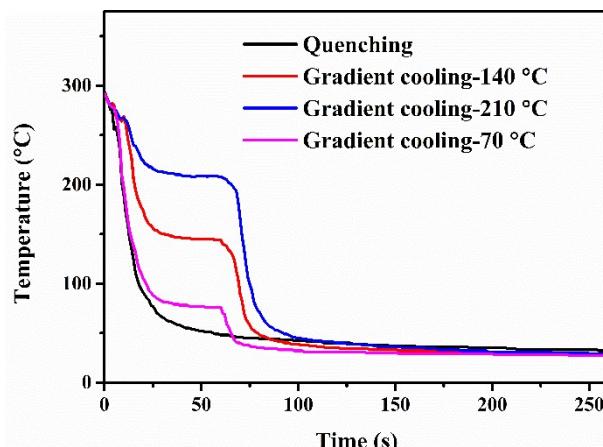


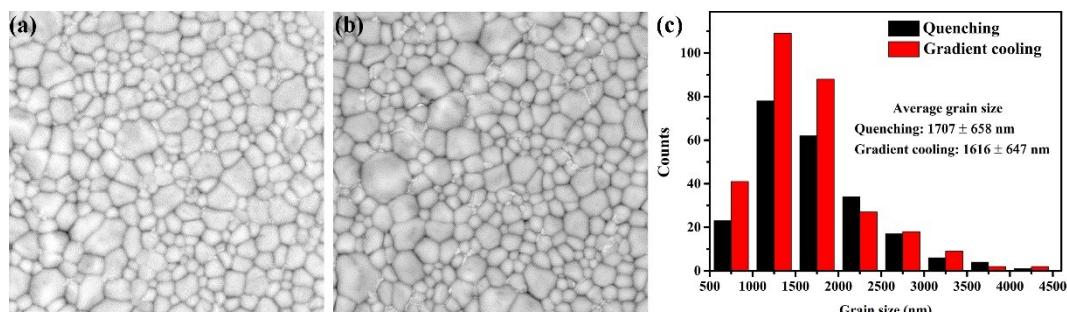
## Supporting Information

### Defect healing via a gradient cooling strategy for efficient all-inorganic perovskite solar cells

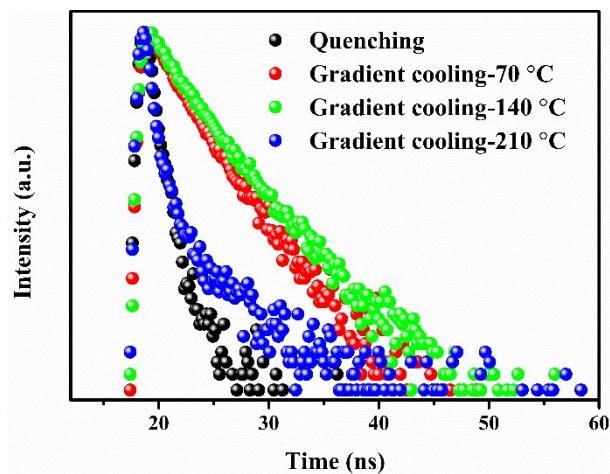
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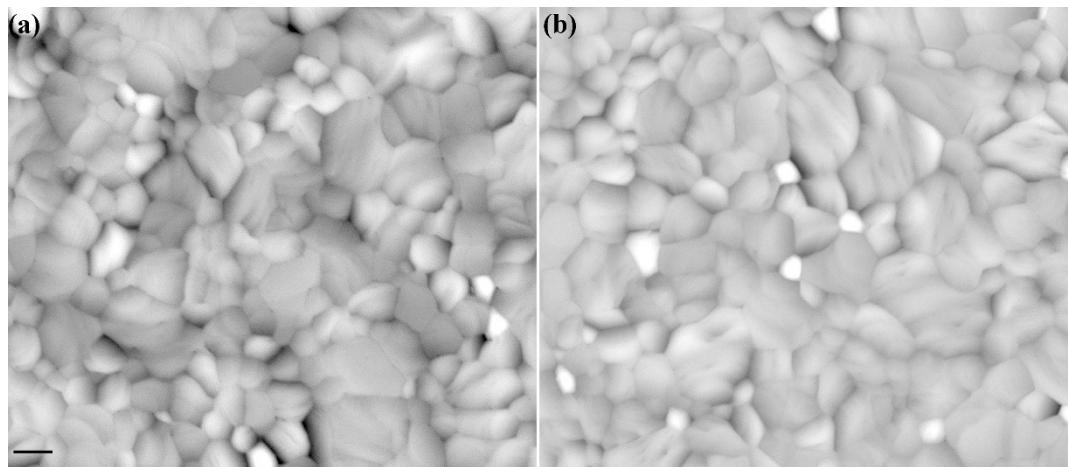
**Figure S1.** Cooling curves of quenching and gradient cooling processes.



