

## (Supplementary Information)

# Facile NiO<sub>x</sub> sol-gel synthesis depending on chain length of various solvents without catalyst for efficient hole charge transfer in perovskite solar cells

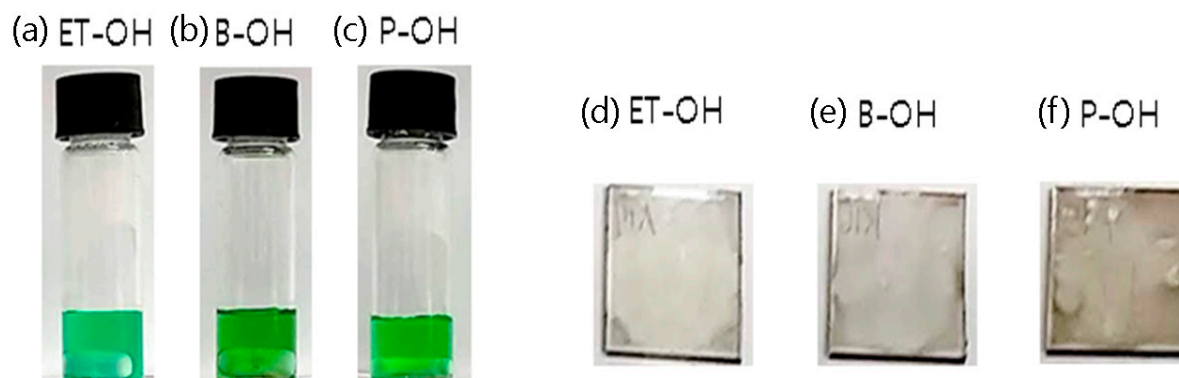
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**Table S1.** Basic properties of the three solvents used in NiO<sub>x</sub> sol-gel synthesis.

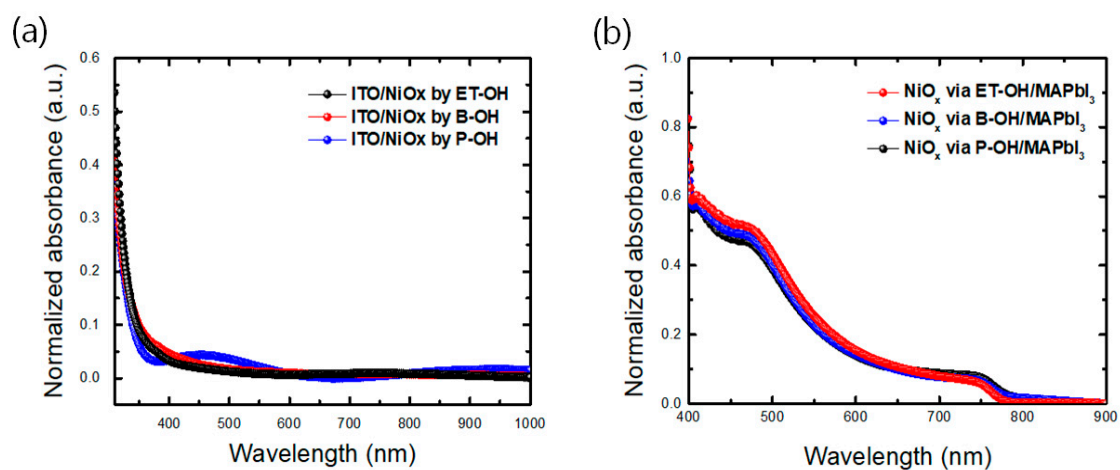
Solvents	Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Boiling point (°C)	Molecular weight (g/mol)	Viscosity (Pa·s)	Chemical formula
1,2-Ethanediol (ET-OH)	1.11	197.3	62.07	1.61×10 <sup>-2</sup>	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub>
1,4-Butanediol (B-OH)	1.02	230	90.12	84.9×10 <sup>-3</sup>	C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>10</sub> O <sub>2</sub>
1,5-Pentanediol (P-OH)	0.994	242	104.15	128×10 <sup>-3</sup>	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub> O <sub>2</sub>

