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#### **Abstract**

Lead halide perovskite solar cells (LHPSC) are of great potential for commercial application with conversion efficiency exceeding 20%. But the toxic nature of lead, fabrication of perovskite solar cell is still not considered for commercial applications. Methylammonium tin halide perovskite (MASnI<sub>3</sub>) is being used as an alternate absorber layer for replacement of LHPSC but the power conversion efficiency (PCE) achieved from MASnI<sub>3</sub> solar cell is still far less from LHPSC. To investigate the limitation of MASnI<sub>3</sub> solar cell performance numerical analysis was performed. For device modeling different electron transport layer (ETL) and methylammonium tin halide (MASnBr<sub>3</sub>) as hole transport layer (HTL) was used. From analysis it was revealed that open circuit voltage ( $V_{0c}$ ), short cicuit current ( $J_{sc}$ ), fill factor (FF) and PCE are highly depended on ETL conduction band offset (CBO) between ETL/Absorber (MASnI<sub>3</sub>) interface, thickness of ETL and donor doping concentration of ETL. With +CBO at junction a "cliff" is formed at the interface, this leads to high interface recombination because of built in potential to separate charge carriers. In contrast to –CBO a "spike" suppress interface recombination but a larger value of spike will lead to degradation of device performance. For selection of ETL, a moderate value of –CBO

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