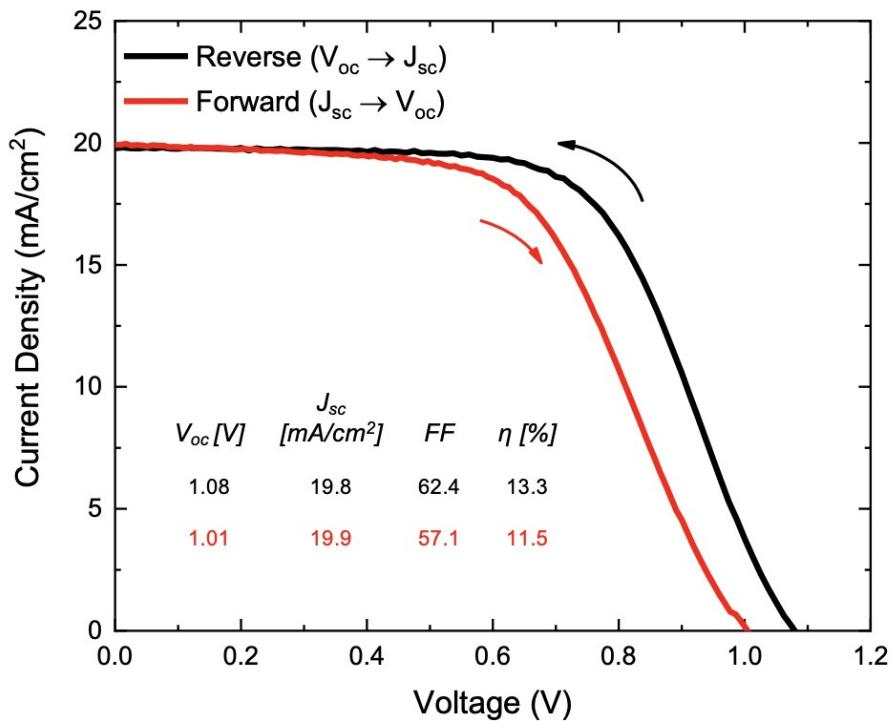


Figure S7: Forward ($J_{\text{sc}} \rightarrow V_{\text{oc}}$) and reverse ($V_{\text{oc}} \rightarrow J_{\text{sc}}$) current density vs. voltage (J-V) scans of TiO_x ETL devices on active area of 0.21cm^2 .

