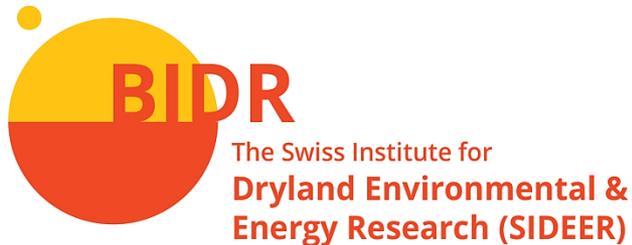


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## Solar energy research at BGU



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**Atoms of silicon**

Microscale



Macroscale



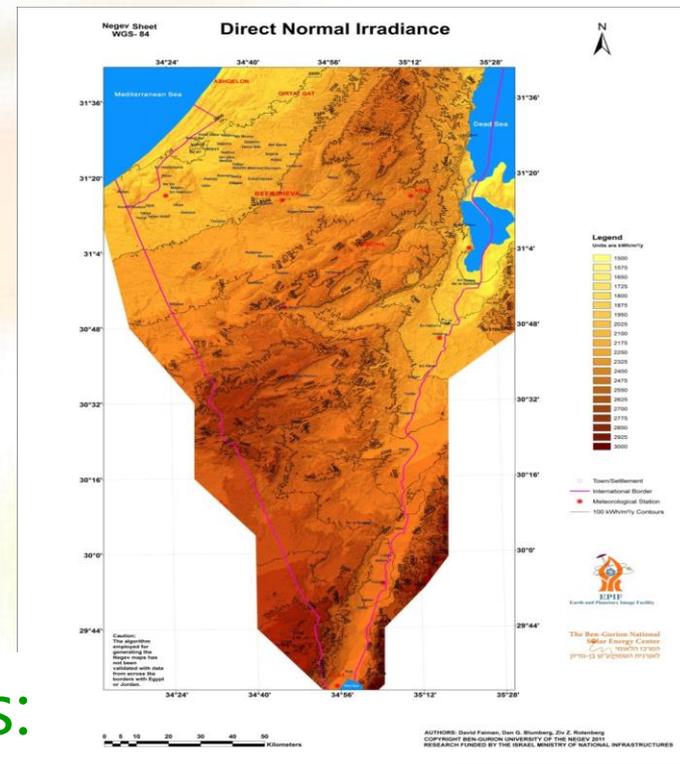
# Macroscale

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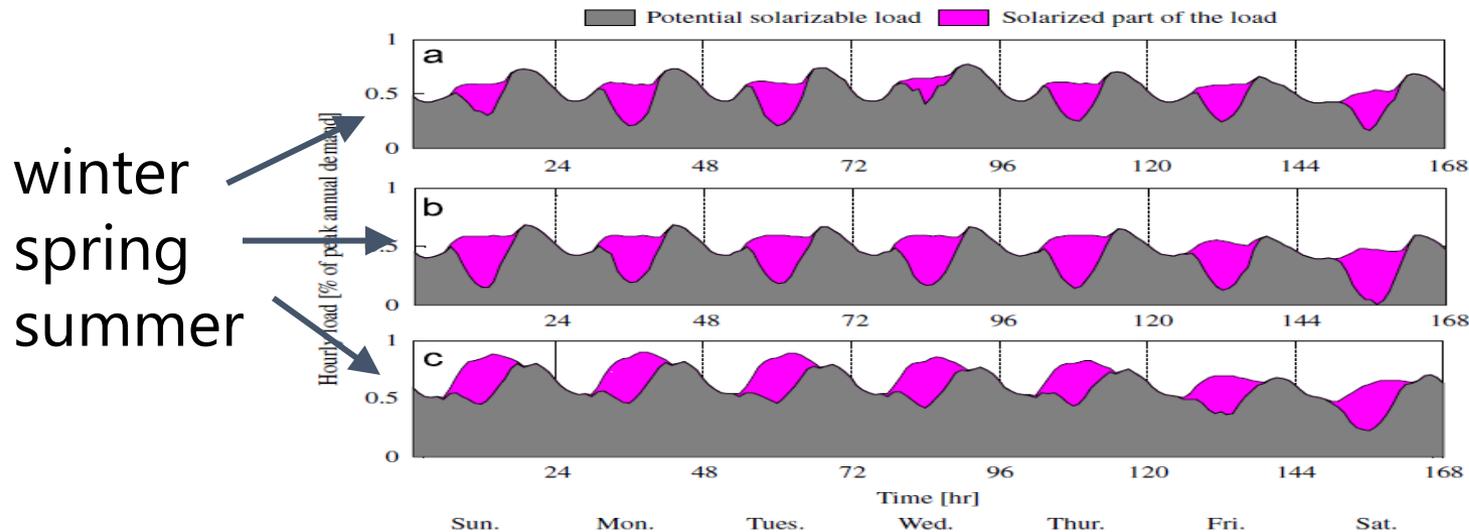
Negev Radiation Survey:  
for power station feasibility  
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## Grid penetration of large PV systems:



