

Scientists develop efficient and stable hybrid perovskite-organic LEDs with external quantum efficiency exceeding 40%

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a, Device structure and b, schematic energy band diagram of a hybrid LED. c, EL spectra, d, current density-voltage, e, luminance-voltage and f, EQE- current density characteristics of the PeLED, OLED and hybrid LED. The star marks the maximum EQE value. Inset in (f) is a photo of a hybrid LED operated under biased voltage of 7.5 V, with an active area of 30 mm × 30 mm. Credit: Lingmei Kong, Yun Luo, Qianqian Wu, Xiangtian Xiao, Yuanzhi Wang, Guo Chen, Jianhua Zhang, Kai Wang, Wallace C. H. Choy, Yong-Biao Zhao, Hongbo Li, Takayuki Chiba, Junji Kido, and Xuyong Yang



Tandem LEDs offer an effective way to integrate different lightemitting technologies for better display that meets Rec. 2020 color gamut standard. Now, scientists in China have developed a stable, efficient and high-color purity green LED with a tandem structure by combining perovskite LED and organic LED technologies.

The key to achieving this result is to design an efficient interconnecting layer with p-type interface doping that provides good opto-electric coupling and reduces Joule heating.

Light-emitting diode (LED), one of the core parts of <u>display</u> equipment, is required to fulfill the requirements of Rec. 2020 color gamut standard for next-generation display applications. Metal-halide perovskites have extremely narrowband emissions and easily tunable bandgaps, which are among the few kinds of emitters that can fully satisfy the Rec.2020 so far.

Fast advances in perovskite LEDs (PeLEDs) have been made in the past few years and the current external quantum efficiency (EQE) of PeLEDs have approached 30%, comparable to those of commercial organic LEDs (OLEDs).

However, the intrinsic instability of perovskites still casts a shadow over their practical applications. Combining highly color-purity perovskite emitters with other mature display technologies such as OLEDs to expand the display color gamut could be a shortcut towards commercialization for high-definition displays.

In a paper <u>published</u> in *Light Science & Applications*, a team of scientists, led by Professor Xuyong Yang from Key Laboratory of Advanced Display and System Applications of Ministry of Education, Shanghai University, China, and co-workers have developed a stable, efficient and high-color purity hybrid LED with a tandem structure by combining the



perovskite LED and the commercial organic LED technologies to accelerate the practical application of perovskites.

PeLED and OLED with close photoluminescence peaks are selected to maximize <u>photon emission</u> without photon reabsorption and to achieve the narrowed emission spectra.

By designing an efficient interconnecting layer with p-type interface doping that provides good opto-electric coupling and reduces Joule heating, the resulting green emitting hybrid LED shows a narrow line width of around 30 nm, a peak luminance of over 176,000 cd m⁻², a maximum external quantum efficiency of over 40%, and an operational half-lifetime of over 42,000 h.

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