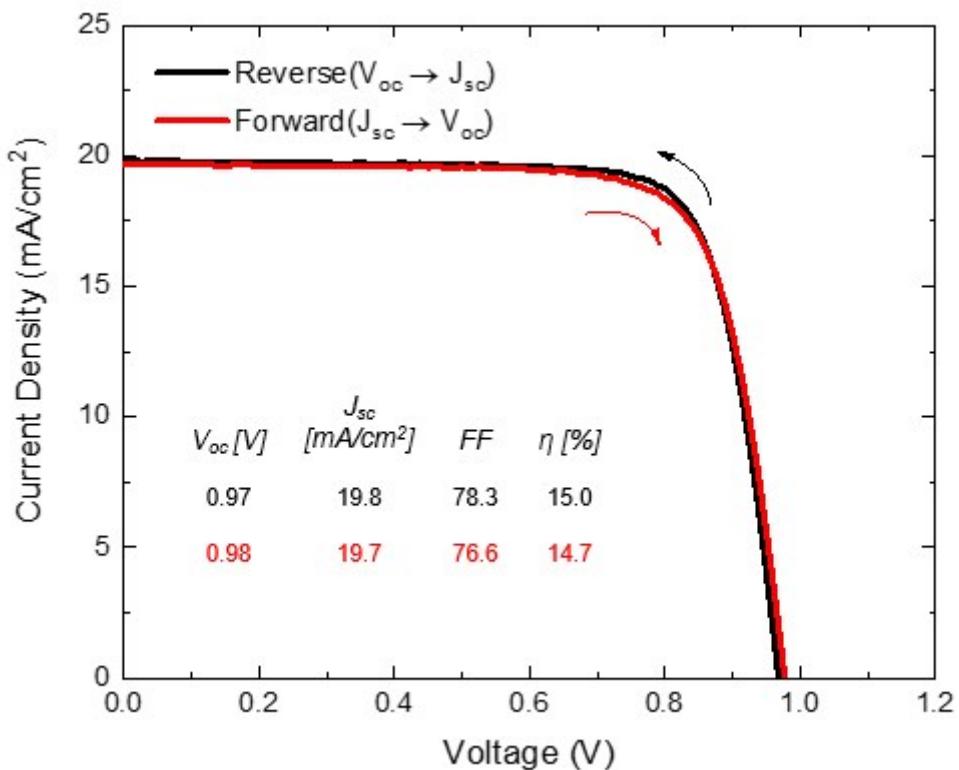


Figure S8: Forward ($J_{\text{sc}} \rightarrow V_{\text{oc}}$) and reverse ($V_{\text{oc}} \rightarrow J_{\text{sc}}$) current density vs. voltage (J-V) scans of C_{60}/BCP ETL devices on active area of 0.21cm^2 .

Film	Resistivity ($\Omega\text{-cm}$)
TiO _x (OA-CVD) 100°C	3.1×10^5
TiO ₂ (OA-CVD) 450°C	8.5×10^3
TiO ₂ nanoparticles ¹	5.1×10^3
SnO ₂ nanoparticles ²	2.4×10^3

Table S3: Measured resistivities of inorganic ETL films prepared by various methods.

