

# Highly Stable and Efficient Perovskite Solar Cells with Graphene-Based Functional Nanocomposites

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## Abstract

For practical use of perovskite solar cells (PSCs) the instability issues of devices, attributed to degradation of perovskite molecules by moisture, ions migration, and thermal- and light-instability, have to be solved. Furthermore, most of presented high efficiency PSCs utilize halogenated antisolvents such as toluene and chlorobenzene to assist perovskite crystal growth with large grain-size and high uniformity, but they are toxic and detrimental to environment. To solve such issues, we developed simple methods for production of functional nanocomposites such as Ag-graphene, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/graphene, NiO-graphene, perovskite/Ag-graphene and perovskite/NiO-graphene, and utilized them for the fabrication of PSCs. We reported highly efficient and stable PSCs based on perovskite/Ag-reduced graphene oxide (Ag-rGO) and mesoporous Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/graphene (mp-AG) composites. The mp-AG composite was conductive with one-order of magnitude higher mobility than mp-TiO<sub>2</sub> and used for electron transport layer (ETL). Compared to the mp-TiO<sub>2</sub> ETL based cells, the champion device based on perovskite/Ag-rGO and SrTiO<sub>3</sub>/mp-AG composites showed overall a best performance (i.e.,  $V_{OC} = 1.057$  V,  $J_{SC} = 25.75$  mA/cm<sup>2</sup>, FF = 75.63 % and PCE = 20.6 %). More importantly, the champion device without encapsulation exhibited not only remarkable thermal- and photo-stability but also long-term stability with retaining 97-99 % of the initial values of photovoltaic parameters with sustaining ~ 93% of initial PCE over 300 days under ambient conditions.

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