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Optimization of Multilayer Perovskite Solar Cells through Experimental and Simulation Studies

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Outline

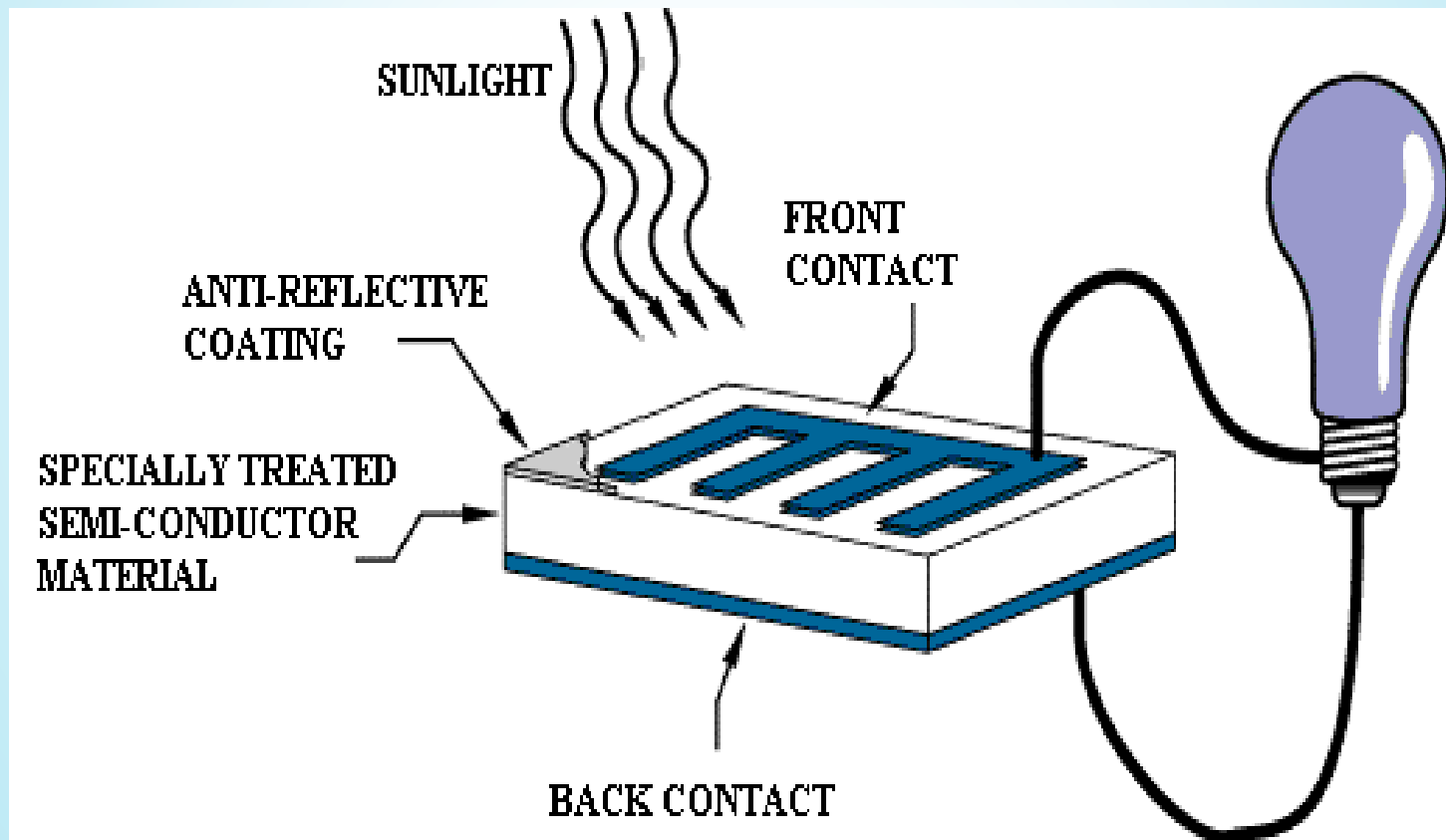
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- **Summary & Conclusions**

- Green energy generating
- The technology which convert the light energy to electrical energy is called photovoltaic (PV) technology [1].