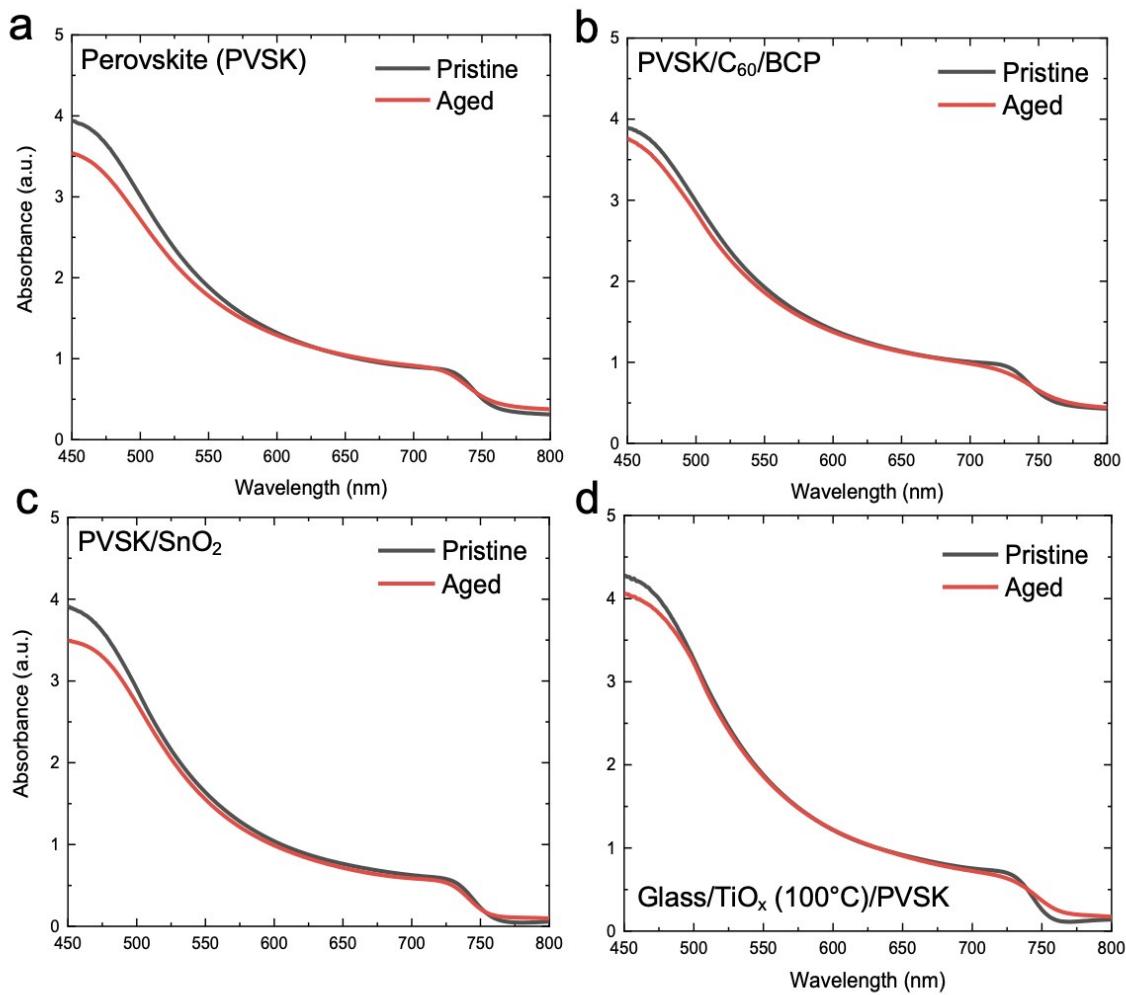


Figure S9: UV-Vis absorption spectroscopy of test structures deposited on glass before and after aging in 1-sun illumination (through glass side) for 24 hours at 40°C in air (45% RH): (a) bare perovskite (PVSK) (b) PVSK/C₆₀/BCP (c) PVSK/SnO₂ (d) TiO_x (100°C)/PVSK in NIP structure.

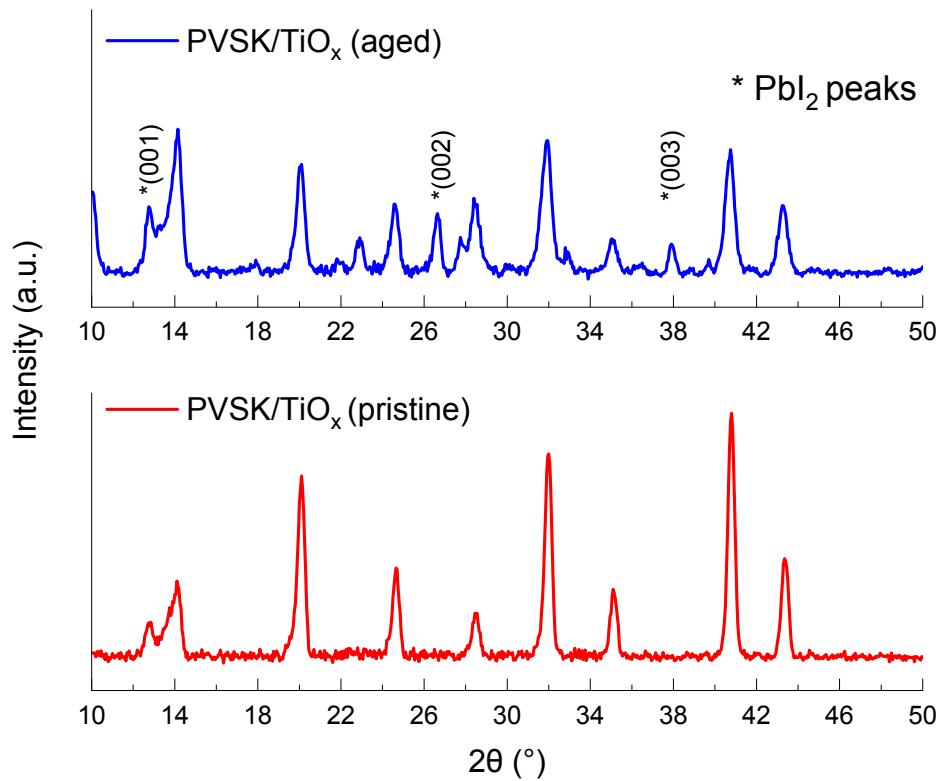


Figure S10: XRD ($2\theta-\omega$) measurements of glass/PVK/TiO_x taken before and after aging in 1-sun illumination (through glass side) for 24 hours at 40°C in air (45% RH). PbI₂ indexed reflections are denoted with *.

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