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**Abstract.** The Organic Perovskite Solar Cells (OPSCs) exhibit several distinctive properties of their optoelectronic response. In this paper, OPSCs which have harvesting light of materials, MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> and MAPbICl<sub>2</sub>, with Cu<sub>2</sub>O as hole transport materials (HTM) were synthesized. Optical and structural properties for the perovskite materials and HTM layers of OPSCs were investigated. Finally, the I-V curves of the OPSCs were measured via Integrated cell tester included the I-V Photovoltaic measurements system and the Solar simulator system. The Power Conversion Efficiencies (PCE) of OPSCs were (3.22%) and (2.49%) to the devices which have MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> or MAPbICl<sub>2</sub> as absorption layers, respectively. Measurements were tested at light Intensity (100Wm<sup>-2</sup>).

## INTRODUCTION

In the past decade, perovskite materials have been attracted researchers with great interest because of their electrical, optical properties and good catalysts, which have important in solar cell applications. OPSCs were considered highly efficient and easy manufacture in simple ways from low cost materials [1]. Many researchers in previous literatures have studied in detail of experimental part and how to prepare solar cells. Copper oxide (Cu<sub>2</sub>O), a semiconductor of known P-type material, was studied as HTM of OPSCs and contributed to reducing the energy loss due to higher mobility of Cu<sub>2</sub>O, low Cu<sub>2</sub>O/perovskite interface recombination loss, and better perovskite crystallinity on Cu<sub>2</sub>O film. OPSCs –based on Cu<sub>2</sub>O demonstrate a good performance of the photo-voltaic devices by improving the open-circuit voltage and the high short current of the test report of solar profile cells, thus improving the efficiency of the energy conversion to OPSCs. [2]. In the literatures survey, Several researchers detailed studied theoretical predictions in perovskite solar cells using computational programs such as VESTA and Gaussian programs. The lattice structures of the Perovskite materials were investigated and analyzed through the study of the density function theory (DFT) [3,4]. Therefore, the researchers deem that the correlation between the experimental data of optical properties and its compatibility with the theoretical study of the energy gaps and the bands of VBM and CBM of Perovskite materials have been not studied in the previous literature. Hence, in the current work, the fit studying between the empirical data of the optical and structural properties of the Perovskite materials and the theoretical data of obtained parameters of these properties using Gaussian 09 package have been conducted, and comparative studying have been achieved. The structural and optical properties of the perovskite, ETM and HTM layers were investigated with computational calculations characterized by detailed electronic properties through the Gaussian\_09W\_9.5\_Revision\_D.01 and Chem3D Ultra 10.0 programs. Harte-Fock with DFT was employed to calculate and characterize parameters as energy level of highest occupied molecular orbital (HOMO), energy level of lowest unoccupied molecular orbital (LUMO) and HOMO-LUMO energy gap. In addition, the simple methods

of deposition of HTM, ETM and Perovskite materials such as electrophoretic deposition technique (EPD), drop casting method for OPSCs were prepared in the present work.

## BASIC THEORY

The optical properties of perovskite thin films were studied. The Absorption coefficient ( $\alpha$ ), were measured as function of energy of photon incident. Equation (2) is based on the Beer-Lambert law for optical absorption, where  $I_0$  is the intensity of the incident light and  $I$  is the intensity of the transmitted light of the film with thickness ( $t$ ), Absorbance ( $A$ ), and the Absorption coefficient ( $\alpha$ ) which shown in the following equation [5]:

$$\alpha = \frac{1}{t} * \ln\left(\frac{I_0}{I}\right) = 2.303 * \frac{A}{t} \quad (1)$$

We calculated the direct optical band gap , $E_g$ , of the perovskite thin films from the equation (2) [6]:

$$hv * \alpha = B * [hv - E_g]^{1/2} \quad (2)$$

Where,  $h$  is the Planck constant, ( $\alpha$ ) is the absorption coefficient,  $v$  is the light frequency,  $E_g$  is the optical energy gap and  $B$  is empirical constant. The open voltage circuit ( $V_{oc}$ ) of Photovoltaic solar cells can be expressed as function of  $E_g$  as the following equation.

$$qV_{oc} = E_g - E_{loss} \quad (3)$$

Where  $q$  represents the elementary charge and  $E_{loss}$  denotes to the loss in potential.

## COMPUTATIONAL CALCULATIONS

In this research, the experimental results of FTIR were enhanced with the analysis of the Chem3D Ultra 10.0 program. The program of Gaussian 09W 9.5 Revision D.01 was employed to investigate the optimized of molecular structure in the unit cell of the crystal of the perovskite materials. An addition, the optical properties of this materials were confirmed with the electronic results of Gauss-View 5.0 program as HOMO and LUMO electrons distribution and the HOMO-LUMO energy gap. The Ground States, Hartree-Fock with SDD, method was chosen to get the best of data analysis of perovskite compounds. Both of the Perdew–Burke–Ernzerhof (PBE) exchange–correlation functional and the Heyd–Scuseria–Ernzerhof (HSE) hybrid functional were used to calculated the band structures and density of states of  $ABX_3$ . The valence band is found to be made up by an anti-bonding linear combination of B s states and X p states, whereas the bands made up by the p anti-bonding states of B p and X p dominate the bottom of conduction band. The strong anti-bonding Bs–X p state may be more delocalized than the X p of the perovskite solar cell<sup>3</sup>. In the present work, we were computed the density of states(DOS) of Perovskite materials  $ABX_3$  (A= $CH_3NH_3$ ; B= Pb; X=Cl, Br, I) and estimated band gap energy by using of the equation (4)[7].

$$DOS = \sum_{l=0}^1 \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{\frac{(2l+1)!}{4\pi}} \left(\frac{1}{2^l l!}\right) |\langle \alpha_i | \beta_i \rangle|^2 E_i \quad (4)$$

Where  $\langle \alpha_i | \beta_i \rangle$  is overlap integral,  $\alpha_i$  and  $\beta_i$  are the matrixes coefficients of Molecular Orbital of Alpha electron with spin (1/2) and Beta electron with spin (-1/2), respectively.  $E_i$  is eigenvalues of energy matrix and  $l$  is angular momentum ( $l = 0, 1$ ).

