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Market impacts of high efficiency HJT



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Heterojunction in 2024 Focus on Reliability

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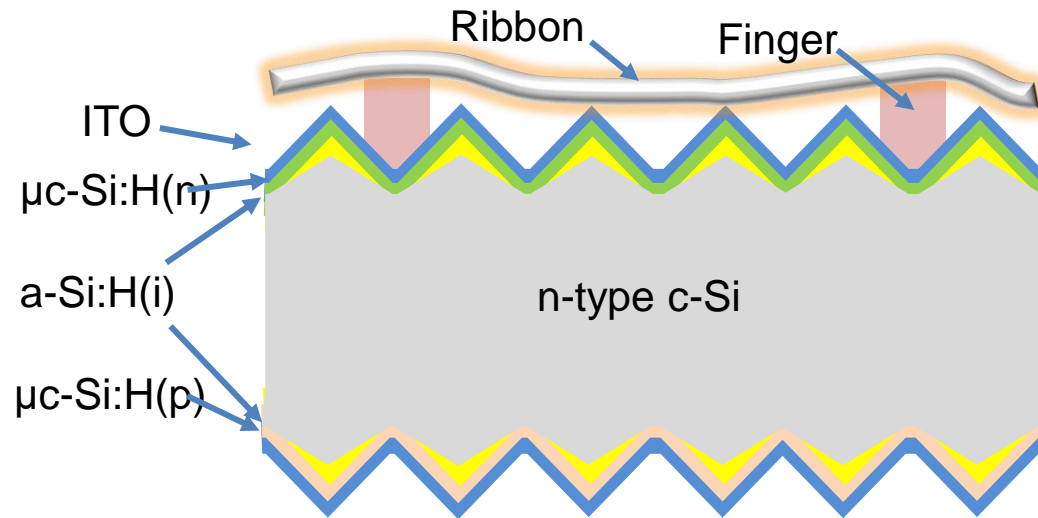
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Structure of a HJT cell - 2024



- Passivation of the wafer is done with aSi:H (i)
- Successive layers are done with $\mu\text{c-Si:H}$ (n) (p)
- The p-n junction is at the cell rear side
- Back Contact structure is possible (R&D)
- Cell efficiency is at 26% in production