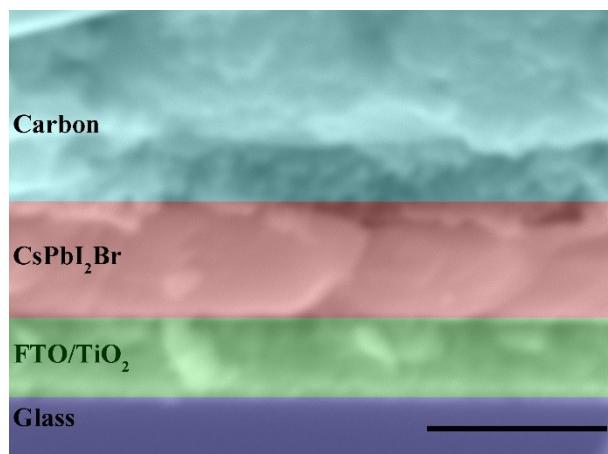
**Figure S2.** Top view SEM images of the quenching film (a) and gradient cooling film (b). The scale bar is 2 μm. (c) Grain size distribution histograms of perovskite films prepared by different cooling processes.



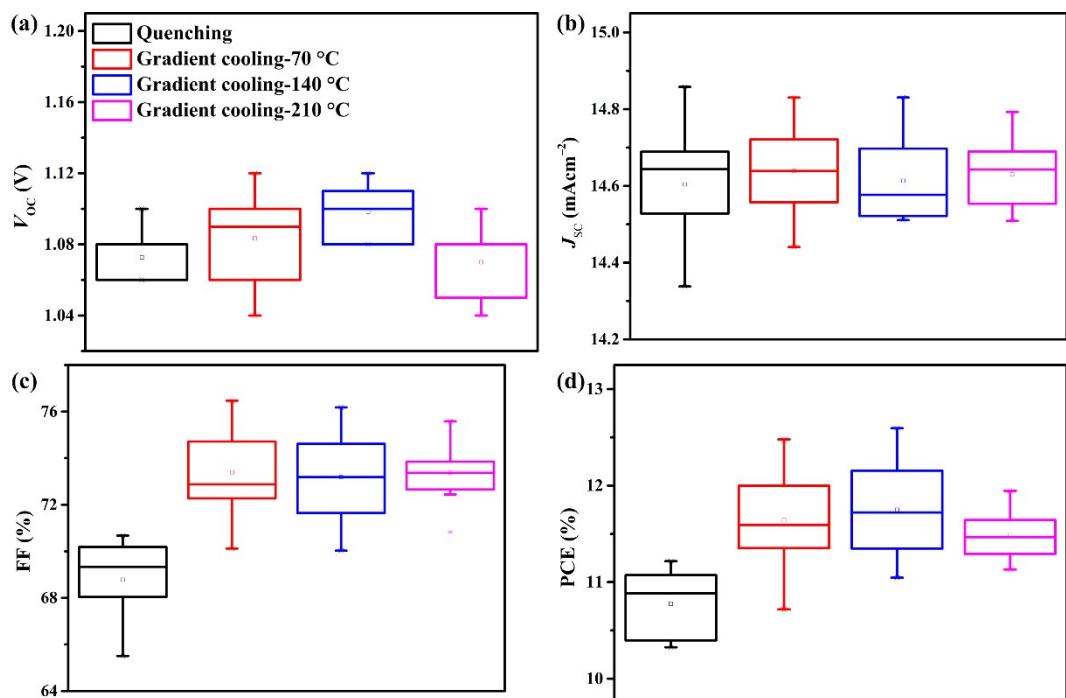
**Figure S3.** PL decay curves of perovskite films obtained from different cooling processes. The substrate was glass.



