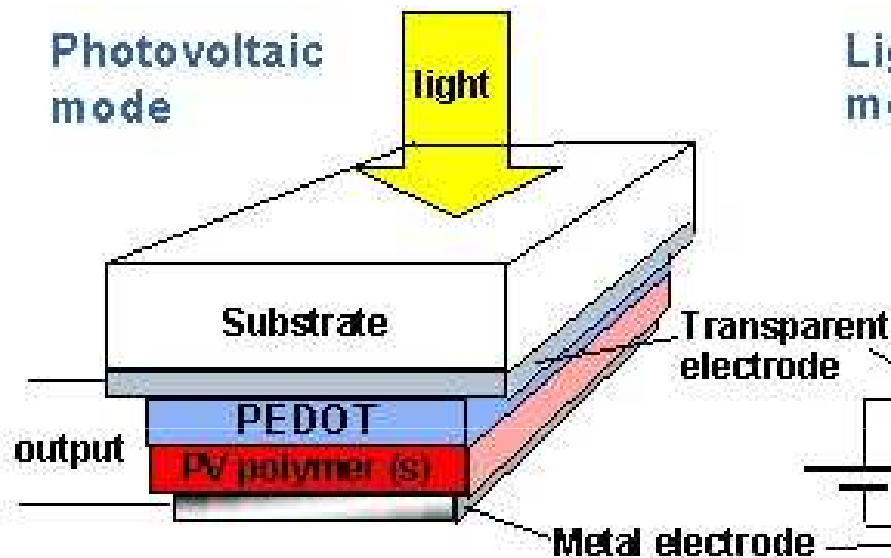


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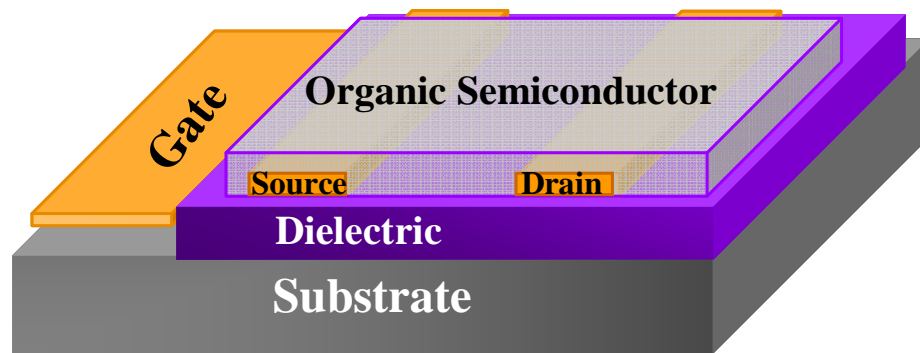
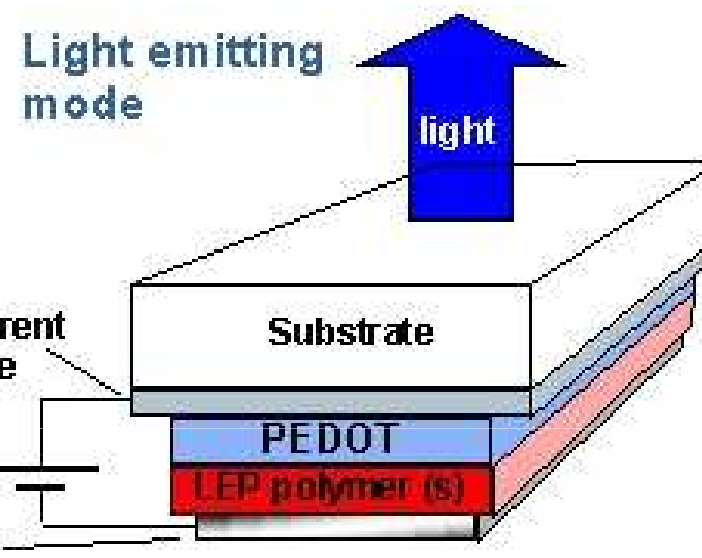
- History of Conjugated Polymers
- Electronic Structures of Conjugated Polymers
- Polymer Light-emitting Diodes
- Polymer-based Thin Film Transistors
- Polymer-based Photovoltaics
- Polymers for Memory devices

Device Applications of Donor-Acceptor Conjugated Polymers in My Group

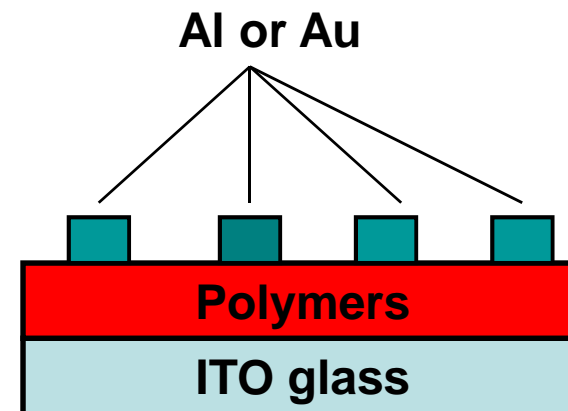
Polymer Solar Cells



Polymer Light-emitting Diodes



Polymer Thin Film Transistors



Polymer Memory Devices

Humanity's core problems in 2050

1. ENERGY
2. WATER
3. FOOD
4. ENVIRONMENT
5. POVERTY
6. TERRORISM & WAR
7. DISEASE
8. EDUCATION
9. DEMOCRACY
10. POPULATION



2003	6.3	Billion People
2050	8-10	Billion People

Source: Richard Smalley, Energy & Nanotechnology Conference, Houston; Christoph Brabec; Konarka .

能源之種類

• 傳統能源：

- 石化燃料(煤[230]、石油[45]、天然氣[60])
- 火力
- 核能[鈾：75]

註：[] 為預估使用年限，單位--年

• 再生能源：

- 太陽能(太陽光發電、太陽熱能)
- 風力發電
- 生質能(廢棄物發電、沼氣發電、生質物轉化、生質物汽化發電.....)
- 地熱發電
- 小水力發電
- 海洋能(波浪發電、潮汐發電、海洋溫差)

Renewable energies



Energy gap
~ 14 TW by 2050
~ 33 TW by 2100

Credit: Christoph Brabec, Konarka

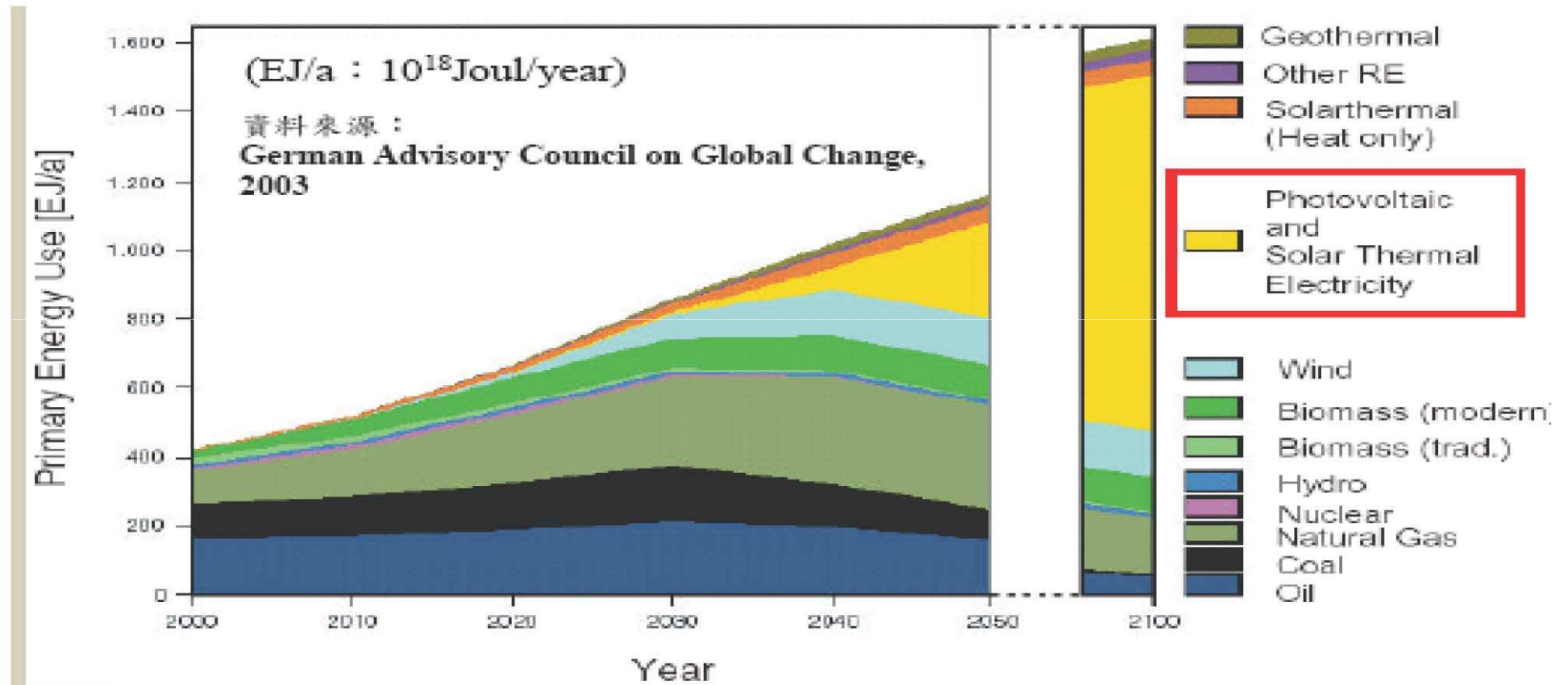


太陽光發電(光伏發電, Photovoltaic, PV)之特點

1. 太陽電池通常為一種固態半導體元件，將光能直接轉換為(直流)電能，但本身不儲存能量。
2. 太陽電池使用方便、無廢棄物、無污染、無轉動部份、無噪音、可阻隔輻射熱、或可設計為半透光。
3. 太陽電池模板壽命長久，可達二十年以上。
4. 太陽電池外型尺寸可隨意變化，應用廣泛(小至消費性產品--如計算機，大至發電廠皆實用)。
5. 太陽電池未來與建築物結合，將可普及化。
6. 太陽能是免費、取之不盡、用之不竭之潔淨能源，但必須找到使用之方法。

Future Trend-- Renewable Energy

太陽光熱發電將是未來電源供應主力



Source : German Advisory Council on Global Change, 2003

太陽每天照射到地表的能量，超過全人類30年能源需求！

太陽能發電之重要發展歷史

☀️ **1954年 Bell Labs**發展出矽太陽電池

(Chapin 等人，轉換效率約6%)



☀️ **1958年**開始太空應用 (GaAs)

☀️ **1970年**開始太陽光發電系統地面應用 (Si) (能源危機)

☀️ **1976年 Carlson**製作出第一個非晶薄膜太陽電池

☀️ **1980年**消費性薄膜太陽電池應用 (a-Si, CdS/CdTe)

☀️ **1990年**與公用電力併聯之太陽光發電系統技術成熟

(Grid-Connected PV System, Si) (電力電子技術)

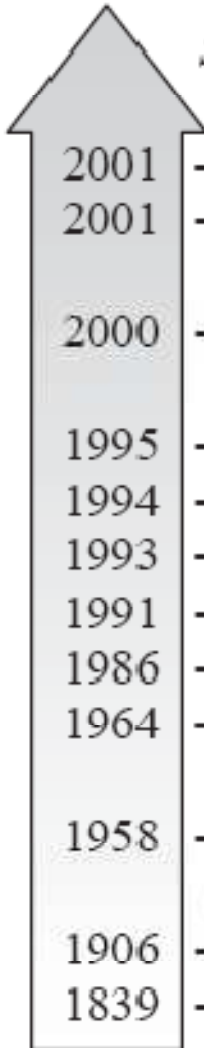
☀️ **1992年**起歐美、日各國推動PV補助獎勵

☀️ **2000年**建材一體型太陽電池應用 (BIPV)

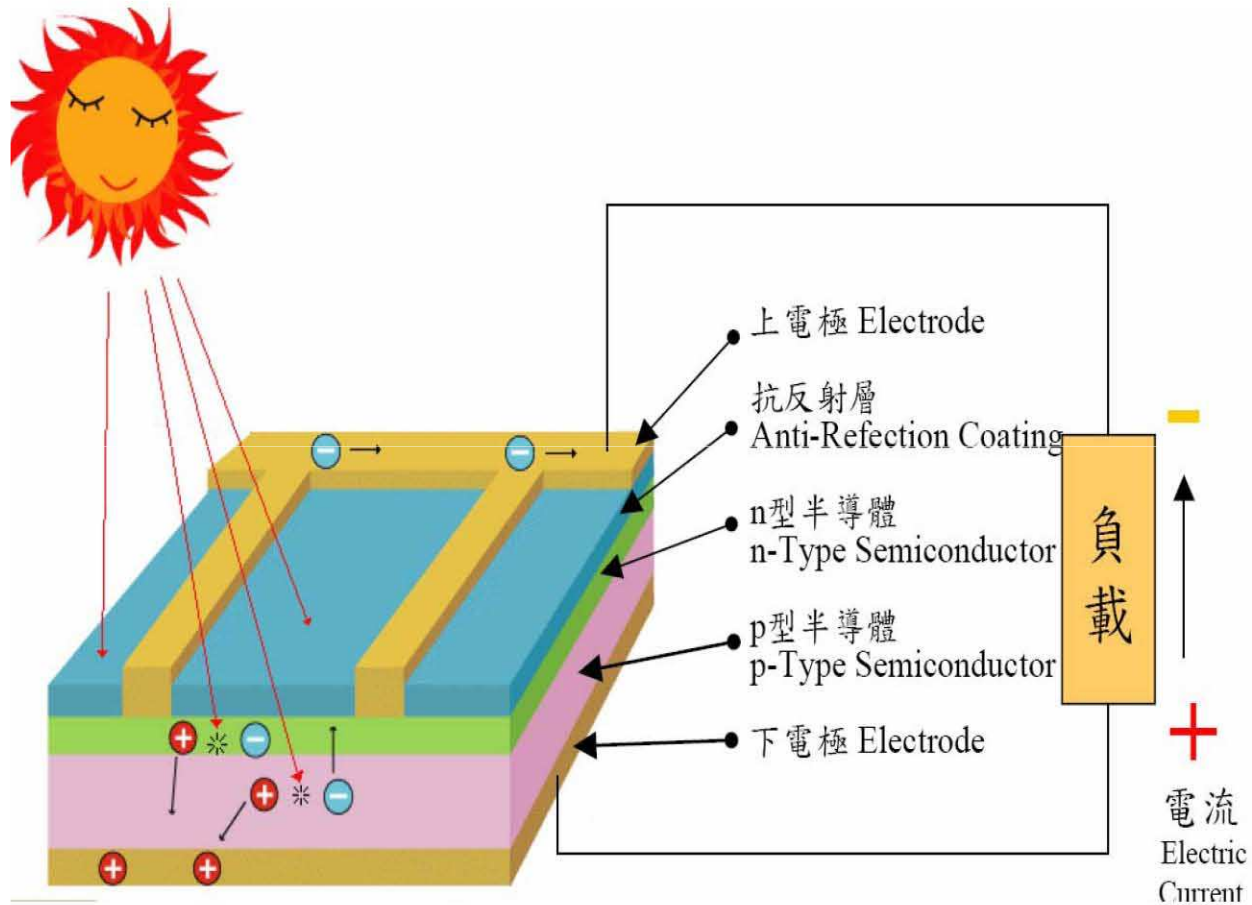


History of Organic Solar Cells

Some important milestones in the development of organic solar cells

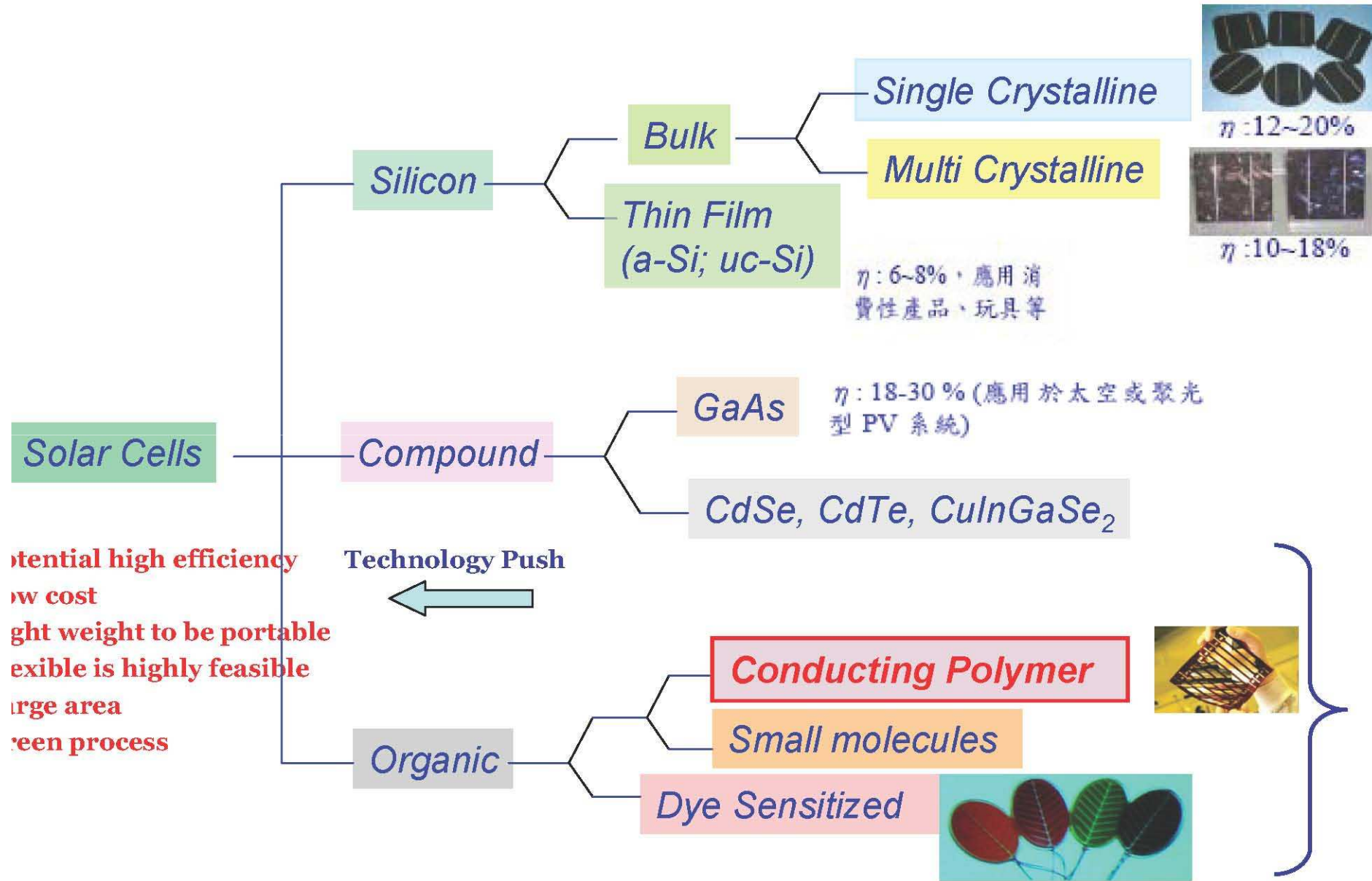
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- 2001 - Ramos used *double-cable* polymers in PV cells.
 - 2001 - Schmidt-Mende made a self-organised liquid crystalline solar cell of hexabenzocoronene and perylene.
 - 2000 - Peters / van Hal used oligomer-C₆₀ dyads/triads as the active material in PV cells.
 - 1995 - Yu / Hall made the first bulk polymer/polymer heterojunction PV.
 - 1994 - Yu made the first bulk polymer/C₆₀ heterojunction PV.
 - 1993 - Sariciftci made the first polymer/C₆₀ heterojunction device.
 - 1991 - Hiramoto made the first dye/dye bulk heterojunction PV by co-sublimation.
 - 1986 - Tang published the first heterojunction PV device.
 - 1964 - Delacote observed a rectifying effect when magnesium phthalocyanines (CuPh) was placed between two different metalelectrodes.
 - 1958 - Kearns and Calvin worked with magnesium phthalocyanines (MgPh), measuring a photovoltage of 200 mV.
 - 1906 - Pochettino studied the photoconductivity of anthracene.
 - 1839 - Becquerel observed the photoelectrochemical process.