## EXPERIMENTAL

Preparation of Organic Perovskite Materials (OPM) is reported in Ref [8,9, 10 and 11]. Methylamine Iodide ( $CH_3NH_3I$ ) is prepared by reacting 24ml of Methylamine in 100 ml of Ethanol (BDH-LTD) with 10 ml of Hydro-Iodic acid (HI) 57% of weight in water (BDH-LTD) under ice bath stirring for 1 h. following by drying at

100 °C, a white powder is formed, which is placed overnight in a vacuum oven before use. To obtain the perovskite precursor solution, we dissolved both 0.158 g of the CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>I and 0.122g of the PbBr<sub>2</sub> (BDH-LTD) in anhydrous N,N DiMethyl Formamide (DMF) (Sigma Aldrich). 10 ml of solution preparation added to 0.15 g of Nano particle > 30 nm of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> powder (China of origin) to obtain precursor solution as scaffold perovskite of CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>IPbBr<sub>2</sub>. As the same method, we dissolved both 0.158 g of the CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>I and 0.092 g of the PbCl<sub>2</sub> (BDH-LTD) in (DMF). 10 ml of solution preparation added to 0.15 g of Nano particle > 30 nm of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> powder to obtain precursor solution as scaffold perovskite of CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>IPbCl<sub>2</sub>. The reactions is described as the following equations:



Preparation of compact layer ZnO of photo-electrode is a first fabricated by employment Aerosol Assisted Chemical Vapor Deposition (AACVD) technique via using Ultrasonic Atomizer (402AI) with ultrasonic frequency (1.5MHz) <sup>5</sup>. The precursor solution, which preparation of Nano particle > 20 nm of ZnO powder (China of origin) dispersed in ethanol solvent, is sprayed on per-heated Transparent Conductive Oxide (TCO) glass substrates of Fluorine-doped Tin Oxide (FTO) (Coated Sodaline float glass of Visiontek, sheet Resistance 8 Ω/□) at 450 °C, deposited time is 1h. The hot substrates are left to cold at room temperature, followed by, depositing scaffold perovskite precursor solution of CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbX<sub>3</sub> by spin coating at speed 2000 rpm and annealing at 100°C to obtain 2 samples of (FTO/Compact ZnO /ScaffoldCH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbX<sub>3</sub>) as shown in figure (1-a) which depicts the structure thin films of PhotoVoltaic (PV) device and figure (1-b) depicts the image of PV device. The temperature of the (FTO/Compact ZnO ) coated substrates is monitored by an infrared temperature digital indicator through the all experimental runs. Counter electrode is preparation by employment Electrophoretic deposition (EPD) [12] to deposited thin film of Cu<sub>2</sub>O on FTO electrode. To prepare the aqueous solution of Cu<sub>2</sub>O, 3.18 g of Cu<sub>2</sub>O is dissolving in 100 ml of 0.3M of Lactic Acid CH<sub>3</sub>CH(OH)COOH and equivalent ph = 4 via adding belts of NaOH. The electrolytic cell is a glass beaker containing the electrodes suspended in the Cu<sub>2</sub>O aqueous solution. The counter electrode consists of a square foil of Cu and the working electrode is FTO with the same geometry. Both electrodes had a specific surface of 4 cm<sup>2</sup>.

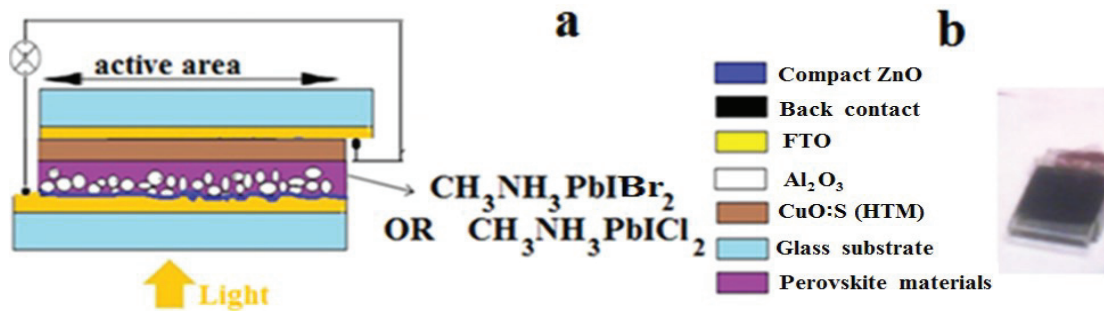


FIGURE 1. a: The structure thin films of PV device, b: image of PV device.

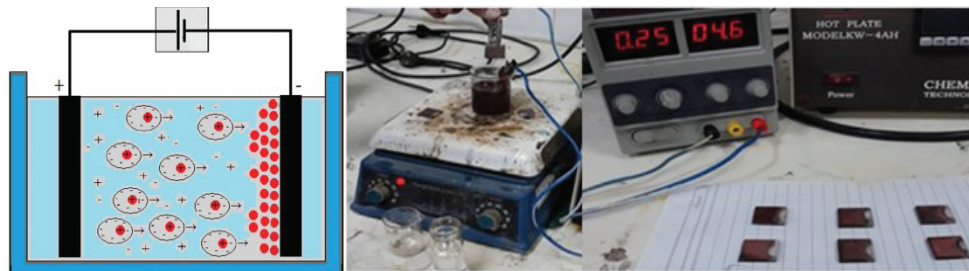


FIGURE 2. The image of (EPD) method.

The electrodes are assembled to a Digital power supply and maintained at a constant distance of 2 cm. The Cu<sub>2</sub>O aqueous solution was stirred with a magnetic stirrer at low speed to avoid aggregation during the deposition process. All of the experiments at constant current density conditions at 50 °C temperatures. EPD experiments runs were carried out applying Voltage (4.6 Volts) and current densities (62 mA/cm<sup>2</sup>) for 15 sec, as shown in figure (2).

Followed by, the sample is dipping in deionized water and dipping in 0.4M of CuS aqueous solution and annealing to 100 °C at 15 min. Scaffold perovskite precursor solutions of CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>IPbBr<sub>2</sub> or CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>IPbCl<sub>2</sub> are drop casting process on the samples of (FTO/Compact TiO<sub>2</sub> /Scaffold CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbX<sub>3</sub>) and assemble individually with Cu<sub>2</sub>O counter electrode followed by annealing at 100°C to obtain 2 samples of solar cells with configuration (FTO / Compact TiO<sub>2</sub> / Scaffold CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>IPbBr<sub>2</sub> or CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>IPbCl<sub>2</sub> / Cu<sub>2</sub>O / FTO ) , as showed in figure (1).

