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**Silicon heterojunction solar cell with amorphous silicon oxide
buffer and microcrystalline silicon oxide contact layers**

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ABSTRACT

We report on the development and optimization of intrinsic amorphous silicon oxide passivation layers and doped microcrystalline silicon oxide contact layers for silicon heterojunction solar cells. We present the structural, optical, electrical and passivation properties of these PECVD grown layers under various deposition conditions and show the solar cell results of the complete device $\text{Ag/ITO}/\mu\text{c-SiOx:H}_{\langle n \rangle}/\text{a-SiOx:H}_{\langle i \rangle}/\text{c-Si}_{\langle p \rangle}/\text{a-SiOx:H}_{\langle i \rangle}/\mu\text{c-SiOx:H}_{\langle p+ \rangle}/\text{ITO/Ag}$ with respect to the layer properties. With optimized buffer, emitter and back surface field layers, a highest efficiency of 19.0 % (active area = 0.67 cm²) was achieved with V_{oc} = 667 mV, short circuit current J_{sc} = 35.8 mA/cm² and FF = 79.6 % on flat p-type float zone wafer.