0BB cells (HJT 3.0) have $\mu\text{c-Si}$ on both sides

The ITO is conductive

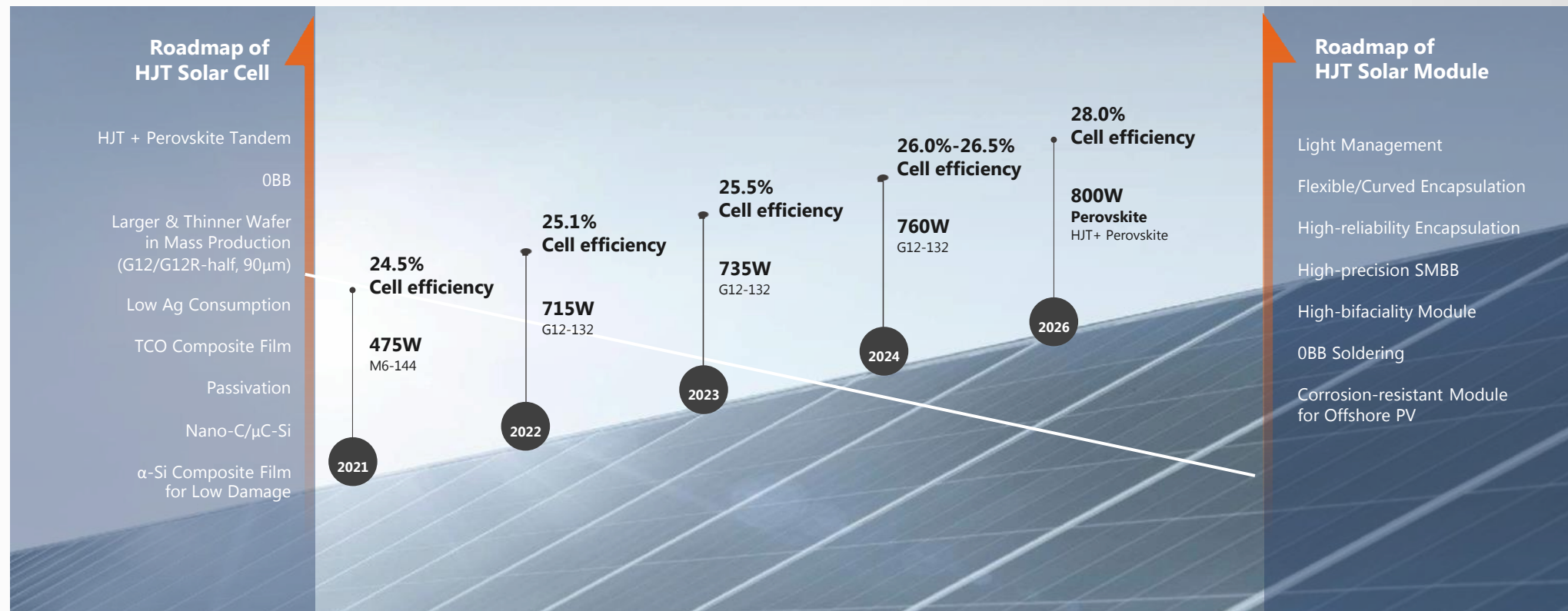
Cell Efficiency Past and Future

Technology leads the future

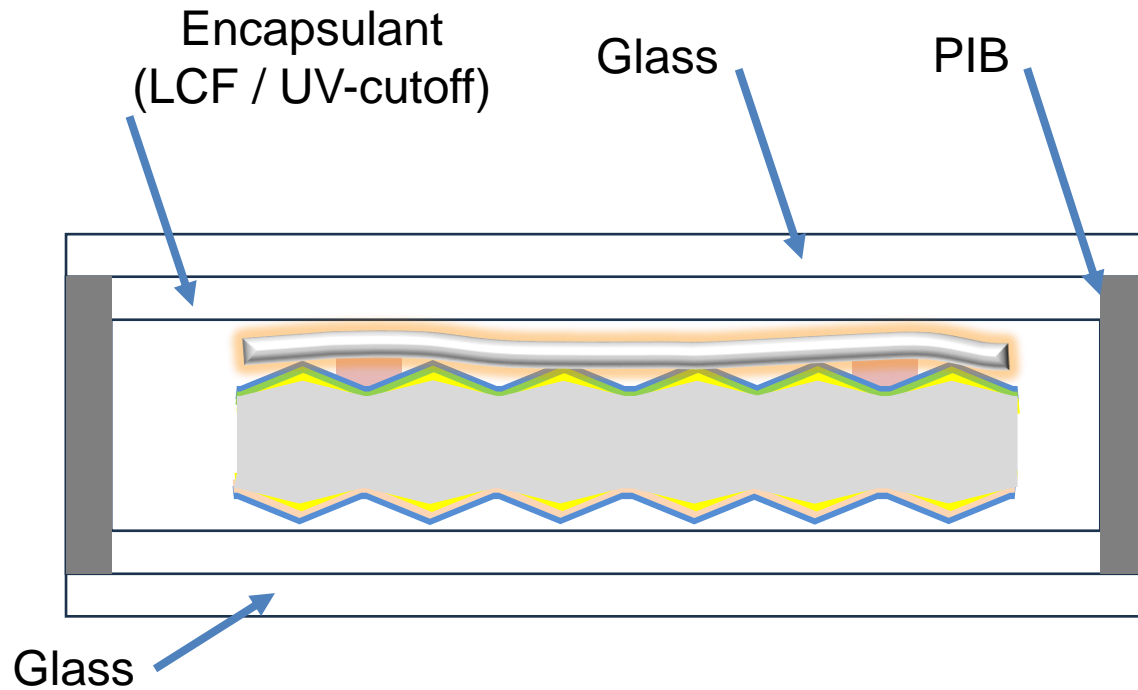
Huasun keeps striving to combine HJT with other advanced technologies, which allows us to realize the goal of raising efficiency while lowering product costs.

800_{W+}

HJT+Perovskite+210mm wafer
to realize module power higher than 800W



Structure of a HJT module - 2024



- PIB sealing against H₂O
- Encapsulant EVA/EPE with UV protection
- Junction-box level extra H₂O (POE/PIB)
- Limited amount of cells per diode < 24

Other manufacturers may have different structures

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Degradation and Failure modes for HJT



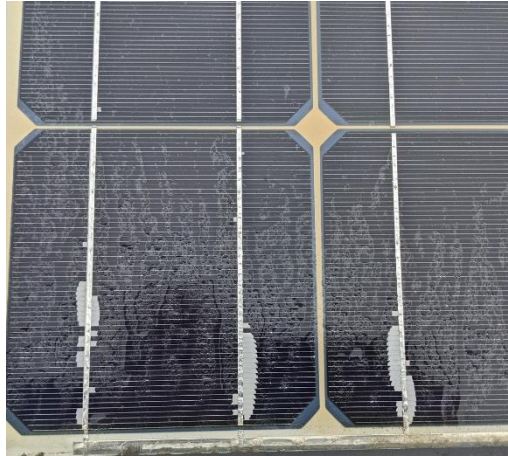
HISTORICALLY

- EVA yellowing
- Flux-excess Delamination
- Hotspot due to edge shunting
- H₂O Corrosion ★
- UV degradation ★
- PID (not same as PERC)
- H₂O delamination ★

RELEVANT FOR HJT 3.0

- Ingress of H₂O (cell degradation, corrosion) ★
- UV degradation ★
- Ribbon-busbar loss of electrical contact
- Hot Cells for more than 22 cells/diode
- PID (not same as PERC)

About historically relevant failure modes



- HJT entered the market in **1997** in Japan
- EVA yellowing was found to not cause degradation over 5%
- Flux excess delamination was controlled pre 2010
- Edge shunting was controlled pre 2010
- Early glass-glass modules had H₂O based delamination
- UV degradation was controlled via additives to encapsulation
- EVA + Al Backsheet was a good protection vs. H₂O
- Backsheet damage led to isolation failures
- **By 2018, HIT[®] was a fully mature product**

With over 10 years sales:

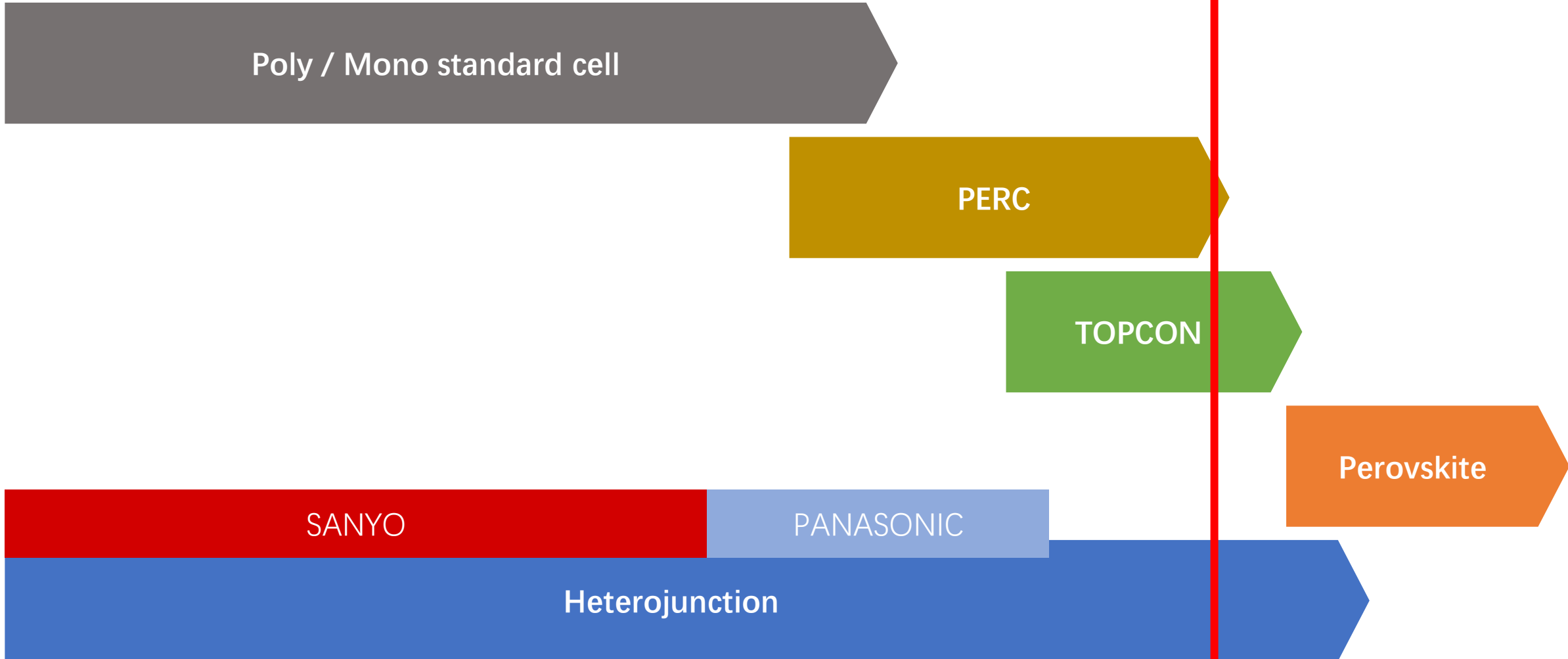
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HJT is the one truly field proven silicon technology today