太陽能發電(Photovoltaic)原理



- 太陽電池是以P 型與N 型半導體材料接合構成的裝置。
- 當陽光照射太陽電池時，半導體材料吸收光子會產生電子-電洞對。
- 分離正電荷(Hole)、負電荷(Electron)會分別往正(P 型)、負(N型)極方向移動並且聚集。
- 正、負極接上負載時，將有電流流出，可以對負載作功(燈泡會亮、馬達會轉)。

太陽能電池種類



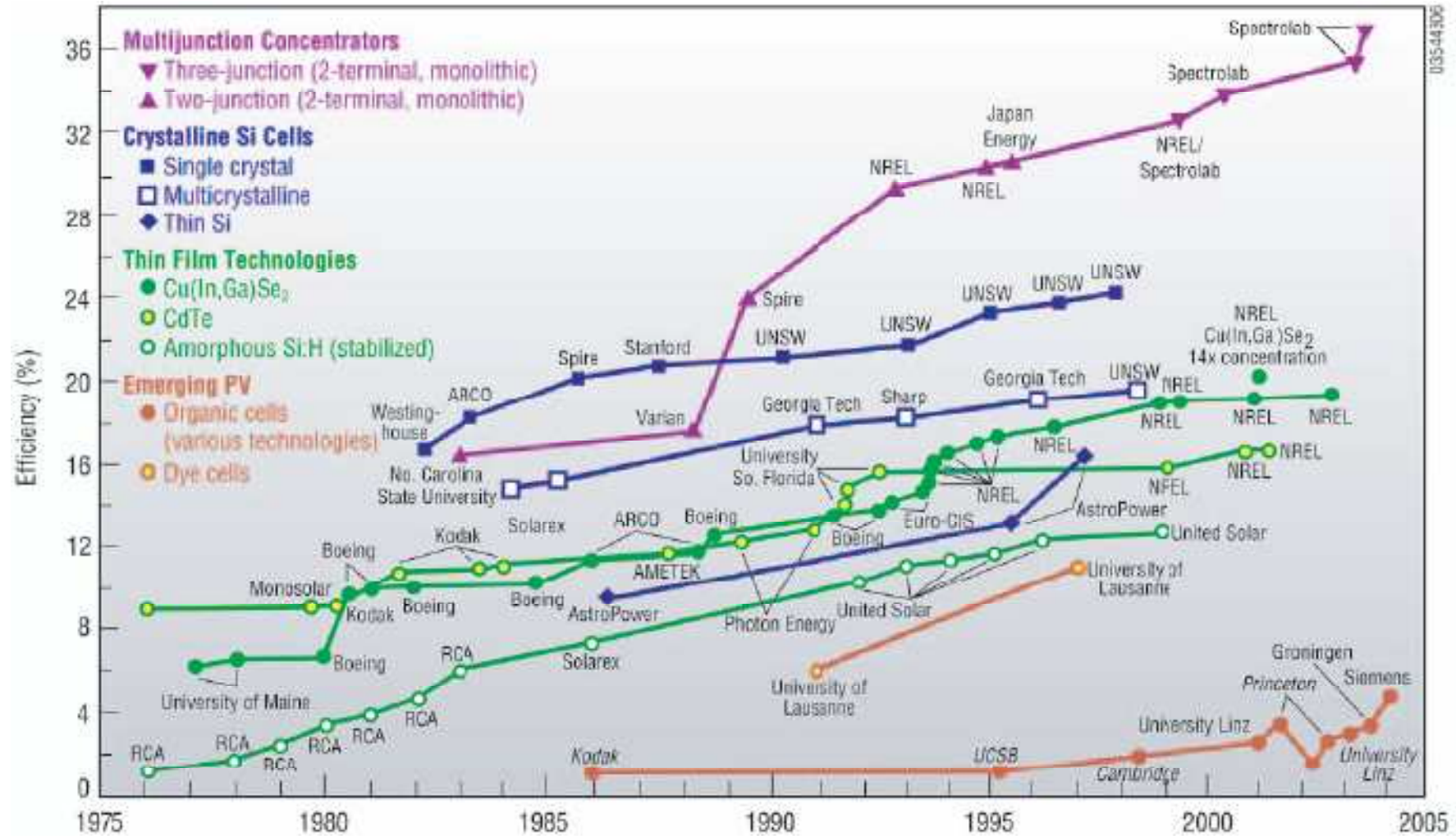
Highest Solar Cell Efficiency Tables until 2006. 04

Table I. Confirmed terrestrial cell and submodule efficiencies measured under the global AM1.5 spectrum (1000 Wm^{-2}) at 25°C

Classification ^a	Effic. ^b (%)	Area ^c (cm ²)	V _{oc} (V)	J _{sc} (mA/cm ²)	FF ^d (%)	Test Centre ^e (and Date)	Description
<u>Silicon</u>							
Si (crystalline)	24.7 ± 0.5	4.00 (da)	0.706	42.2	82.8	Sandia (3/99)	UNSW PERL ¹⁴
Si (multicrystalline)	20.3 ± 0.5	1.002 (ap)	0.664	37.7	80.9	NREL (5/04)	FhG-ISE ¹⁵
Si (thin film transfer)	16.6 ± 0.4	4.017 (ap)	0.645	32.8	78.2	FhG-ISE (7/01)	U. Stuttgart (45 μm thick) ¹⁶
Si (thin film submodule)	9.4 ± 0.3	94.9 (ap)	0.493^f	26.0^f	73.1	Sandia (4/06)	CSG Solar (1–2 μm on glass; 20 cells)⁵
<u>III–V Cells</u>							
GaAs (crystalline)	25.1 ± 0.8	3.91 (t)	1.022	28.2	87.1	NREL (3/90)	Kopin, AlGaAs window ¹⁷
GaAs (thin film)	24.5 ± 0.5	1.002 (t)	1.029	28.8	82.5	FhG-ISE (5/05)	Radboud U., NL ¹⁸
GaAs (multicrystalline)	18.2 ± 0.5	4.011 (t)	0.994	23.0	79.7	NREL (11/95)	RTI, Ge substrate ¹⁹
InP (crystalline)	21.9 ± 0.7	4.02 (t)	0.878	29.3	85.4	NREL (4/90)	Spire, epitaxial ²⁰
<u>Thin Film Chalcogenide</u>							
CIGS (cell)	18.4 ± 0.5 ^g	1.04 (ap)	0.669	35.7	77.0	NREL (2/01)	NREL, CIGS on glass ²¹
CIGS (submodule)	16.6 ± 0.4	16.0 (ap)	0.661 ^f	33.4 ^f	75.1	FhG-ISE (3/00)	U. Uppsala, 4 serial cells ²²
CdTe (cell)	16.5 ± 0.5 ^g	1.032 (ap)	0.845	25.9	75.5	NREL (9/01)	NREL, mesa on glass ²³
<u>Amorphous/Nanocrystalline Si</u>							
Si (amorphous) ^h	9.5 ± 0.3	1.070 (ap)	0.859	17.5	63.0	NREL (4/03)	U. Neuchatel ²⁴
Si (nanocrystalline)	10.1 ± 0.2	1.199 (ap)	0.539	24.4	76.6	JQA (12/97)	Kaneka (2 μm on glass) ²⁵
<u>Photochemical</u>							
Dye sensitised	10.4 ± 0.3	1.004 (ap)	0.729	21.8	65.2	AIST (8/05)	Sharp ²⁶
Dye sensitised (submodule)	6.3 ± 0.2	26.5 (ap)	6.145	1.70	60.4	AIST (8/05)	Sharp⁶
<u>Organic</u>							
Organic polymerⁱ	3.0 ± 0.1	1.001 (ap)	0.538	9.68	52.4	AIST (3/06)	Sharp, fullerene derivative⁷
<u>Multijunction Devices</u>							
GaInP/GaAs/Ge	32.0 ± 1.5	3.989 (t)	2.622	14.37	85.0	NREL (1/03)	Spectrolab (monolithic)
GaInP/GaAs	30.3	4.0 (t)	2.488	14.22	85.6	JQA (4/96)	Japan Energy (monolithic) ²⁷
GaAs/CIS (thin film)	25.8 ± 1.3	4.00 (t)	—	—	—	NREL (11/89)	Kopin/Boeing (4 terminal) ²⁸
a-Si/μc-Si (thin submodule) ^j	11.7 ± 0.4	14.23 (ap)	5.462	2.99	71.3	AIST (9/04)	Kaneka (thin film) ²⁹

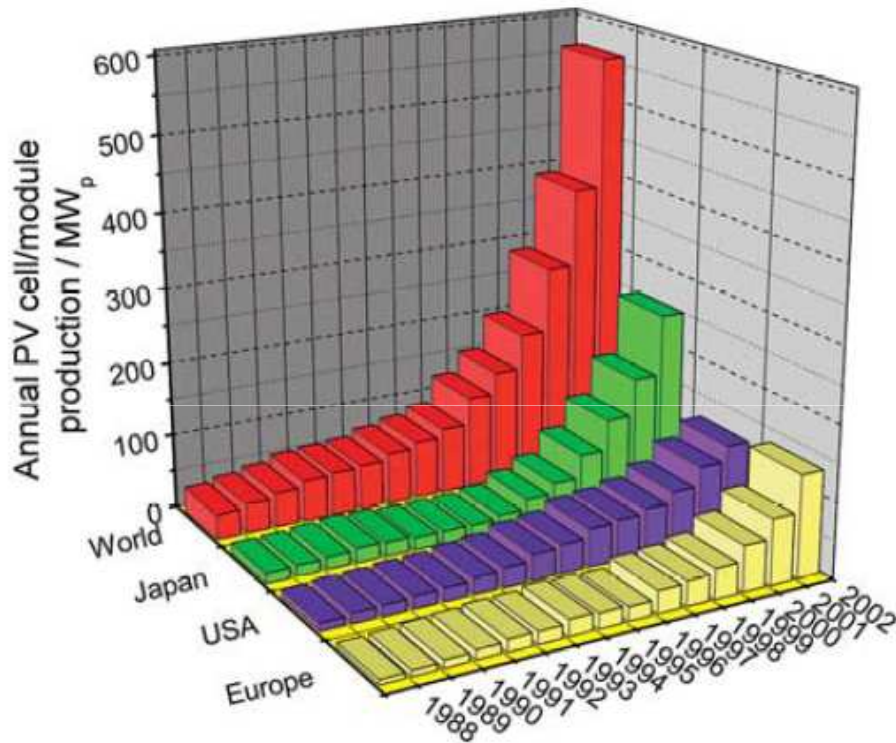
Efficiency of Photovoltaic Devices

Measured Solar Cell Efficiency from 1975 to the present

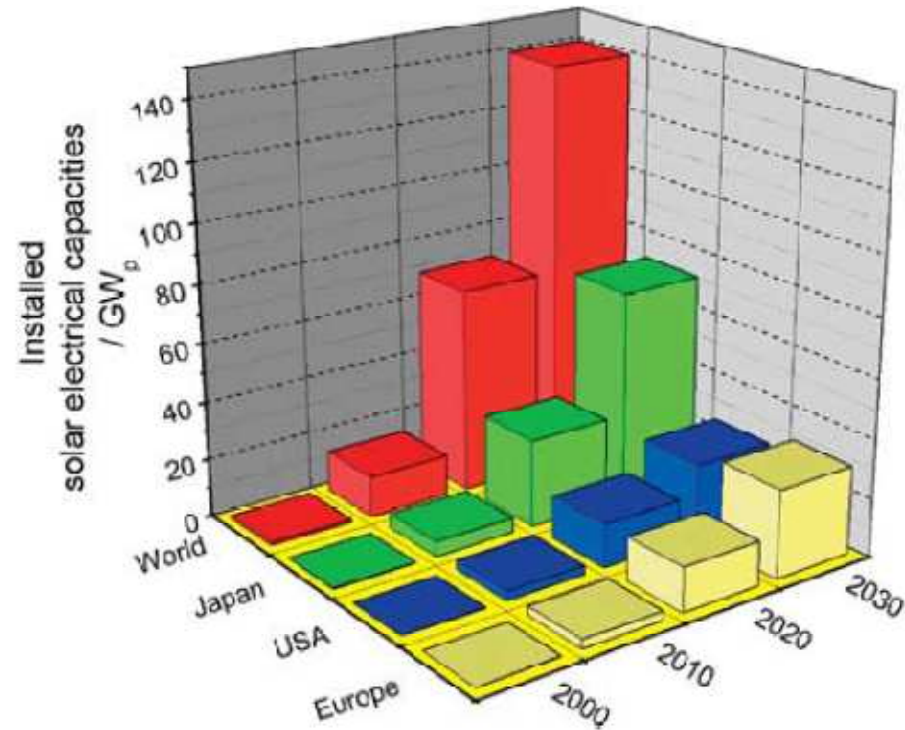


From NREL, USA

Requirement Trends of the Photovoltaic Industry



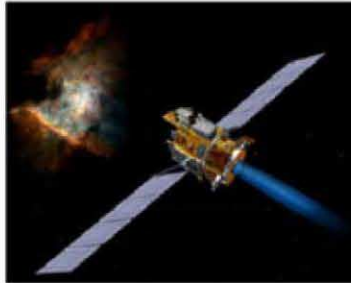
Annual PV cell/module production



Estimation of present and future installed solar capacities

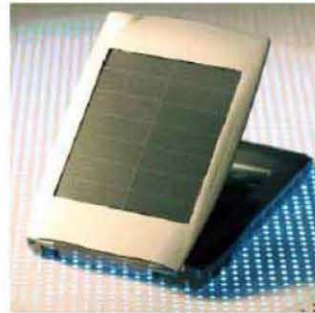
太陽光發電之應用領域

• 太空用發電系統



• 交通工具之電源(車、船、飛機、飛行船....)

• 攜帶式電源



• 消費性電子產品之電源(手錶、時鐘、電子計算機、充電器、燈、玩具)



• 偏遠地區發電系統(山區、離島、....)

• 交通標誌、號誌之電源

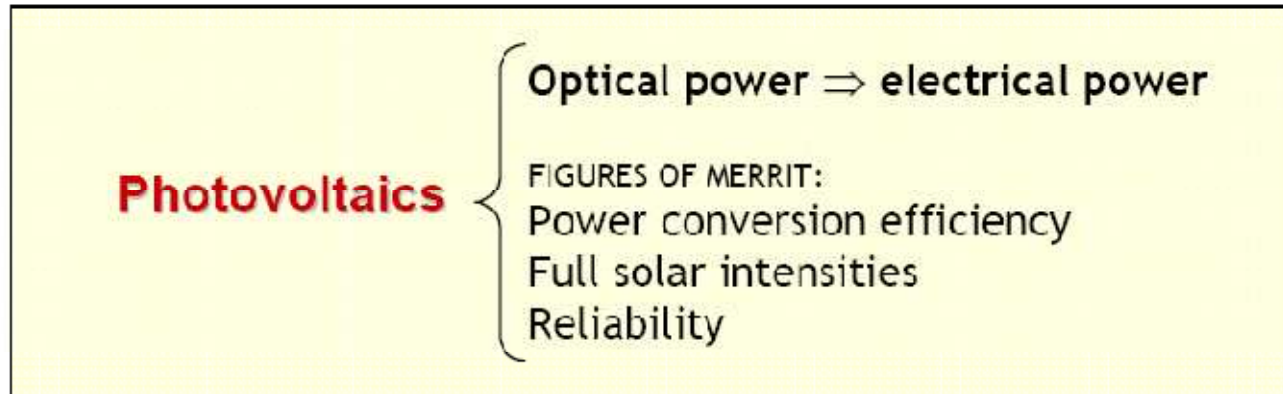
• 住宅用電力系統

• 產業工商用電力系統

• 緊急防災用電力系統

• 發電廠

Solid State Organic Solar Cells



High absorption in the visible spectrum

Have relaxed deposition requirements

can be manufactured in a low cost process

can be grown on thin and flexible substrate

can add value to existing product

Challenge!

Current power conversion efficiencies are too low for commercial implementation

有機太陽光電技術

Organic solar cells : three types

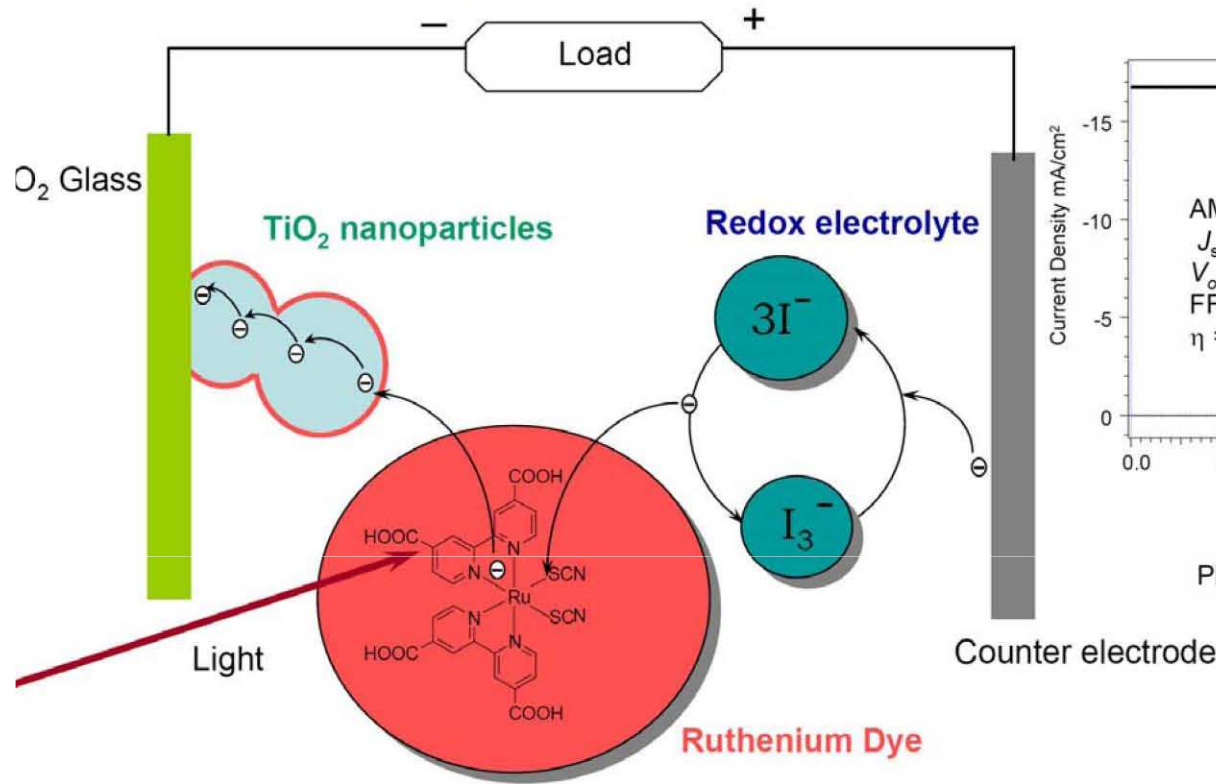
- Dye sensitized solar cells: Electrochemical cells
- Small molecule organic solar cells: Made by vacuum deposition
- Polymer solar cells: Made by solution, low temperature processing

Each of these cells face more or less the same challenges:

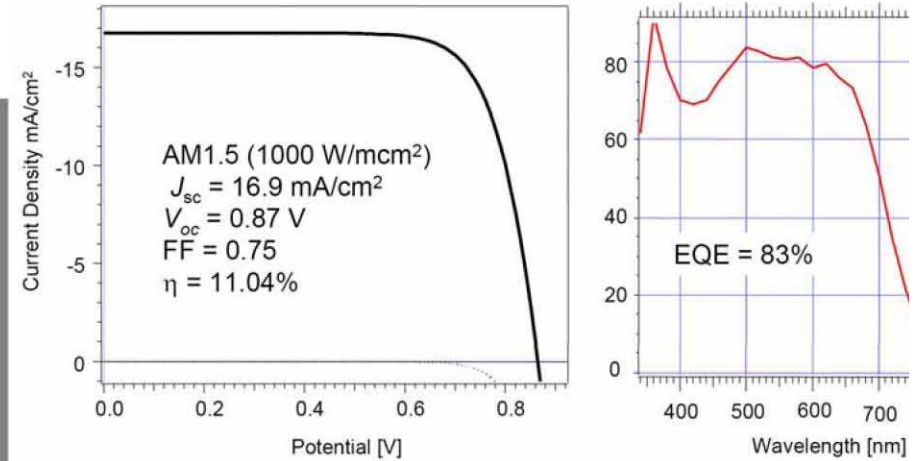
Physical cell !!

