

# Inorganic quantum dots for solar cell applications

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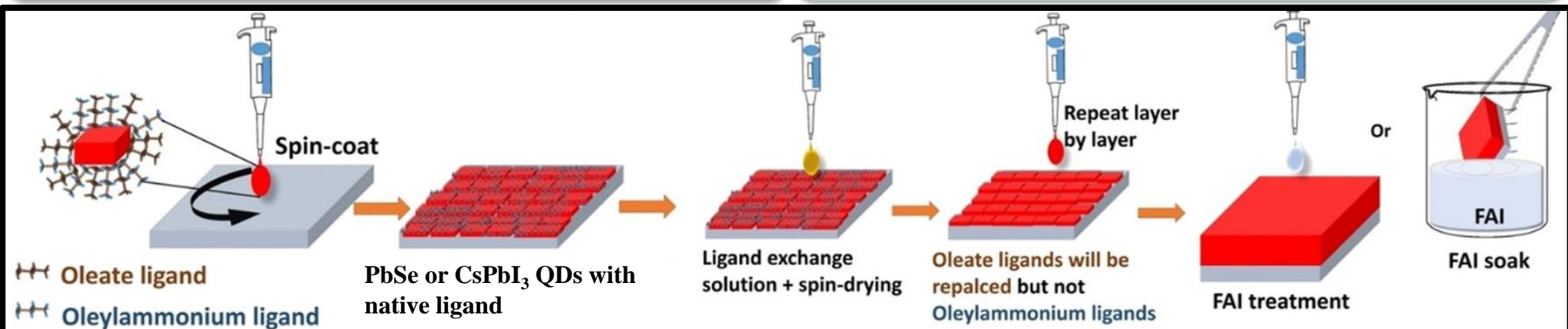
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## Introduction

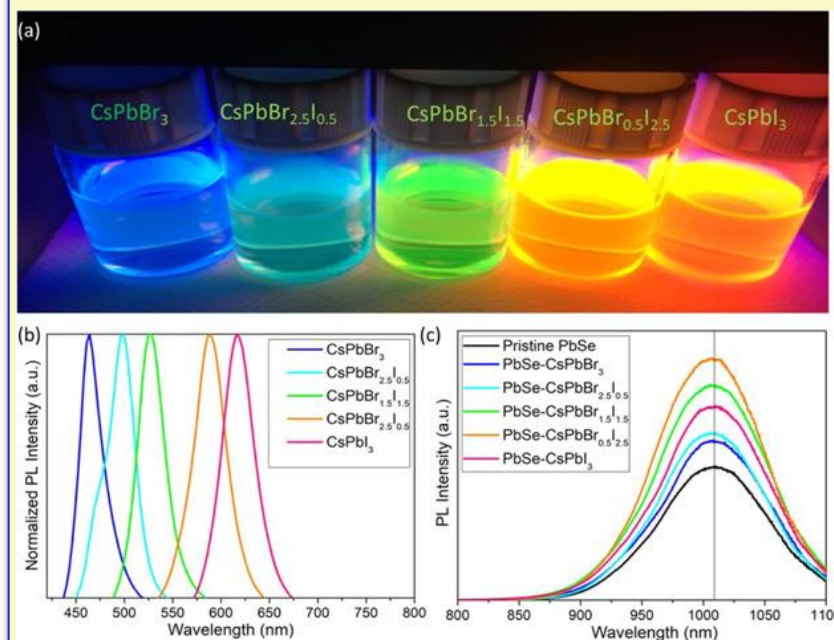
- Colloidal quantum dots (QDs) are promising photovoltaic materials
- Colloidal QDs offer unique features such as ease of synthesis, tunability of bandgap, tunable surface chemistry and high PLQY.
- Superior transparency over bulk perovskites

## Methodologies

- Synthesis: Typical hot injection method or room temperature synthesis
- Fabrication: spin-coating, spray coating
- Layer-by-layer (LBL) fabrication builds optimum thickness
- Ligand exchanging : Solid phase or solution phase
- Device: regular structure (n-i-p) or inverted (p-i-n)