1997 2000 2003 2006 2009 2012 2015 2018 2021 2024 2027 2030



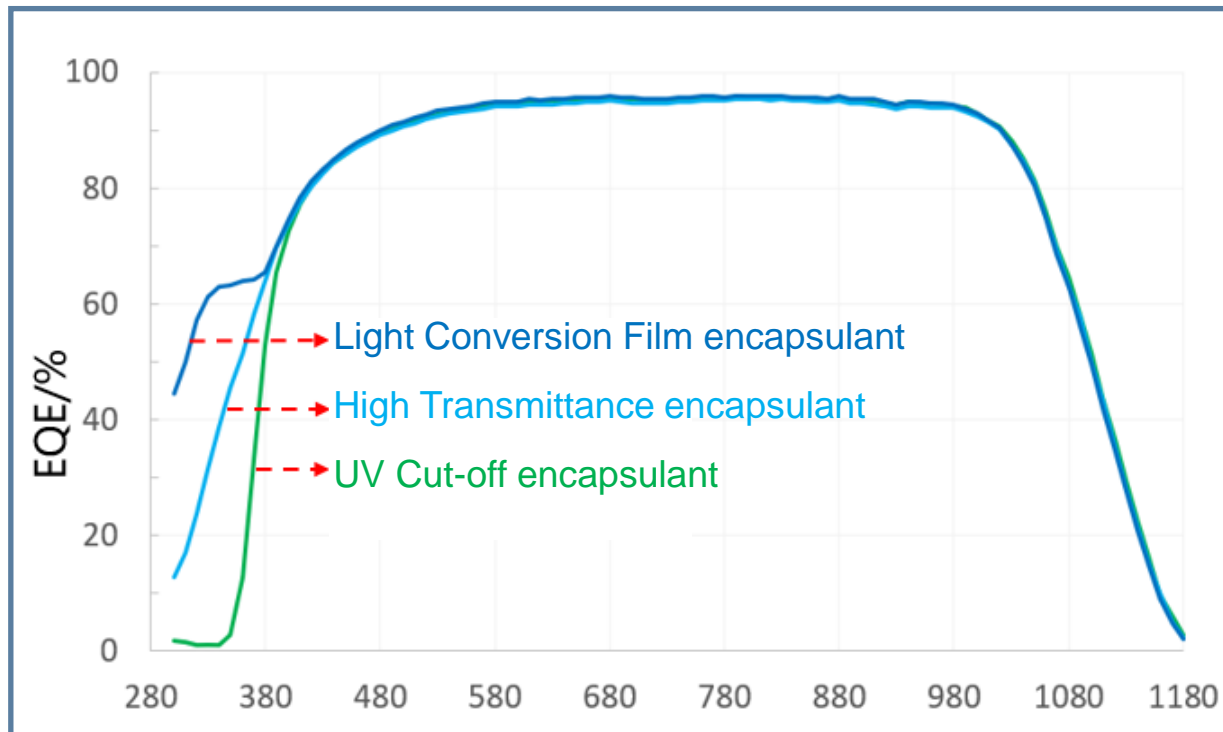
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UV Degradation

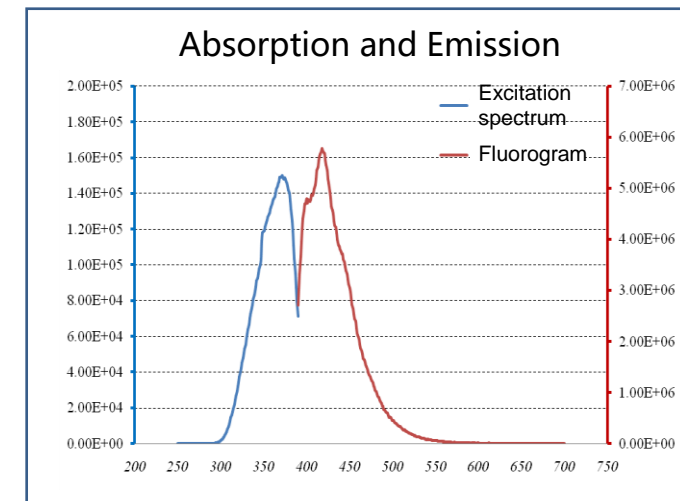
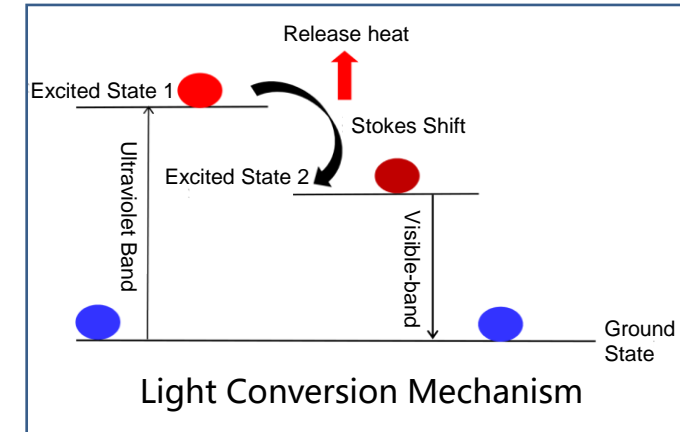
UV protection - Light Conversion Film



Encapsulant with LCF function changes the wavelength of the incoming light for the portion of spectrum in the UV range. This reduces the UV energy arriving to the cell.