**Table S2.** PCE (%) statistical data of perovskite solar cells based on NiO<sub>x</sub> via solvent.

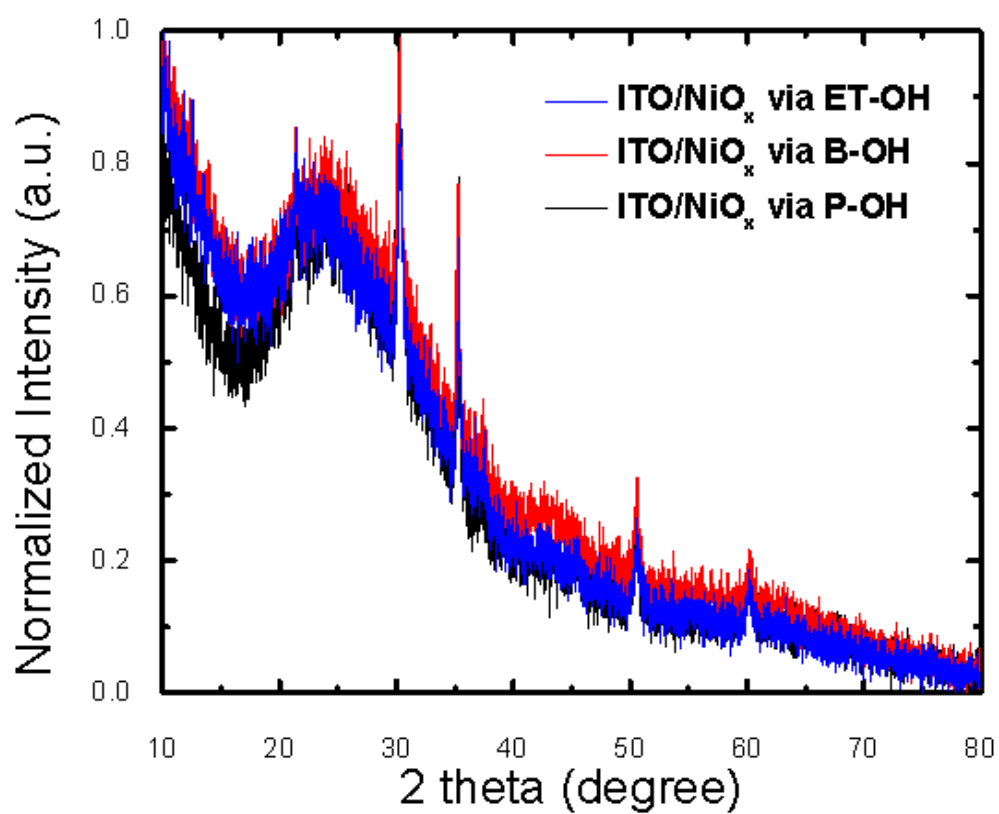
Condition	Maximum PCE (%)	Minimum PCE (%)	Average PCE (%) of 20 unit cells
NiO <sub>x</sub> via ET-OH	9.52	6.08	8.45
NiO <sub>x</sub> via B-OH	11.74	10.50	11.14
NiO <sub>x</sub> via P-OH	10.58	7.13	8.97



