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Solar Cells Reporting Summary

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ü Experimental design

| 1. | Dimensions | | |
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| | Area of the tested solar cells | Yes No | Described in "Methods" section. The area of 4.1 mm^2. |
| | Method used to determine the device area | X Yes | Described in "Methods" section. Aperture of 4.095 mm^2 used to determine the area. The area is confirmed by the National Institute of Metrology (NIM, Beijing). |
| 2. | Current-voltage characterization | | |
| | Current density-voltage (J-V) plots in both forward and backward direction | Yes No | Reported in Supplementary Figure 6. |
| | Voltage scan conditions For instance: scan direction, speed, dwell times | Yes No | Described in "Methods" section. Cells are measured in both forward and backward directions with a step voltage of 0.04 V. The dwell time is 0.2 s for every point. |
| | Test environment For instance: characterization temperature, in air or in glove box | Yes No | Described in "Methods" section. The J-V characteristics were conducted in glove box at the temperature of 25 °C. |
| | Protocol for preconditioning of the device before its characterization | Yes No | No preconditioning of the device before its characterization. |
| | Stability of the J-V characteristic Verified with time evolution of the maximum power point or with the photocurrent at maximum power point; see <u>ref. 7</u> for details. | Yes No | Photocurrent tracked at maximum power point for about 400 min is provided in Supplementary Figure 3. |
| 3. | Hysteresis or any other unusual behaviour | | |
| | Description of the unusual behaviour observed during the characterization | Yes No | Supplementary Figure 6 shows there is no hysteresis during the characterization. |
| | Related experimental data | Yes No | Data shown in Supplementary Figure 6 in the supplementary file. |
| 4. | Efficiency | | |
| | External quantum efficiency (EQE) or incident photons to current efficiency (IPCE) | Yes No | EQE spectra of cells are shown in Supplementary Figure 2. |
| | A comparison between the integrated response under the standard reference spectrum and the response measure under the simulator | Yes No | Integrated EQE under AM1.5 is comparable to current density under solar simulator. |
| | For tandem solar cells, the bias illumination and bias voltage used for each subcell | Yes No | No tandem cells are reported in the work. |
| 5. | Calibration | | |
| | Light source and reference cell or sensor used for the characterization | Yes No | Described in "Methods" section. The light source is a solar simulator (Newport, Sol3A) . |
| | Confirmation that the reference cell was calibrated | Yes No. | Described in "Methods" section. The reference silicon cell was certified by NIST (Newport 532 ISO1599). |

| | Calculation of spectral mismatch between the reference cell and the devices under test | Yes No | Mismatch is not calculated. |
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| 6. | Mask/aperture | | |
| | Size of the mask/aperture used during testing | Yes No | Described in "Methods" section. Aperture area of 4.095 mm^2 was used. |
| | Variation of the measured short-circuit current density with the mask/aperture area | Yes No | Described in "Methods" section. There is no variation. |
| 7. | Performance certification | | |
| | Identity of the independent certification laboratory that confirmed the photovoltaic performance | Yes No | This work focuses on a mechanically robust new interlayer. |
| | A copy of any certificate(s) Provide in Supplementary Information | Yes No | N/A |
| 8. | Statistics | | |
| | Number of solar cells tested | Yes No | 12 to 28 cells for different types of cells were tested. |
| | Statistical analysis of the device performance | Yes No | Statistical analysis are provided in Supplementary Figure 4. |
| 9. | Long-term stability analysis | | |
| | Type of analysis, bias conditions and environmental conditions For instance: illumination type, temperature, atmosphere humidity, encapsulation method, preconditioning temperature | Yes No | A cell is tested under one-sun solar simulation illumination for 200 h (Supplementary Figure 5). |