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**Figure S1**. Histograms of  $J_{SC}$ ,  $V_{OC}$  and *FF* measured for 68 separate aqueous-precursor devices (black) and 51 separate anhydrous-precursor (grey) devices.



Table S1. Average device parameters for different precursor devices.

Precursor	# of devices	$J_{\rm SC}$ [mA cm <sup>-2</sup> ]	<i>V</i> <sub>OC</sub> [V]	FF (%)	PCE [%]
Aqueous	68	$21.7\pm0.5$	$1.07\pm0.02$	$78.1\pm2.0$	$18.7\pm0.7$
Anhydrous	51	$21.9\pm0.5$	$1.07\pm0.02$	$78.2\pm1.6$	$18.6\pm0.5$

**Figure S2**. The contact angle of anhydrous solvent and aqueous-containing solvent on the ITO/PEDOT substrates. The anhydrous solvent quickly spreads once dropped onto the substrate and resulted in a contact angle close to  $0^{\circ}$ ; the contact angle of the aqueous solvent on the substrate is  $8^{\circ}$ .



**Figure S3.** Calculation of grain size by XRD. (a) X-ray diffraction data peak profile fitting. For the anhydrous set, FWHMs are 0.2318° and 0.267°; for aqueous set are 0.194° and 0.218°. For the anhydrous set there are actually two close peaks that are deconvoluted around  $2\theta = 28^{\circ}$  (28.257° and 28.543°). Only the FWHM for the dominant peak, which is in the same (*hh*0) family, is used for crystal size calculations. (b) Williamson-Hall plot for the anhydrous film gives a volume average grain size in the film normal as 754 Å. Note that the main peaks in both sets are predominately Gaussian in shape and the instrument broadening is subtracted accordingly. The FWHM for the aqueous film is essentially identical to that measured from NIST certified LaB<sub>6</sub> powder so the grain size is larger than the instrument resolution ( $\geq 2500$  Å) for the aqueous set.  $\beta_{obs}$  is the observed integral breadth and  $\beta_{inst}$  is the instrumental integral breadth.



**Figure S4**. Absorption and quantum efficiency of H<sub>2</sub>O-20% precursor device. Absorption spectrum and quantum efficiency of a H<sub>2</sub>O-20% precursor based perovskite film and device, respectively. The absorption spectrum of the device is measured in the reflection mode as A = (1-R) and the *IQE* is calculated as *EQE/A*.



Figure S5. Stability test of an organic solar cell tested in parallel with the perovskite cells.







**Figure S7**. Photograph of perovskite solar cells. Photograph of perovskite solar cells (back side) after 100 hours of continuous illumination showing a cloudy formation on the Ag electrodes.



Figure S8. Stability test for an un-encapsulated aqueous-containing precursor device.