# Microscale

# Outdoor pilot-level testing

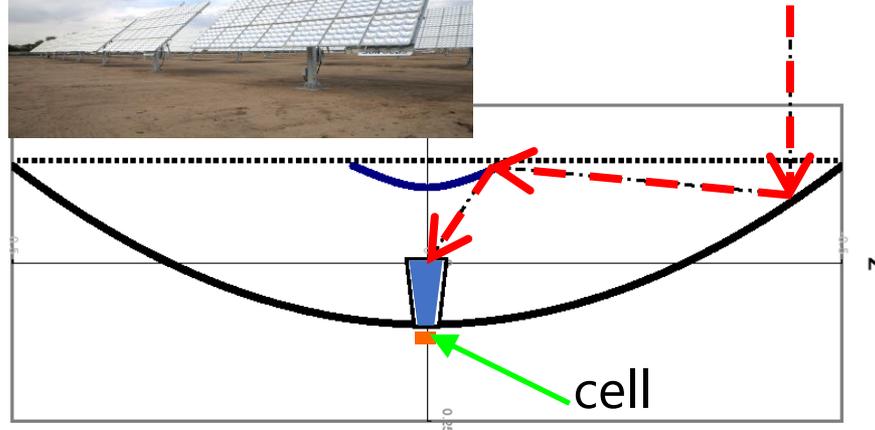


The solar spectrum is near standard test conditions

## Sunlight concentrating optics – using mirrors



**SolFocus™**



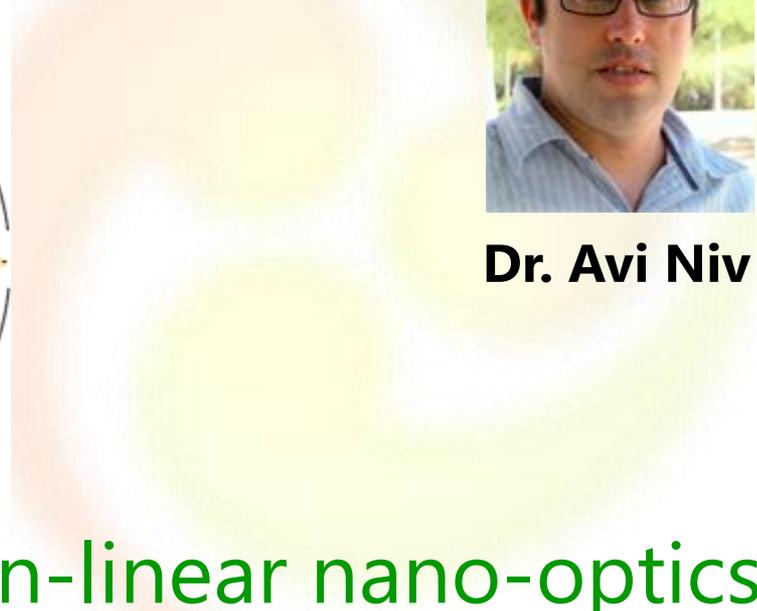
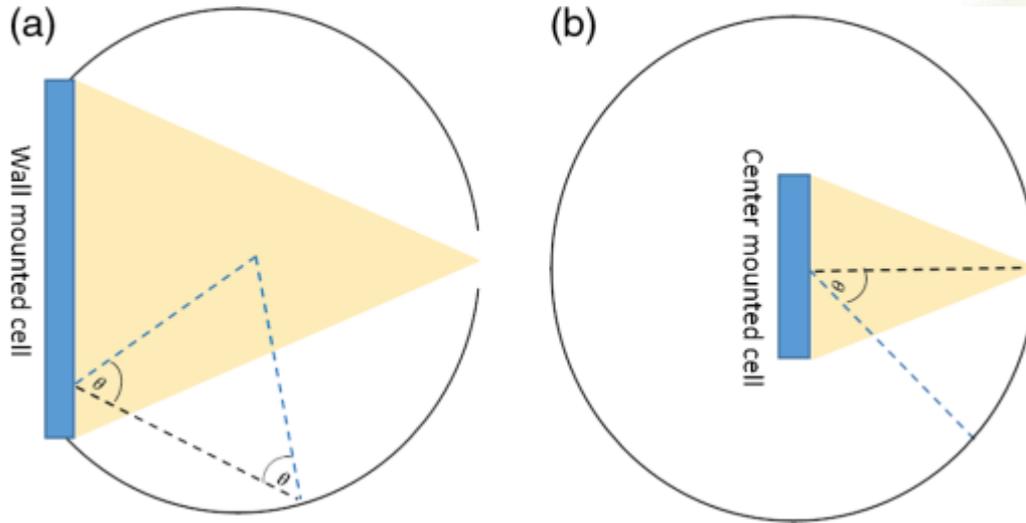
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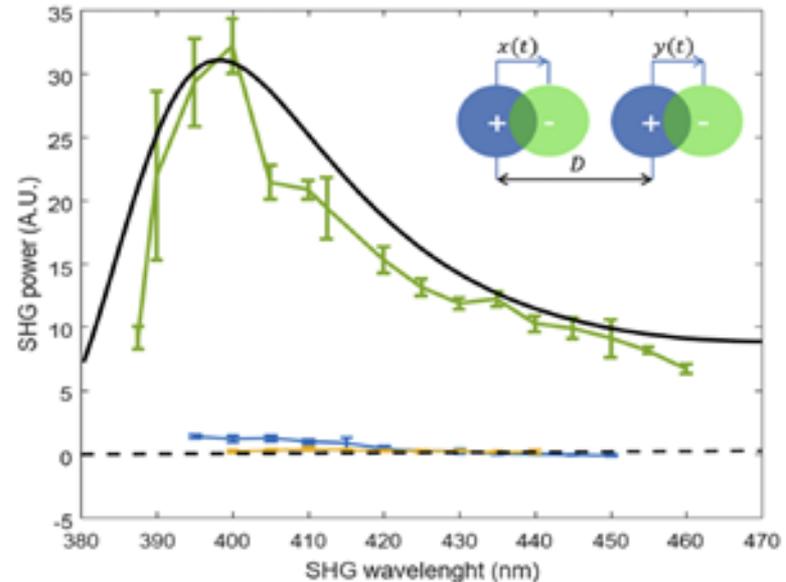
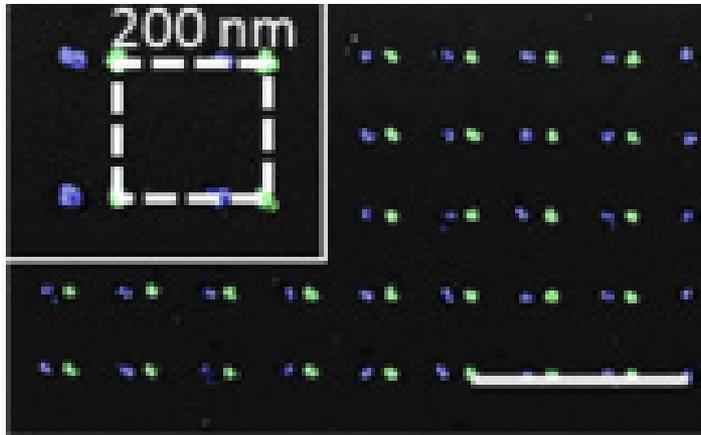
# External light trapping for solar cells