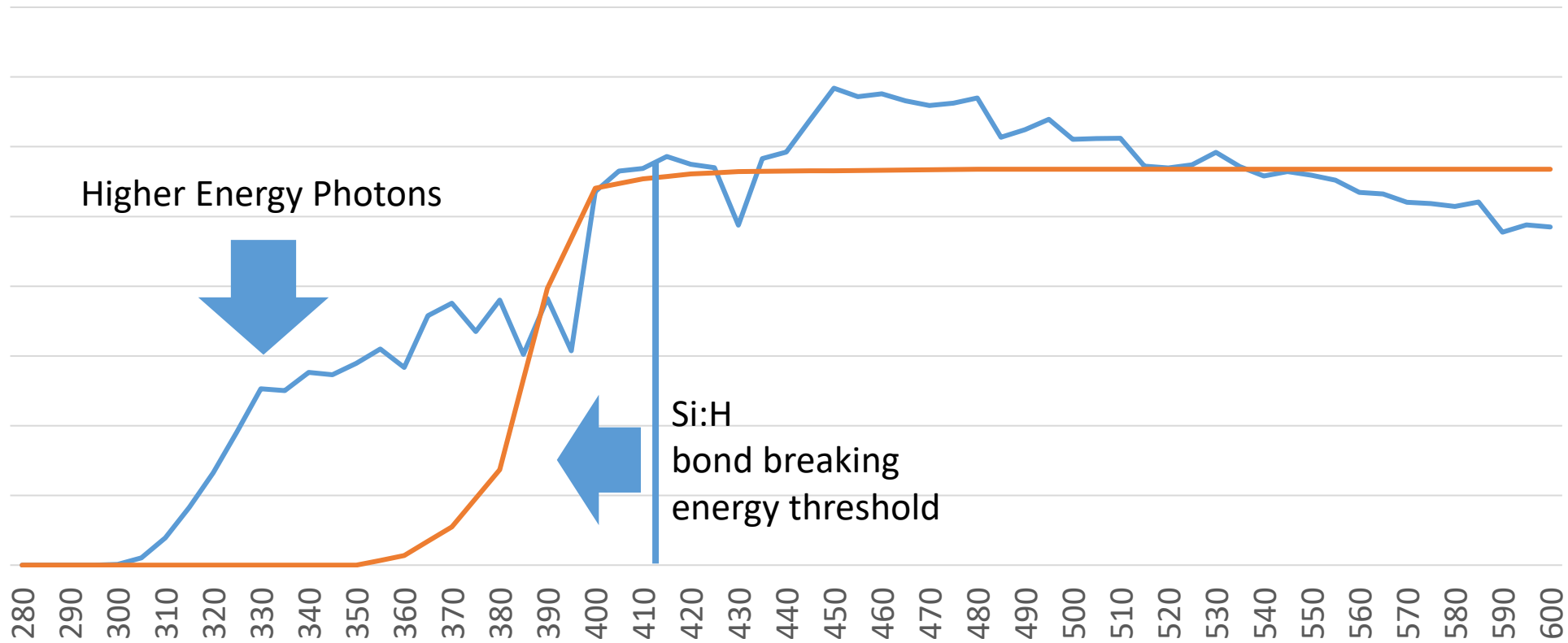
EQE shows increased yield of LCF



Source: Cybrid

UV degradation - Light Conversion Film Transmittance

AM 1.5 Photons - LCF transmittance



Reminder: AM1.5 is just a reference spectrum for specific weather conditions

UV degradation - Lab and Real Field Data

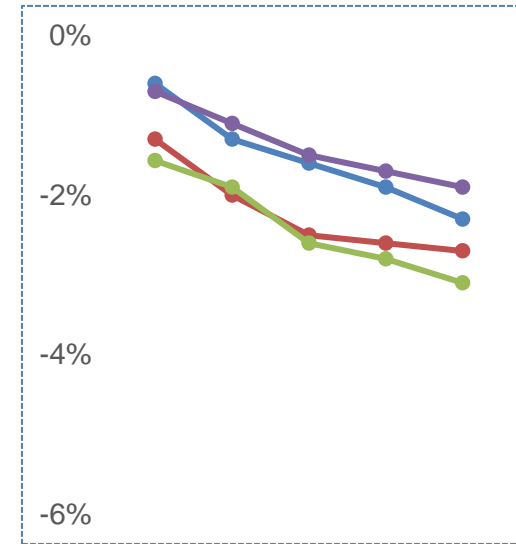
Example from Japan (Osaka)

In 2014, customers in Osaka, Japan adopted Panasonic HJT optical conversion technology modules, with a **cumulative degradation of only 1.6% after more than 8 years of operation**. The PERC modules installed in 2022 experience a 2% degradation after 1 year of operation, which is greater than the degradation rate of the HJT modules after 8 years of operation.

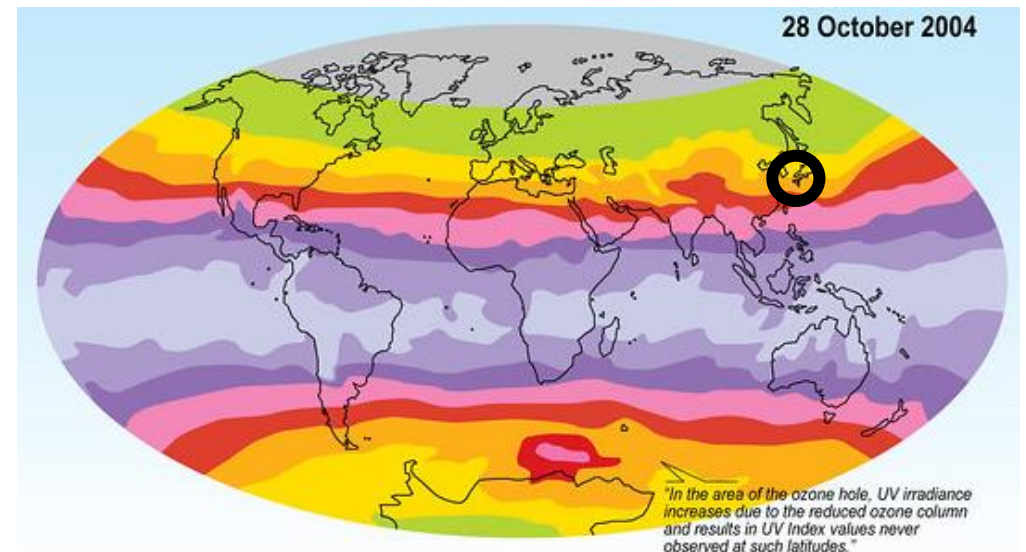


Residential modules in Osaka, Japan (installed in 2014)

HUASUN UV Test in Laboratory



Accelerated Factor 5 @ UV180 < 3%



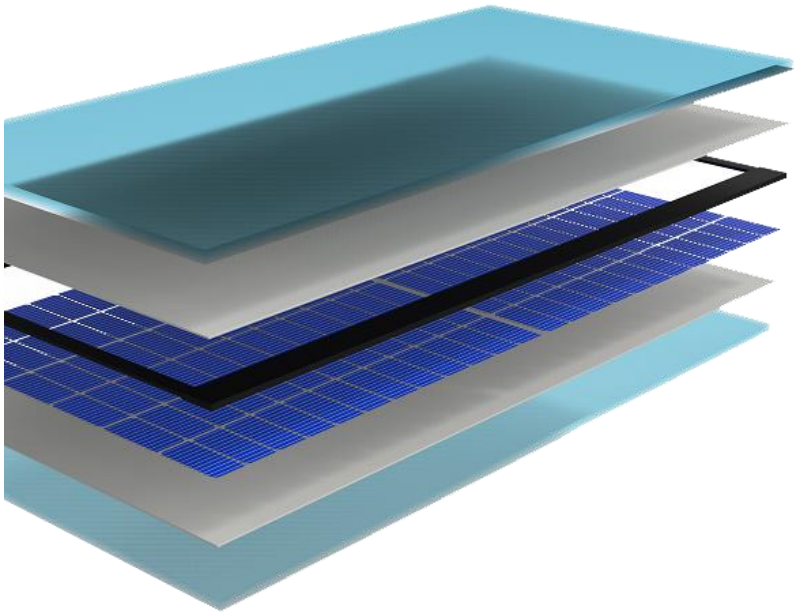
Source: GRID-Arendal, Emmanuelle Bournay