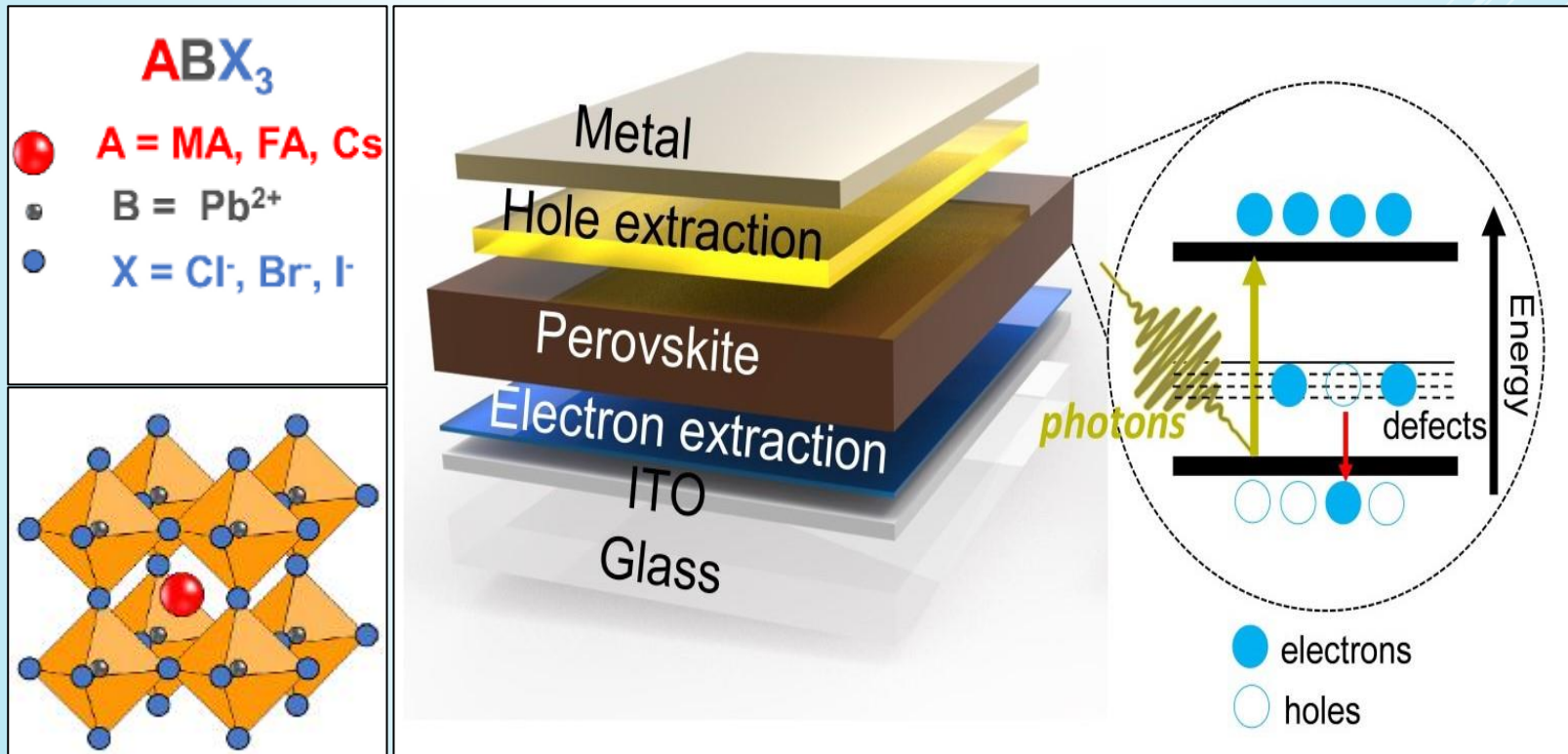
Solar cell and its structure

- Sandwich of active layer (semiconductor material) between two electrodes



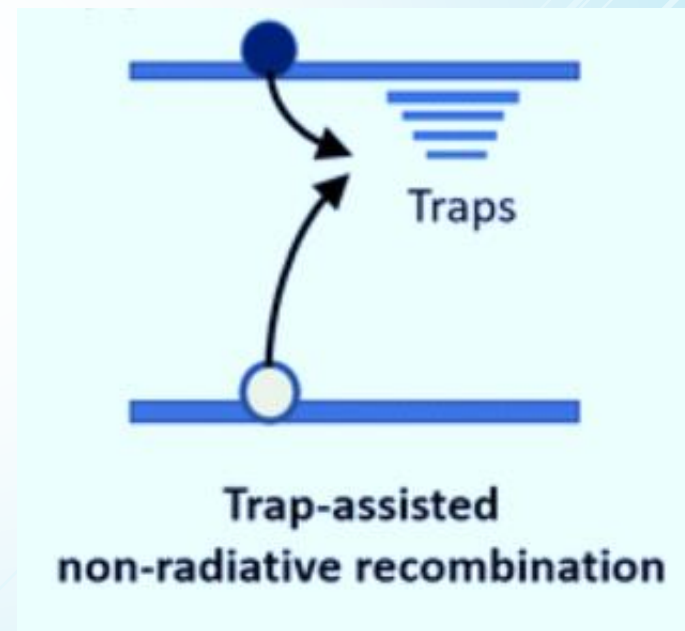
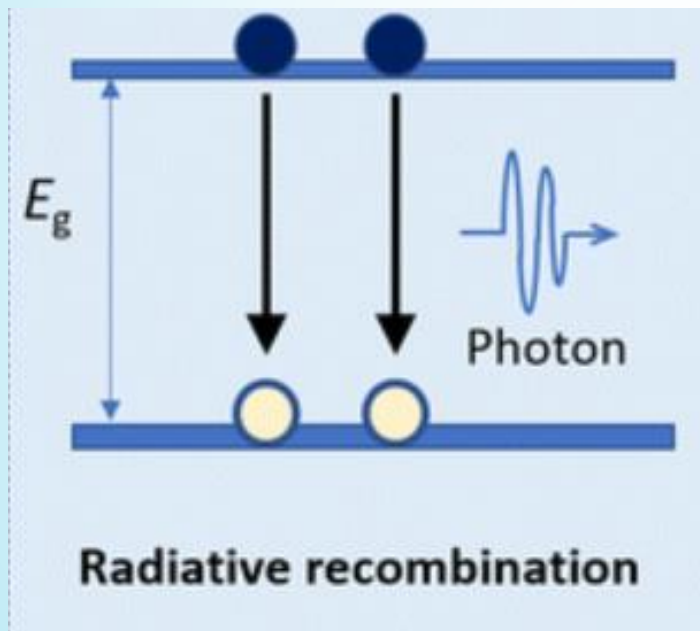
Perovskite solar cell

- Third generation of solar cells
- Remarkable progress in recent years with rapid increases in efficiency, from 3% in 2009 to over 25% today [2-3].



Recombination

- Radiative and non-radiative recombination
- Radiative recombination is typically less significant compared to non-radiative recombination.