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# Wavelength conversion – non-linear nano-optics



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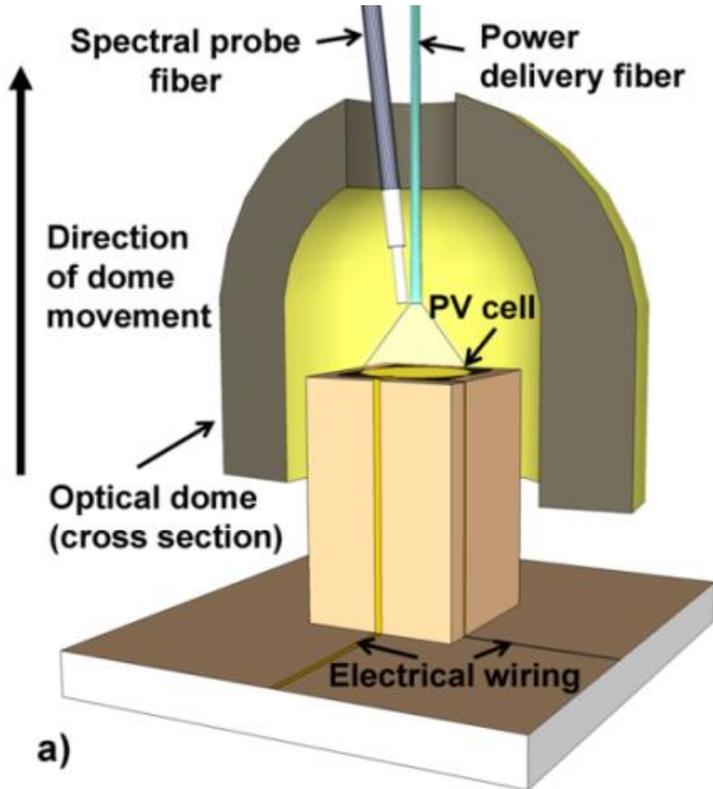
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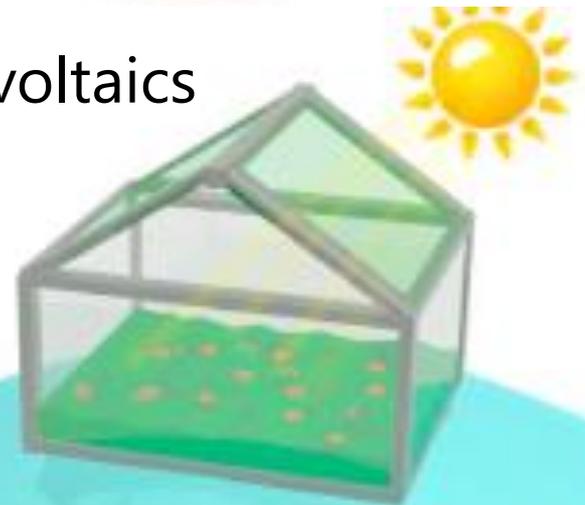
# New concepts for ultra-efficient Photovoltaic devices