1. Increase power conversion efficiency
2. Increase stability
3. Develop a technology for large areas

Dye-sensitized TiO₂ solar cell operation principle

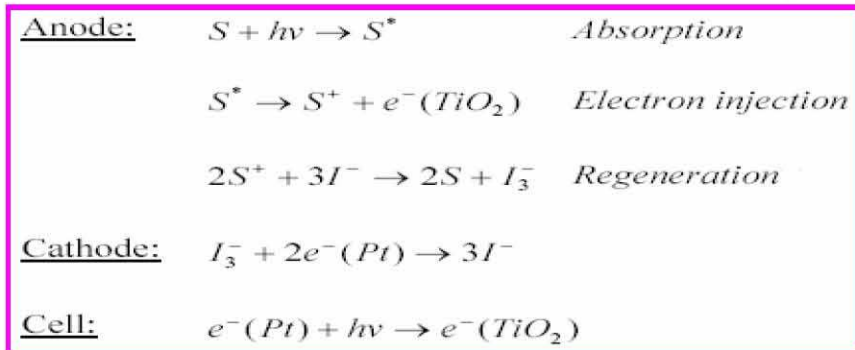


Best performance for a single cell so far

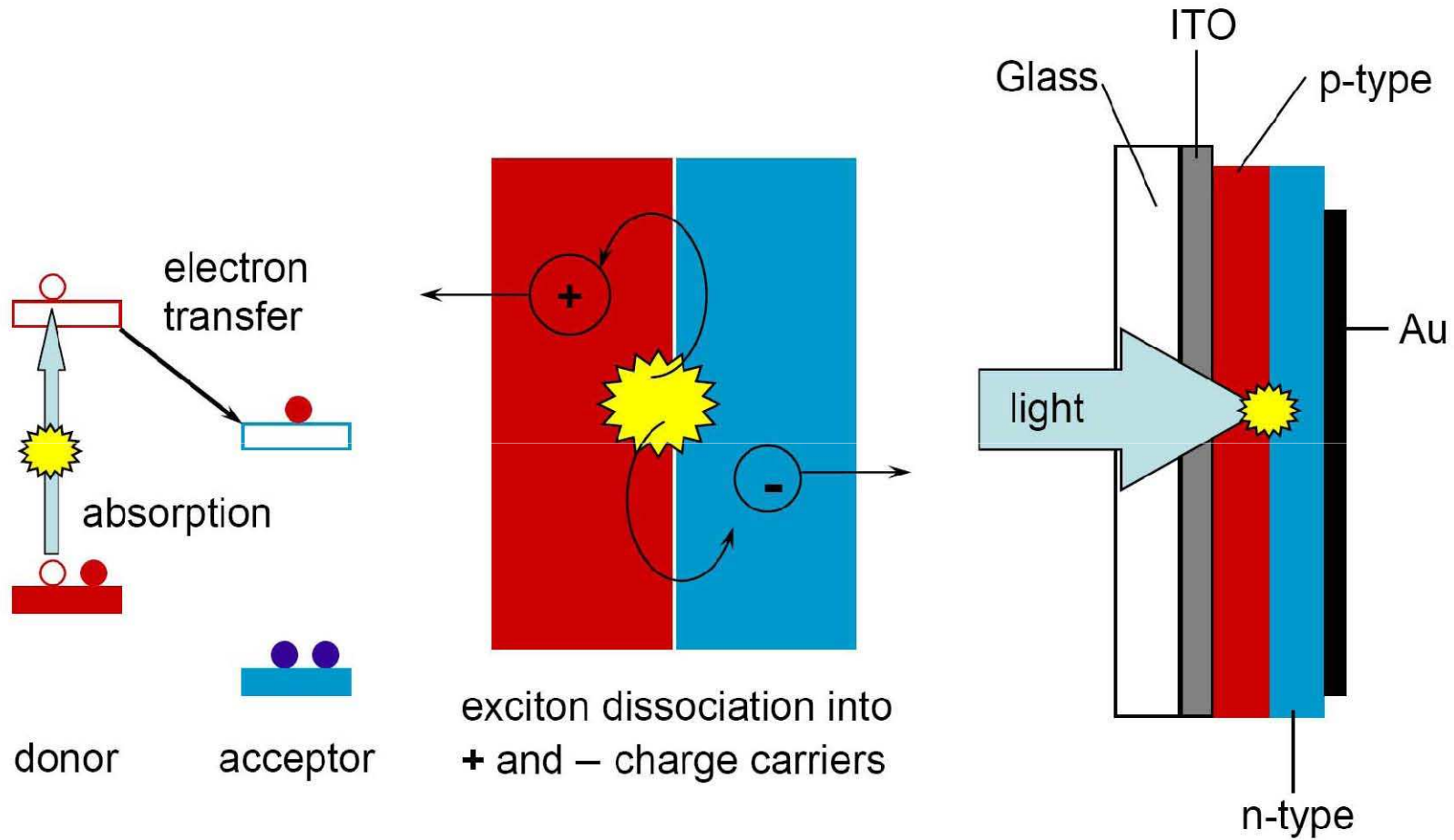


Photocurrent action spectrum obtained with the N719 dye attached to 16 + 4 μm nanocrystalline TiO₂ film

M. Grätzel, Nature 1991, 353, 737.



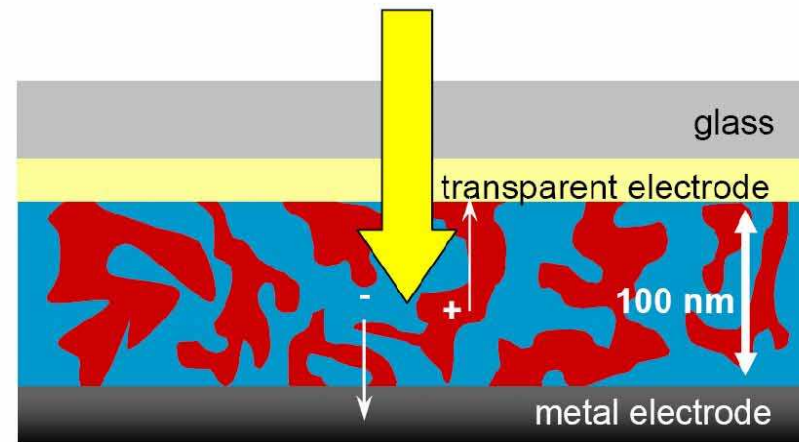
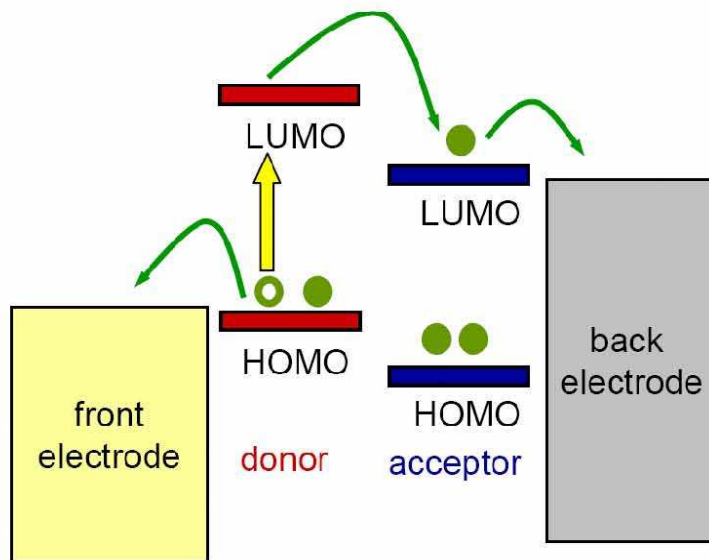
Organic double layer p/n cell



C. W. Tang, *Appl. Phys. Lett.* 1985, **48**, 183.

Bulk heterojunction solar cells

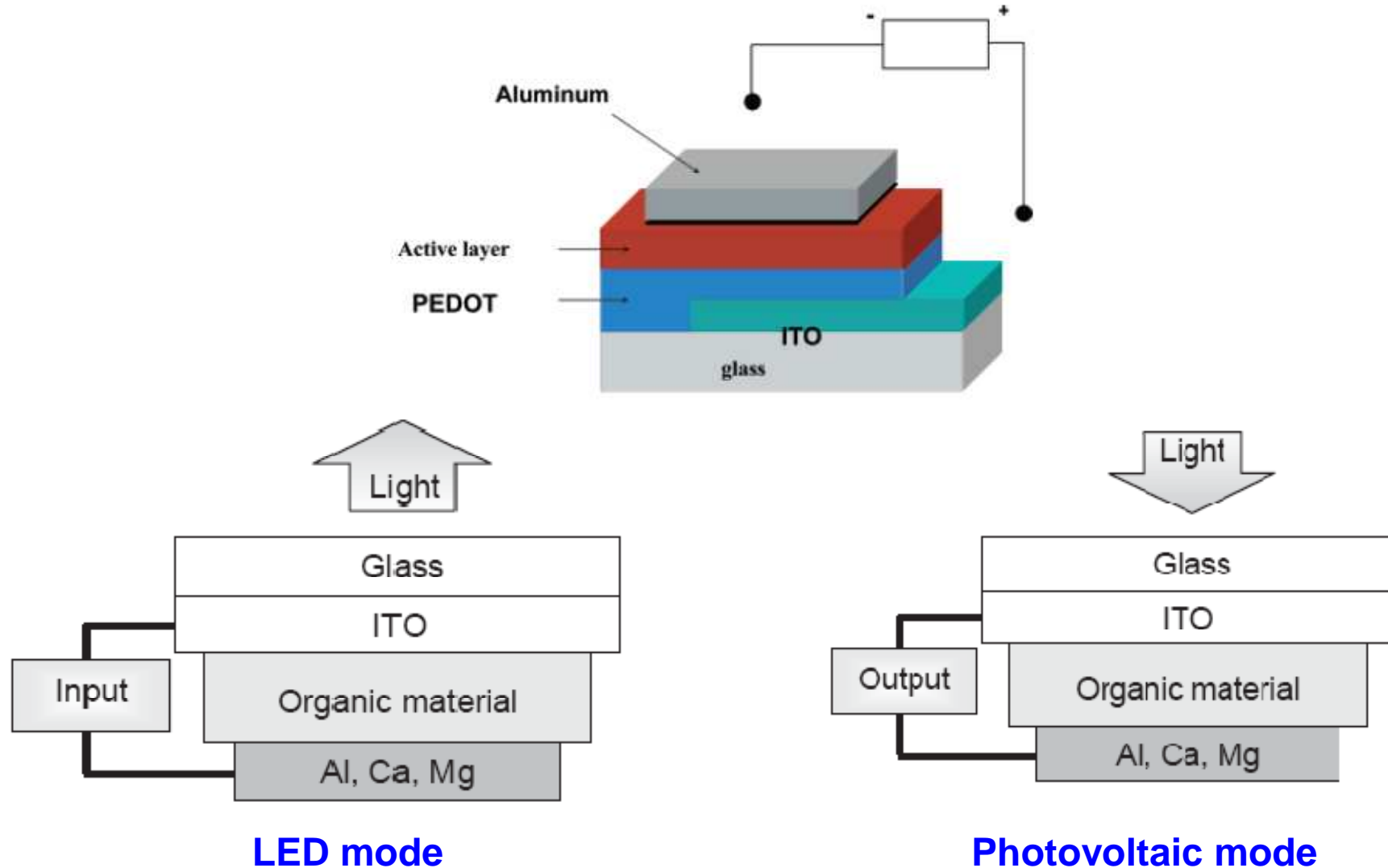
Charge separation in nanostructured composite organic semiconductors



nanoscopic mixing of donor and acceptor to overcome ~ 10 nm exciton diffusion length

R. H. Friend et al., Nature 1995, 376, 498
A. J. Heeger et al., Science 1995, 270, 1789

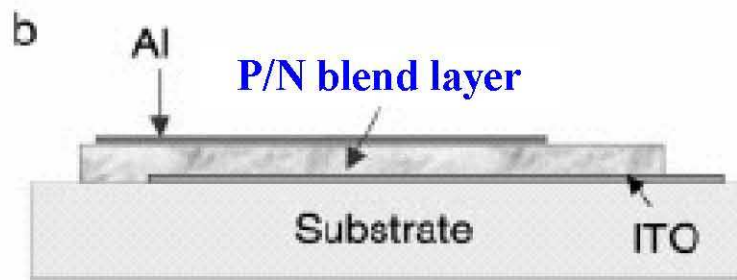
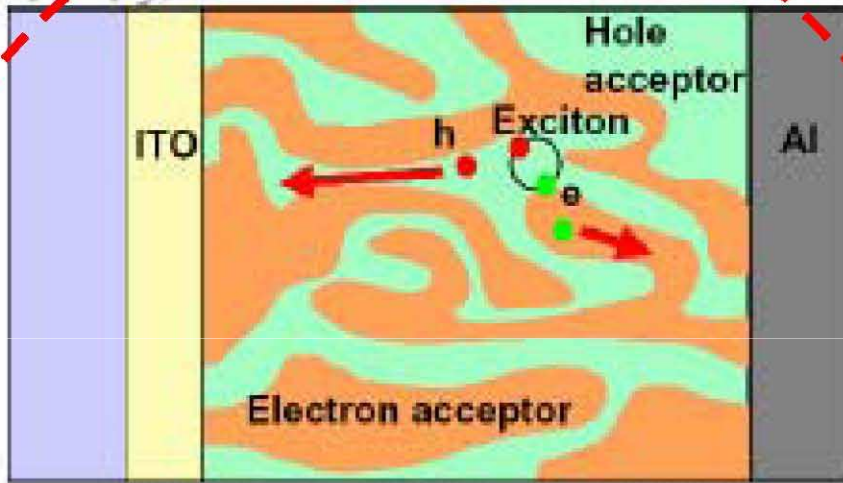
Structures and Principles of LED & Photovoltaic mode



A PV mode is the reverse of a LED. In PVs electrons are collected at the metal electrode and holes are collected at the ITO electrode.

What & Why Is Organic Solid Phase Photovoltaic

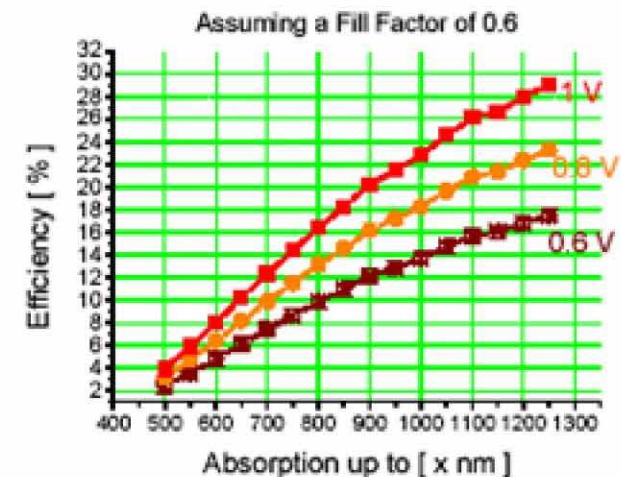
Bulk Heterojunction (BHJ) Cell



P-type is conducting polymer
N-type is either C material or
nanocrystals

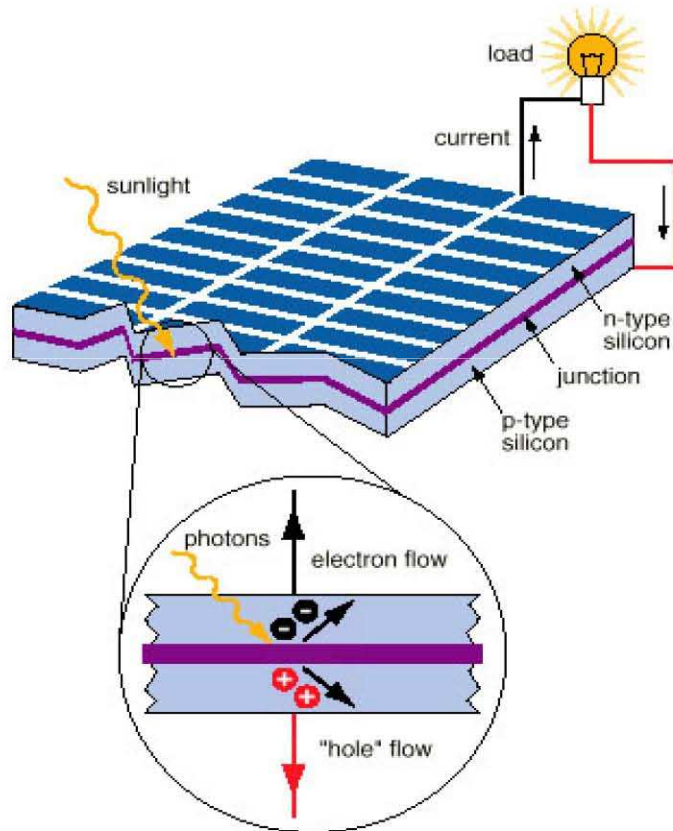
有機固態太陽光電之優勢：

- 理論高效率(可達20%)
- 環保製程 (而非只是綠色發電)
- 成本低
- 對光強度敏感度較低(室內光可用)
- 質輕，可撓性

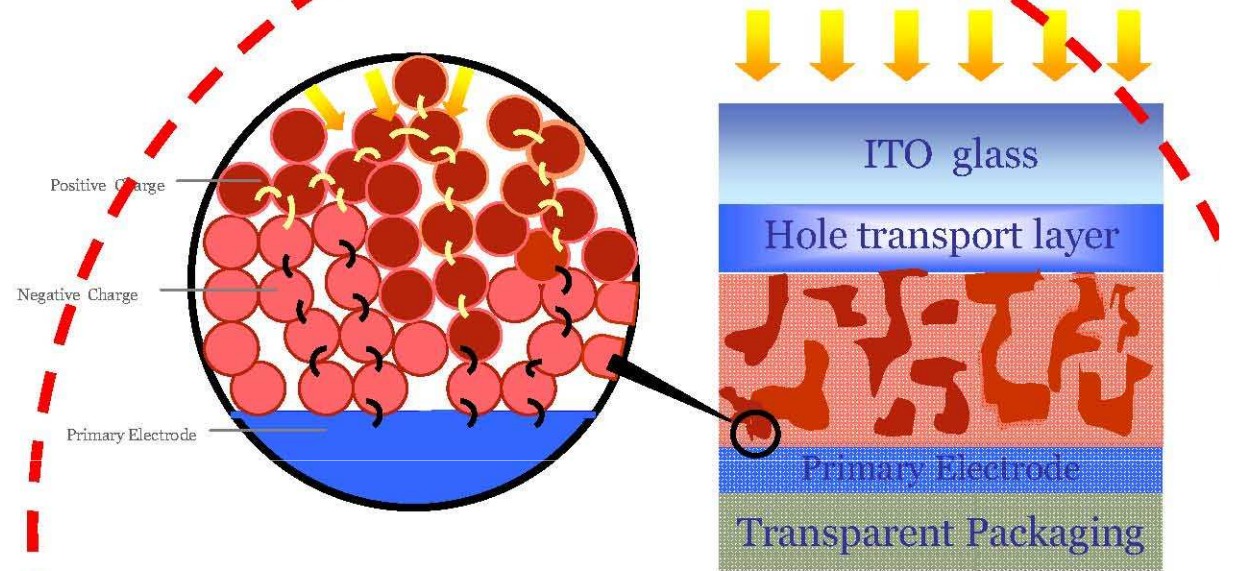


Polymer Based Solar Cell-Active layer

Conventional P-N Junction Cell



Bulk Heterojunction



Three Active Composition

e^- transporter + absorber + h^+ transporter

Fullerene/ nanocrystal + Polymer

Polymer Based solar cell (PSC)

