

Halide Perovskite Nanocrystals: Synthesis and Optical Properties

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Lead Halide Perovskites (APbX₃)

Hard to misplace ions in the structure



Reduced carrier scattering/recombination by the formation of polarons



Hard to form mid-gap trap states



Perovskite solar cells at 25.2% efficiency in 2019 in single-junction architectures



Akkerman, et al. Nat. Mater. 2018, 17, 394-405; Shamsi et al., Chem. Rev. 2019, 119, 3296–3348

https://www.nrel.gov/pv/assets/pdfs/bestresearch-cell-efficiencies.20190802.pdf

Lead Halide Perovskite (APbX₃) Nanocrystals

As in bulk crystals and thin films, properties are tunable by changing both the "A" cations and the X anions

Nanocrystals (NCs), even more tunable in their properties *via* quantum confinement effects

Good size and shape control, high PLQY!







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Lead Halide Perovskite Nanocrystals: Applications from our group/collaborations

Electroluminescent LEDs



Shamsi, J. et al. ACS Nano 2017, 11, 10206-10213

Luminescent solar concentrators

Meinardi, F. et al. ACS Energy Lett. 2017, 2, 2368-2377.



Solar cells

Gandini, M. et al. Nature Nanotech. 2020, 15, 462-468

security

high energy physics

medical imaging

Syntheses using Benzoyl Halides: introducing Pb and X precursors separately!



M. Imran et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2018, 140, 2656-2664



Low threshold for amplified spontaneous emission (ASE) in APbBr₃ NC films



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Right ligands are important in stabilizing nanocrystals



Same ligand exchange, but for CsPb_{1-x}Cd_xBr₃: Preservation of PLQY and blue emission



M. Imran et al. *ACS Energy Lett.* **2019**, 4, 819–824 M. Imran et al. *Chem. Mater.* **2020**, 32, 24, 10641–10652



Robust silica-halide perovskite nanocomposites grown in molten salts



Mai, N. A. et al. ACS Energy Lett. **2021**, *6*, 900–907

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Polymer-Encapsulated APbX₃ Nanocrystals



poly(acrylic acid)-block-polystyrene (PAA-b-PS)

PAA core and PS outer shell

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Switchable Anion Exchange in Polymer-Encapsulated APbX₃ **Nanocrystals Delivers Stable All-Perovskite White Emitters**

Cs_{0.5}FA_{0.5}PbX₃NCs



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Different Halide Perovskites





Benzoyl chlorides for the synthesis of double perovskite nanocrystals



Emission from a Self-trapped exciton

Weak and broad PL (PLQY 1.6%)





Adapted from M. Cong et al. Sci. Bull. 2020, 65, 1078-1084

Mn:Cs,AgInCl, NCs 105°C Dyphenil Ether *Mn(ac) Oleylamine Oleic Acid Ag(ac) In(ac) Heating Mantle Cs(oleate) а PLE ($\lambda em = 620 nm$) b PLE ($\lambda em = 620nm$) PL ($\lambda exc = 310$ nm) PL (λ exc = 290nm) Optical density Intensity (a.u.) Optical density Absorbance (a.u.) 0.5% Mn 1.5% Mn **PLQY 16% PLQY 7%** 300 400 500 600 700 800 300 400 500 600 700 800 С Wavelength (nm) Wavelength (nm) d Normalized PL Intensity 100 Wavelength (nm) 000 000 001 Mn 10% Mn 20% Mn 30% 10-1 500 10-2 5 0 1 2 3 4 6 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 Time (ms) Time (ms)

Benzoyl chlorides for the synthesis of double perovskite nanocrystals

Orange emission due to $^6T_1 \rightarrow {}^6A_1$ Transitions of Mn^{2+} dopants



F. Locardi et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2018, 140,12989-12995

Emissive Double Perovskite Bi-doped Cs₂Ag_{1-x}Na_xInCl₆ Nanocrystals



Corresponding bulk crystals reported by Sargent's group in Nature 563, 541–545 (2018), showing up to 86% PLQY

F. Locardi et al. ACS Energy Lett. 2019, 4, 1976–1982

Emissive Double Perovskite Bi-doped Cs₂Ag_{1-x}Na_xInCl₆ Nanocrystals



center of the supercell of $Cs_2NaInCl_6$

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F. Locardi et al. ACS Energy Lett. 2019, 4, 1976–1982

Surface passivation is critical to achieve high PL QY in double perovskite NCs



According to NMR, both carboxylic acids and amines are present and intermixed on the surface of double perovskite nanocrystals





B. Zhang, at al. ACS Mater. Lett. 2020, 2, 11, 1442–1449

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The displacement of CsCl ion pairs from the surface of the NCs simulates a partial decapping of the NCs

Deep states inside the band gap are easily formed in this material

B. Zhang, at al. ACS Mater. Lett. 2020, 2, 11, 1442–1449

Surface Tolerance: AB(II)X₃ Perovskites versus Double Perovskites and 0D systems



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