**Prof. Eugene Katz**



- Concentrated photovoltaics
- Photon recycling
- hybrid Thermoelectric-PV
- Thermosolar-PV devices
- Agro-Photovoltaics

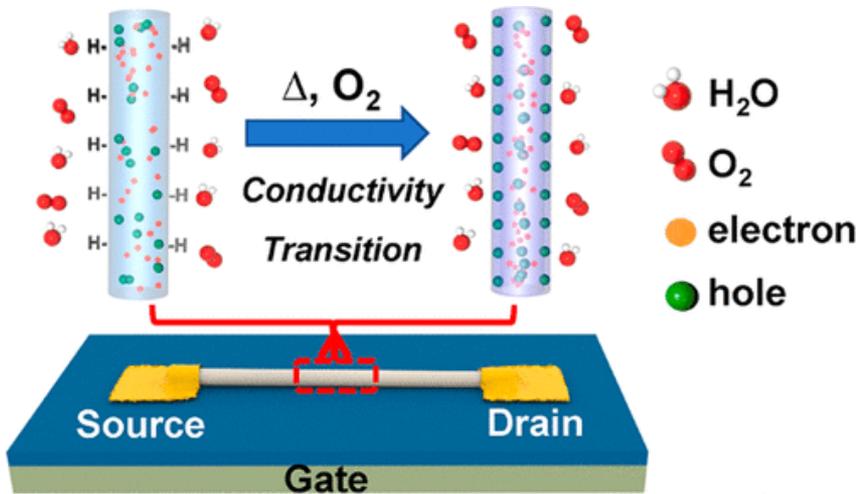


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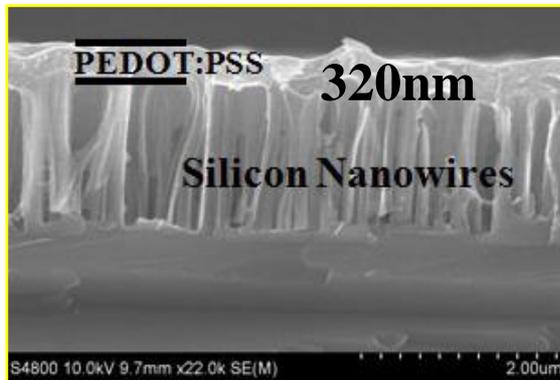