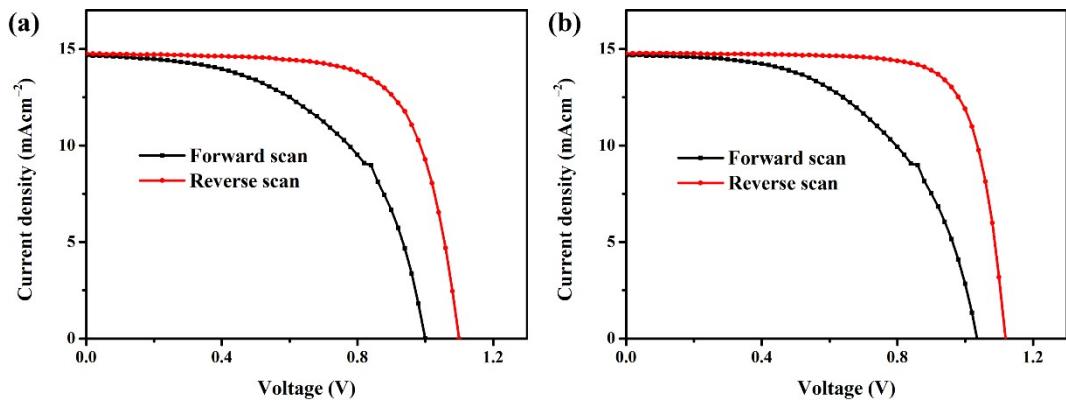
**Figure S4.** Top-view SEM images of perovskite films on the glass substrates. (a) The quenching film. (b) The gradient cooling film. The scale bar is 2  $\mu\text{m}$ .



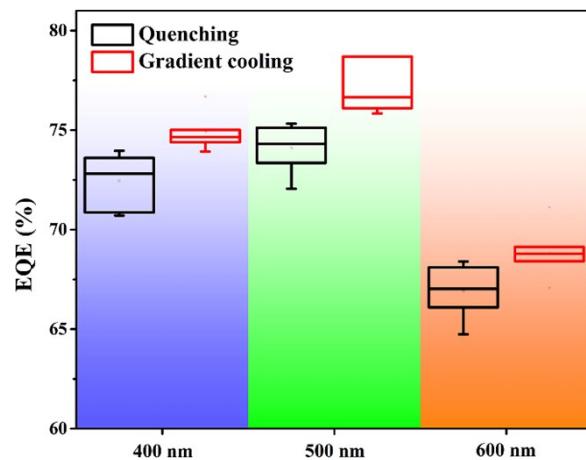
**Figure S5.** Cross-sectional SEM image of the device. The scale bar is 1  $\mu\text{m}$ .



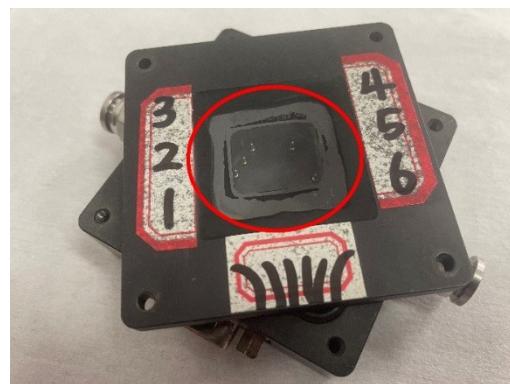
**Figure S6.** Box charts of photovoltaic parameters obtained from devices under different cooling conditions. (a)  $V_{\text{OC}}$ ; (b)  $J_{\text{SC}}$ ; (c) FF; (d) PCE.



