

Effect of Organic Cation on Defect States of $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbI}_3$ Perovskite Films Prepared by an Ultrasonically Sprayed- Nebulous Deposition Method

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Methyl ammonium lead iodine $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbI}_3$ based perovskite with low degree of disorder is of great interest for optoelectronic and photovoltaic applications. In this work, a layer of $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbI}_3$ has been successfully deposited on fluorine doped tin oxide (FTO) coated on glass by an ultrasonically sprayed-nebulous method. Changes in their structural and optical properties along with details of photo-induced charge separation and transportation behaviors upon the perovskite conversions induced by the amount of organic cation are systematically examined by X-ray diffractometry (XRD), UV-vis spectroscopy and surface photovoltage spectroscopy (SPV), respectively. The SPV spectra reveal a significant reduction of the deep defect states when increasing the number of organic content, which is indicative on a passivation of the defects. The Urbach energy (E_u) related to the degree of disorder in the films is quantified from the absorbance spectra, from which the measured values of E_u decrease from 33.36 to 28.24 meV as the amount of organic content is increased to the optimum condition. We present that the utilization of ultrasonically sprayed-aerosols deposition has a potential for fabricating high quality of $\text{CH}_3\text{NH}_3\text{PbI}_3$ perovskite.

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