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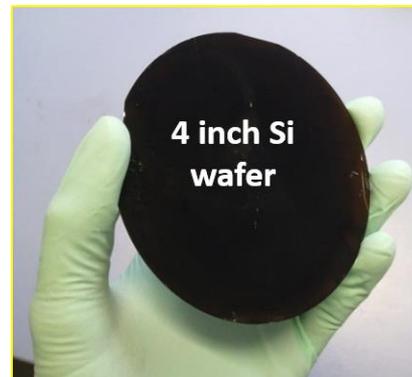
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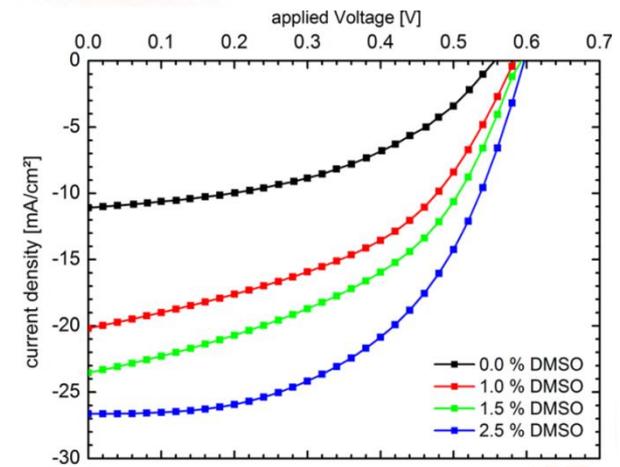
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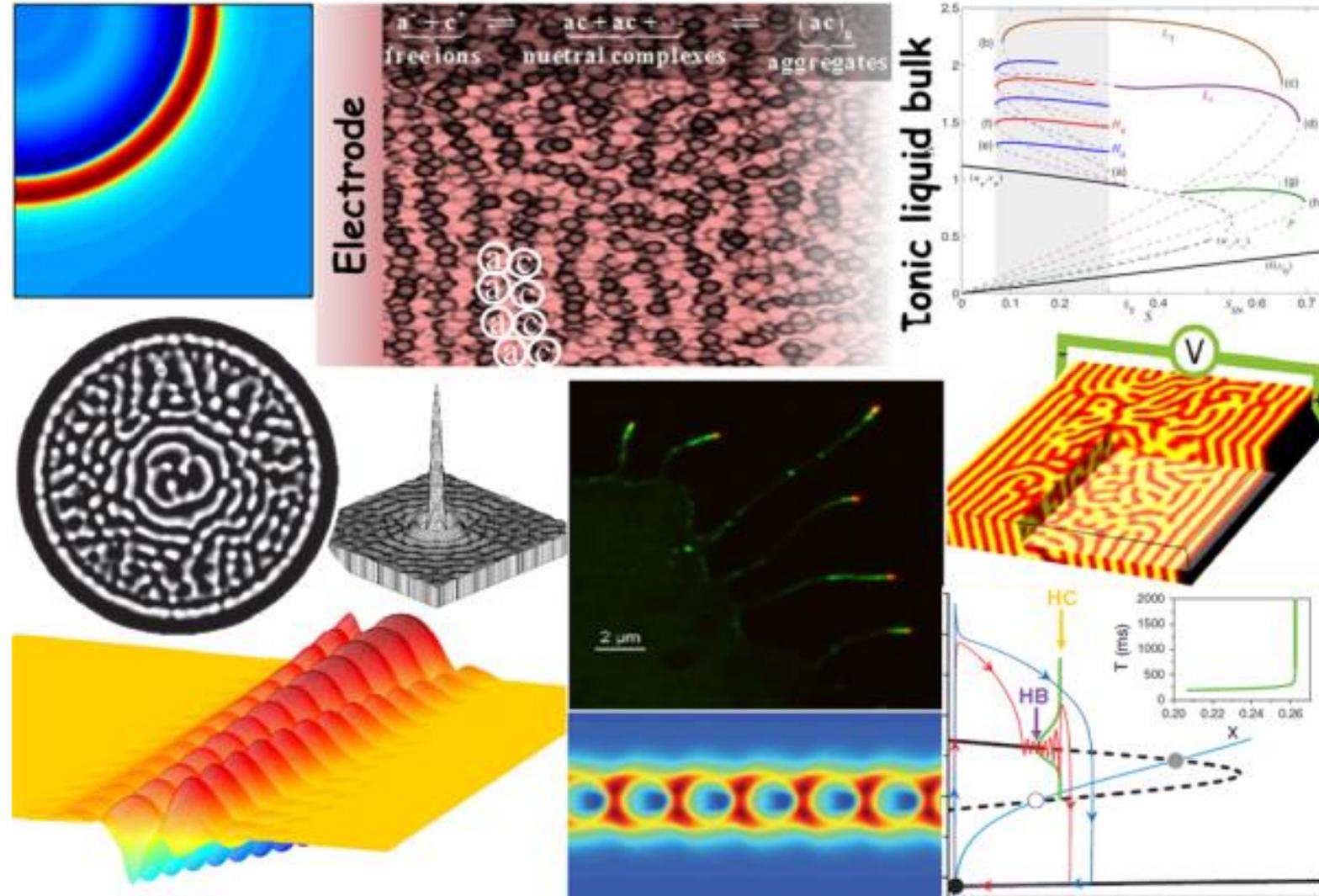
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# Theory of pattern formation in renewable energy systems



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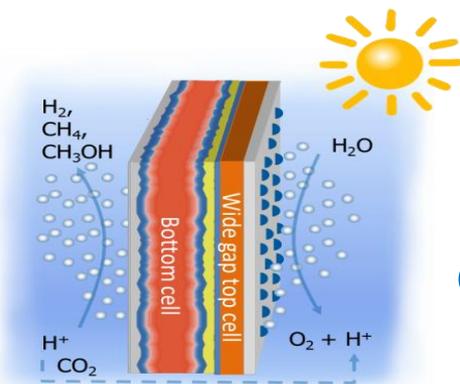