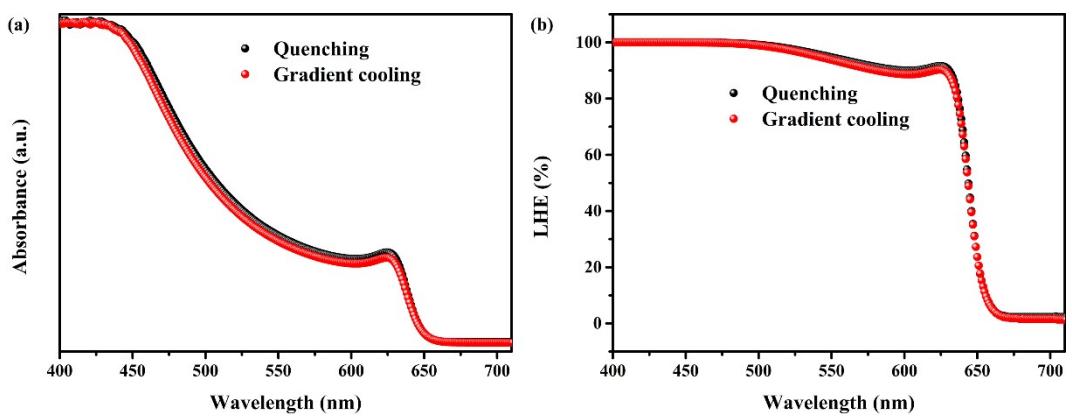
**Figure S7.**  $J$ - $V$  curves under forward and reverse scanning for champion devices using quenching process (a) and gradient cooling process (b).



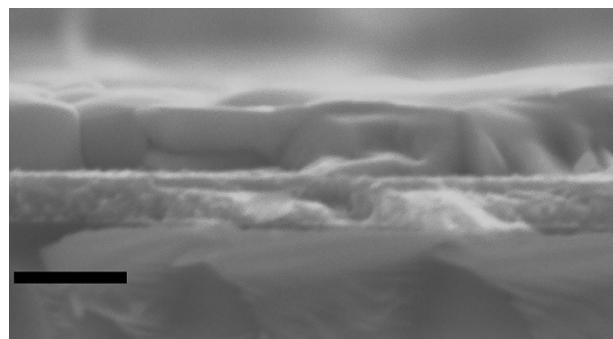
**Figure S8.** Statistical distribution of EQE values at three typical wavelengths (400 nm, 500 nm, and 600 nm).