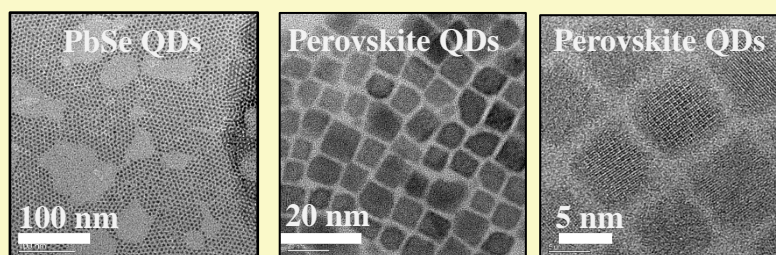


## Properties



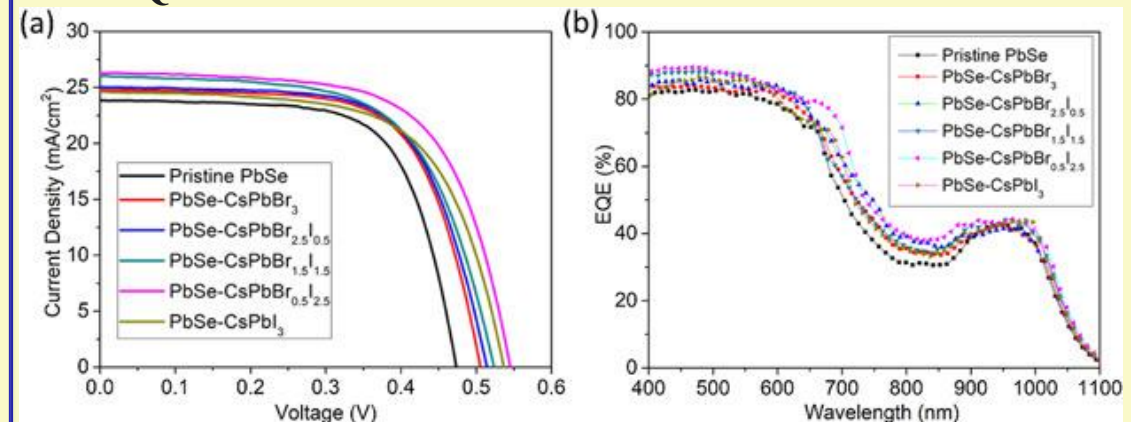
a) Photo of perovskite nanocrystals under UV illumination. b) Steady state PL spectra of the samples. c) The steady state PL spectra of pristine PbSe and treated PbSe QDs [Hu *et al.*]

## Transmission electron microscope images



## Device characterisation

### PbSe QDs solar cell

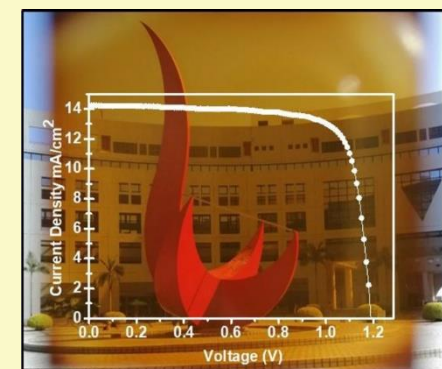


Current density-voltage (*J-V*) (a) and EQE (b) curves of the champion devices fabricated from pristine PbSe QDs and five samples of treated PbSe QDs.

### CsPbI<sub>3</sub> QDs solar cell



SEM cross-section of the device



Current density-voltage (*J-V*) of CsPbI<sub>3</sub> QDs

**Pristine PbSe:**  $V_{oc}=0.49$ ,  $J_{sc}=23.9$ ,  $FF=0.60$  PCE =7.0 %

**Champion PbSe-CsPbBr<sub>0.5</sub>I<sub>0.5</sub>:**  $V_{oc}=0.49$ ,  $J_{sc}=23.9$ ,  $FF=0.60$  PCE =7.0 %

**Inverted CsPbI<sub>3</sub>:**  $V_{oc}=1.19$ ,  $J_{sc}=14.20$ ,  $FF=0.77$  PCE =13.10 %

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