Light Converting Processes

- Absorption
- Exciton diffusion
- Charge Separation
- Charge Transport

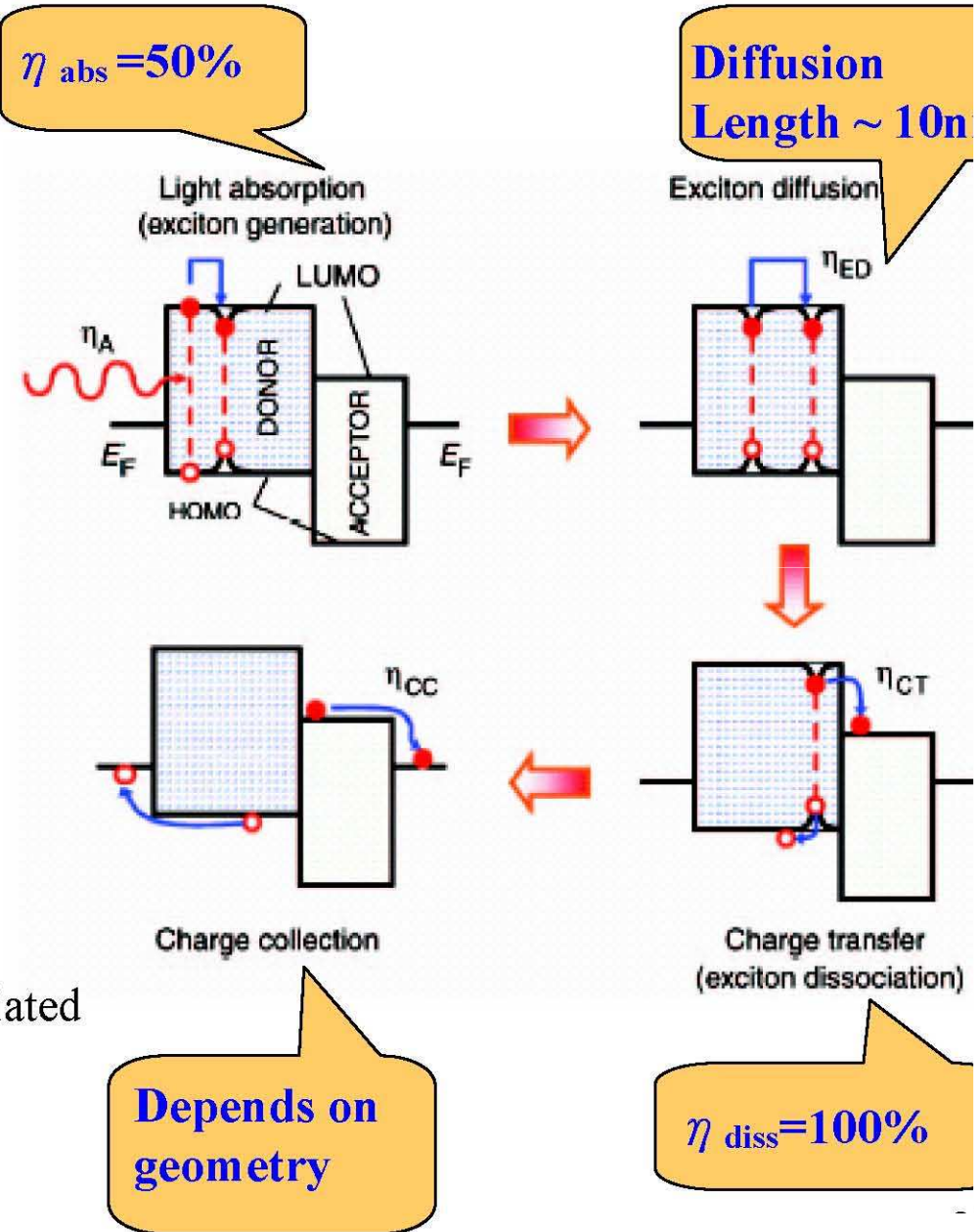
$$\eta_j = \eta_{abs} \times \eta_{diss} \times \eta_{out}$$

overall photocurrent efficiency

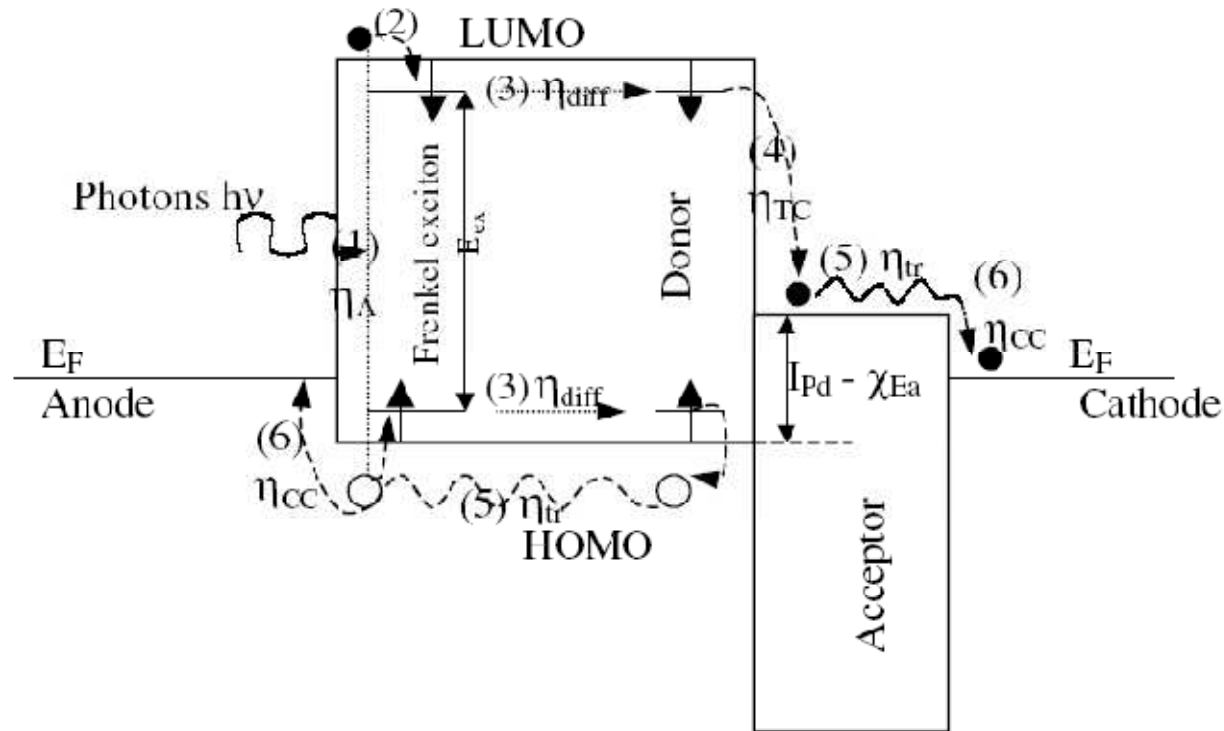
η_{abs} fraction of photons absorbed

η_{diss} fraction of electron-hole pairs that are dissociated

η_{out} fraction of charges that reach the electrodes



General Mechanism in Organic Photovoltaic Cells



(1) Photon absorption (η_A)

(2) Generation of excitons

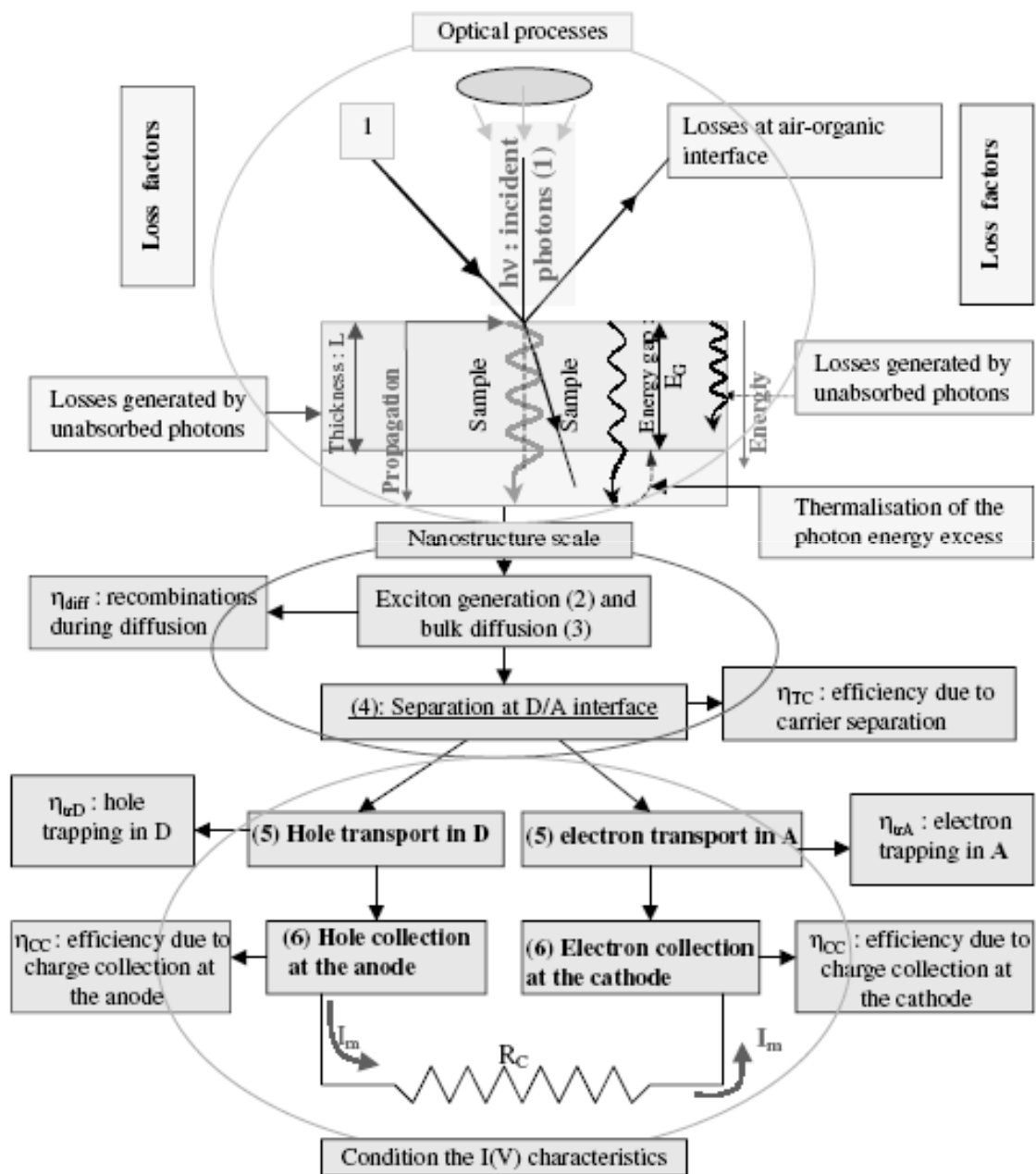
(3) Exciton diffusion (η_{diff})

(4) Hole-electron separation (η_{TC})

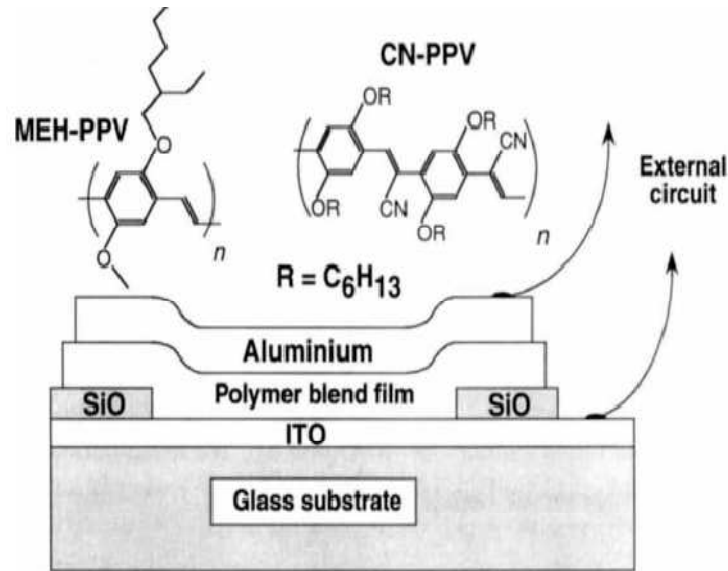
(5) Carrier transport towards the electrode (η_{tr})

(6) Charge collection at the respective electrode (η_{CC})

General Scheme for Organic Photovoltaic Effect

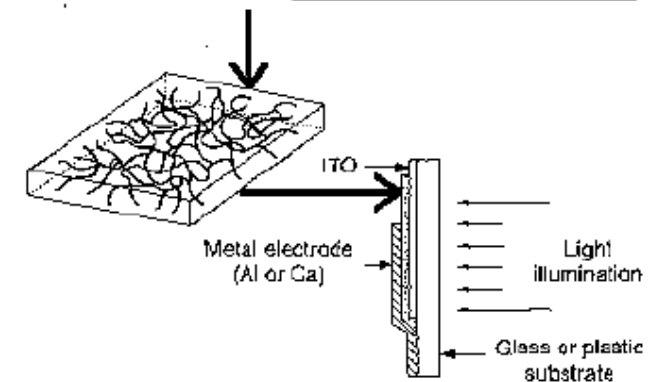
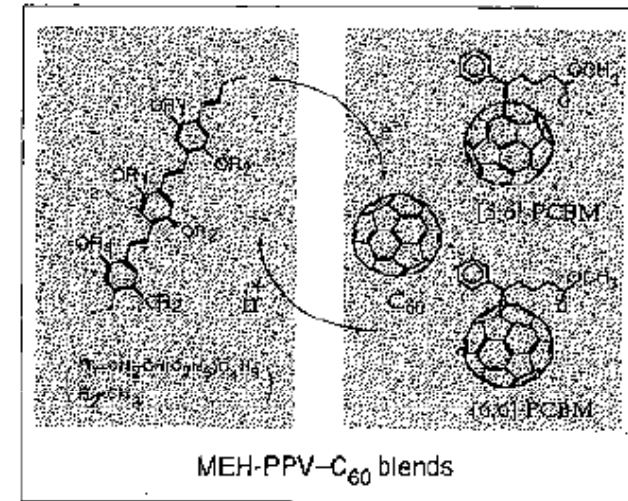


Examples on Polymer Photovoltaic Devices



First Polymer-Polymer heterojunction PV

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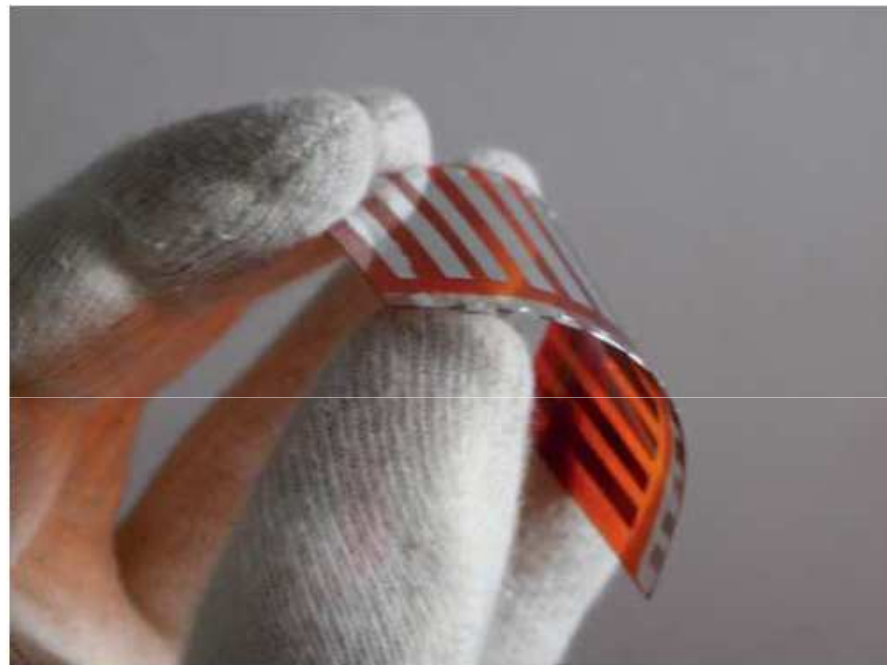
Energy conversion efficiency: 2.9 %

Science 1995

Plastic Solar Cells



A large area plastic solar cell running a small motor



MDMO-PPV:PCBM solar cell realized on a PET substrate

Applications

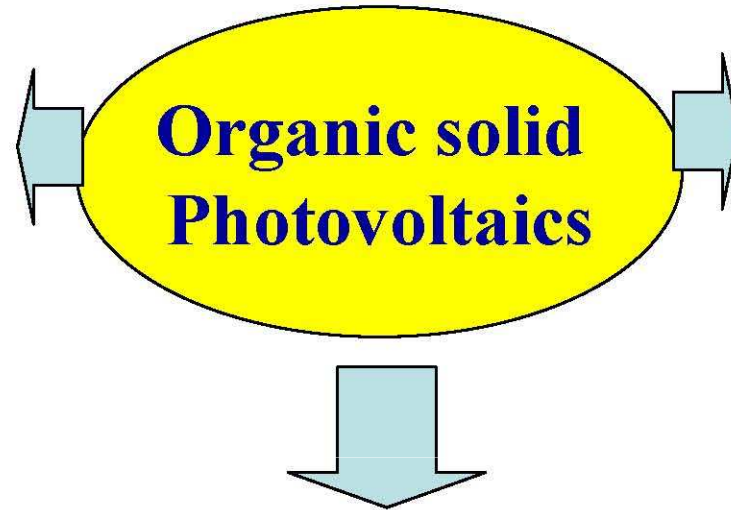
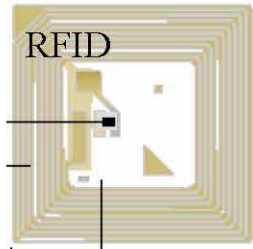
Ultra-low-margin products



Leisure, tents, remote equipment



Small electronic devices



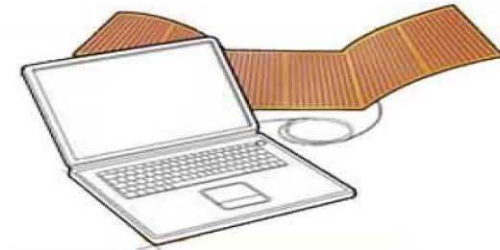
Power generation systems.



Building integrated PV.



Portable and mobile systems



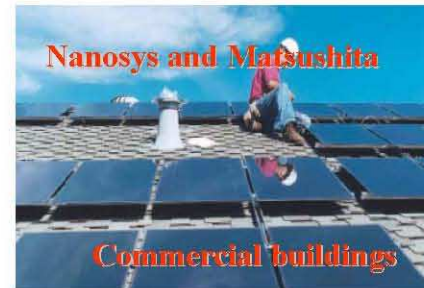
Application Roadmap

2010

2015

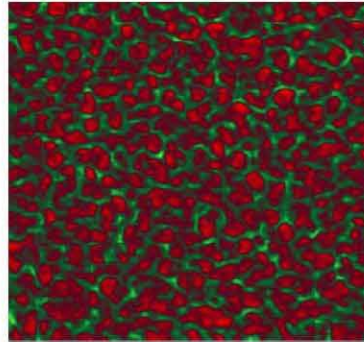
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Organic solid photovoltaics

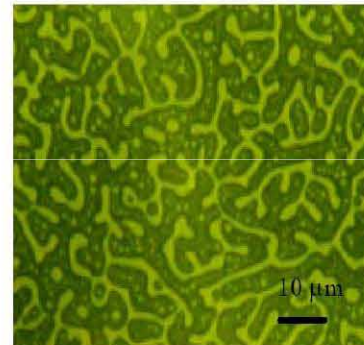
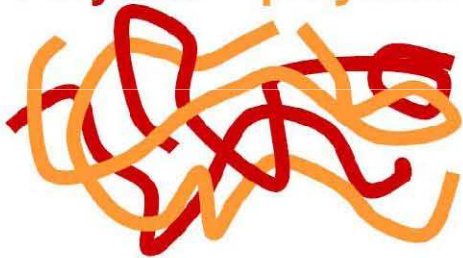


Polymer solution processed cells come in three 'flavors'

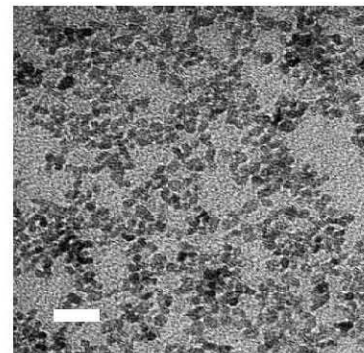
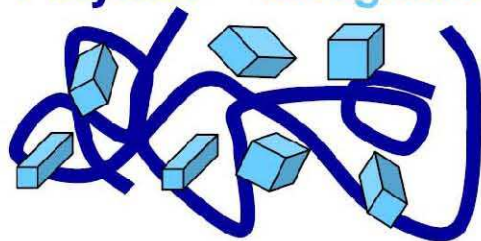
Polymer – fullerene



