

Fullerene-C₆₀ and PCBM as interlayers in regular and inverted lead-free PSCs using CH₃NH₃SnI₃: An analysis of device performance and defect density dependence by SCAPS-1D

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1 Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)

Table S1: Input parameters of PEDOT:PSS, Spiro-MeOTAD and TiO₂ for the subsection 3.1 simulations.

Parameters/Materials	PEDOT:PSS	Spiro-MeOTAD	TiO ₂
	[2]	[1]	[1]
Thickness (nm)	200	200	30
E _g (eV)	2.20	3.17	3.20
χ (eV)	2.90	2.05	4.26
ε _r	3.00	3.00	9.00
N _c (cm ⁻³)	2.2x10 ¹⁵	2.50 x 10 ¹⁸	2.00 x 10 ¹⁸
N _v (cm ⁻³)	1.8x10 ¹⁸	1.80 x 10 ¹⁹	1.80 x 10 ¹⁹
μ _e (cm ² V ⁻¹ s ⁻¹)	1.00 x 10 ⁻²	2.00 x 10 ⁻⁴	20
μ _h (cm ² V ⁻¹ s ⁻¹)	2.00 x 10 ⁻⁴	2.00 x 10 ⁻⁴	10
N _A (cm ⁻³)	1.0x10 ¹⁵	1.00 x 10 ¹⁷	-
N _D (cm ⁻³)	-	-	1.00 x 10 ¹⁶
N _t (cm ⁻³)	1.0x10 ¹⁴	1.00 x 10 ¹³	1.00 x 10 ¹⁵

Table S2: PCE of simulated PSCs using different HTLs and ETLs for n-i-p and p-i-n PSCs with N_t=4.5x10¹⁷ cm⁻³. The perovskite thickness was 350 nm and the ETL/HTL thickness was 30 nm and 200 nm, respectively.

HTL/ETL Regular PSC	TiO ₂	ZnO	HTL/ETL Inverted PSC	TiO ₂	ZnO
Spiro-MeOTAD	6.12%	6.40%	PEDOT:PSS	1.17%	1.10%
CuI	6.54%	6.89%	CuI	1.06%	1.35%

Table S3: Influence of MASI thickness in simulated PSCs with CuI and ZnO as HTL/ETL (30 nm) in regular and inverted configurations, using N_t=4.5x10¹⁷ cm⁻³.

PSC n-i-p	V _{oc} (V)	J _{sc} (mA/cm ²)	FF (%)	PCE (%)	PSC p-i-n	V _{oc} (V)	J _{sc} (mA/cm ²)	FF (%)	PCE (%)
CuI/MASI(150nm)/ZnO	0.66	17.20	49.97	5.70	CuI/MASI(150nm)/ZnO	0.65	15.35	37.25	3.72
CuI/MASI(200nm)/ZnO	0.68	17.53	54.60	6.53	CuI/MASI(200nm)/ZnO	0.65	10.87	43.00	3.05
CuI/MASI(250nm)/ZnO	0.68	18.28	54.40	6.81	CuI/MASI(250nm)/ZnO	0.64	8.42	45.24	2.45
CuI/MASI(300nm)/ZnO	0.68	18.61	53.96	6.88	CuI/MASI(300nm)/ZnO	0.63	6.57	44.83	1.86
CuI/MASI(350nm)/ZnO	0.68	18.69	53.82	6.89	CuI/MASI(350nm)/ZnO	0.62	4.96	45.12	1.38
CuI/MASI(400nm)/ZnO	0.68	18.71	53.79	6.90	CuI/MASI(400nm)/ZnO	0.61	3.73	45.79	1.03
CuI/MASI(450nm)/ZnO	0.68	18.71	53.79	6.90	CuI/MASI(450nm)/ZnO	0.59	2.83	46.57	0.78
CuI/MASI(500nm)/ZnO	0.68	18.71	53.79	6.90	CuI/MASI(500nm)/ZnO	0.58	2.17	47.34	0.60
CuI/MASI(550nm)/ZnO	0.68	18.72	53.78	6.90	CuI/MASI(550nm)/ZnO	0.57	1.68	48.03	0.46
CuI/MASI(600nm)/ZnO	0.68	18.72	53.78	6.90	CuI/MASI(600nm)/ZnO	0.56	1.33	48.66	0.36
CuI/MASI(650nm)/ZnO	0.68	18.72	53.78	6.90	CuI/MASI(650nm)/ZnO	0.55	1.06	49.23	0.28
CuI/MASI(700nm)/ZnO	0.68	18.72	53.77	6.90	CuI/MASI(700nm)/ZnO	0.54	0.85	49.72	0.23
CuI/MASI(750nm)/ZnO	0.68	18.72	53.77	6.90	CuI/MASI(750nm)/ZnO	0.53	0.69	50.19	0.18
CuI/MASI(800nm)/ZnO	0.68	18.72	53.77	6.90	CuI/MASI(800nm)/ZnO	0.52	0.57	50.58	0.15