## CHARACTERIZATION OF CELLS, PERFORMANCE AND MEASUREMENTS EQUIPMENT'S

Composition and crystal structure studied by X- Ray Diffraction (XRD Shimadzu 6000, Cu-K $\alpha$ ) for perovskite coating. The structures of the perovskite crystals studied by images of Scanning Electron Microscope (SEM) (Bruker Nano GmbH, Germany). Light I-V Measurement Test Reports are recorded by Photovoltaic measurements system, composed of Oriel I-V test station using an Oriel Solar simulator. The solar simulator is class AAA for spectral performance, uniformity of irradiance, and temporal stability. The solar simulator is equipped with a 450 W xenon lamp. The output power is adjusted to match AM1.5 global sunlight (100 mW cm<sup>-2</sup>). I-V curves are obtained by applying an external bias to the cell and measuring the generated photocurrent with a Keithley model 2400 digital source meter .The transmittance of coated films is measured in the wavelength range of (400 - 800) nm using a (SPECTRO UV/Vis Double Beam (UVD-3500) Labomed ,Inc). A blank sample of substrate is used as a reference in the measurement of optical transmittance. The transmittance of the powder samples is measured in the wavenumber at range of (0 - 4000) cm<sup>-1</sup> by using a (SPECTRO FTIR TENSOR 27).

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

### Structural Studies

The FTIR spectral feature and peak positions for the Methyl Amine Ioded (MAI), as standard data, are computed via Chem3D Ultra 10.0 program and plotted in figure(3), data with black line ; C-N stretching vibrations from MAI at 1020-1220 cm<sup>-1</sup>; N-H stretching in the range about 1560 cm<sup>-1</sup> – 3500 cm<sup>-1</sup>; C-H stretching both located at 2920 cm<sup>-1</sup> [13]. The FTIR spectral of MAI prepared at the Present Work (P. W.), data curve with pink line, can be confirmed and identified of the spectral of FTIR data which calculated as the results of Chem3D Ultra 10.0 program, as showed in figure (3). The sample of the MAI powder preparation is tested at the rang of the wave number (0-4000)cm<sup>-1</sup>. XRD patterns of the mixed halide perovskite structure of MAPbI<sub>3</sub> sample (Red lines) is exhibited that the crystalline structure of the layers had the cubic MAPbBr<sub>3</sub> phase at the reflections positions (Red bars) of (100) and (200) [14,8] as shown in figure (4). The sample is achieved by deposited perovskite precursor solution using drop casting process on glass substrate and annealing at 100 °C. Figure(4) depicts the XRD pattern of MAPbI<sub>3</sub> thin film (blue line), which achieved by deposited perovskite precursor solution via using drop casting process on glass substrate and annealing at 100 °C. The reflections are indicated to the tetragonal MAPbI<sub>3</sub>. Reflections positions (blue bars) of (110) and (220) corresponding with tetragonal structure are indicated by ref [8 15] for comparative. XRD patterns of the mixed halide perovskite structure of MAPbI<sub>3</sub> sample annealed at 100 °C, blue line curve, is exhibited the tetragonal MAPbI<sub>3</sub> phase and can be confirmed by reflections positions of (110) and (220) [12 16]. The structure parameters a, b , c,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  which estimated of XRD data are inserted in table 1. Figure (5) shows the patterns XRD of the thin film of Cu<sub>2</sub>O on FTO electrode which was preparation by (EPD) technique Followed by dipping in deionized water and dipping in 0.4M of CuS aqueous solution and annealing to 100 °C at 15 min. The XRD patterns of the sample preparation appear with red curve line in the figure (5) the sample good quality coated with (EPD) technique. It has strongest pattern lines in the coated sample are (110), (101), (200), (211), (310) and (301) at  $2\theta = 26.578^\circ, 33.772, 37.768^\circ, 51.755, 62.004$  and  $65.740^\circ$ , respectively which is corresponding to SnO<sub>2</sub>(JCPDS-ICDD files # 46-1088). The sample coating have another strong pattern appeared in peaks are (110), (111), (200) and (220) at angle  $2\theta = 29.981^\circ, 37.768^\circ, 42.811^\circ$  and  $62.004^\circ$  which is identify for the Cu<sub>2</sub>O(JCPDS-ICDD file # 34-1354) on the sequences, as shown as in figure(5). Figure (6) shows the high-resolution Scanning Electron Micrographs (SEM) images of thin film of Cu<sub>2</sub>O has been electrophoretically deposited (EPD) on FTO electrode, the (SEM) images of which clearly shows the transformation from particles to aggregations structure. As can be seen from these micrographs, the structure of particles are nearly spherical in shape with reasonably uniform size distributions size (0.8- 1.5) $\mu\text{m}$ . scale bars of the images are (10 and 50) $\mu\text{m}$ , scanning with high voltage



5kV and magnification (5 and 1) kx, respectively. The uniform deposition and the penetration of Cu<sub>2</sub>O on FTO electrode could be seen in the Figure(6).

## Optical Studies

Figure 7(a) is illustrated the absorption of halide perovskite films and it clears more absorption to MAPbICl<sub>2</sub> than the sample MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> that which are measured in the wavelength range (400-800) nm using a (SPECTRO UV/VIS Double Beam (UVD-3500) Labomed, Inc.) and glass substrates as reference samples. Plots inset of  $(\alpha h\nu)^2$  versus photon energy ( $h\nu$ ) for the films perovskite deposited on glass substrates are estimated of Absorption charts of the film with the thick (400nm) as shown in Figure 7(b). A direct optical band gap energy ( $E_g$ ) for halide perovskites materials MAPbX<sub>3</sub>, (X = Cl, Br, I) is reported by Simon et al [17]. Energy gap ( $E_g$ ) of both samples is determined by fitting the absorption data to the direct transition equation (4). The optical band gap value is estimated by extrapolating the linear part of the curve  $(\alpha h\nu)^2$  as a function of photon energy,  $h\nu$ , intercept with the  $(h\nu)$  axis at  $\alpha = 0$ . The values of  $E_g$  of MAPbICl<sub>2</sub> and MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> via data UV-Vis are estimated (1.7 and 2.05)eV, respectively, as shown in figure 7b and table 1.