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Water Vapor Ingress

H2O degradation

- For n-type cell technologies (TOPCON / Heterojunction), there exists the risk of degradation caused by the **ingress of humidity** until reaching the cell (Natrium, Acetic Acid Corrosion, Other)
- Huasun uses **sealing of the module edges**, using a material (PIB) 100x better than the best current option (POE/EPE), in terms of resistance to water penetration
- We have run the tests (DH6000) that emulate a very hostile environment for the complete module lifetime, and they show **very low and stabilized degradation**
- We exclusively use **glass-glass**, eliminating additional backsheet risks (quality, ageing, scratches, etc)



100 times 

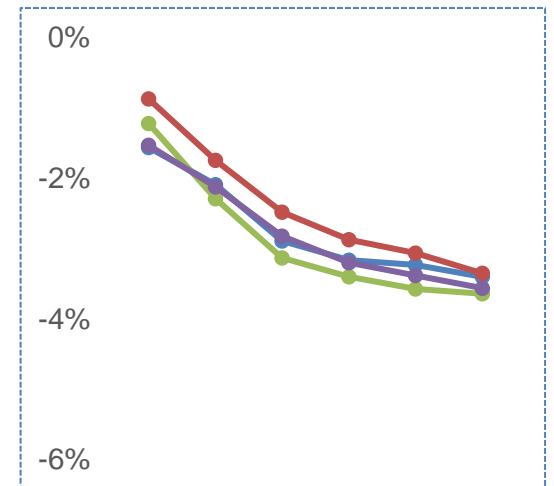
Water penetration resistance

Silicon penetration rate

30~50 g/m²•d

Butyl rubber penetration rate

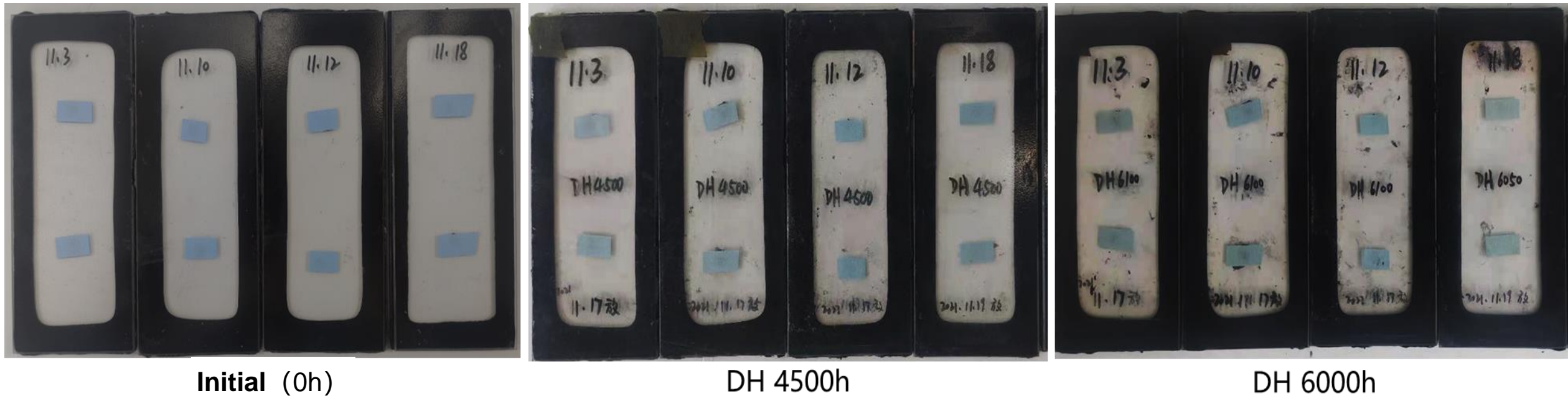
< 0.3 g/m²•d



DH6000 power degradation < 4%

Reliability verification of the use of PIB

Using PIB to encapsulate cobalt chloride test paper samples, the vapor barrier edge performance is excellent during extreme DH test, and the water vapor permeation rate is slow.



Reliability verification of the use of PIB

Using PIB to encapsulate HJT3.0 microcrystalline cell sample, there are no abnormalities in EL (such as defect due to water) even after Hast 196h aging. Indicating that PIB can effectively protect the cell.

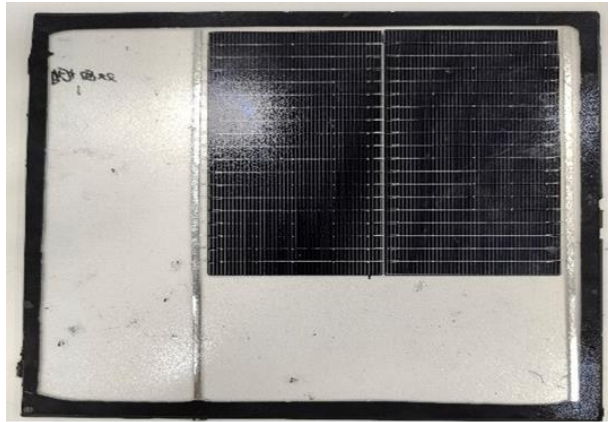
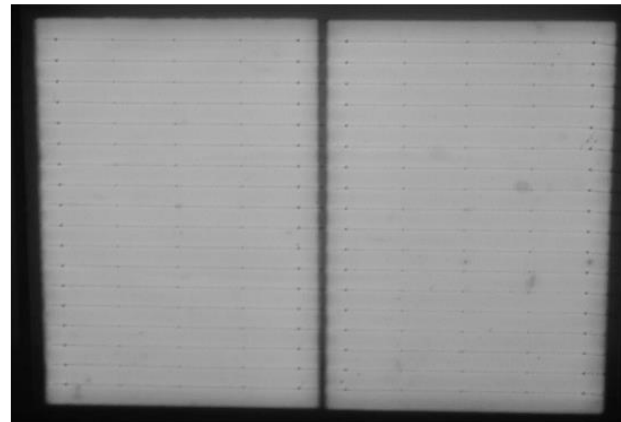
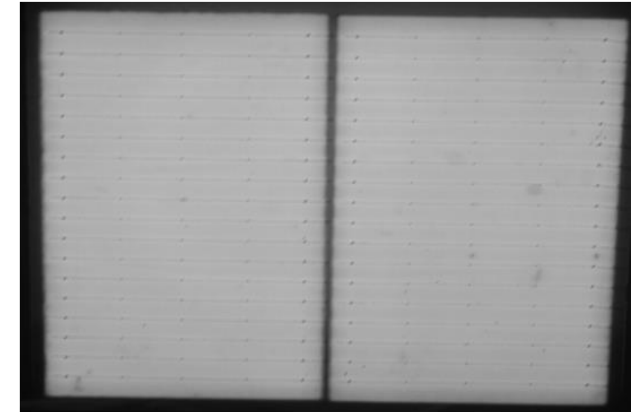