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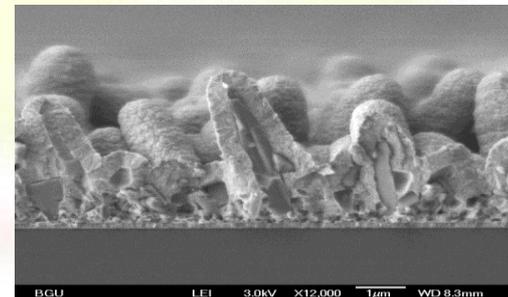
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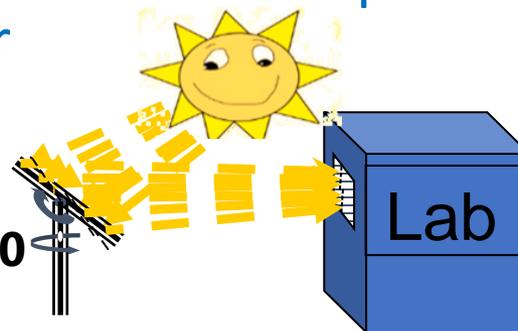


Solar Fuels for energy storage



Nanomaterials for photovoltaics

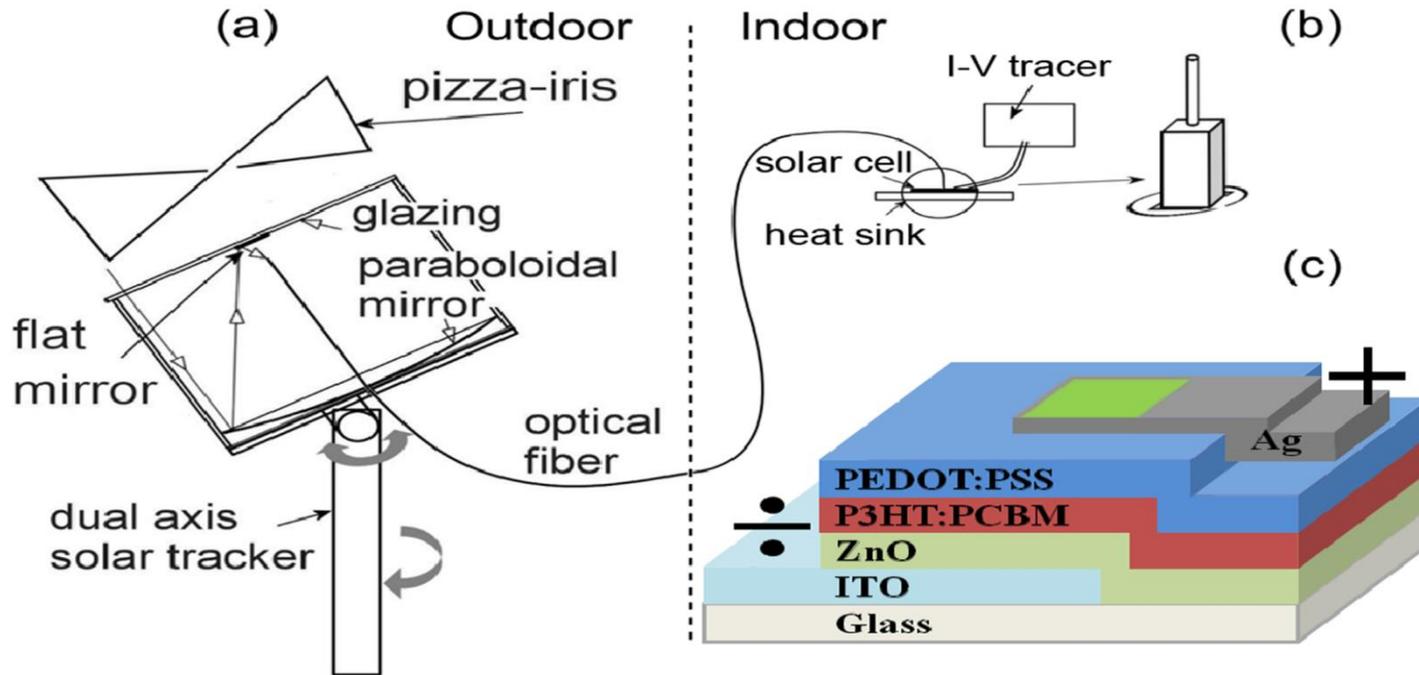
Natural sunlight for stability studies



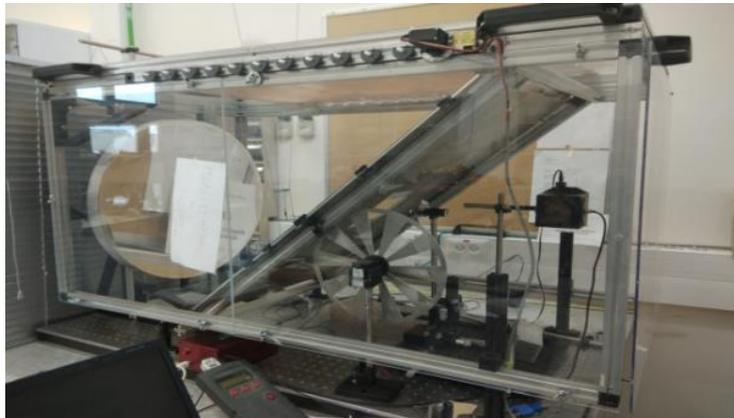
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# Accelerated stability tests of PV materials and devices using concentrated sunlight



