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### Integrating Perovskite Solar Cells into a Flexible Fiber\*\*

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#### **Supporting Information**

#### **1** Experimental Section

#### (1) Synthesis of spinnable carbon nanotube array

Carbon nanotube (CNT) array was synthesized by chemical vapor deposition, and the synthetic details had been reported previously (*Acta Chim. Sinica* **2012**, *70*, 1523). The aligned CNT sheet was then drawn from the CNT array and wound onto the fiber substrate (*Adv. Mater.* **2014**, *26*, 2643). A post-treatment by isopropanol was used to achieve a close attachment of the CNT sheet on the fiber substrate.

#### (2) Synthesis of CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbI<sub>3</sub>

To synthesize CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbI<sub>3</sub>, a hydroiodic acid/water solution (45 wt%, 12.5 mL) was firstly added to a methylamine/ethanol solution (6.4 wt%, 124 mL), followed by reaction at room temperature for 2 h. The resulting solution was evaporated at 50  $^{\circ}$ C to produce a white powder of methylamine iodide. The methylamine iodide was then dissolved in ethanol and precipitated by diethyl ether. The product was further dried under vacuum and mixed with PbI<sub>2</sub> (99%) in  $\gamma$ -butyrolactone at 60  $^{\circ}$ C overnight to obtain CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbI<sub>3</sub>.

# (3) Synthesis of Titanium diisopropoxide bis (acetylacetonate) and compact TiO<sub>2</sub> layer

Titanium diisopropoxide bis (acetylacetonate) was synthesized by mixing titanium (IV) isopropoxide and acetylacetone with a molar ratio of 1/2 in an ice bath. The n-type compact TiO<sub>2</sub> layer had been then produced by dip-coating a diluted titanium diisopropoxide bis(acetylacetonate)/ethanol solution (0.3 M), followed by pyrolysis at a temperature of 400 °C.

#### (4) Characterization

The structures were characterized by SEM (Hitachi FE-SEM S-4800 operated at 1 kV). X-ray diffraction patterns were obtained from an X-ray powder diffractometer

(D8 ADVANCE and DAVINCI.DESIGN). The absorbance spectra were recorded from an UV-Vis Spectrophotometer (Shimadzu, UV-2550). J-V curves were produced by a Keithley 2400 Source Meter under illumination (100 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>) of simulated AM1.5 solar light coming from a solar simulator (Oriel-Sol3A 94023A equipped with a 450 W Xe lamp and an AM1.5 filter). The light intensity was calibrated using a reference Si solar cell (Oriel-91150). The effective area was calculated by multiplying the diameter of the coated steel wire and length of the fiber-shaped solar cell.



Figure S1. X-ray diffraction pattern of CH<sub>3</sub>NH<sub>3</sub>PbI<sub>3</sub> layer.



**Figure S2.** UV-vis absorption spectra of  $CH_3NH_3PbI_3$  layer without and with the mesoporous TiO<sub>2</sub> layer.



Figure S3. SEM image of a broken compact TiO<sub>2</sub> layer.



**Figure S4.** Typical J-V curves of fiber-shaped perovskite solar cells without and with the mesoporous TiO<sub>2</sub> layer.



Figure S5. Photographs of a fiber-shaped perovskite solar cell before (a) and after bending (b).



**Figure S6. a.** Side view of a spinnable CNT array with a height of 250  $\mu$ m. **b.** A transparent conducting CNT sheet shown by the red arrow.