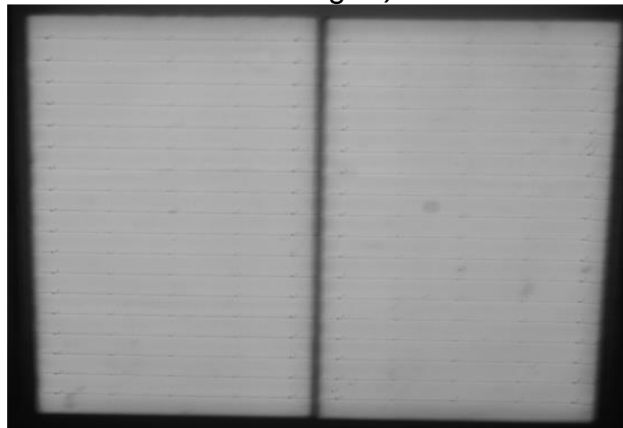
Photo of the sample under visible light.)



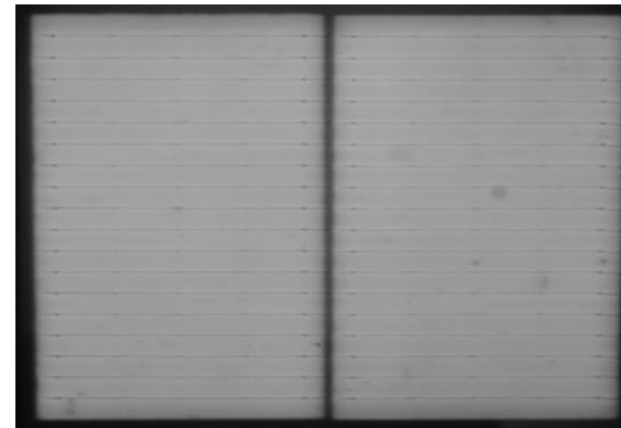
Initial (0h)



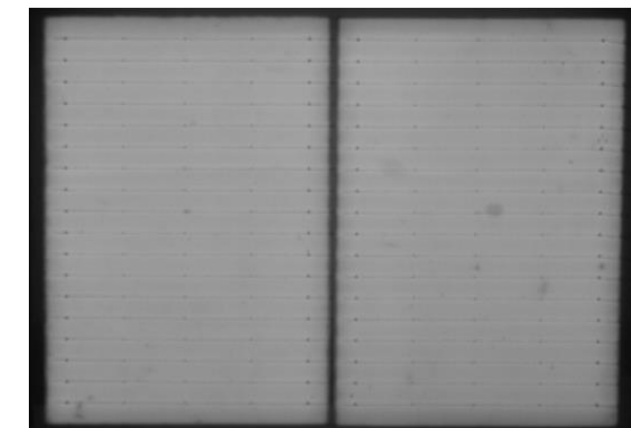
Hast 48h



Hast 96h



Hast 144h



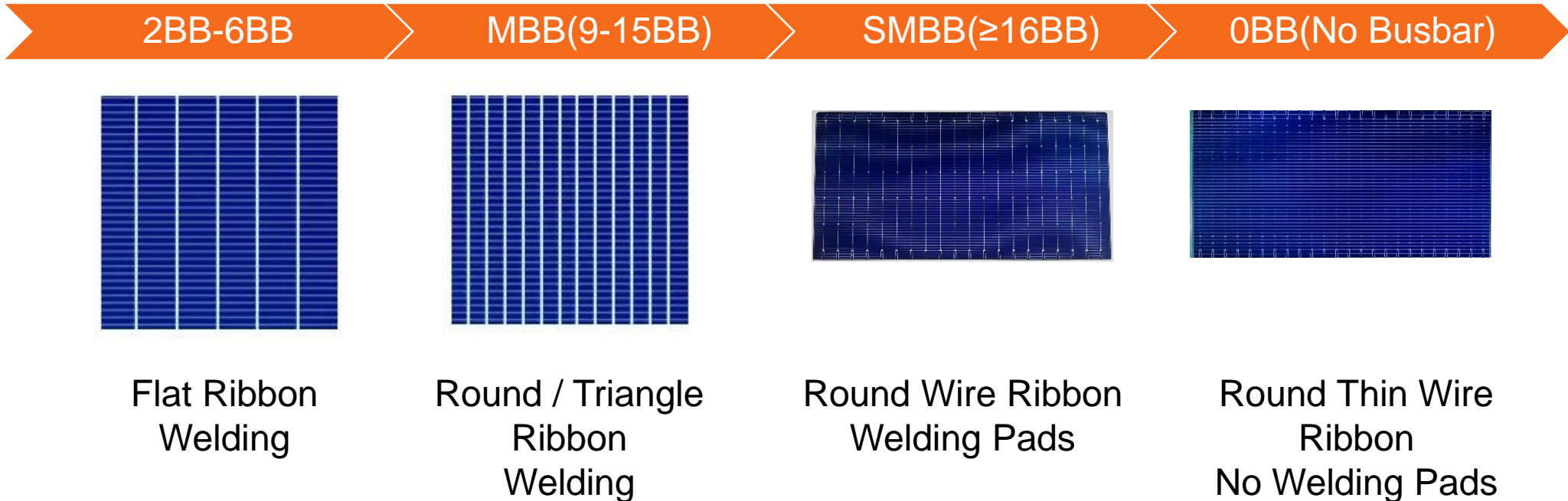
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Testing new technology: Zero Busbar (0BB)

