

## Supporting Information

### A Cost-Device Efficiency Balanced Spiro Based Hole Transport Material for Perovskite Solar Cells

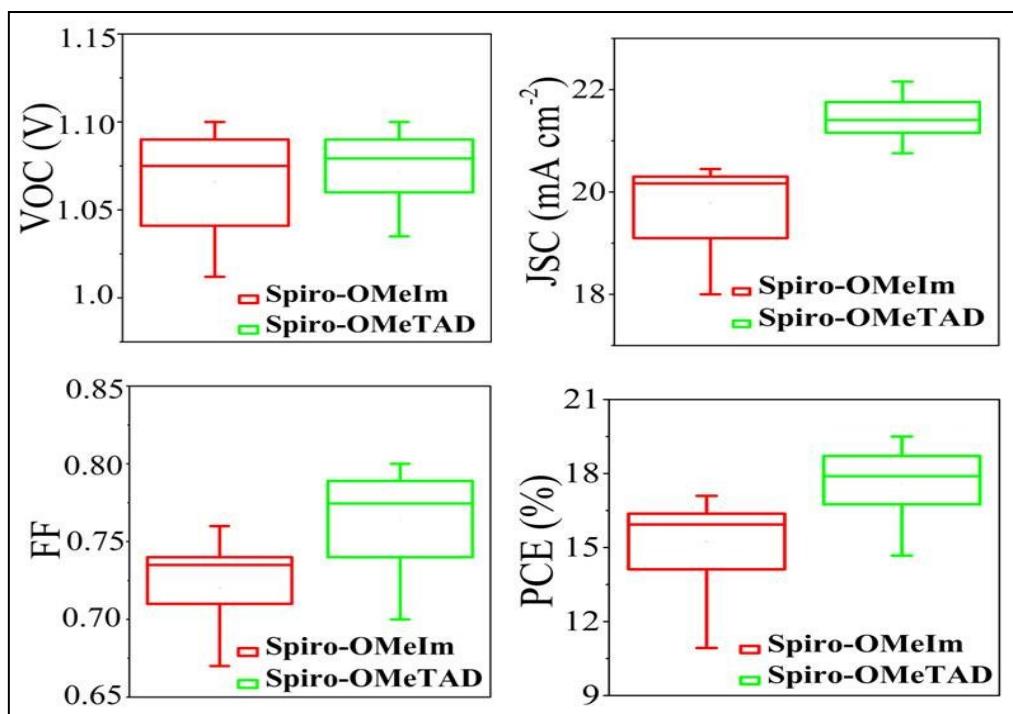
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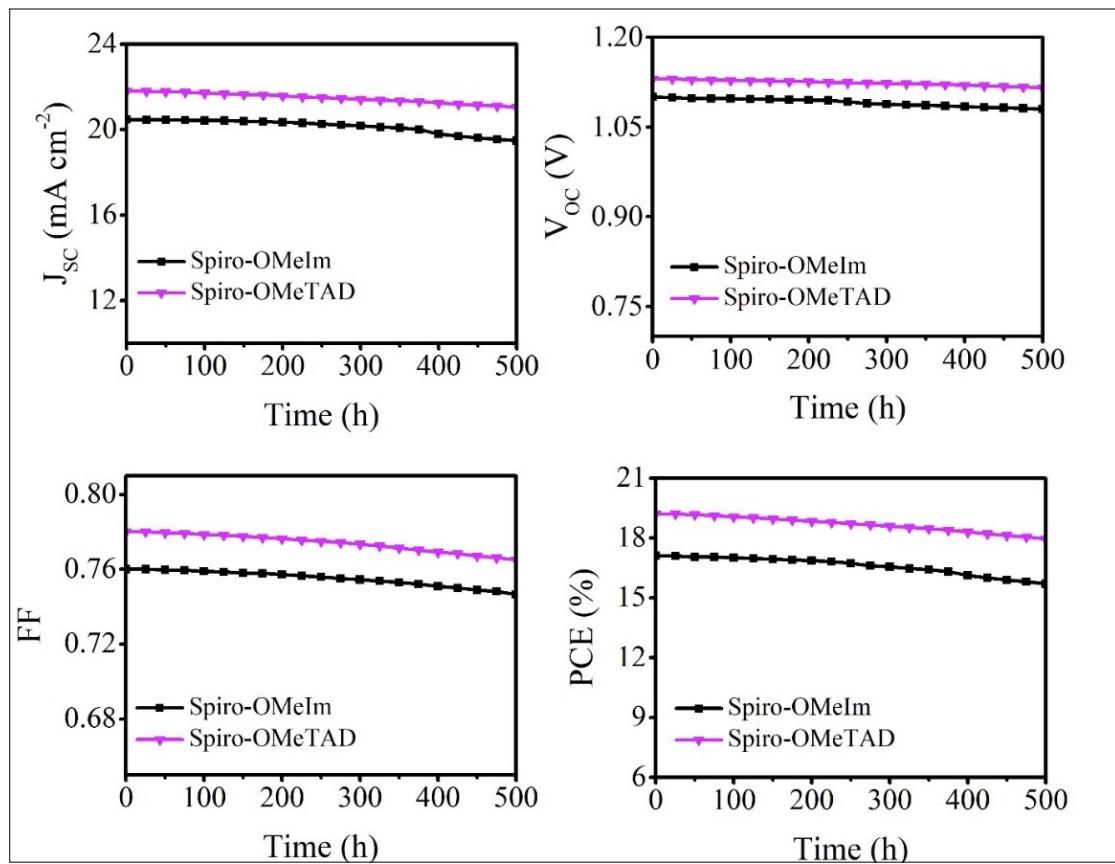
