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ТОРІС	:	Realizing TCO-Free Interconnecting Layers via Surface Modification of Doped Polysilicon for Perovskite-on-Silicon Tandem PV Applications
SPEAKER	:	Ms Lee Ling Kai Graduate Student, ECE Dept, NUS
DATE	:	Friday, 25 April 2025
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ABSTRACT		

The integration of perovskite on silicon in tandem solar cells has already surpassed the Shockley-Queisser (SQ) limit of single-junction solar cells. Silicon provides a stable and mature foundation, while perovskites offer high flexibility in tuning bandgaps. In a two-terminal (2T) tandem configuration, the interconnecting layer serves as an electrical connection between the perovskite top cell and the silicon bottom cell, enabling current flow between the two sub-cells. We introduce a simplified interconnecting structure using NiOx/nickel silicide/n<sup>+</sup> poly-Si, where the nickel silicide is formed through post-deposition processing, eliminating the need for conventional transparent conductive oxide (TCO) layers. The formation of nickel silicide at the NiOx/n<sup>+</sup> poly-Si interface establishes an ohmic contact, facilitating efficient carrier transport. In this study, we successfully demonstrate that NiSi can serve as a TCO-free interconnecting layer, achieving power conversion efficiencies (PCEs) comparable to ITO-based devices.

## BIOGRAPHY

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