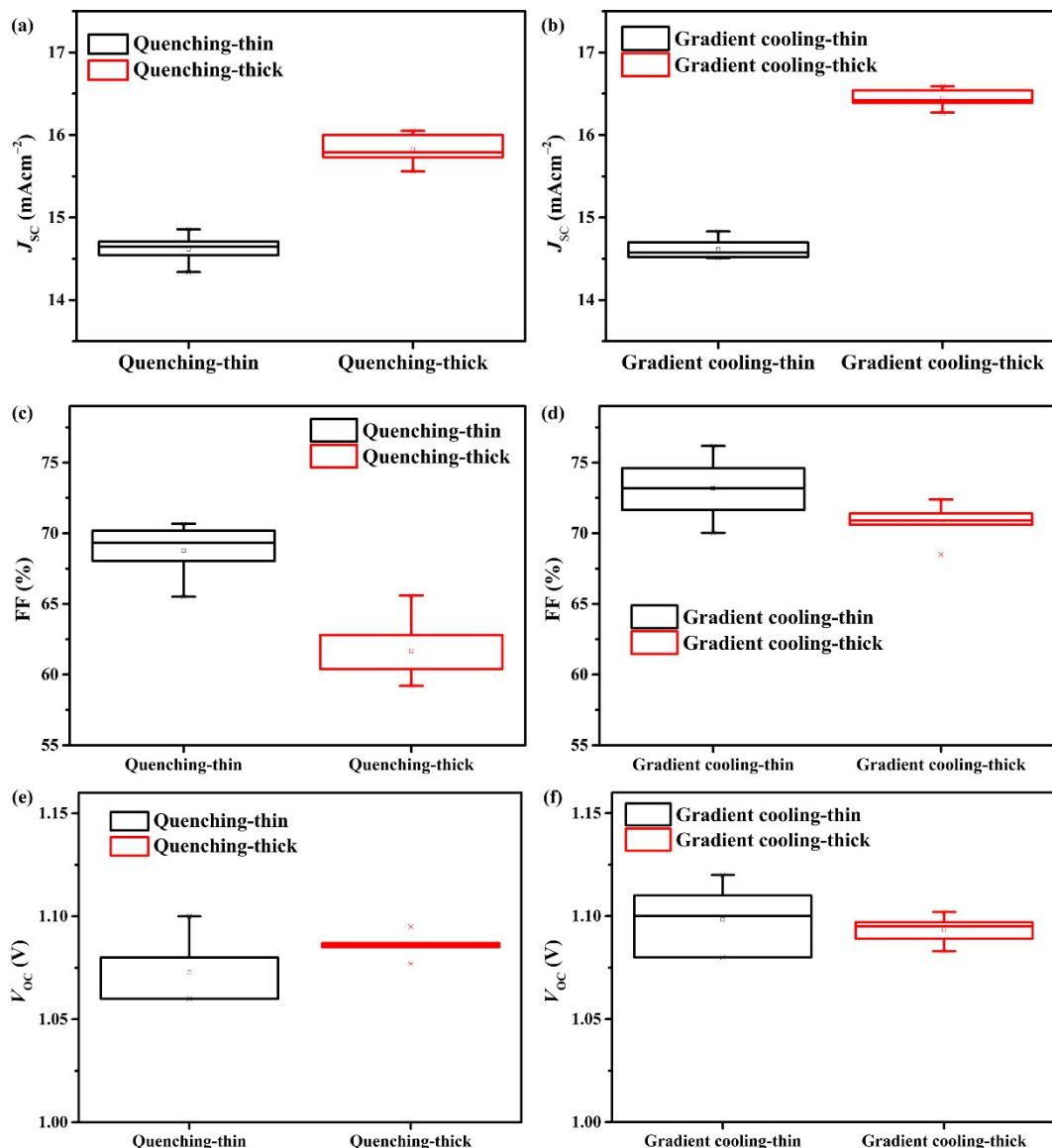
**Figure S9.** Optical photograph of test fixture for EQE measurement. The part in the red circle is the capping glass.



**Figure S10.** Absorption spectra (a) and corresponding LHE spectra (b) of perovskite films.



**Figure S11.** Cross-sectional SEM image of thick perovskite film. The scale bar is 1  $\mu\text{m}$ .



**Figure S12.** Comparison of photovoltaic parameters between thin and thick perovskite films. (a, b)  $J_{SC}$ ; (c, d) FF; (e, f)  $V_{OC}$ .

**Table S1.** TRPL fitting parameters of CsPbI<sub>2</sub>Br films fabricated on different substrates.

Samples	Substrates	$A_1$ [%]	$\tau_1$ [ns]	$A_2$ [%]	$\tau_2$ [ns]	$\tau_{ave}$ [ns]
Quenching	glass	90.9	0.50	9.1	1.55	0.75
	FTO/TiO <sub>2</sub>	64.4	5.93	35.6	13.61	10.23
Gradient cooling-140 °C	glass	80.7	2.80	19.3	5.78	3.78
	FTO/TiO <sub>2</sub>	89.9	0.30	10.1	1.59	0.79
Gradient cooling-210 °C	glass	95.5	0.48	4.5	3.48	1.25
Gradient cooling-70 °C	glass	80.6	2.38	19.4	4.82	3.18