With Profs.  
Gordon,  
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# Fast stability screening of materials and device

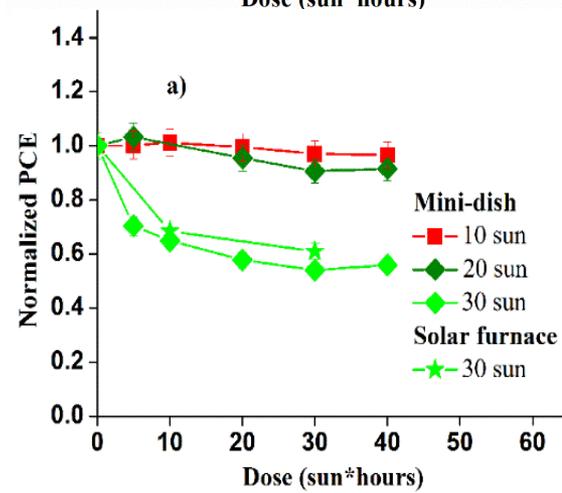
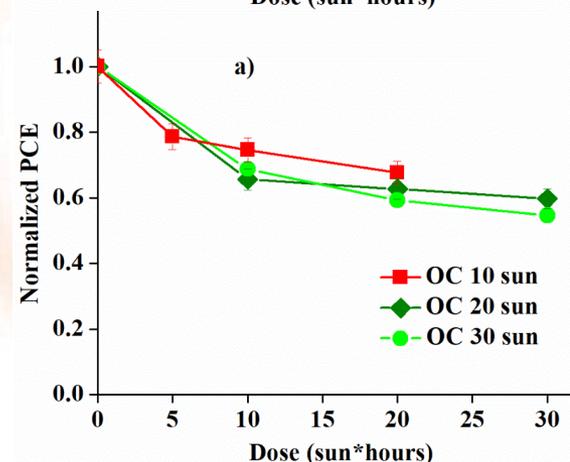
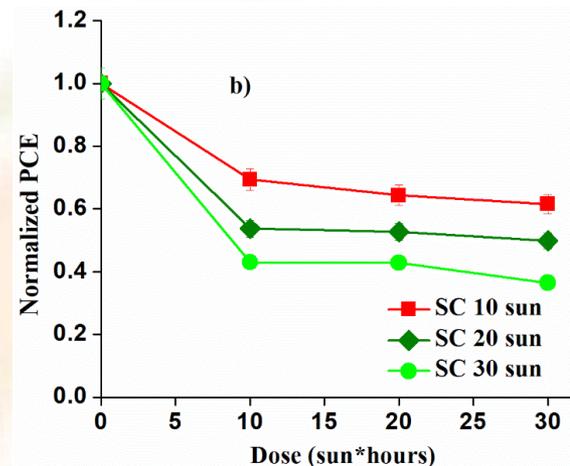
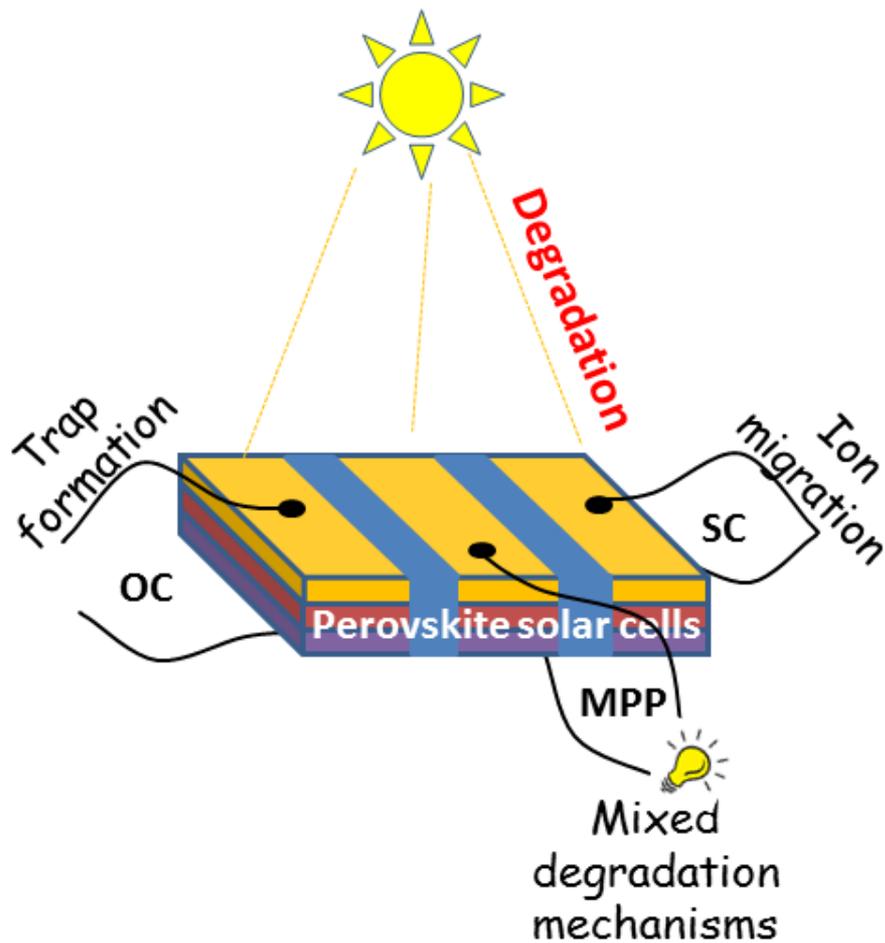
## Halide mixing $\text{MAPb}(\text{I}_{1-x}\text{Br}_x)_3$