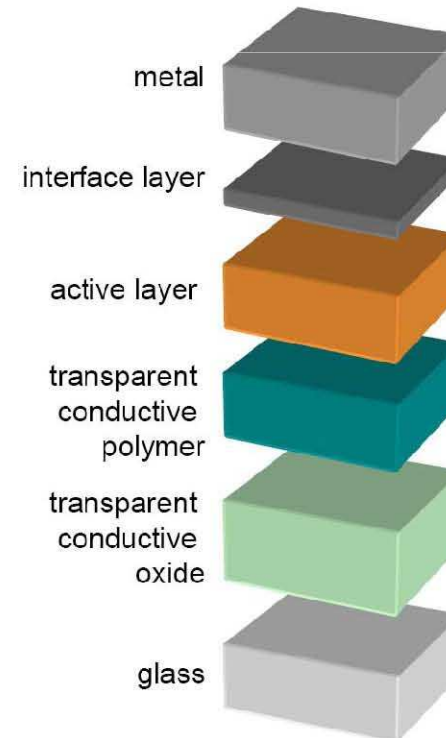
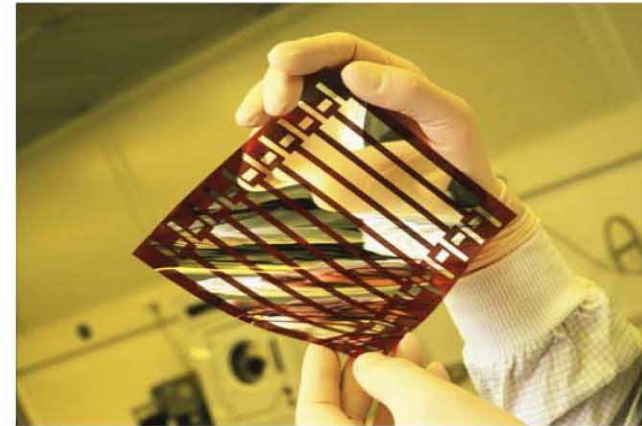
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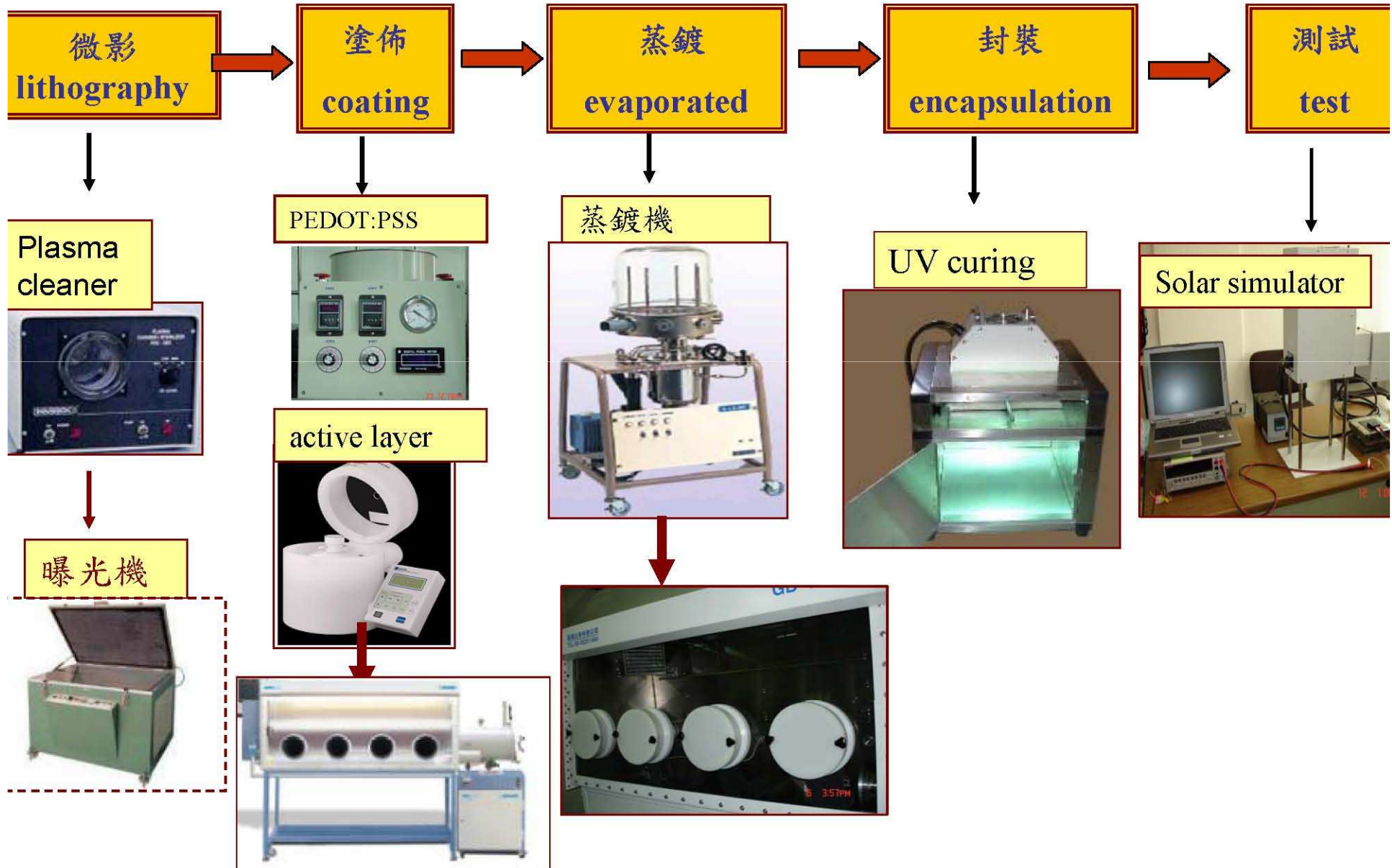
Polymer – inorganic



Polymer solar cells



建構高分子太陽能電池元件製程平台



標準元件製作流程

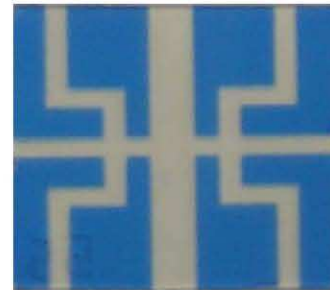
Procedure:



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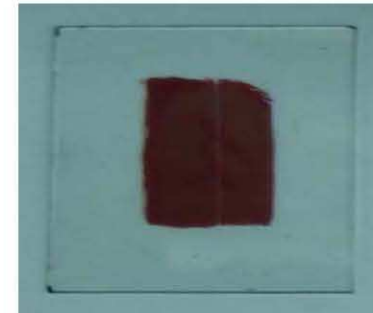
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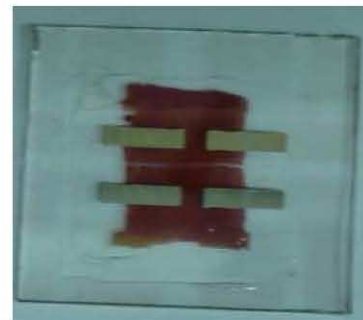
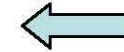
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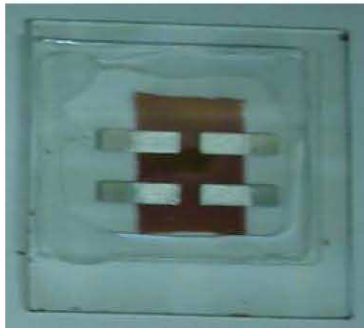
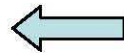
Etching



Polymer Coating



Top Electrode



Encapsulation

太陽電池之 I-V 曲線

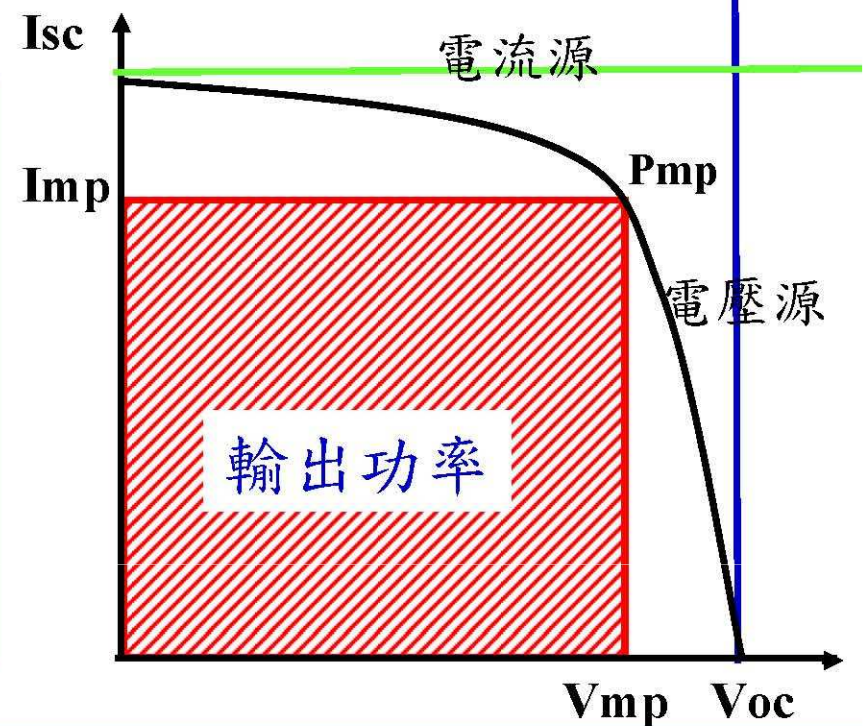
V_{oc} : 開路電壓(V)

I_{sc} : 短路電流(A)

P_{mp} : 最大輸出功率值(W)

V_{mp} : 最大輸出功率時之電壓(V)

I_{mp} : 最大輸出功率時之電流(A)



$$\text{Fill Factor (F.F.)} = (V_{mp} \times I_{mp} / V_{oc} \times I_{sc}) \times 100\%$$

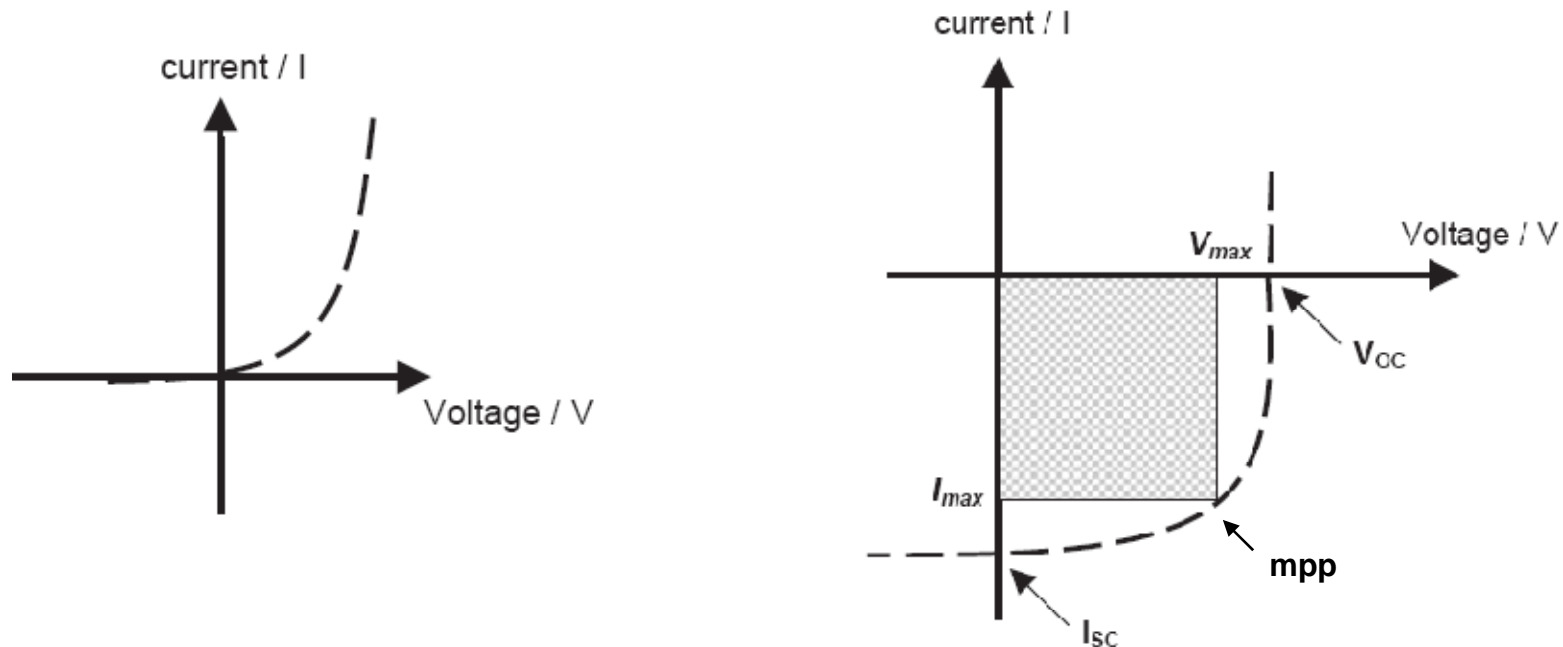
$$\text{太陽電池效率 (Efficiency ; } \eta) = (I_{sc} \times V_{oc} \times \text{FF} / \text{輸入日照功率}) \times 100\%$$

輸入日照功率(W) = 太陽電池面積(m²) × 日照強度(W/ m²)

日照強度為 1000 W/ m² 之最大輸出功率即為 Wp

太陽電池開路、短路時皆不會燒燬

Characteristics of Solar Cells



Air Mass (AM)- A measure of how much atmosphere sunlight must travel through to reach surface. The intensity is fixed at $100\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$.

Open circuit voltage (V_{oc}) Voltage across the cell in sunlight when no current is flowing.

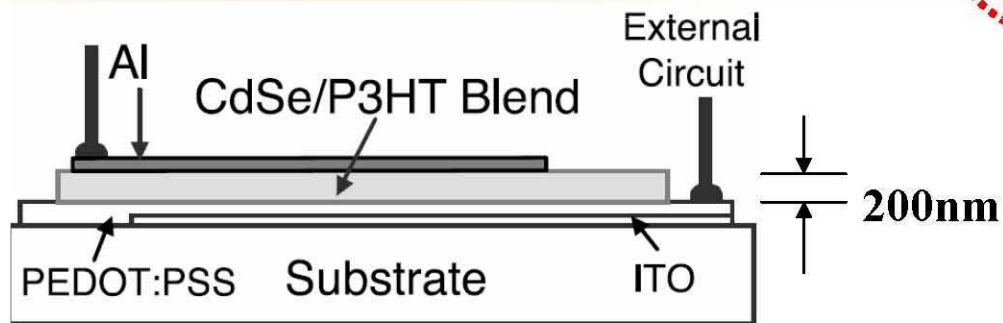
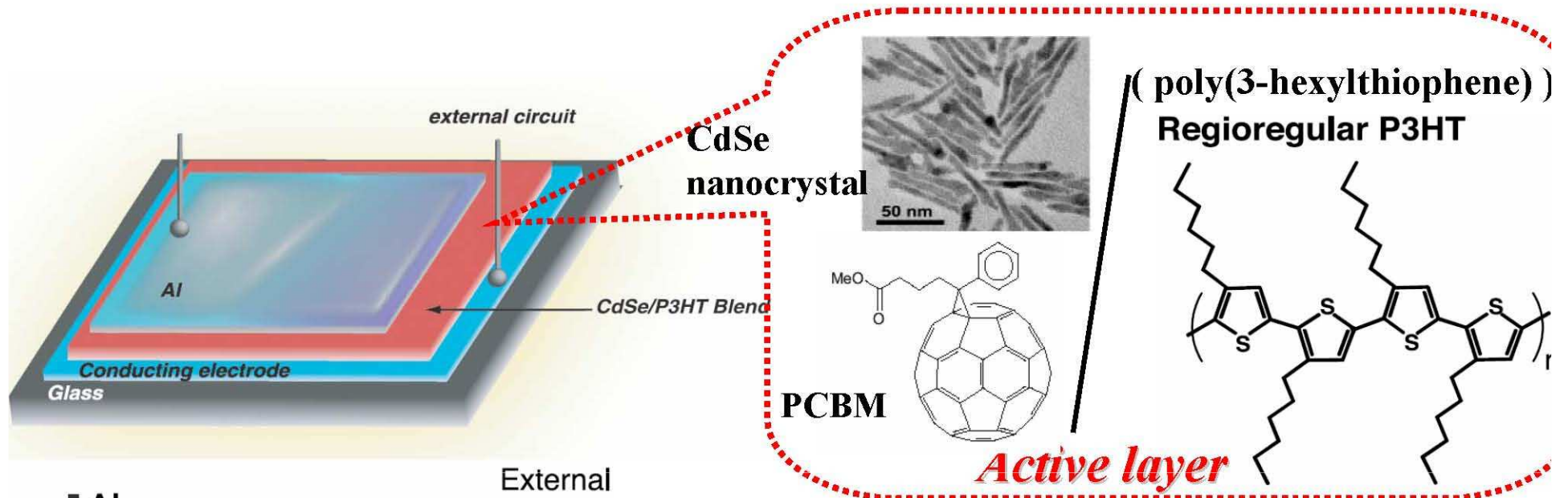
Short circuit voltage (I_{sc}) Current flows through an solar cell when there is no external resistance.

Maximum power point (mpp) The maximum power is produced.

Fill Factor (FF)
$$FF = \frac{I_{mpp} V_{mpp}}{I_{sc} V_{oc}}$$

Power conversion efficiency (PCE)
$$\eta_e = \frac{I_{mpp} V_{mpp}}{P_{in}} = \frac{I_{sc} V_{oc} FF}{P_{in}}$$

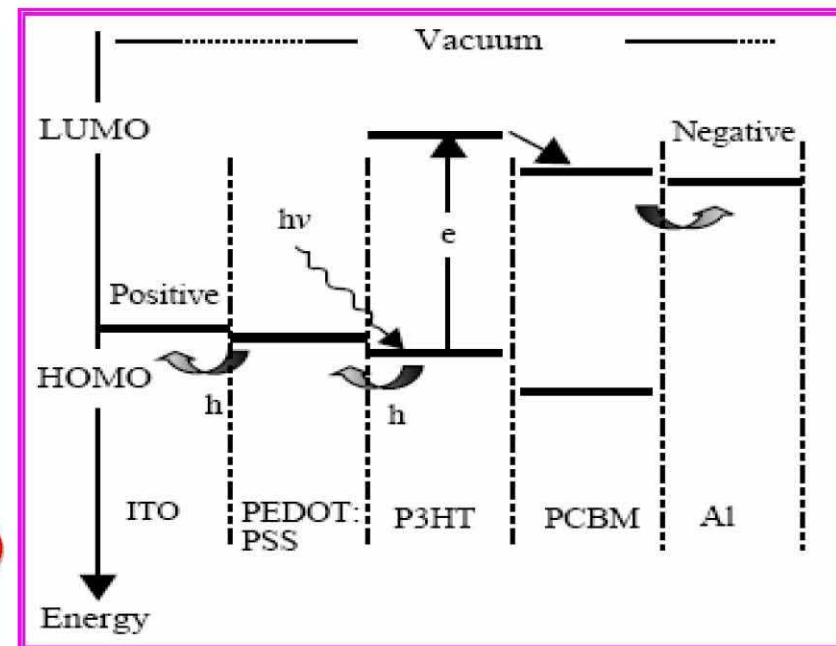
Polymer Photovoltaic Structure



Active Area : 0.03cm²

➔ 光電轉換效率2.4% (CdSe)
J. Appl.Phys. 2005, 97, 014914

➔ 光電轉換效率6.1% (PCBM)
Appl. Phys. Lett. 90, 163511 (2007)



Postproduction induced P3HT:PCBM solar cells

P3HT:PCBM solar cells

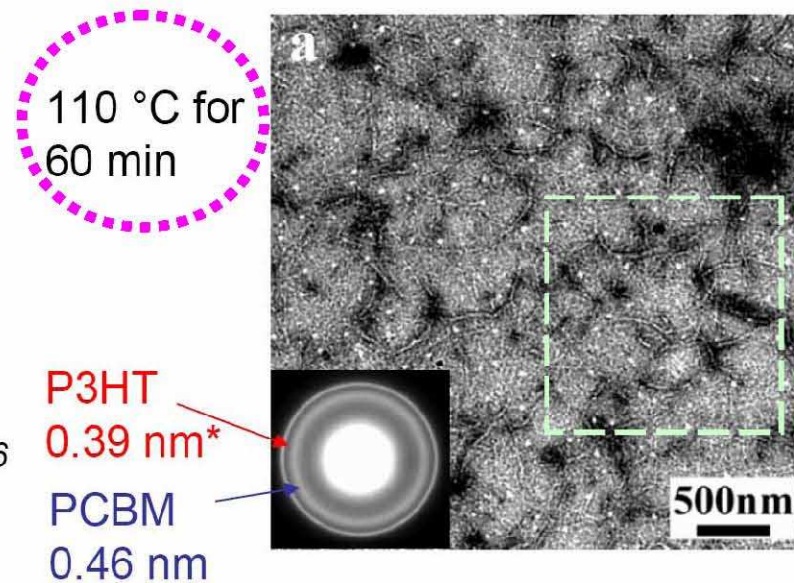
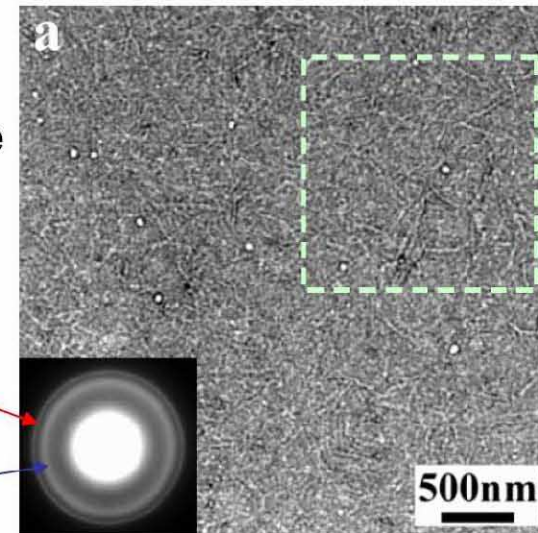
AM1.5 performance

