

## Supporting information

### Characterization of 2D- $\text{PEA}_2\text{SnI}_4$ perovskite thin films grown by sequential physical vapor deposition

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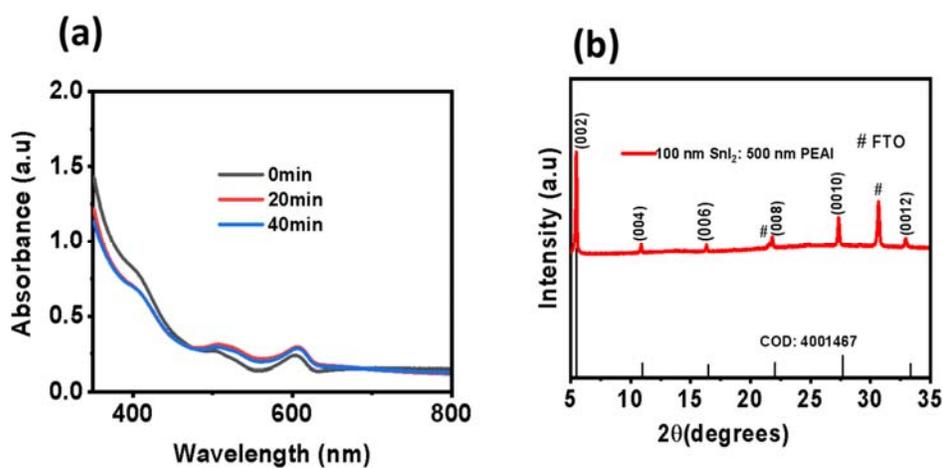


Figure S1: (a) UV-Vis absorption spectra of  $\text{PEA}_2\text{SnI}_4$  Perovskite thin film with 40 nm PEAI thickness for different annealing times; (b) XRD spectra for the deposited 2D  $\text{PEA}_2\text{SnI}_4$  film and the COD:4001467 cif file for  $\text{PEA}_2\text{SnI}_4$  from crystallographic database

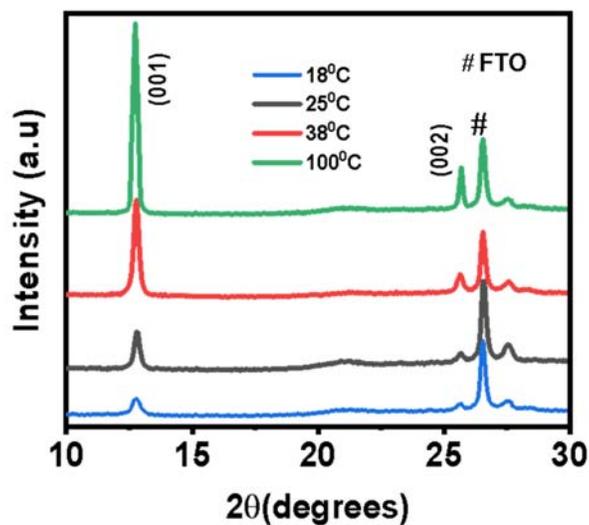


Figure S2: XRD spectra of SnI<sub>2</sub> thin films at different temperatures of 18, 25, 38 and 100°C.

Table S1: Bandgap for PEA<sub>2</sub>SnI<sub>4</sub> thin films at different annealing times.

| Annealing time (min) | Band gap (eV) |
|----------------------|---------------|
| 0                    | 1.991         |
| 20                   | 1.982         |
| 40                   | 1.973         |
| 60                   | 1.970         |
| 120                  | 1.987         |

Table S2: Bandgap for annealed PEA<sub>2</sub>SnI<sub>4</sub> thin films for different substrate PEAI thickness.

| PEAI thickness (nm) | Band gap (eV) |
|---------------------|---------------|
| 40                  | 1.983         |
| 100                 | 1.980         |
| 300                 | 1.971         |
| 500                 | 1.970         |

Table S3: Bandgap for annealed PEA<sub>2</sub>SnI<sub>4</sub> thin films at different substrate held at different temperatures

| Substrate Temp (°C) | Annealing time (min) | Band gap (eV) |
|---------------------|----------------------|---------------|
| 18                  | 60                   | 1.970         |
| 25                  | 60                   | 1.972         |
| 38                  | 60                   | 1.972         |