Figure 8(a,b) is illustrated the HOMO and LUMO distribution for density of states (DOS) as function of electrons orbitals energy of MAPbICl<sub>2</sub>. Figure 8(c, d) is depicted HOMO and LUMO distribution for the (DOS) as function of electrons orbitals energy of MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub>. Transparent green and brown color orbital's are indicated to  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  electrons, (electron at spin +1/2 and electron at spin -1/2), respectively. DOSs plots of figure 9(a) are computed of molecular MAPbICl<sub>2</sub> for orbitals 4Py and 2S of Pb anion, 5Pz and 5Px of N anion and 3Py of Br cation of MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> at unit cell. The energy gap ( $E_g$ ) of MAIPbCl<sub>2</sub> between HOMO and LUMO which is estimated (2.0565)eV which is identify of the empirical value of optical energy gap of MAPb(I<sub>x</sub>Cl<sub>1-x</sub>)<sub>3</sub>, as reported,  $E_g = 1.64\text{eV}$  [17], as shown in figure 9(a) and table 1. An additional, the evaluations the energy levels of initial tail states of HOMO and LUMO are determined at (-5.628) eV and (-3.5715) eV, respectively. We used the ground state energy of Hartree-Fock method and SDD built-in basis set in Gaussian 09 for all orbitals type due to heavy Pb element. Figure 9(b) plot is depicted DOS as function of energy of unit cell of MAIPbBr<sub>2</sub>. At the same previous method of theoretically computed calculations of Gaussian program,  $E_g$  of MAIPbBr<sub>2</sub> is (1.8113) eV. An additional, the evaluated the energy levels of initial tail states of HOMO and LUMO are determined (-5.68525) eV and (-3.87219) eV, respectively, as shown in figure 9(b) and table 1. Naveen Kumar Elumalai et al. were studied the properties of different materials of photovoltaic perovskite in the progress presently decade, they were reported that HOMO and LUMO electrons levels of MAPbBrI<sub>2</sub> were (-5.4 and, -3.6) eV, respectively [18].

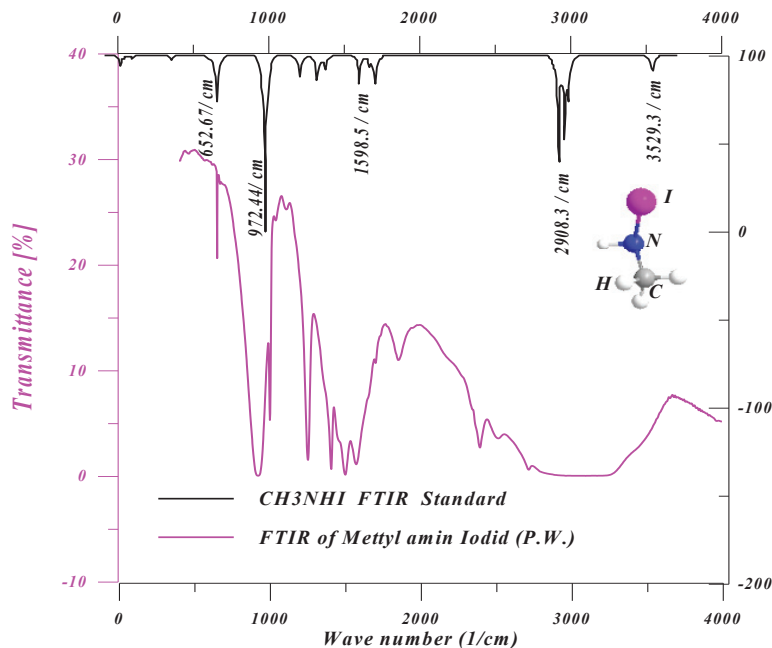


FIGURE 3. FTIR Spectral of MAI powder.

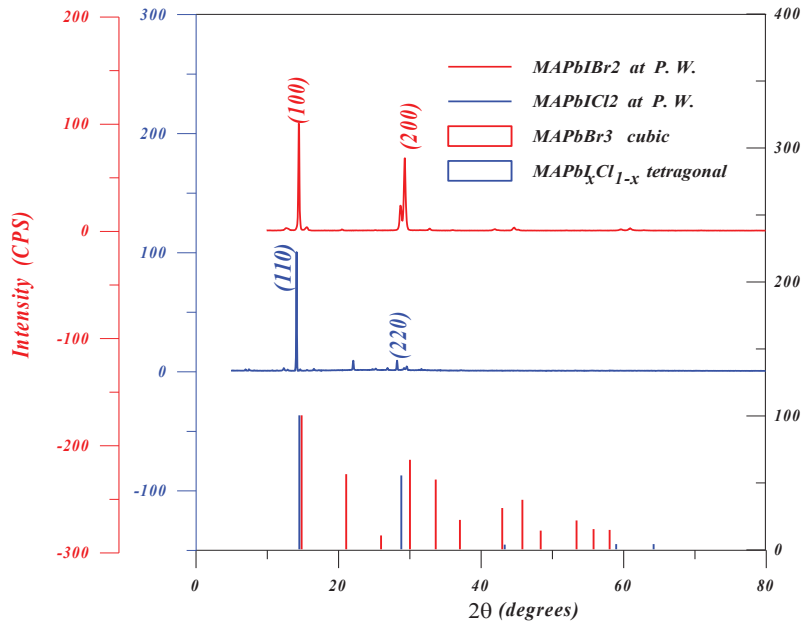


FIGURE 4. XRD Pattern of perovskite thin films.