Reliability verification of new technologies in HJT: 0BB

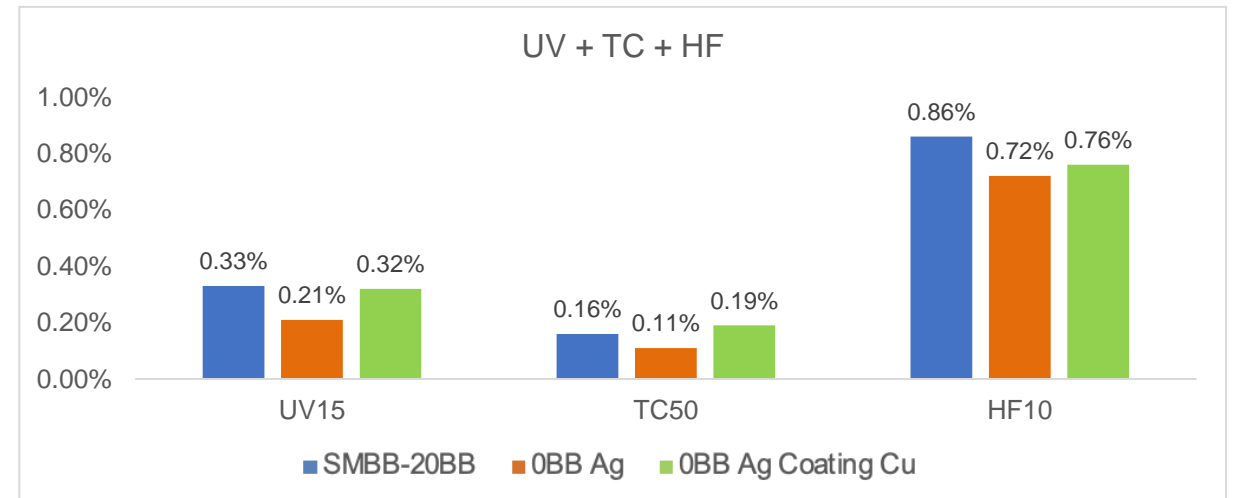
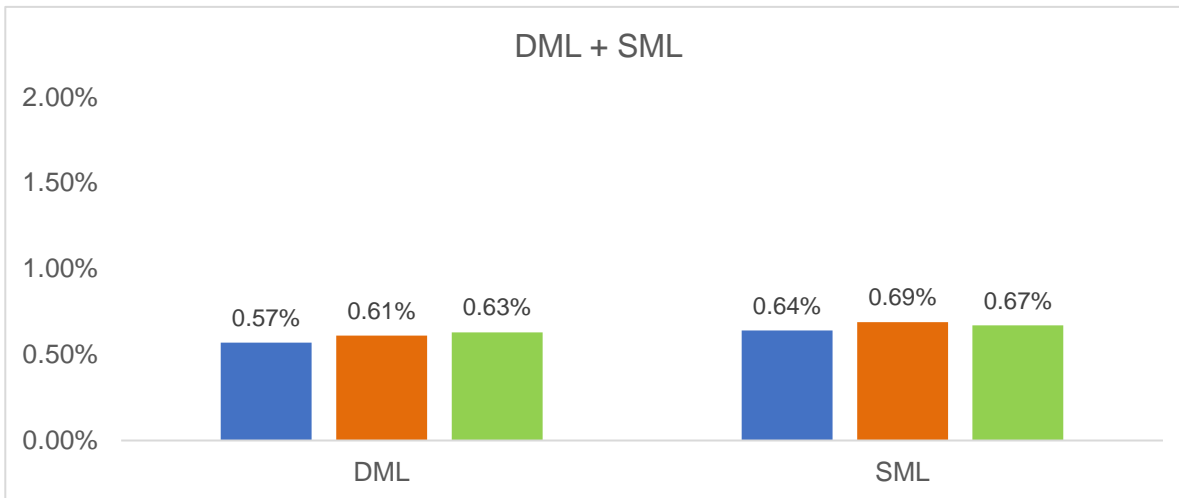
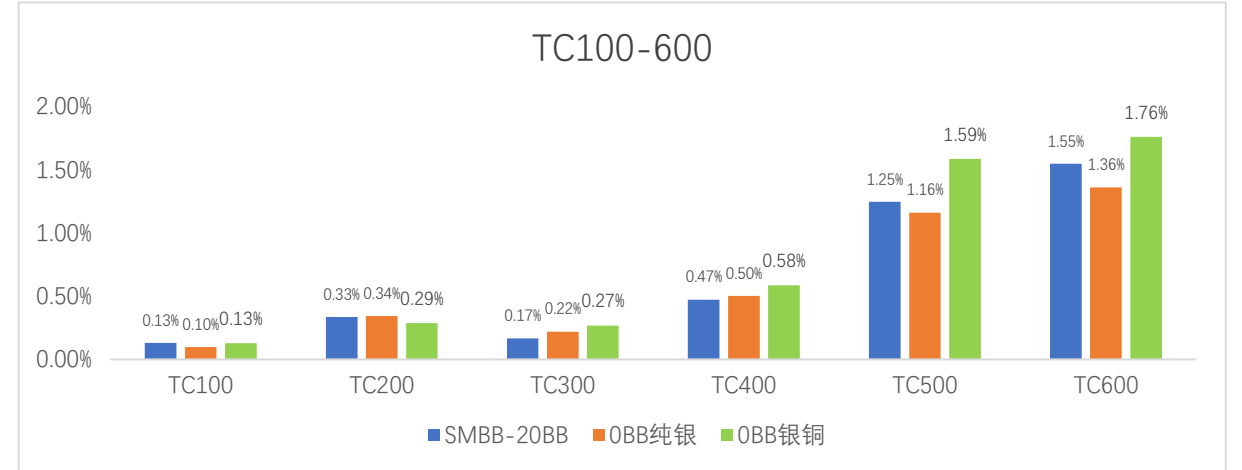
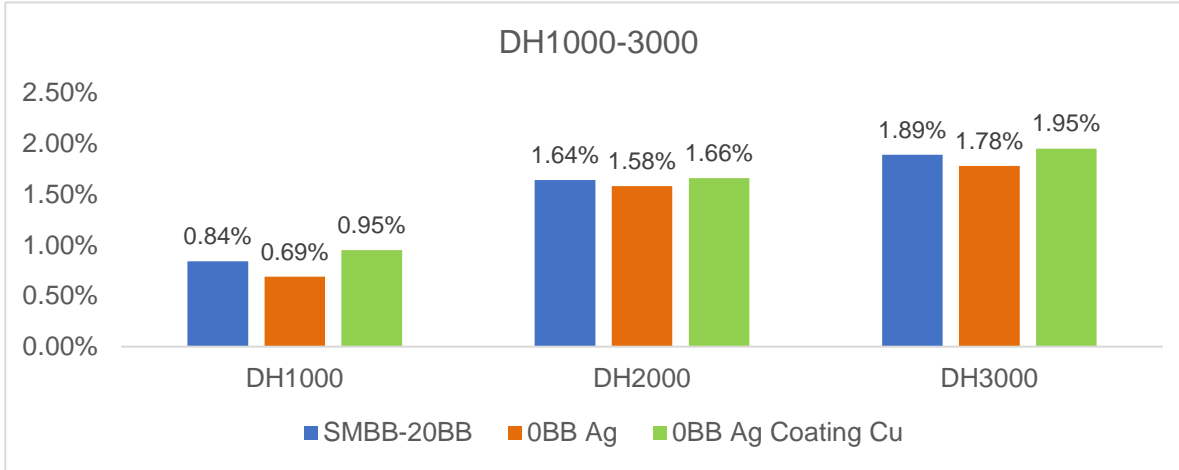
Evolution of Busbar Design for Solar Cells



0BB hosts many advantages:

- It decreases the use of silver
- It improves cell electrical connection
- It removes pad soldering mechanical stress in production
- ...