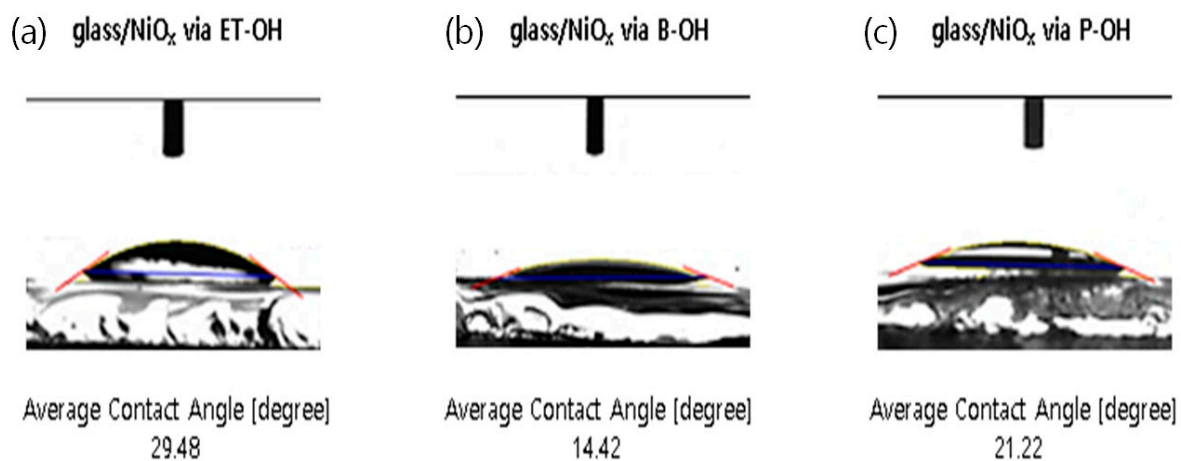
**Figure S1.** Photographs of NiO<sub>x</sub> via solvents ((a) ET-OH, (b) B-OH, and (c) P-OH) sol-gel solutions and ITO/NiO<sub>x</sub> via solvents ((d) ET-OH, (e) B-OH, and (f) P-OH) substrates.



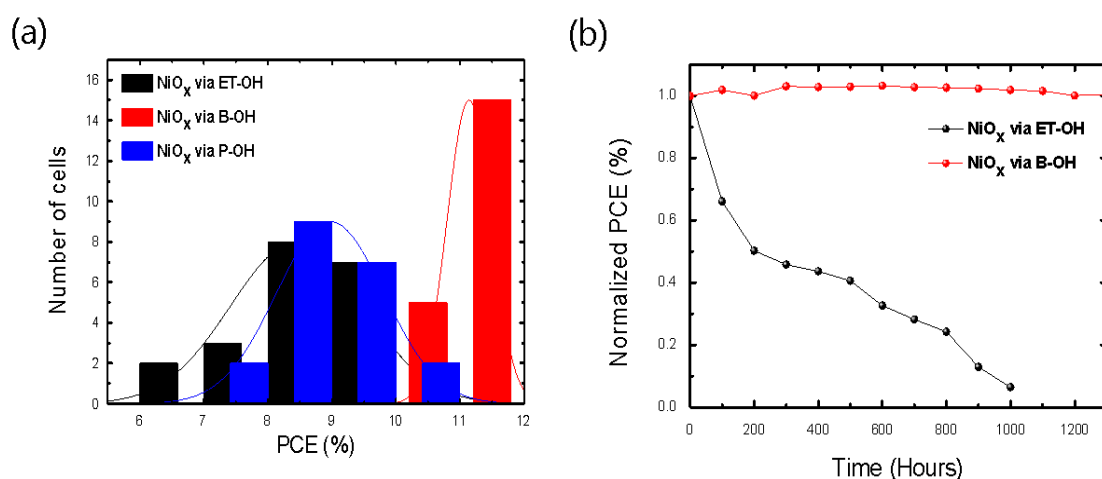
**Figure S2.** Absorbance spectra of **(a)** ITO/NiO<sub>x</sub> via solvents (ET-OH, B-OH, and P-OH) and **(b)** glass/NiO<sub>x</sub> via solvents (ET-OH, B-OH, and P-OH)/MAPbI<sub>3</sub> based on air reference.



**Figure S3.** XRD patterns of glass/ITO/NiO<sub>x</sub> via solvents (ET-OH, B-OH, and P-OH).



**Figure S4.** The contact angle Images of water droplet ( $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ) on different surfaces; **(a)** glass / $\text{NiO}_x$  via ET-OH, **(b)** glass / $\text{NiO}_x$  via B-OH, and **(c)** glass / $\text{NiO}_x$  via P-OH.



**Figure S5.** **(a)** Histogram of PCE (%) device performance for 20 perovskite solar cells fabricated under  $\text{NiO}_x$  via solvent control **(b)** Normalized PCE (%) of a perovskite solar cell containing HTLs of  $\text{NiO}_x$  via ET-OH (black) and B-OH (red) measured under ambient environmental conditions and standard AM 1.5 solar illumination.