Using of PtQD as dopant in ETL

- Platinum Quantum Dots (PtQD) in Electron Transport Layer (ETL).
- Can help us to reduce non-radiative recombination.
- Increase the extraction of electrons



Fabrication steps:

Substrate washing



deionized water (15min)
Ethanol (15min)
Acetone (15min)
UV ozone cleaner (30min)



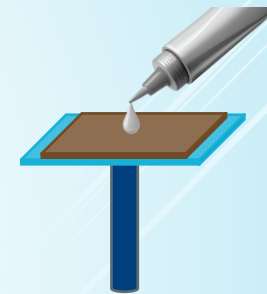
TiO₂



50 μ l
3000rpm (20sec)
100°C (15min)



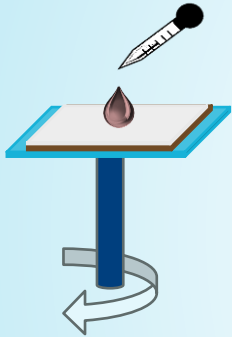
PtQD Paste



Annealed
500°C (15min)

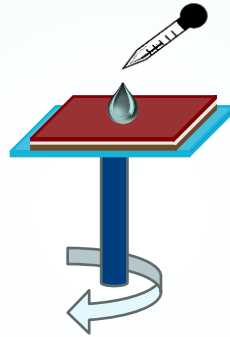
Fabrication steps:

Perovskite (MAPbI₃)