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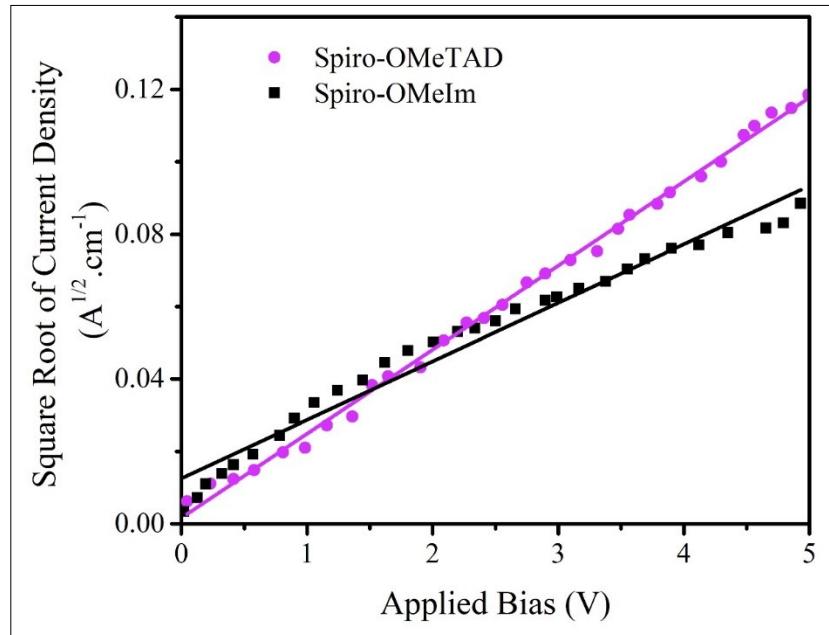
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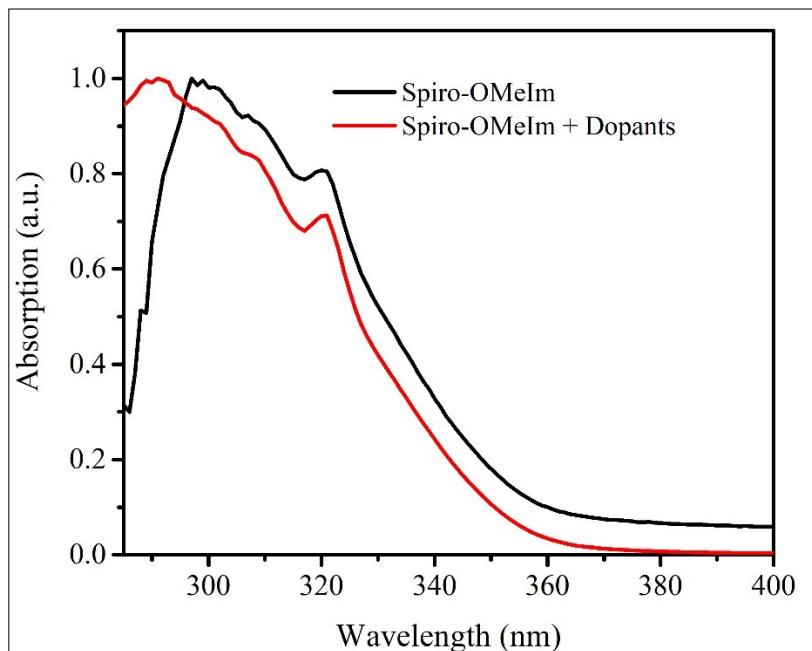
**Figure S1.** Statistical distribution of the performance of 20 perovskite solar cells.