Reliability verification of 0BB - thorough testing



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The situation today brings memories of 2021-2022



Technology	PERC	TOPCON	HUASUN
Efficiency	21.5%	22.5%	>23%
Bifaciality	70%	<80%	90% - 95%
Temp. Coeff.	Baseline	-15%	-29%
Yield	Baseline	+2%	+4%
Price 2024 (USDc FOB)	9.0	10.0	11.0

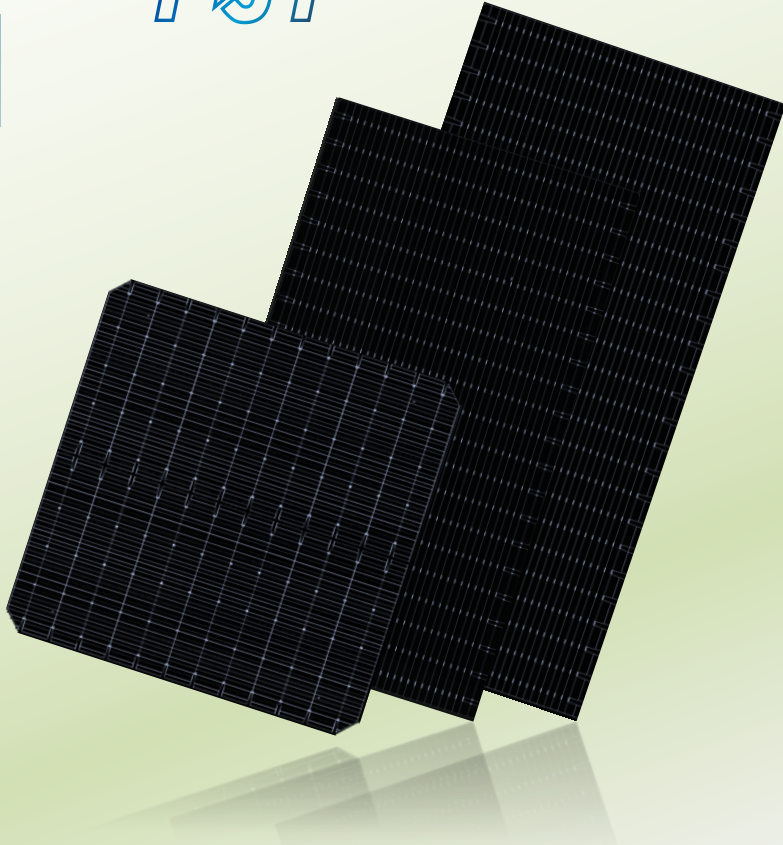
- Cost parity of Topcon and HJT is expected in 2025
- 95% bifaciality in modules produced for agrivoltaics
- Yield based on 100MW tracker system in Caceres, Spain

Heterojunction in 2024 and beyond



Latest Generation Tech

HJT



- HJT combines top performance with proven reliability
- HJT competes with Topcon in manufacturing cost
- HJT easily beats Topcon and Back Contact in yield per kWp
- HJT is the best platform for Tandem with Perovskite



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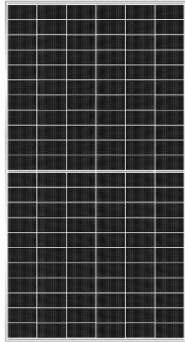
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... Scenario 2028



< 0.10 USD/Wp



+145
875W

28.0%

Perovskite-HJT Tandem
(bifacial 90%) n-type

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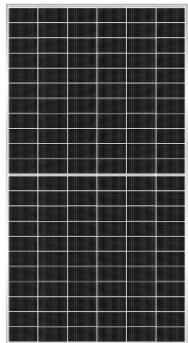


+30
780W

25.5%

BACK CONTACT Topcon
(bifacial 70%) n-type

?



+50
760W

24.5%

TOPCON
(bifacial 80%) n-type



Expertise you can Trust



Solartricity - Who Are We?

Founded in 2008 by Quentin Gargan

Quentin, a self-confessed “eco-loon” on renewables built a straw bale house powered by wind and solar in 2003 and had one of Ireland’s first electric cars in 1998. He has helped to instill a passion in the team at Solartricity about the transition to renewable energy and away from reliance on fossil fuels.

The business has been designing and manufacturing microprocessor based controllers for renewable energy systems worldwide since 2008, with customers in diverse regions including: **Korea, Australia, USA, India, Falkland Islands, Mongolia, other EU countries and we expanded into the UK in 2024 .**

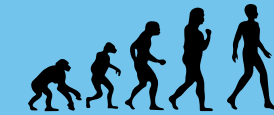
In 2014 we set up a solar division, using our experience gained elsewhere with a mission to provide excellent technical support and quality products, all at a competitive price.



Partnership With Huasun....

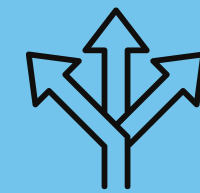
Why HJT?

 Point Of Difference to Competitors



Evolution Of Solar Sector

 Improved Performance



Increased Options For Clients

Why Huasun?

 Diligent Selection Process



Largest Manufacturer In The World

 Investment into R&D



Collaborative Approach

Progress....



Launched August 2023



Timing - Challenging Market Conditions



Market - Initially 80/85% Domestic



Commercial Interest Increasing - Agriculture



Currently Selling 1.5 Containers Per Week of the 435W Himalayan



Progressing to 440W and 445W Later This Year



Projected to sell 32,000 Huasun Panels in 2024

Sell With our  **TREE SYSTEM**[®] GROUND MOUNTINGS Ground Mount - Bi-Faciality/Parasitic Capacitance

Challenges.....



New Product & Technology



Industry Turbulance



New Brand To Irish & UK Market



Change Management



Competition - Cut through the noise



Comparatively Complex Product

How....

 Clear and Defined Strategy and Expectations

 Patience - Allowing The Market Opportunity To Adjust and Adapt

 Multi-Channel Marketing Approach - Customer Journey

 Mitigate The Complexity - Benefits Not Features

 Adding Value and Trust via Additional Services & Warranties

 Adopt Advocates & Market Influencers  Hand-Hold Installers

 Collaboration - Webinars/Exhibitions

 Consideration of the End User - My Customers, Customer

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