**Table S2.** Photovoltaic parameters of devices obtained from different cooling processes.

Devices		$J_{SC}$ [mAcm <sup>-2</sup> ]	$V_{OC}$ [V]	FF [%]	PCE [%]
Quenching	average	14.62±0.15	1.07±0.02	68.91±1.67	10.83±0.38
	best	14.77	1.10	70.30	11.42
Gradient cooling-70 °C	average	14.64±0.12	1.08±0.02	73.39±1.83	11.64±0.46
	best	14.64	1.12	76.11	12.48
Gradient cooling-140 °C	average	14.61±0.11	1.10±0.02	73.19±1.92	11.75±0.47
	best	14.76	1.12	76.18	12.59
Gradient cooling-210 °C	average	14.63±0.09	1.07±0.02	73.39±1.30	11.49±0.27
	best	14.69	1.10	73.93	11.95

**Table S3.** EIS fitting parameters.

Devices	$R_S$ [ $\Omega$ ]	$R_{CT}$ [ $\Omega$ ]	$R_{rec}$ [ $\Omega$ ]	$CPE-T_1$ [F]	$CPE-T_2$ [F]
Quenching	29.89	413	1188	$1.38 \times 10^{-8}$	$1.12 \times 10^{-9}$
Gradient cooling	26.42	310.7	9696	$3.54 \times 10^{-8}$	$4.03 \times 10^{-9}$

**Table S4.** Photovoltaic parameters of thick devices.

Devices		$J_{SC}$ [mA cm $^{-2}$ ]	$V_{OC}$ [V]	FF [%]	PCE [%]
Quenching	average	$15.83 \pm 0.20$	$1.09 \pm 0.01$	$61.68 \pm 2.55$	$10.60 \pm 0.56$
	best	16.00	1.10	65.60	11.49
Gradient cooling	average	$16.44 \pm 0.13$	$1.09 \pm 0.01$	$70.76 \pm 1.44$	$12.72 \pm 0.34$
	best	16.59	1.09	72.40	13.07

**Table S5.** Summary of PCEs for CsPbI<sub>2</sub>Br based C-PSCs.

Device structure	PCE [%]	Ref.
FTO/c-TiO <sub>2</sub> /CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br (MABr top-seeded)/C	14.84	[1]
ITO/TiO <sub>2</sub> /CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br/ATHPBr/C	14.50	[2]
FTO/c-TiO <sub>2</sub> /m-TiO <sub>2</sub> /CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br-CdSe QD/C	14.49	[3]
FTO/ TiCl <sub>4</sub> -TiCl <sub>3</sub> modified c-TiO <sub>2</sub> /CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br/C	14.46	[4]
FTO/TiO <sub>2</sub> /CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br/ HTAB/C	14.30	[5]
ITO/SnO <sub>2</sub> /SnCl <sub>2</sub> / CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br/ BMIMBF <sub>4</sub> /C	14.03	[6]
ITO/SnO <sub>2</sub> /SnCl <sub>2</sub> / CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br/ delta-2:2-bis (1,3-dithiazole) /C	13.78	[7]
ITO/SnO <sub>2</sub> /SnCl <sub>2</sub> / CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br/ Cs <sub>2</sub> PtI <sub>6</sub> /C	13.69	[8]
FTO/SnO <sub>2</sub> /CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br-PANI/C	13.52	[9]

FTO/SnO <sub>2</sub> / CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br /PEAI/C	13.38	[10]
FTO/TiO <sub>2</sub> / CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br (water-based spray-assisted growth)/C	13.30	[11]
FTO/TiO <sub>2</sub> /CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br/CuPc/C	13.16	[12]
FTO/c-TiO <sub>2</sub> /m-TiO <sub>2</sub> /CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br/Carbon black/C	13.13	[13]
FTO/c-TiO <sub>2</sub> /CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br-Mg(Ac) <sub>2</sub> /C	13.08	[14]
FTO/c-TiO <sub>2</sub> /CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br (gradient cooling)/C	13.07	This work
FTO/TiO <sub>2</sub> /CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br-excess PbI <sub>2</sub> /C	12.78	[15]
FTO/SnO <sub>2</sub> / CsPbI <sub>2</sub> Br-excess PbI <sub>2</sub> /C	12.19	[16]

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