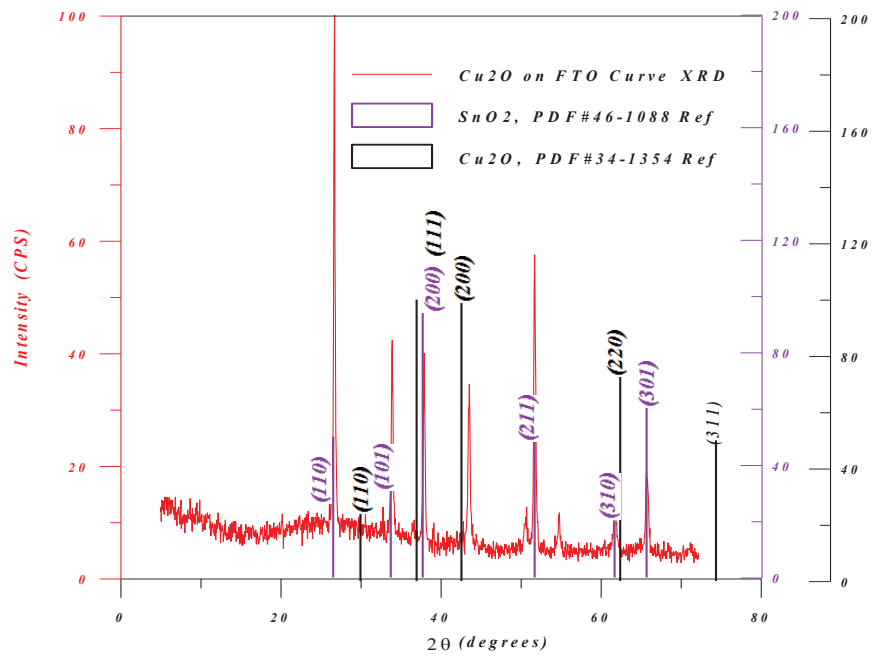


FIGURE 5. XRD Pattern of Cu<sub>2</sub>O on FTO thin films.

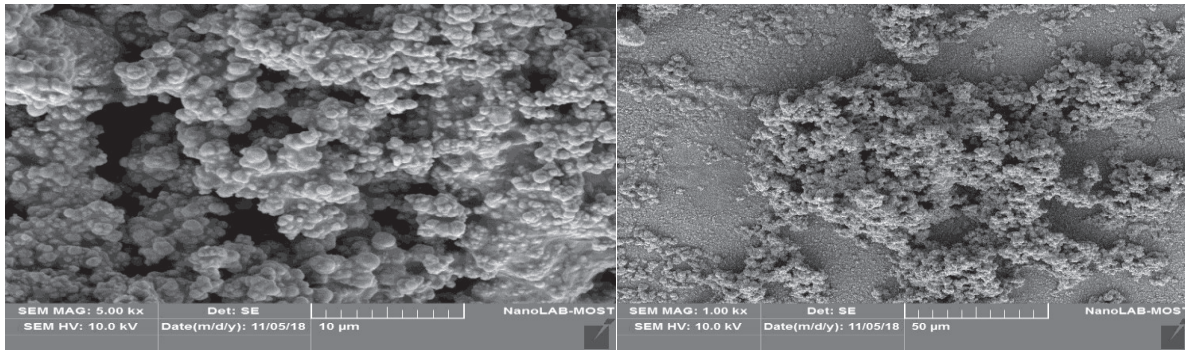
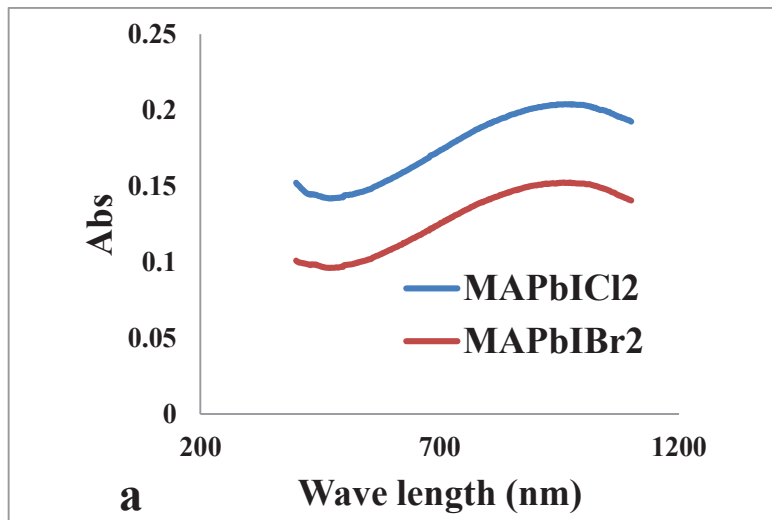
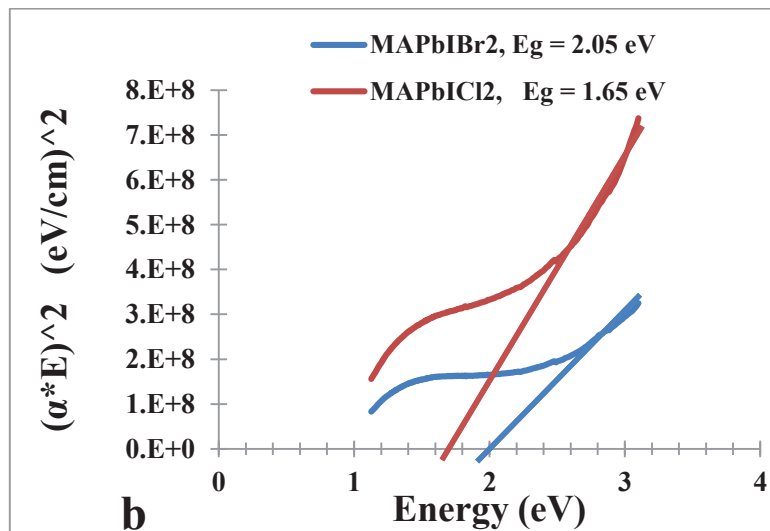


FIGURE 6. Top SEM images thin film of  $\text{Cu}_2\text{O}$  deposited (EPD) on FTO electrode.



(a)



(b)

FIGURE 7. Optical properties of  $\text{MAPbIX}_2$ ,  $x = \text{Br}$  or  $\text{Cl}$ , a). Absorption. b). Energy gap.