**Figure S2.** Stability of the photovoltaic characteristics over time for the PSCs based on Spiro-OMeIm and Spiro-OMeTAD. The stability test of devices are done under during exposure to full AM 1.5 simulated sunlight for 500 hours (humidity  $\approx 40\%$ ).



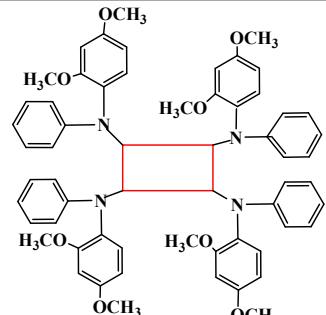
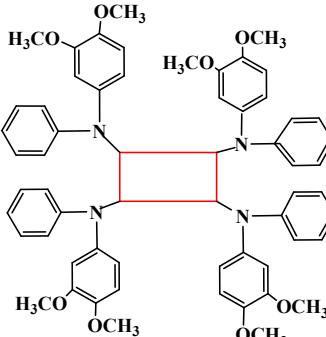
**Figure S3.** J–V characteristic of thin films in hole-conducting only devices based on Spiro-OMeTAD and Spiro-OMeIm (pristine state).



**Figure S4.** UV-Vis spectra of Spiro-OMeIm without and with dopants in  $\text{CHCl}_3$ .

**Table S1.** The photovoltaic performance of previously reported spiro-cyclic HTMs.

HTMs	HTMs	$V_{\text{oc}}$ [V]	$J_{\text{sc}}$ [ $\text{mA cm}^{-2}$ ]	FF [%]	PCE [%]	Ref.
<p>pp-spiro-OMeTAD (1a) : <math>R^1=H</math>, <math>R^2=H</math>, <math>R^3=\text{OCH}_3</math>  pm-spiro-OMeTAD (1b): <math>R^1=H</math>, <math>R^2=\text{OCH}_3</math>, <math>R^3=H</math>  po-spiro-OMeTAD (1c): <math>R^1=\text{OCH}_3</math>, <math>R^2=H</math>, <math>R^3=H</math></p>	<b>pp-spiro-OMeTAD(1)</b>	1	20.7	71.1	14.9	[1]
	<b>Pm-spiro-OMeTAD(2)</b>	1.01	21.1	65.2	13.9	
	<b>po-spiro-OMeTAD(3)</b>	1.02	21.2	77.6	16.7	
<p><b>Spiro-027 (6)</b></p>	<b>Spiro-027 (4)</b>	1.07	22.07	70	16.6	[2]

 <p><b>2,4-Spiro-OMeTAD (7)</b></p>	<b>2,4-Spiro-OMeTAD (5)</b>	0.956	25.6	70.1	17.2	[3]
 <p><b>3,4-Spiro-OMeTAD (8)</b></p>	<b>3,4-Spiro-OMeTAD (6)</b>	0.752	20.1	59.9	9.1	

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