50 μ l
3000rpm (20sec)
100°C (15min)

Spiro-OMeTAD

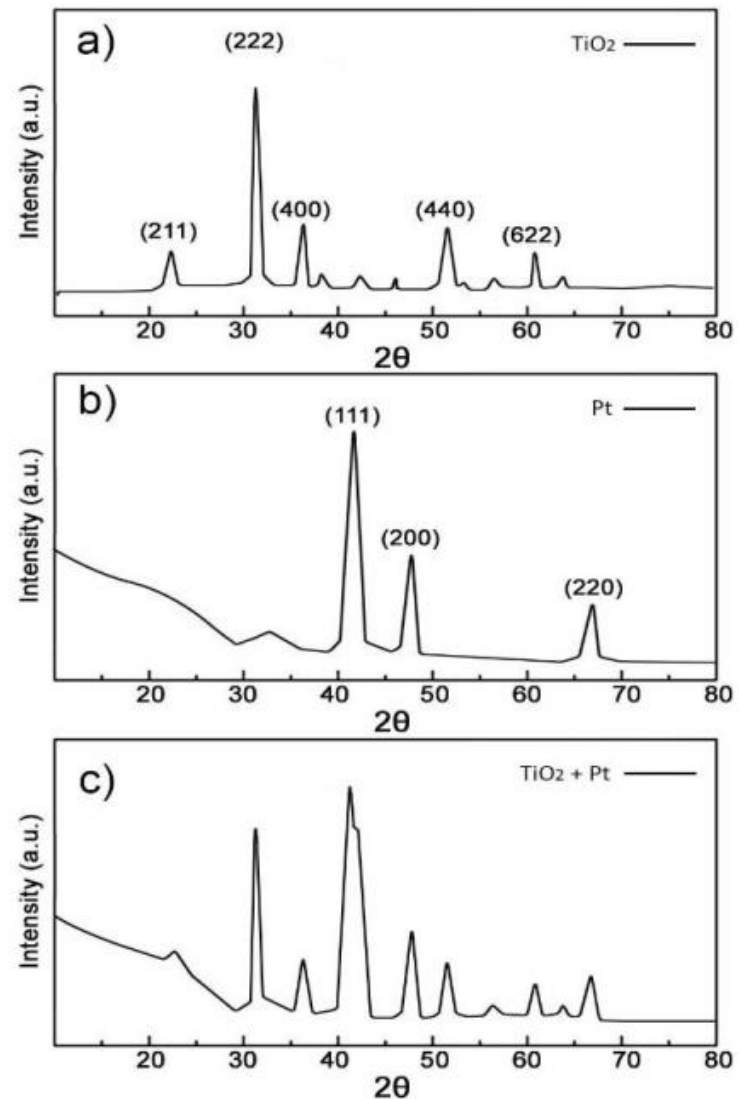
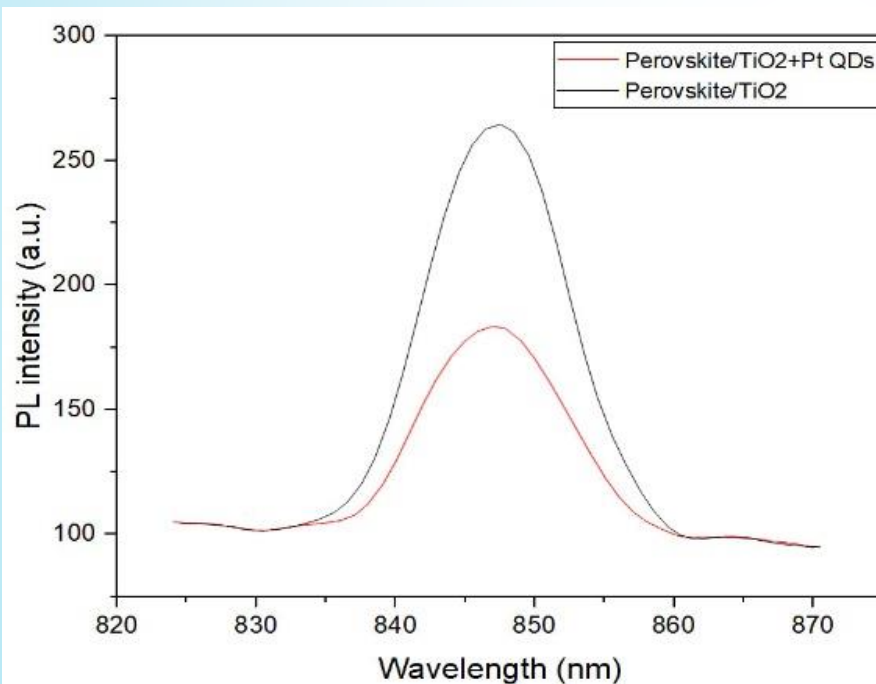