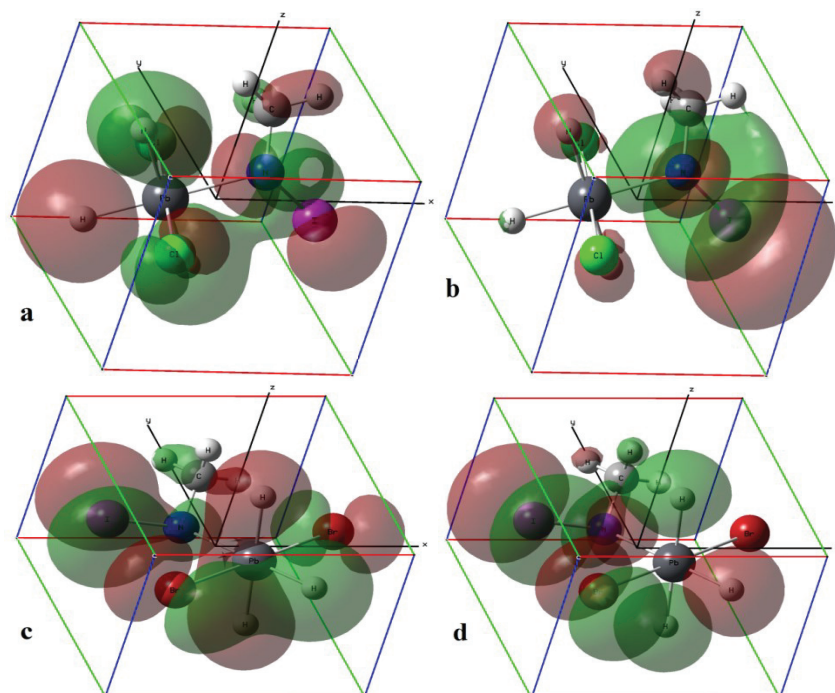


FIGURE 8. (a and b). DOS of HOMO and LUMO levels of MAPbICl<sub>2</sub>, (c and d). DOS of HOMO and LUMO levels of MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub>, Transparent green and brown color orbitals are indicated to  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  electrons.

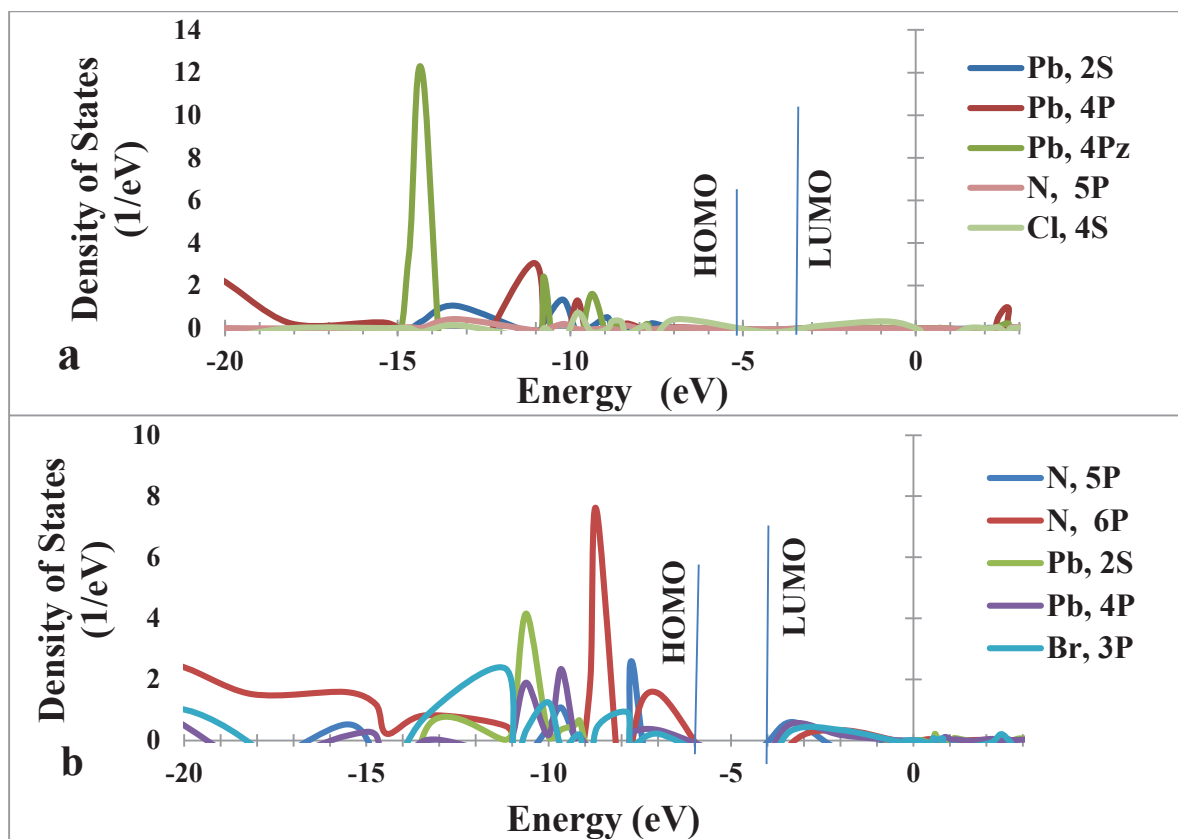


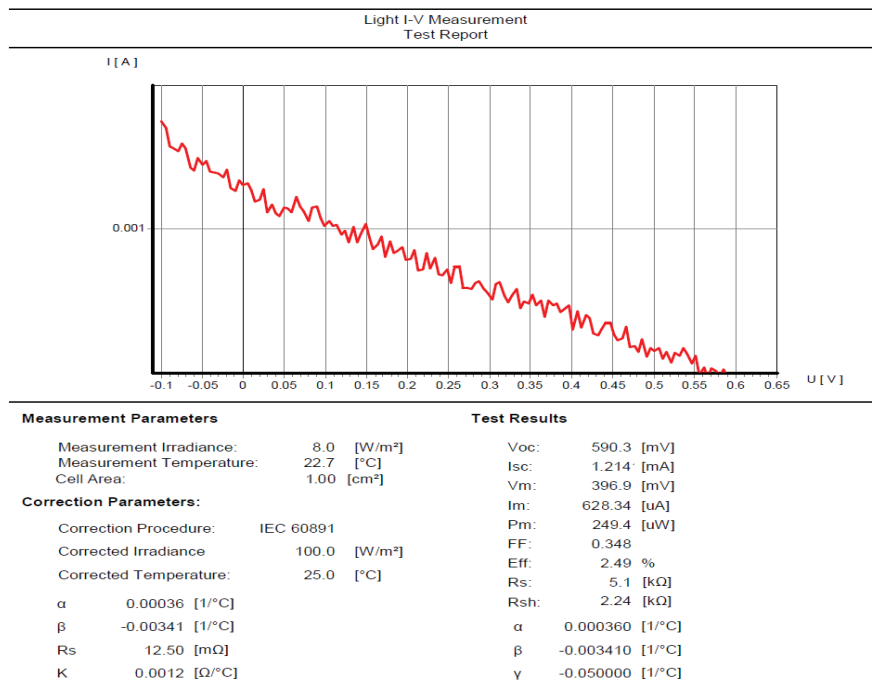
FIGURE 9. (a). DOS of electrons levels of MAPbICl<sub>2</sub>, (b). DOS of electrons levels of MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub>.