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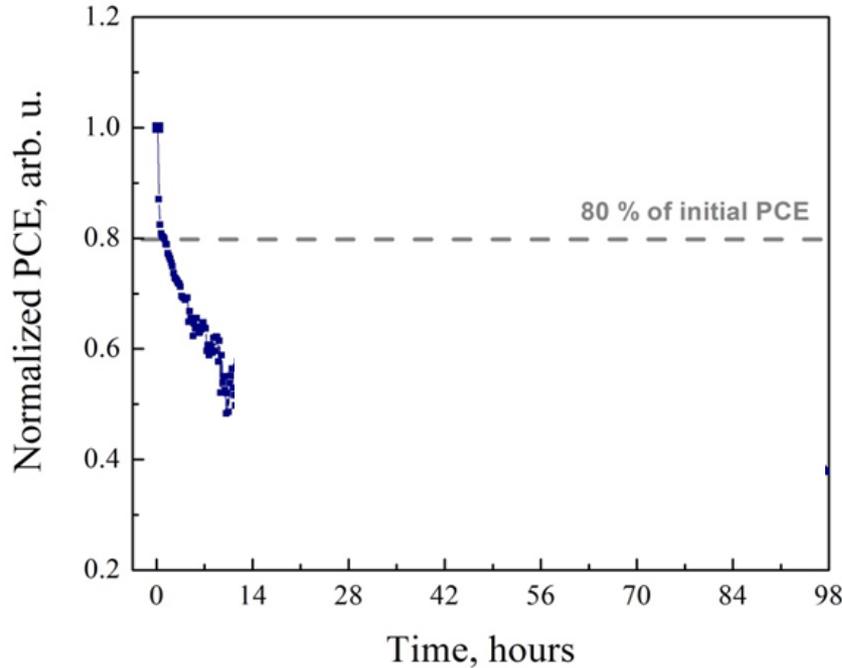


# Bias-dependent degradation mechanisms in perovskite solar cells

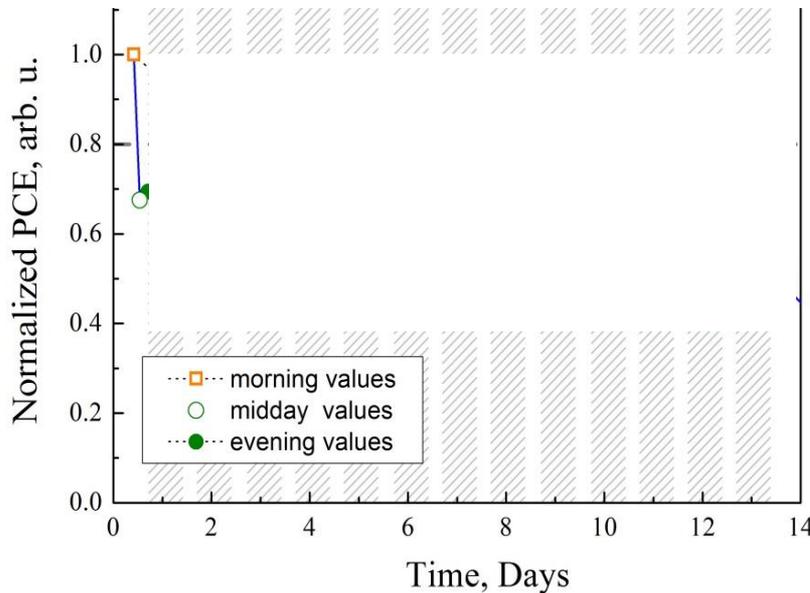
## Deduced from sunlight intensity-dependent measurements



# Perovskite cell recovery @ outdoor operation



Continuous illumination (indoors)



Outdoor illumination (day/night)

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