J_{sc}	V_{oc}	FF	EQE	η
8.7	0.58	0.55	70	2.8
8.5*	0.55	0.60	70	3.5
9.4	0.61	0.53	58	3.0
7.2	0.62	0.62	58	2.7
11.1*	0.65	0.54	-	4.9
9.5*	0.63	0.68	-	5.0
10.6	0.61	0.67	63	4.4
> 10**	~0.60	-	73	4.4

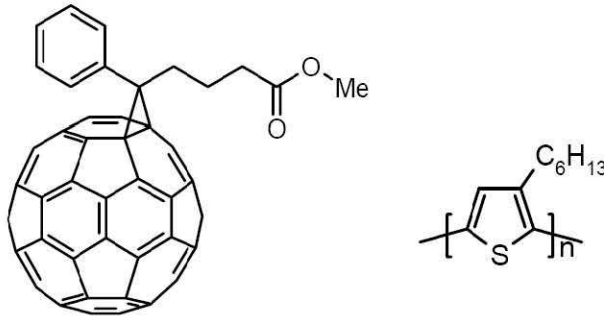
* measured at 80 mW/cm²; ** at 85 mW/cm²

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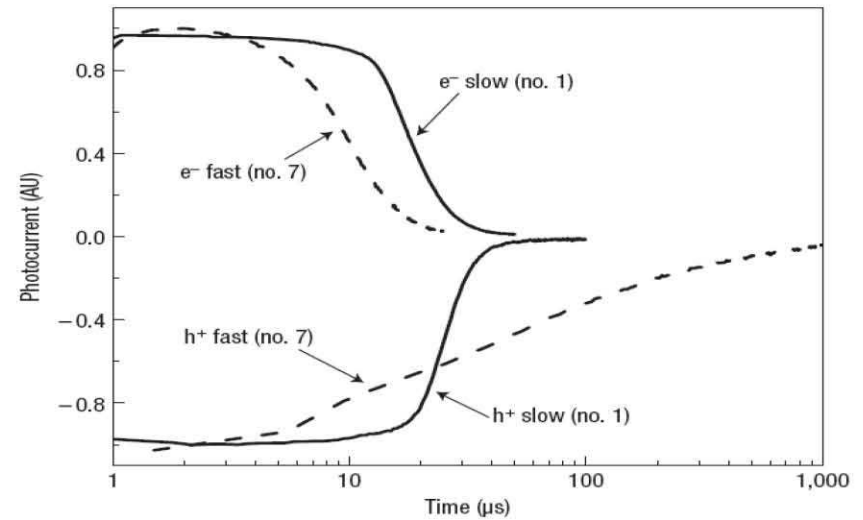
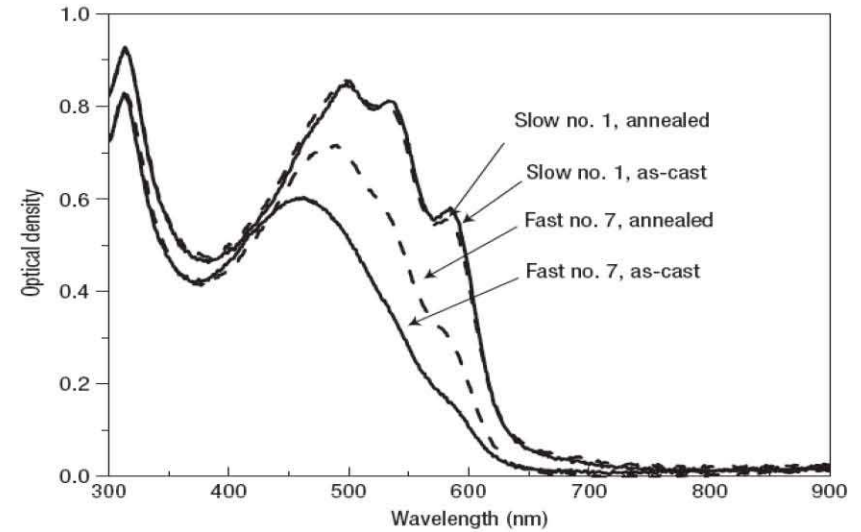
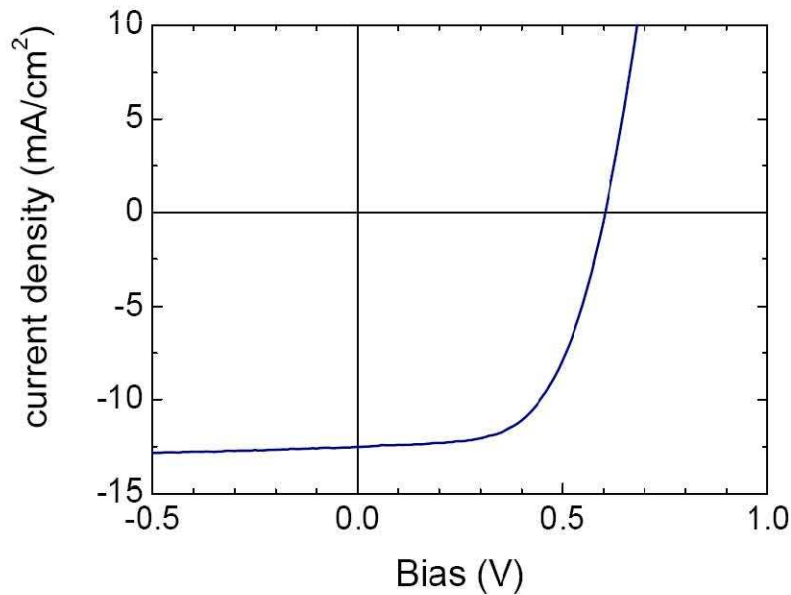
spin coating
chlorobenzene



P3HT:PCBM solar cells via slow drying process



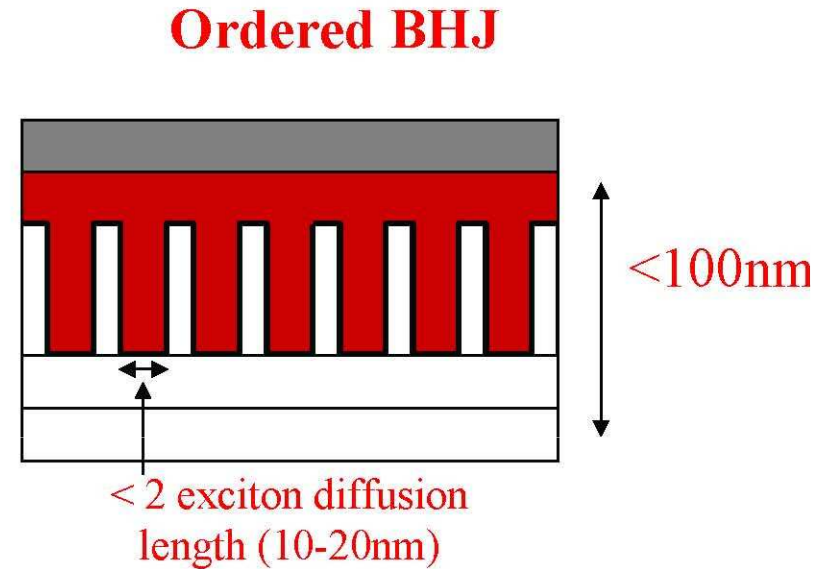
J_{SC}	V_{OC}	FF	EQE	η
12.50	0.604	0.594	66	4.5%



Yang Yang et al. Nature Mater. 2005, 4, 864.

R&D Focuses to Tackle Critical Issues

- New polymer design to enhance mobility & light harvesting
- Ordered BHJ structure with well-defined paths and limited width
- New device design to enhance Jsc or Voc
- Life time issues



Current Challenges

The lower photocurrent is due to poor light absorption, generation and transport. The fill factor is due to poor transport and recombination.

- **Improving light harvesting**

Small band gap polymer, dye-sensitized materials, light-trapping structures

- **Improving charge transport**

Carrier mobility ($10^{-2}\sim 10^{-5}$ cm²/VS) is low

- **Control morphology**

Processing condition, self organization, synthesis of D-A block copolymer, use of porous films as template

- **Addressing manufacturing issue and improving stability**

By encapsulating cells and more stable materials

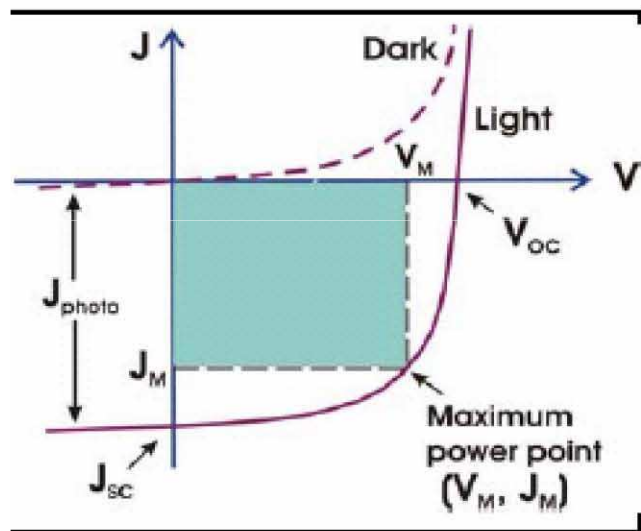
- **Understanding device function and limits to performance**

國際發展比較-有機固態太陽光電

高分子-碳材太陽光電池技術		
Authors/Institutes	Compositions	Efficiency (%)
David L. Carroll/Wake Forest University, USA/Kyungkon Kim/KIST, Korea	ITO/PEDOT:PSS/P3HT:PCBM/LiF/Al	6.1
C. J. Brabec /Siemens (Konarka) AU/A. Heeger/Konarka USA	ITO/PEDOT:PSS/P3HT:PCBM/Al	5.68
Kwanghee Lee /Pusan U., Korea/A. Heeger	ITO/PEDOT:PSS/P3HT:PCBM/TiO₂/Al	5.8
A. Heeger/UC Santa Barbara , USA	ITO/PEDOT:PSS/P3HT:PCBM/Al	4.8-5.1/100 samples
N. S. Sariciftci /Linz Austria	ITO/PEDOT:PSS/MDMO-PPV:PCBM/LiF/Al	3.5
Y. Yang /UCLA ,USA	ITO/PEDOT:PSS/P3HT:PCBM/Al	4.4/3.8
R. A. J. Janssen/ECN Netherlands	ITO/PEDOT:PSS/MDMO-PPV:[70]PCBM/LiF/Al	3.0
ITRI	ITO/PEDOT:PSS/P3HT:PCBM/Ca:Al	5.4

關鍵技術分析

$$\eta_j = \eta_{abs} \times \eta_{diss} \times \eta_{out}$$

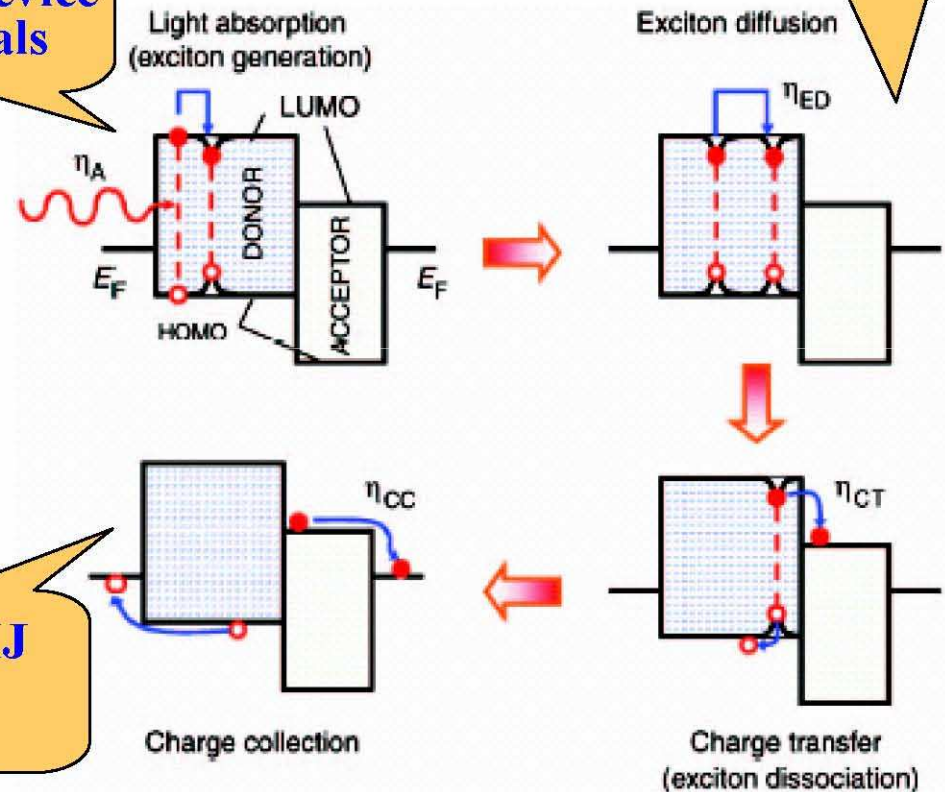


$$FF = J_m V_m / J_{sc} V_{oc}$$

$$\eta = J_m V_m / P_{sun} = 100 * J_{sc} * V_{oc} * FF / P_{sun}$$

Effective light harvest device & materials

Order BHJ structure



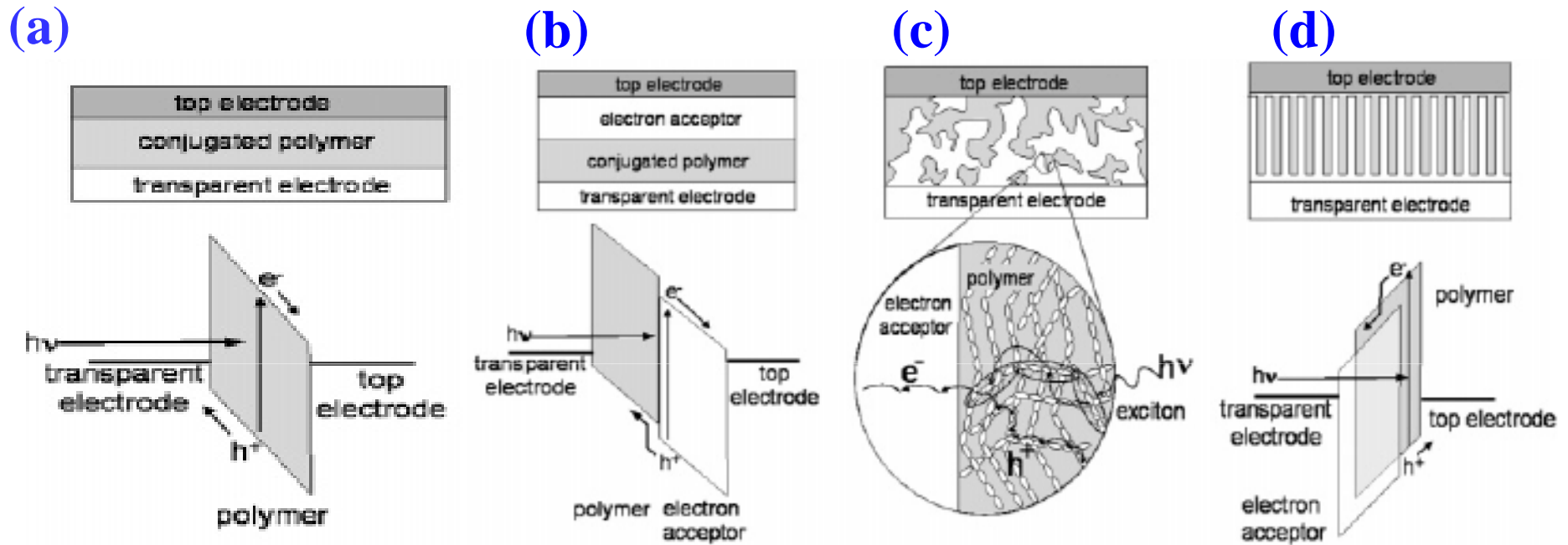
High mobility material

Good P/N type blending

Prospects for high-efficiency (>10%) Polymer PV cells

- 1. New device designs: Ordered Bulk Heterojunctions**
 - **Approach: Polymer Semiconductor/acceptor Order Heterojunction Structure**
- 2. The high light-absorbing capabilities: Conjugated polymer and electron acceptor with lower band gap: 350-900 nm (3.5~1.4eV)**
 - **Approach: Low Eg Polymer with a broad absorption**
- 3. Suitable energy level for high Voc: Low HOMO level**
- 4. Higher carrier mobilities:**
 - Approach : 高分子 mobilities > 0.01 cm²/Vs and Morphology control**
- 5. Optimized Processing Conditions: coating/drying/additives**

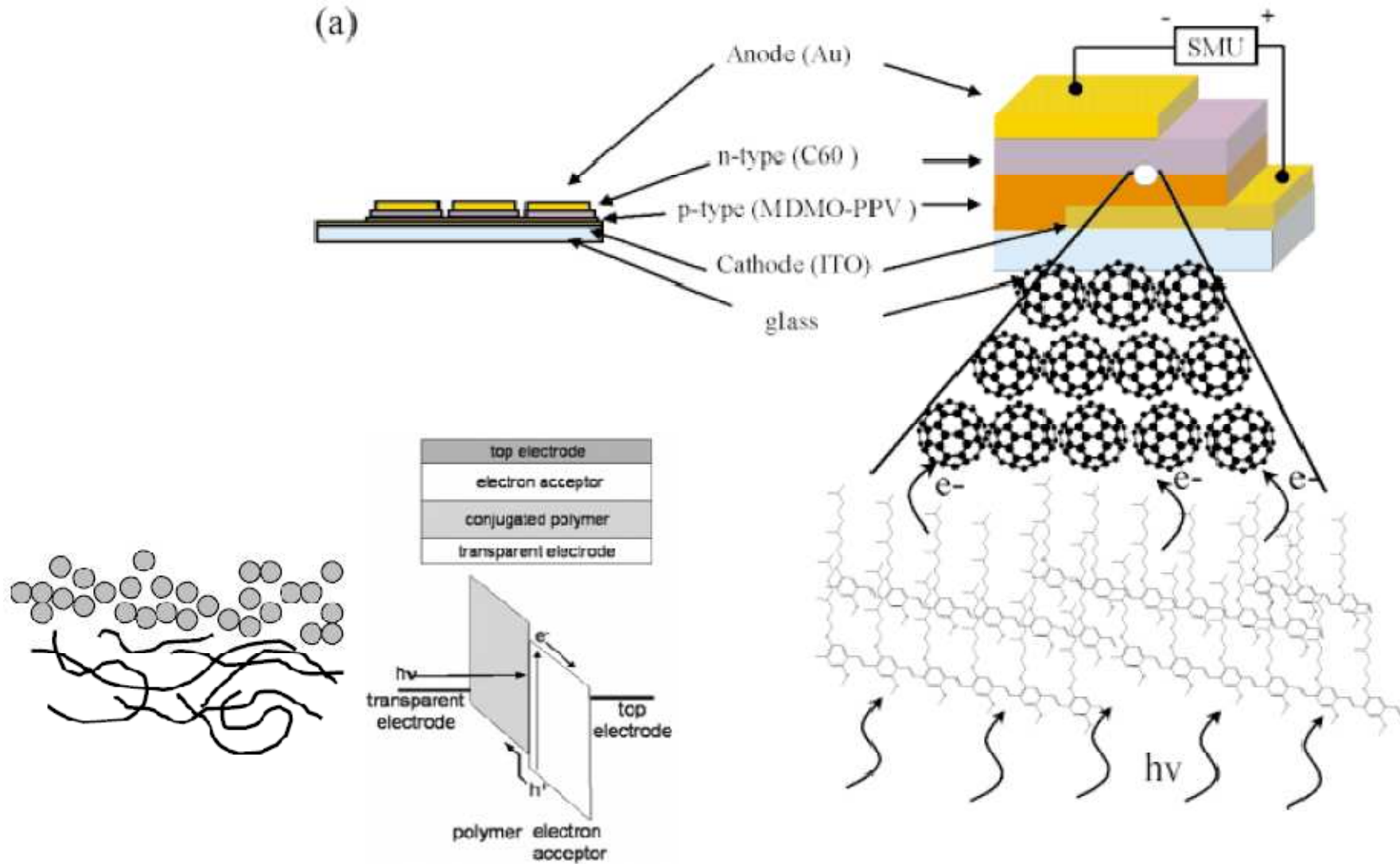
Four device architectures of conjugated polymer-based PV cells