**TABLE 1.** Optical and structural properties of Perovskite materials style.

		MAPbIBr <sub>2</sub>		MAPbICl <sub>2</sub>	
Optical Properties	Theoretical compute	Experimental data	Theoretical compute	Experimental data	
HOMO	-5.852 eV	-5.4 eV [17]	-5.628eV	MAPb(IxCLx-1)3 -5.3 eV [18]	
LUMO	-3.872 eV	-3.6 eV [17]	-3.5715 eV	MAPb(IxCLx-1)3 -3.75 eV [18]	
E <sub>g</sub>	1.98 eV	2.05 eV P.W. 1.8 eV [17]	2.0565 eV	1.65 eV P.W. 1.55 eV [18]	
Structural Properties	Theoretical compute	Experimental data of XRD	Theoretical compute	Experimental data of XRD	
	Orthorhombic	Cubic	Orthorhombic	Tetragonal	
a (A°)	6.3799987	6.07058	5.9928344	5.91	
b (A°)	6.5223345	6.07058	5.8297582	5.91	
c (A°)	4.6050049	6.07058	5.4201503	5.94	
α	90	90	90	90	
β	90	90	90	90	
γ	90	90	90	90	

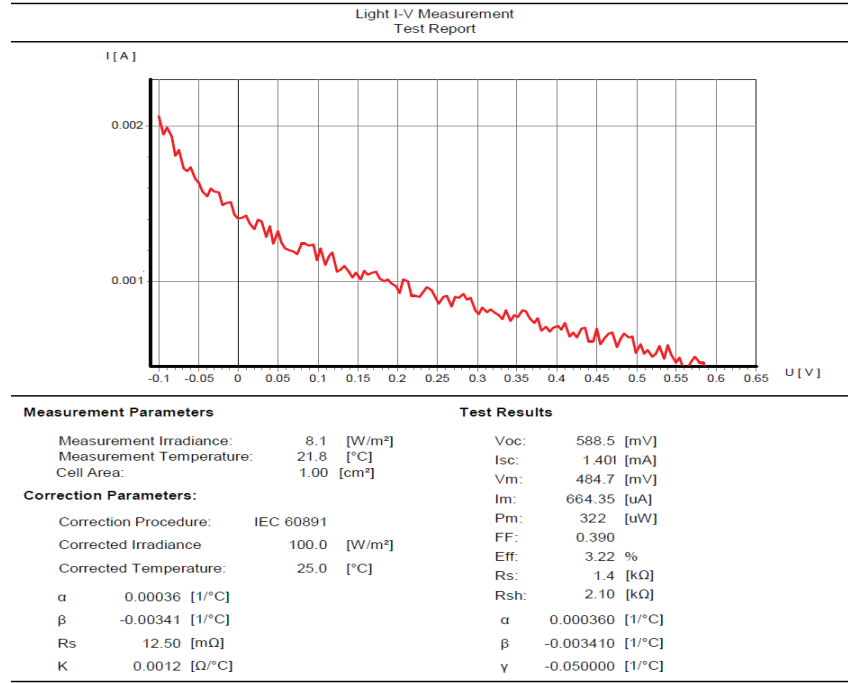
### Performance of P.V. Devices Studies

The measurements of I-V curve of (OPSC) that employed of MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> as absorption layer of photovoltaic device have best PCE and it is depicted in figure (10.a). The measurement is carried out under intensity illumination (100 W/m<sup>2</sup>), active area of solar cell is 1 cm<sup>2</sup> and sweeping voltages in the scan-direction with a scan rate of s = 50 mV/s. Figure (10.b) is depicting I-V curves of photovoltaic device that employed of MAPbICl<sub>2</sub> as absorption layer. The measurements are testing at the same conditions in the figure (10.a). All of the parameters of the performance OPSCs are inserted in the table (2). The best efficiency (PCE = 3.22) is achieved to the OPSC employing MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> as sensitizer due to the best optical properties, higher absorption and lower optical energy gap, than absorption layer MAPbICl<sub>2</sub>, as shown in figure (7) and table (2).



(a)

**FIGURE 10.** I-V curve of OPSC have MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> & MAPbICl<sub>2</sub> as absorption layer of PV device, respectively.



(b)  
**FIGURE 10 Continued. (a&b).** I-V curve of OPSC have MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> & MAPbICl<sub>2</sub> as absorption layer of PV device, respectively.

**TABLE 2.** Preferences parameters of OPSCs.

OPSCs	V <sub>oc</sub> (mV)	I <sub>sh</sub> (mA)	V <sub>m</sub> (mV)	I <sub>m</sub> (mA)	P <sub>m</sub> (μW)	FF	E <sub>ff</sub> %	R <sub>s</sub> (kΩ)	R <sub>sh</sub> (kΩ)
MAPbIBr	588.5	1.401	484.7	0.664	322	0.39	3.22	1.4	2.1
MAPbICl	590.3	1.214	396.9	0.628	249.4	0.35	2.49	5.1	2.24