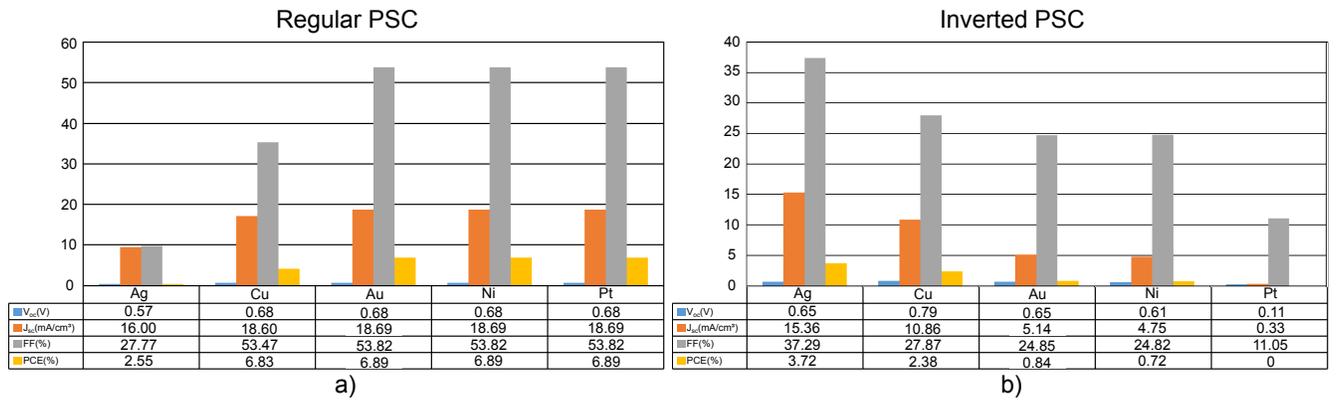


Figure S1: Output parameters varying back metal contacts in a) regular and b) inverted PSCs

Table S4: PCE in regular and inverted configurations using $N_t=4.5 \times 10^{13} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, with and without interlayers.

PSC	Conf.	V_{oc} (V)	J_{sc} (mA/cm ²)	FF (%)	PCE (%)
CuI/MASI/ZnO	n-i-p	1.02	33.81	83.13	28.64
CuI/MASI/PCBM/ZnO	n-i-p	1.02	33.84	83.10	28.65
CuI/MASI/C ₆₀ /ZnO	n-i-p	1.02	33.92	77.78	26.92
CuI/MASI/ZnO	p-i-n	1.02	32.26	84.33	27.71
CuI/MASI/PCBM/ZnO	p-i-n	1.02	32.38	84.17	27.80
CuI/MASI/C ₆₀ /ZnO	p-i-n	1.02	32.26	79.01	25.99

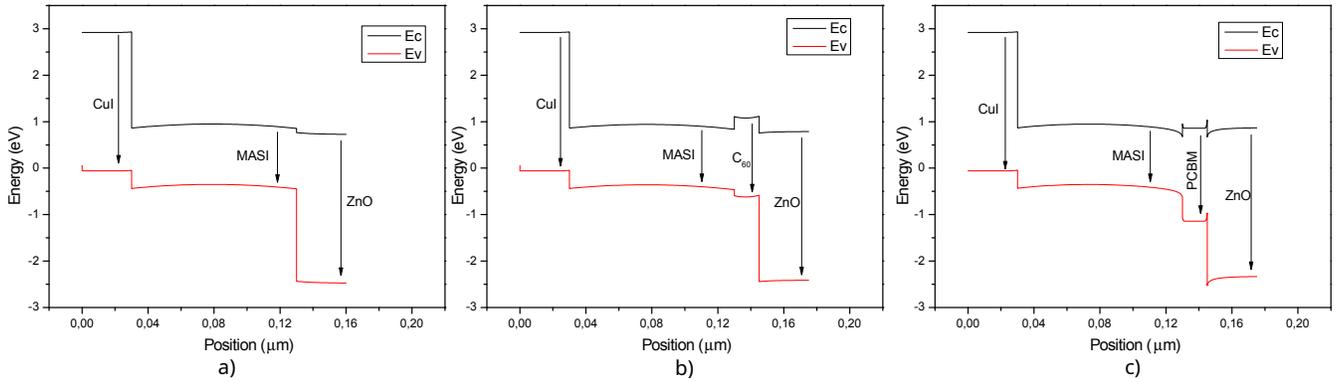


Figure S2: Energy diagram of simulated inverted PSCs. a) CuI/MASI/ZnO, b) CuI/MASI/C₆₀/ZnO, c) CuI/MASI/PCBM/ZnO, using $N_t=4.5 \times 10^{17} \text{ cm}^{-3}$ and MASI thickness at 150 nm.

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