- Single Layer(a): Low EQE(0.1~1%) due to exciton recombination; low carrier mobility
- Bilayers (b) : PA-PPV/TiO₂ 25% EQE, 3.9 % power efficiency (435 nm);
PPV/BBL 66%% EQE, 2% power efficiency
- Bulk heterojunction (c) (d):
— **PPV/C60 Derivatives 70% EQE, 3.5% power efficiency**

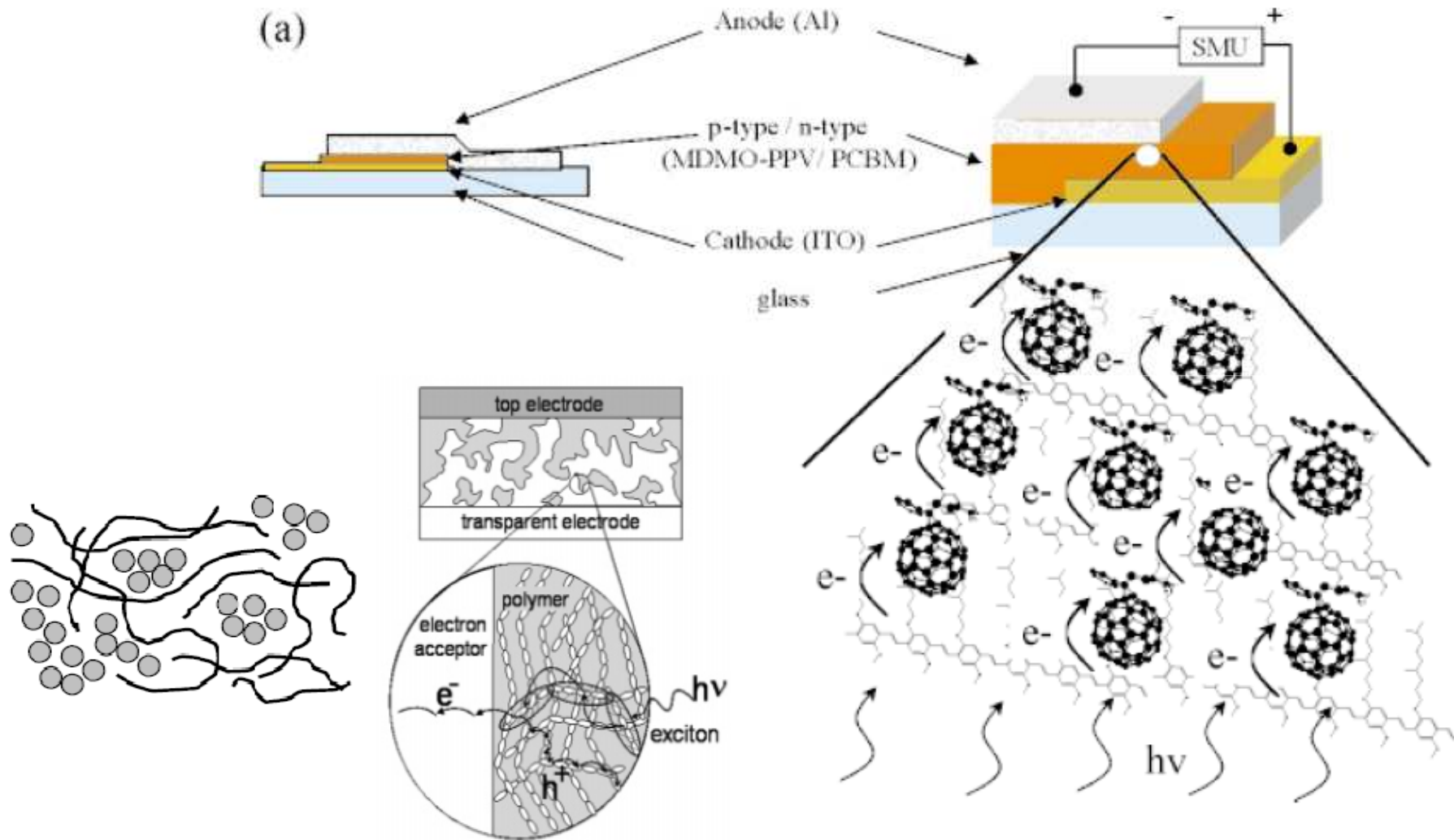
Organic Photovoltaic Device Architectures

Bilayer Devices

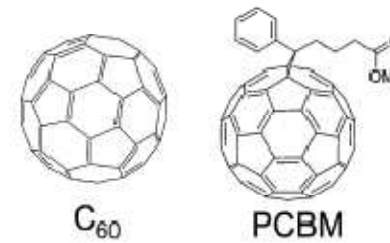
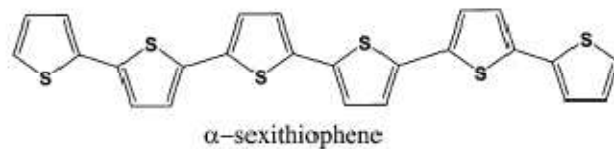
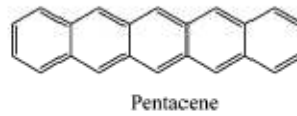
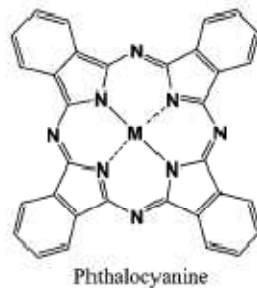
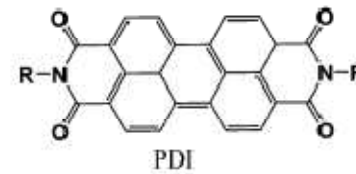
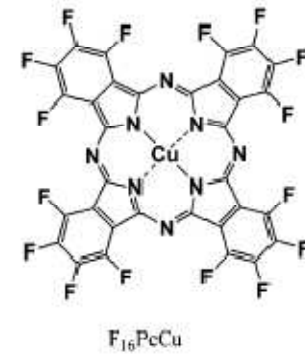
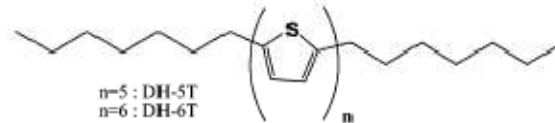
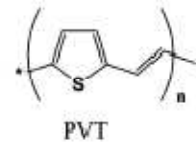
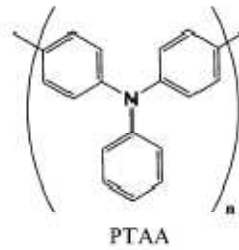
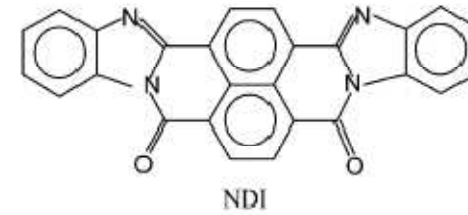
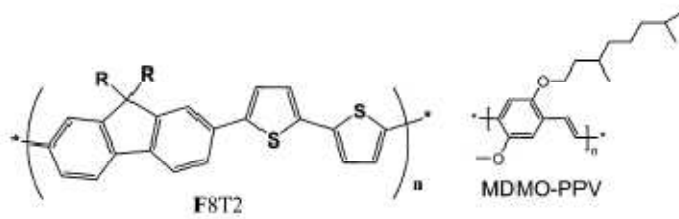


Organic Photovoltaic Device Architectures

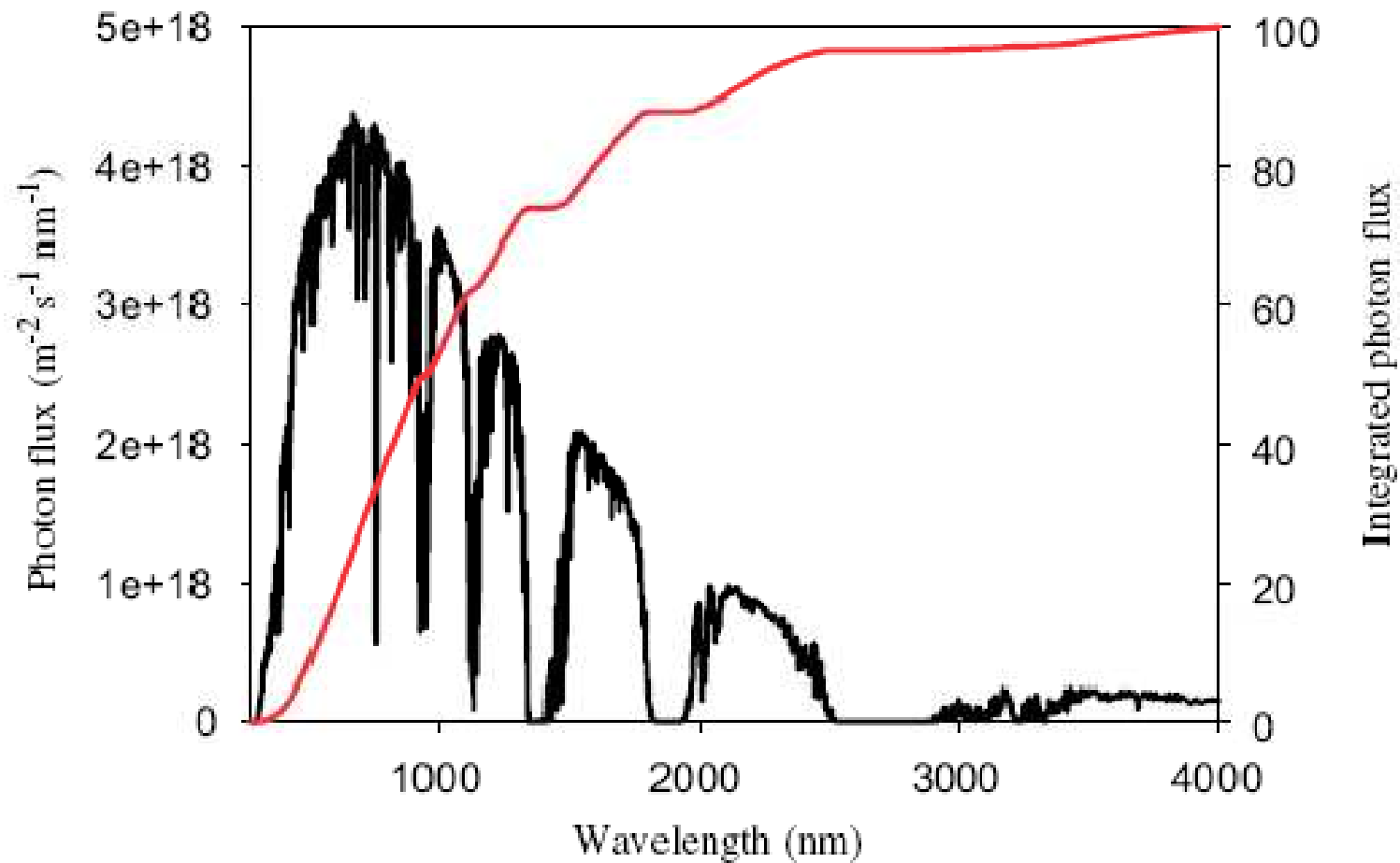
Bulk Heterojunction Devices



Organic Semiconductors Used in Solar Cells



Absorption Spectrum of Organic Materials



Photon reflux from the sun (AM 1.5)

Design strategy for low band gap: Donor-Acceptor polymers

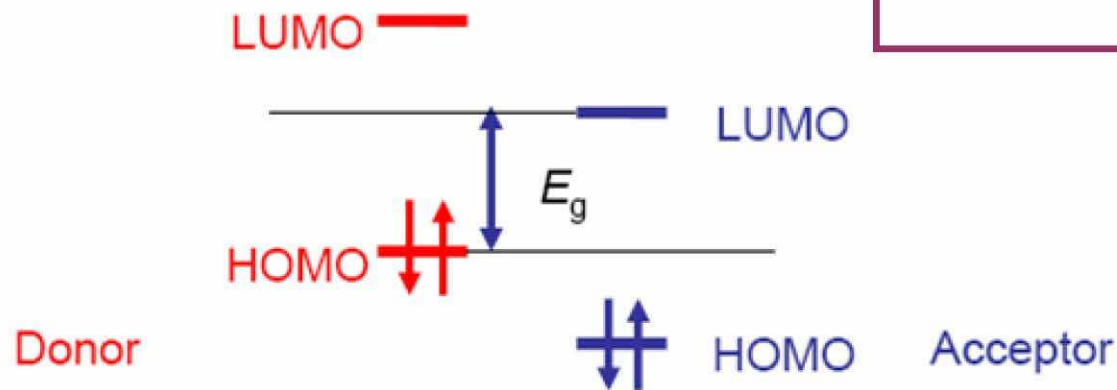
increase the double bond character of the single bonds:



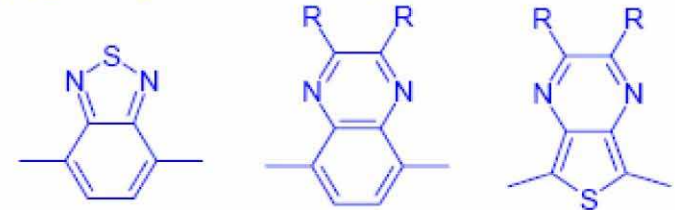
alignment of transition dipoles along the chain



absorption from HOMO donor to LUMO acceptor



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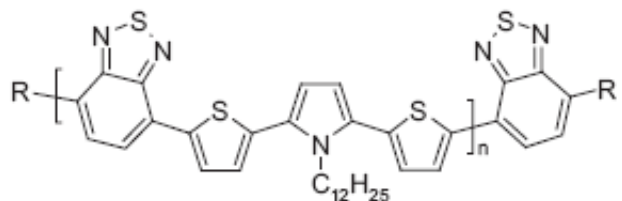


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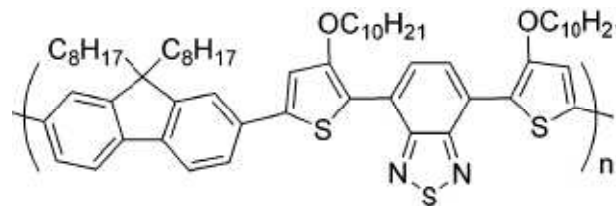
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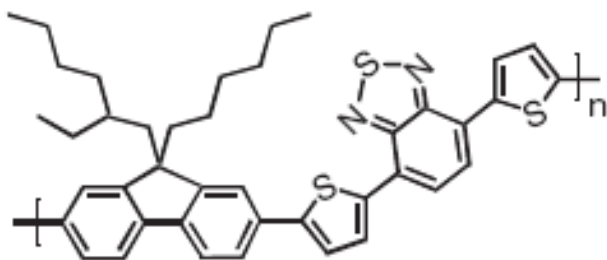
D-A Conjugated Alternating Polymers:PCBM Solar Cells



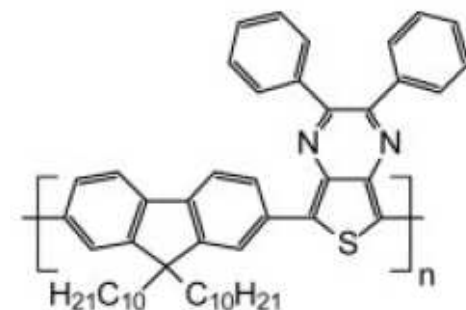
$V_{oc} = 0.72 \text{ V}$ $FF = 0.37$
 $I_{sc} = 3.1 \text{ mA/cm}^2$ $PCE = 1 \%$



$V_{oc} = 0.76 \text{ V}$ $FF = 0.49$
 $I_{sc} = 4.31 \text{ mA/cm}^2$ $PCE = 1.6 \%$

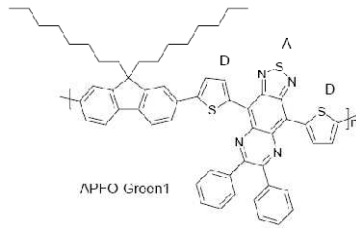


$V_{oc} = 0.72 \text{ V}$ $FF = 0.46$
 $I_{sc} = 4.66 \text{ mA/cm}^2$ $PCE = 2.2 \%$



$V_{oc} = 0.56 \text{ V}$ $FF = 0.49$
 $I_{sc} = 3.6 \text{ mA/cm}^2$ $PCE = 0.51 \%$

D-A Conjugated Alternating Polymers:PCBM or C₇₀ Solar Cells



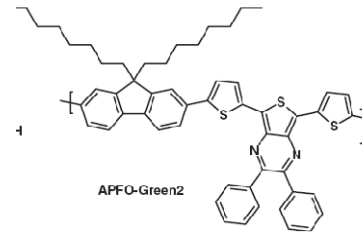
:PCBM

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$$I_{sc} = 1.76 \text{ mA/cm}^2$$

$$FF = 0.46$$

$$PCE = 0.3 \%$$



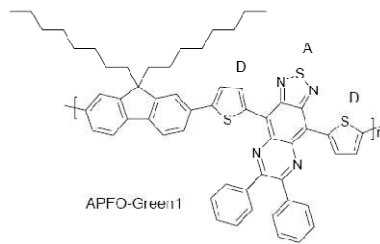
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$$I_{sc} = 3 \text{ mA/cm}^2$$

$$FF = \text{N/A}$$

$$PCE = 0.9 \%$$



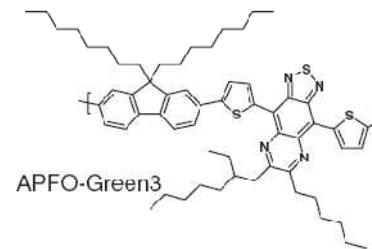
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$$FF = 0.35$$

$$PCE = 0.7 \%$$



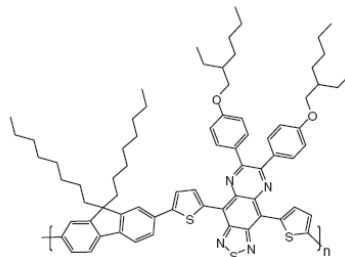
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$$V_{oc} = 0.61 \text{ V}$$

$$I_{sc} = 2.4 \text{ mA/cm}^2$$

$$FF = 0.40$$

$$PCE = 0.59 \%$$



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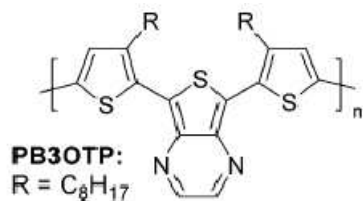
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$$FF = 0.32$$

$$PCE = 0.37 \%$$

D-A Conjugated Alternating Polymers:PCBM Solar Cells

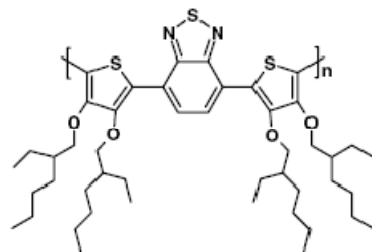


$V_{oc} = 0.72 \text{ V}$

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FF = 0.37

PCE = 1 %

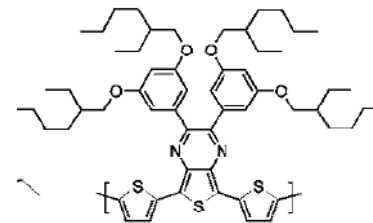


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FF = 0.42

PCE = 0.2 %

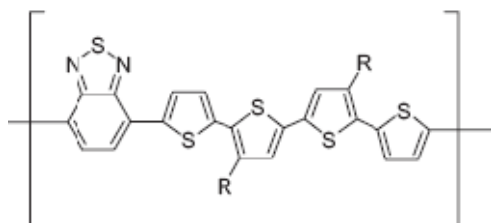


$V_{oc} = 0.56 \text{ V}$

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FF = 0.58

PCE = 1.1 %

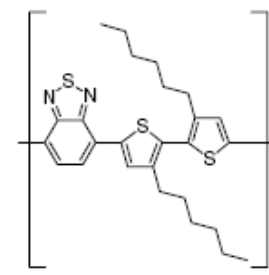


$V_{oc} = 0.59 \text{ V}$

FF = 0.39

$I_{sc} = 2.6 \text{ mA/cm}^2$

PCE = 0.6 %

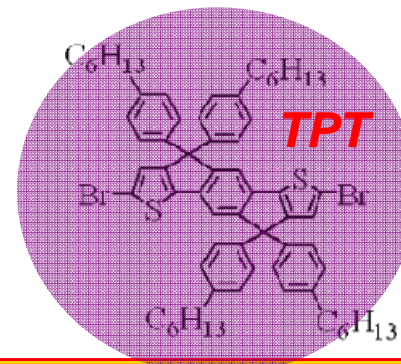
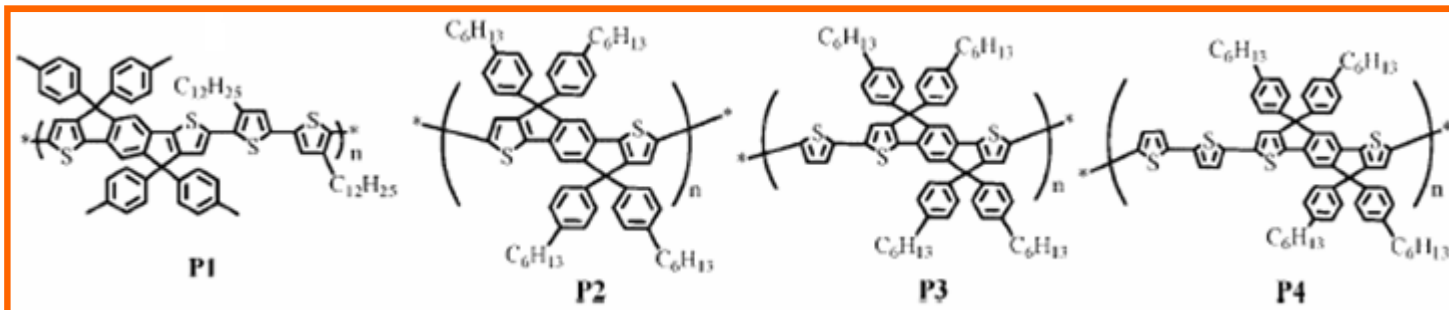