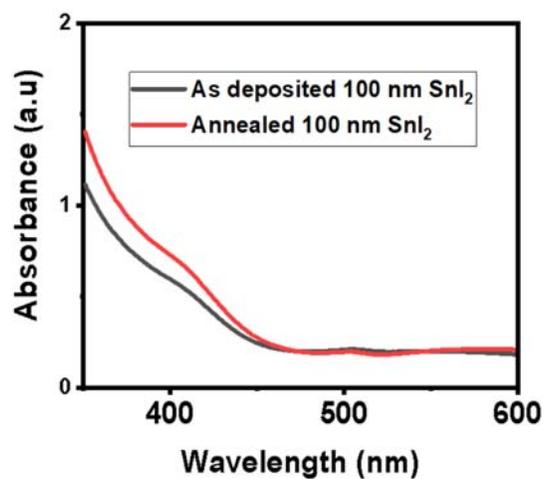


Figure S3: UV-Vis absorption spectra of 100 nm of SnI<sub>2</sub>-only film.

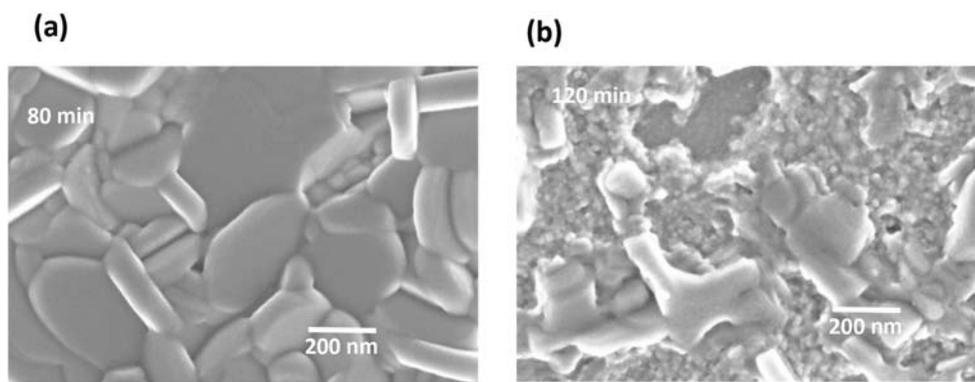
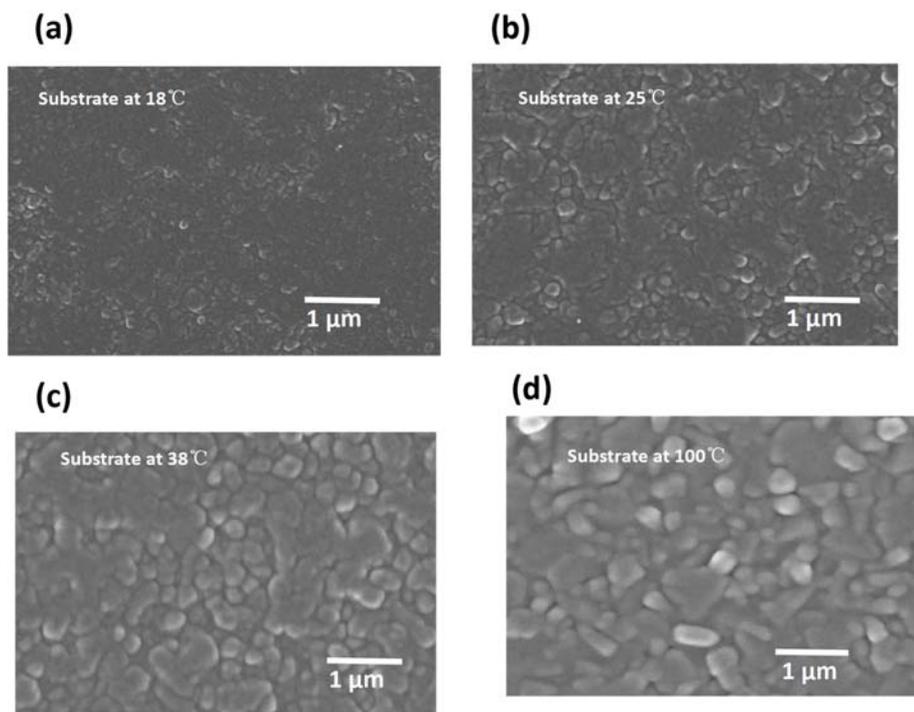


Figure S4: SEM image of PEA<sub>2</sub>SnI<sub>4</sub> with 500 nm PEAI thickness annealed for (a) 80 and (b) 120 min.



*Figure S5 : FE-SEM images of as-deposited SnI<sub>2</sub> films with substrate at (a) 18 °C; (b) 25 °C; (c) 38 °C; and (d) 100 °C.*