To shed light on figure (10) and figure (7), it can be observed that is improved PCE of OPSC when increased photocurrent density due to more absorption of perovskite layer MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> than other perovskite layer MAPbICl<sub>2</sub> of OPSCs device. Figure (10) explained the PCE of OPSCs and appeared all the parameters (R<sub>s</sub>, R<sub>sh</sub>, FF, V<sub>oc</sub>, and I<sub>sc</sub>) of OPSCs which inserted in the table (2). The full factor value of solar cell device are dominated via determine the parameters series and shunt resistances (R<sub>s</sub> and R<sub>sh</sub>) of the solar cells [19,20]. Figure (11) is illustrated the band energy diagram of OPSCs which have (a). MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> and (b). MAPbICl<sub>2</sub> perovskite materials as harvester light layers. HOMO and LUMO energy levels of ZnO are (-7.7 and -4.1)eV, respectively. HOMO and LUMO energy levels of Cu<sub>2</sub>O are (-5.37 and -3.2) eV, respectively, as reported by Edson Meyer et al [21]. The conduction band of FTO electrodes is reported at (-4.4)eV [22,23]. We were employed Gaussian 09 to calculate HOMO and LUMO energy levels for perovskite materials of MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> or MAPbICl<sub>2</sub>. The Fermi level (E<sub>F</sub>) is hold fixed between energy levels of orbitals HOMO and LUMO,  $E_F = (E_{HOMO} + E_{LUMO})/2$ . E<sub>F</sub> of perovskite materials CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbICl<sub>2</sub> was estimated (E<sub>F</sub> = -4.599 eV), and the energy levels of FTO electrodes are (-4.4 eV). The difference potential between two FTO electrodes, (V<sub>oc(th)</sub>), of OPSC can be estimated (2.05 V) of the equation (4) when neglecting loss energy (V<sub>oc(th)</sub> = E<sub>g</sub>/e). The empirical value of (V<sub>oc(exp)</sub>) of OPSC with CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbICl<sub>2</sub> as harvesting light layer is (0.5903 V), as the shown in the table(2), then E<sub>loss</sub> can be estimated (1.06 eV) of E<sub>loss</sub> = qV<sub>oc(th)</sub> - qV<sub>oc(exp)</sub>, table (3). As the same method, we estimated the E<sub>F</sub>, E<sub>loss</sub>, and V<sub>oc(th)</sub> of the performance of OPSC had CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbIBr<sub>2</sub> as harvester light layer and inserted in the table(3). From the table (3), it can be observed that E<sub>loss</sub> is very high value and more evaluated V<sub>oc(th)</sub> than V<sub>oc(exp)</sub> due to that may be the several junctions of the configuration device of OPSCs (6 junctions), as shown in the figure (11). E<sub>loss</sub> of OPSC had MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> as harvester light layer is (1.462) eV, as shown in the table (3), then (E<sub>loss</sub> = 0.243 eV) per junction. This result is a like with to which report by Tsutomu Miyasaka that the charge transfer across solid-solid hetero junctions which normally undergoes an energy loss of (E<sub>loss</sub> > 0.2) eV per junction [24,25]. An addition, the possible of the loss energy via to be the incomplete contact of FTO electrodes with the external electric circuit.

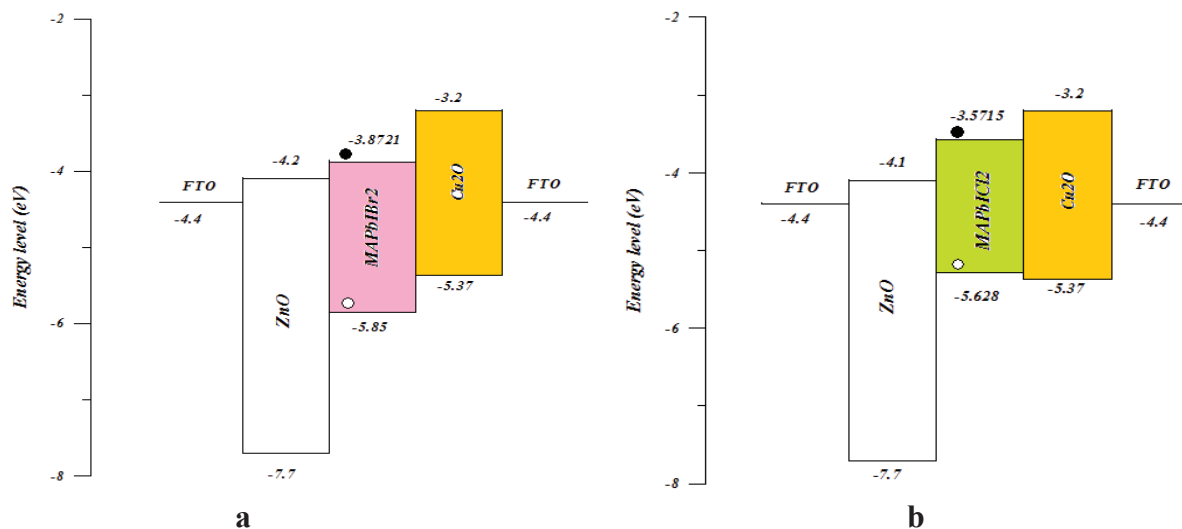


FIGURE 11. Band energy diagram of OPSCs have, (a). MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> or (b). MAPbICl<sub>2</sub>, as harvest light layer.

TABLE 3 Comparative studying of theoretical and imperial performance of OPSCs.

OPSCs	$E_F$ (eV)	$E_g$ (eV)	$V_{oc th}$ (V)	$V_{oc exp}$ (V)	$E_{Loss}$ (eV)
MAPbICl <sub>2</sub>	-4.599	1.65	1.65	0.5903	1.06
MAPbIBr <sub>2</sub>	-4.8721	2.05	2.05	0.5885	1.462

## CONCLUSION

In this paper, the OPSCs with construction (FTO/ZnO/MAPbIX<sub>2</sub> perovskite with Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> scaffold/Cu<sub>2</sub>O/FTO electrode), X= Br or Cl, have been successfully fabricated. The empirical results give an optimum PCE = 3.22 % can be achieved by using MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> as harvesting light layer in OPSC. In addition, we show to employ the simulation of the software Gaussian 09 program in improved of the description empirical results. Although of the density function theory act in a Hartree-fock method gives 9% of rate error, we can be neglecting in the estimated HOMO, LUMO energy levels and HOMO-LUMO energy gap due to give approximately description of the experimental results. We can observed that the PCE of the OPSC have MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> is more than the PCE of OPSC with MAPbICl<sub>2</sub> as absorption layer, as shown in table (3), because of resulted from the better matched valence band of Cu<sub>2</sub>O a with that of the valance bond of MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> than other perovskite (MAPbICl<sub>2</sub>), as shown in the figure (11). As observed remarks, the rates error between the empirical results and theoretical results, Gaussian 09 program results, of lattice parameters (a, b and c) of the crystalline structure of MAPbIBr<sub>2</sub> are acceptable rates, (1%, 1% and 8%), respectively, then lower than the rates error in the structure of MAPbICl<sub>2</sub> are (5%, 7% and 24%), respectively. In the current work, the achieved experimental data of OPSCs have been enhanced with Computational studies of Gaussian 09 program result.

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