Supporting Information

Mechanistic Study of CsPbBr₃ Superstructure Formation

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Figure S1. TEM images of samples synthesized using 0.5 mmol PbBr₂ (180 °C) and cooled down using (a) ice-water bath; (b) water bath; (c) air cooling with stirring; and (d) air cooling without stirring. TEM images of ice-water bath cooled samples synthesized (at 180 °C) using (e) 1.5 mmol of PbBr₂; and (f) 0.17 mmol PbBr₂. TEM images of samples synthesized using 0.5 mmol PbBr₂ (g) at 180 °C for 60 min with stirring and immediately air cooled without stirring; and (h) at 120°C and immediately air cooled without stirring. (i) TEM image of SCs formed by samples synthesized at 120°C using 0.5 mmol PbBr₂ and immediately air cooled without stirring.



Figure S2. Particle size distributions of samples synthesized using 0.5 mmol PbBr₂ (180°C) and cooled down using (a) icewater bath; (b) water bath; (c) air cooling with stirring; and (d) air cooling without stirring. Particle size distributions of samples synthesized using 0.17 mmol PbBr₂ (180 °C) for (e) CsPbBr₃; and (f) Cs₄PbBr₆ NCs. Particle size distributions for samples synthesized using 1.5 mmol PbBr₂ (180 °C) for (g) NCs; (h) NP length; and (i) NP width.



Figure S3. STEM image of samples prepared via air cooling without stirring. Square indicates area under EDS scan.

 Table S1. Atomic percentages of Cs, Pb and Br within scanned area.

Element	Atom %
Cs	11.52
Pb	17.96
Br	70.51



Figure S4. TEM and HRTEM images of samples synthesized (a) using 0.6 mmol PbBr₂ cooled using ice-water bath at different magnifications; and (b) using 0.6 mmol PbBr₂ cooled using ice-water bath at different magnifications. (c) XRD patterns for samples synthesized under the same experimental conditions (180 °C, ice-water bath cooled) using different amounts of PbBr₂ precursor.



Figure S5. HAADF STEM image of samples prepared using 1.5 mmol PbBr₂ at a particular sample location. Square 001 indicates area under EDS scan.

Table S2. Atomic percentages of Cs, Pb and Br within scanned area 001.

Element	001 Atom %
Cs	Not detected
Pb	3.94
Br	96.06
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Figure S6. HAADF STEM image of samples prepared using 1.5 mmol PbBr₂ at a particular sample location. Square 006 indicates area under EDS scan.

 Table S3. Atomic percentages of Cs, Pb and Br within scanned areas 005-008.

Element	006 Atom %
Cs	3.67
Pb	8.03
Br	88.30



Figure S7. HAADF STEM image of samples prepared using 1.5 mmol PbBr₂ at a particular sample location. Squares 007 and 010 indicates area under EDS scan.

 Table S4. Atomic percentages of Cs, Pb and Br within scanned areas 007 and 010.

Element	007 Atom %	010
Cs	Not detected	2.33
Pb	15.46	9.73
Br	84.54	87.94



Figure S8. HAADF STEM image of samples prepared using 0.17 mmol PbBr₂ at a particular sample location. Squares 005-008 indicate areas under EDS scan.

Element	005 Atom %	006 Atom %	007 Atom %	008 Atom %
Cs	14.85	24.16	24.58	24.46
Pb	18.78	9.20	10.81	10.71
Br	66.37	66.65	64.61	64.83

 Table S5. Atomic percentages of Cs, Pb and Br within scanned areas 005-008.



Figure S9. HAADF STEM image of samples prepared using 0.17 mmol PbBr₂ at a particular sample location. Squares 005-008 indicate areas under EDS scan.

 Table S6. Atomic percentages of Cs, Pb and Br within scanned areas 009-012.

Element	009 Atom %	010 Atom %	011 Atom %	012 Atom %
Cs	24.87	24.40	13.85	13.84
Pb	10.79	9.67	20.40	20.35
Br	64.34	65.94	65.75	65.81



Figure S10. UV-Vis absorption spectra using different concentrations for samples synthesized under the same experimental conditions (180 °C, ice-water bath cooled) using (a) 1.5 mmol PbBr₂; (b) 0.5 mmol PbBr₂; and (c) 0.17 mmol PbBr₂.



Figure S11. (a) Particle size distributions of samples synthesized using 0.5 mmol PbBr₂ at 120 °C and immediately air cooled without stirring (i) NCs; (ii) NPL width; and (iii) NPL length; (b) Particle size distributions of NCs (supernatant) synthesized using 0.5 mmol PbBr₂ at 180 °C for 60 min with stirring, followed by air cooling without stirring.



Figure S12. PL spectra at ECP concentration and 100 mg/ml for CsPbBr₃ samples prepared at (a) 120 °C with immediate air cooling without stirring after hot-injection and; (b) 180 °C with immediate ice-water bath cooling after hot-injection.