50 μ l
4000rpm (20sec)
100°C (15min)

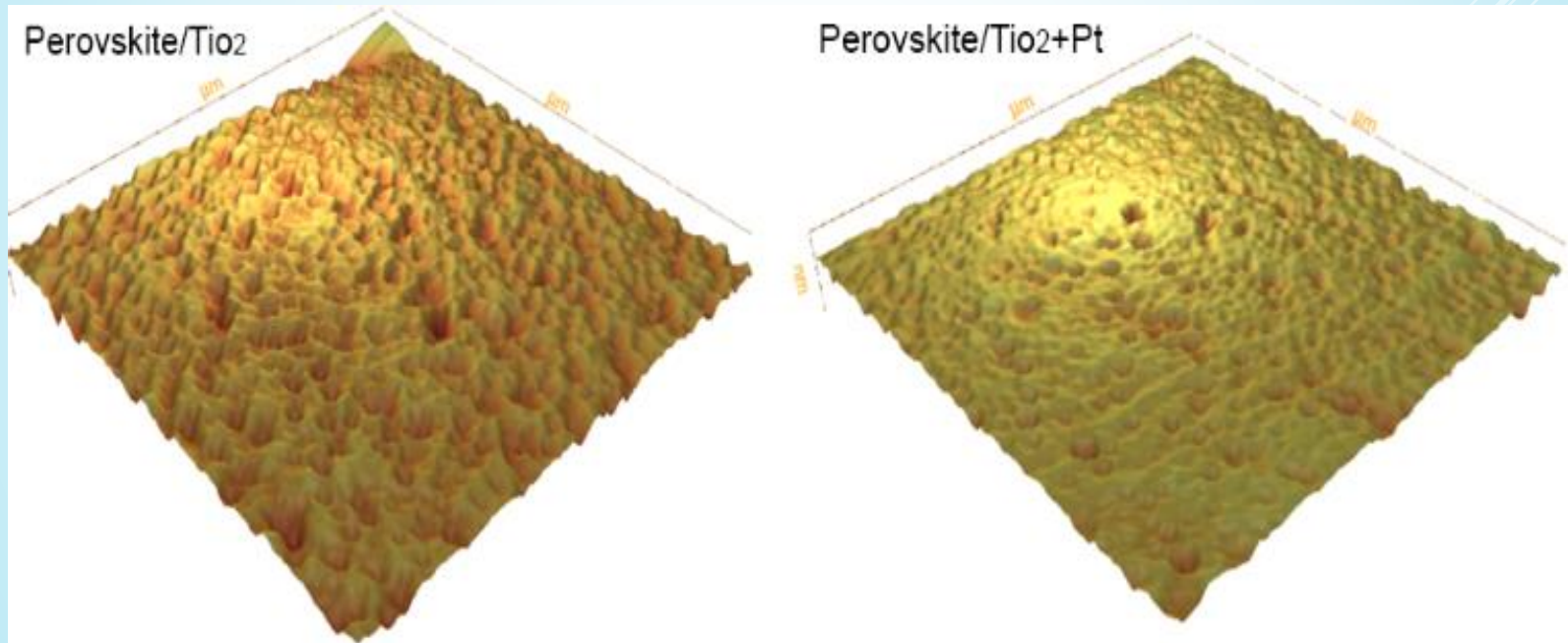
Ag electrode evaporating



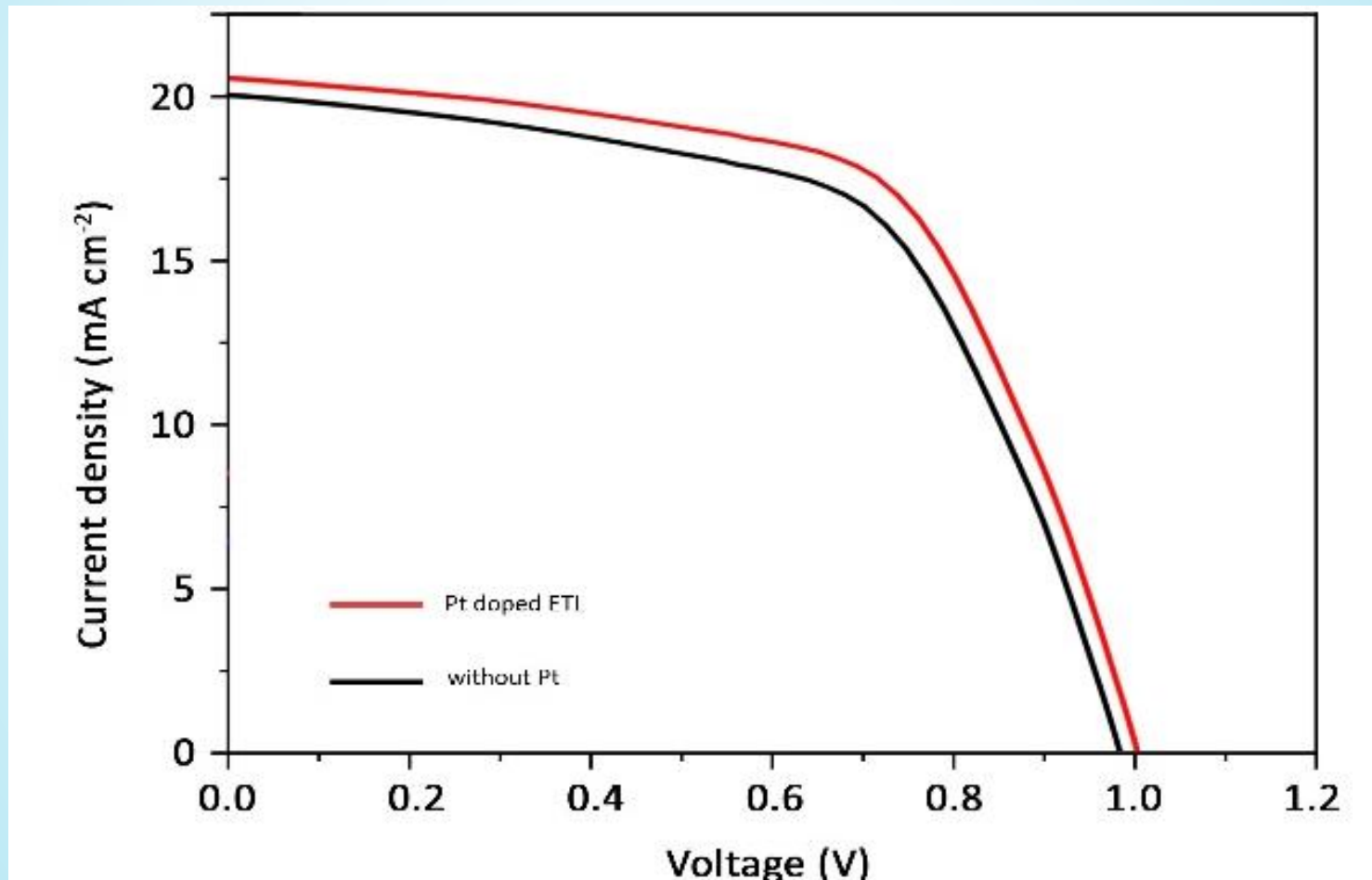
- X-ray diffraction (XRD)
- Photoluminescence
- Good penetration of PtQD particles
- Reduction of recombination



- Atomic Force Microscopy AFM → improvement in the surface morphology



- Efficiency from 13.32% to 14.11%



Importance of Simulation in SC



- Result in short time
- High accuracy
- Ease in optimization



- Using of metal ions to the electron transport layers can be used as an effective method to reduce recombination loss and increase the efficiency of perovskite solar cells.
- Simulation of semiconductors devices will help us in optimization of it.
- Expecting to reach 25% or higher efficiency.



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Any Questions?



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