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FF = 0.24

$I_{sc} = 0.2 \text{ mA/cm}^2$

PCE = 0.02 %



Coplanar chromophore

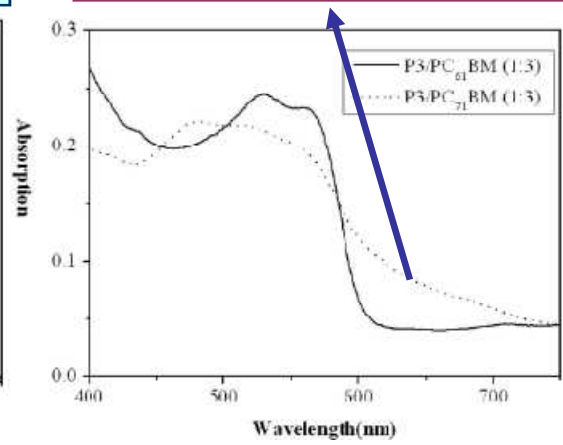
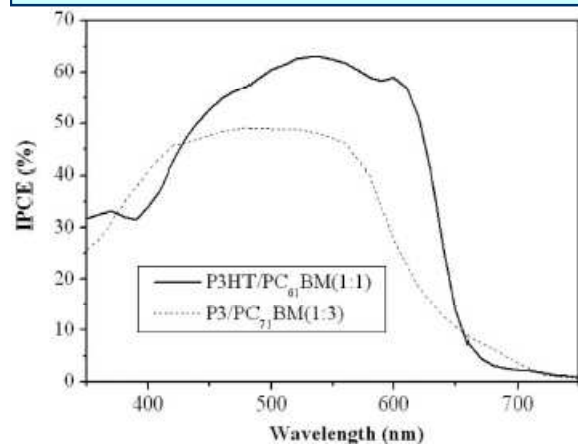
Max. IPCE:

P3HT/PC₆₁BM-63% at 540 nm

P3/PC₇₁BM-49% at 500nm

The presence of PC₇₁BM can provide more photon current because it can absorb the photon beyond wavelength of 600nm

b-PC₆₁BM; c-PC₇₁BM



	polymer/PCBM (w/w ratio)	J_{sc} (mA/cm ²)	V_{oc} (V)	FF	η (%)
P3HT ^a	1:1 ^b	9.9	0.64	0.62	3.9
P1	1:3 ^b	3.5	0.79	0.39	1.1
P2	1:3 ^b	1.4	0.76	0.54	0.6
P3	1:2 ^b	4.8	0.79	0.53	2.0
P3	1:3 ^b	5.3	0.77	0.53	2.2
P3	1:3 ^c	7.6	0.80	0.54	3.3
P4	1:2 ^b	4.1	0.75	0.45	1.4
P4	1:3 ^b	4.6	0.76	0.49	1.7
P4	1:3 ^c	7.0	0.79	0.49	2.7

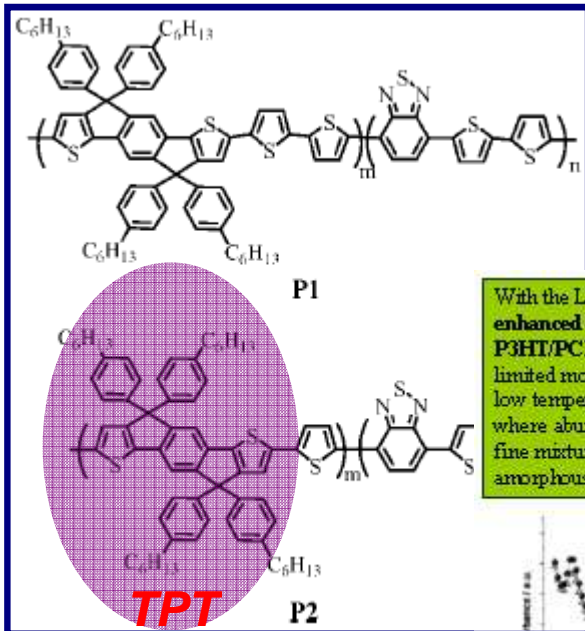
Table 1. Molecular Weights, FET Mobility, and Optical and Electrochemical Properties of Various Polymers

	M_w (FDI)	λ_{max} (film)	α^a (cm ⁻¹)	E_g^{opt} (eV)	E_{ox} (V) ^b	IP (eV) (HOMO)	EA (eV) (LUMO)	μ_n^c (cm ² /(V s))	on/off ^c
P1	25200 (1.52)	490	6.3×10^5	2.10	0.71	5.17	3.07	3.7×10^{-4}	5.2×10^3
P2	21300 (1.97)	510	3.0×10^5	2.10	0.72	5.18	3.08	1.5×10^{-4}	1.4×10^4
P3	48700 (2.19)	510	9.9×10^5	2.08	0.64	5.1	3.02	8.3×10^{-4}	9.1×10^4
P4	29300 (1.87)	508	9.4×10^5	2.11	0.72	5.18	3.07	3.0×10^{-3} (9.9×10^{-4}) ^d	1.3×10^6 (6.5×10^5) ^d
P3HT	47000 (2.45)	552	1.2×10^6	1.90	0.74	5.20	3.30	6.5×10^{-2}	1.3×10^3

^a Absorption coefficient was determined at λ_{max} in THF. ^b E_{ox} is the onset potential of oxidation of polymer. ^c Thin-film FETs were fabricated from 1 wt % *o*-DCB solutions. ^d CHCl₃ solvent was used instead of *o*-DCB.

High absorption coefficient in comparison to P3HT

Ko et al., Macromolecules 2008, 41, 5519



The **broad absorption** feature possibly due to the **random copolymer** structure of **P2** which combine the absorbance of **TPT** rich and **BT** rich structures

With the LT process, the low drying temperature enhanced P3HT nucleation, but restricted P3HT/PCBM phase separation (due to the limited movements of the molecules under the low temperature), resulting in a morphology where abundant P3HT nuclei dispersed within a fine mixture of PCBM-rich domains and amorphous P3HT-rich domains.

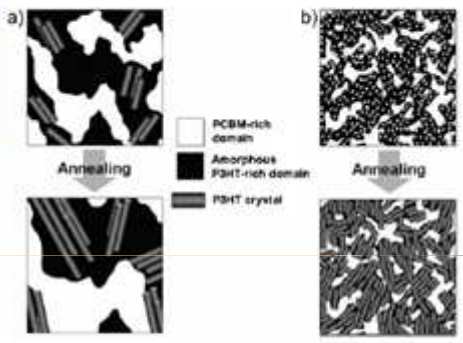
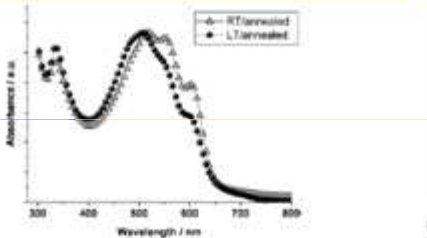
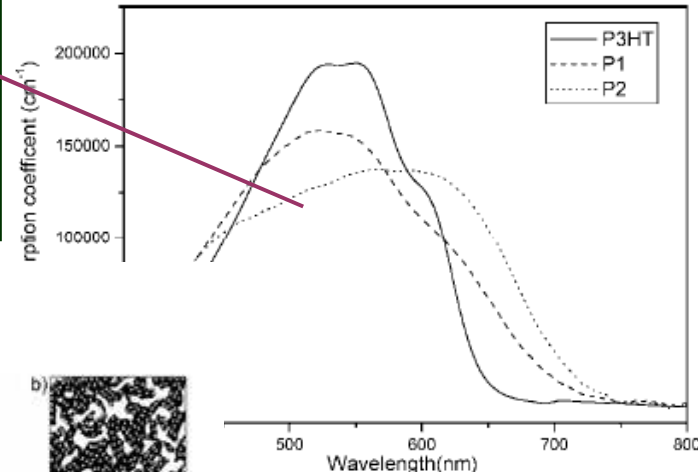
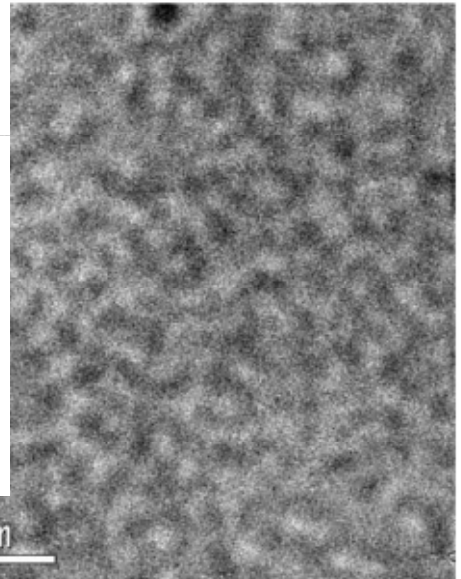


Figure 7. Schematic representations illustrating the morphology of the active layer upon drying (top) and annealing (bottom): a) the RT and b) LT layers.



b-PC₆₁BM; c-PC₇₁BM

polymer/PCBM(w/wratio)	J_{sc}
P3HT ^a 1:1 ^b	9
P3HT ^a 1:1 ^c	7
P1 1:3 ^b	5
P1 1:3 ^c	8
P2 1:3 ^b	6
P2 1:3 ^c	10.1

Figure 6. UV-vis spectra of the RT and LT layers (annealed at 190 °C for 2 min).

Process	Annealing	J_{sc} (mA cm ⁻²)	V_{oc} (mV)	FF (%)	PCE (%)
RT	None	9.42 ± 0.54	534 ± 18	63.7 ± 1.6	3.20 ± 0.14
RT	2 min/190 °C	8.41 ± 0.46	557 ± 16	65.4 ± 1.3	3.23 ± 0.18
RT	30 min/190 °C	8.25 ± 0.39	566 ± 14	53.3 ± 4.6	2.49 ± 0.18
RT	8 h/100 °C	1.72 ± 0.28	540 ± 7	39.0 ± 2.1	0.36 ± 0.05
RT	1368 h/65 °C [4]	2.48 ± 0.29	487 ± 34	37.2 ± 2.3	0.45 ± 0.07
LT (-5 °C)	None	1.40 ± 0.47	418 ± 15	33.9 ± 0.9	0.20 ± 0.06
LT (-5 °C)	2 min/190 °C	11.50 ± 0.73	615 ± 11	62.8 ± 2.4	4.43 ± 0.31

P3HT/PCBM (21mg/mL, 1:1, 600rpm 50sec)

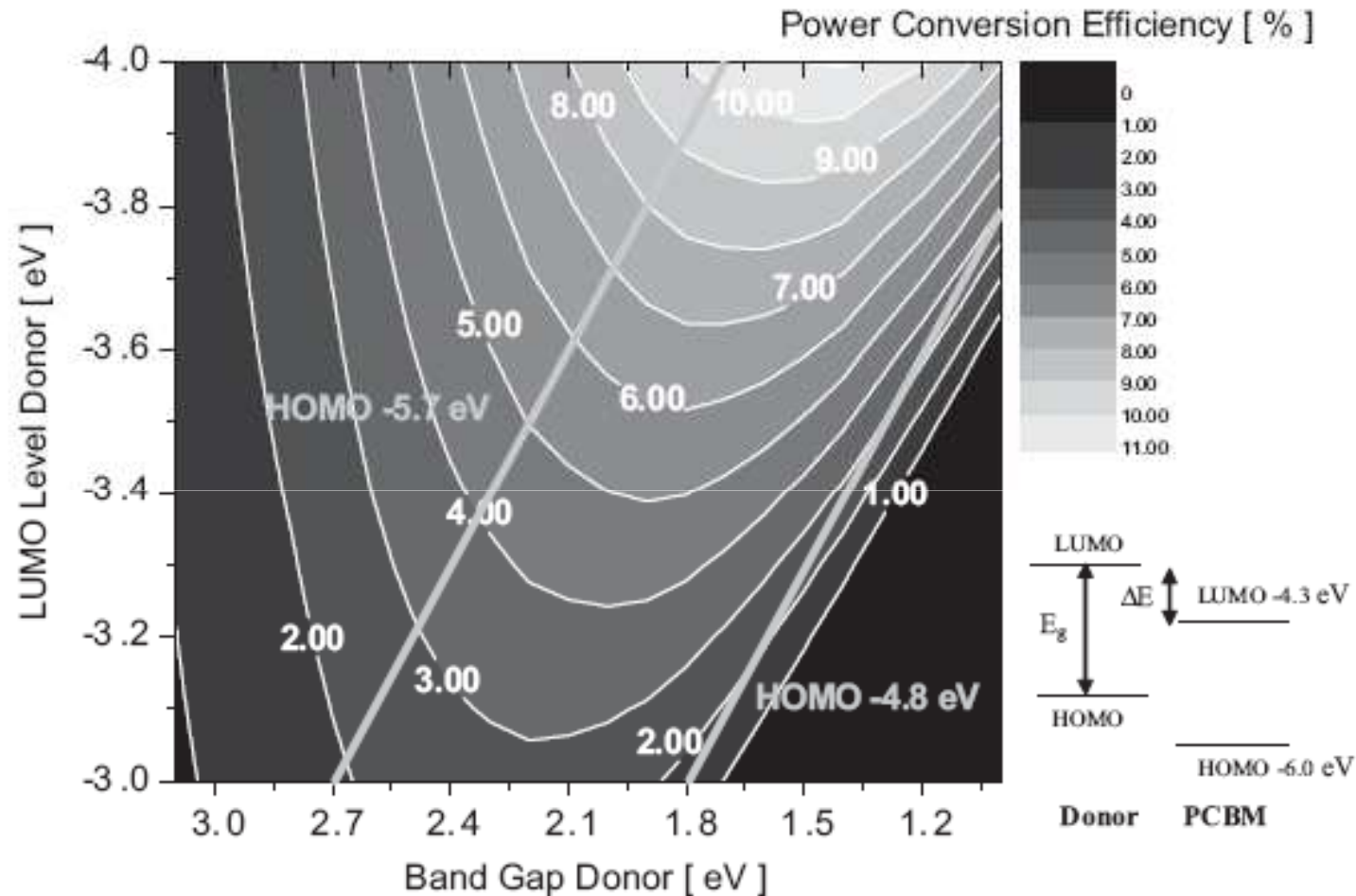
Best PCE~4.7%

0.80 0.53 **4.3**

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	M_w (PDI)	λ_{max} (film)	α ($\times 10^5$ cm ⁻¹)	E_g^{opt} (eV)	E_{ox}^o (V)	HOMO (eV)	LUMO (eV)	μ_h (cm ² /Vs)	on/off
P1	26300 (1.55)	520	11 ^a (1.6) ^b	1.76	1.00	-5.46	-3.56	7.0 $\times 10^{-4}$	1.3 $\times 10^5$
P2	38600 (1.74)	590	7.7 ^a (1.4) ^b	1.70	0.97	-5.43	-3.66	3.4 $\times 10^{-3}$	5.6 $\times 10^6$

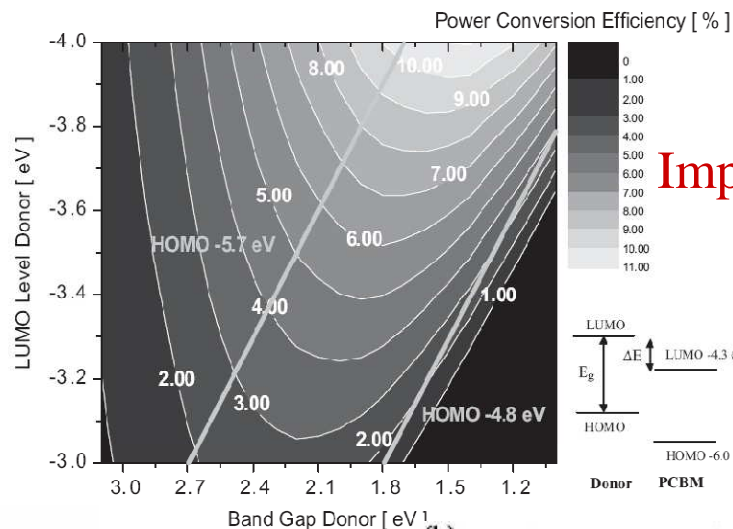
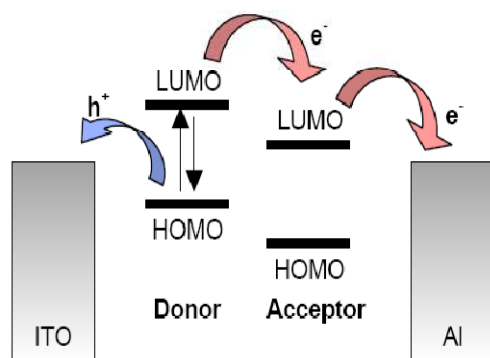
Design Rules for Donors in Solar Cell -Towards 10 % PCE



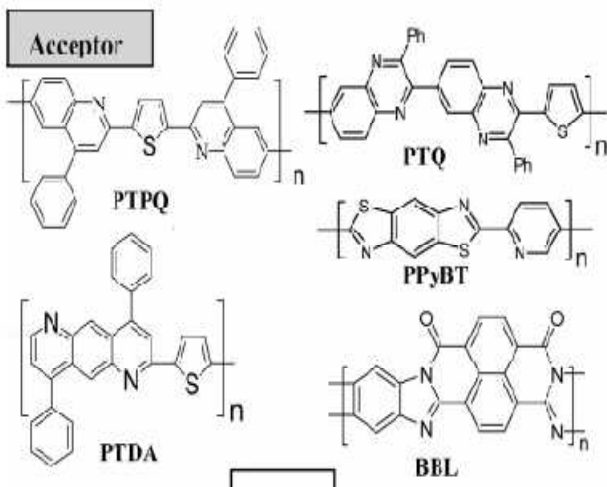
To get PCE >10% The highest PCE of polymer solar cell up to now : 7.9%

Bandgap of donor polymer < 1.74 eV & LUMO < -3.92 eV

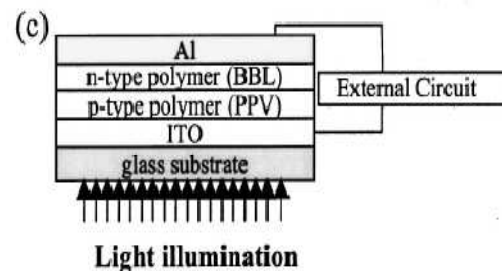
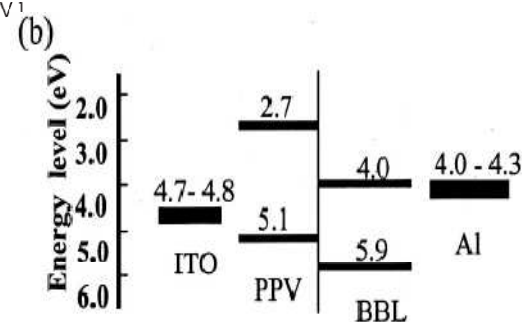
The importance of HOMO/LUMO level on the Photovoltaic Devices



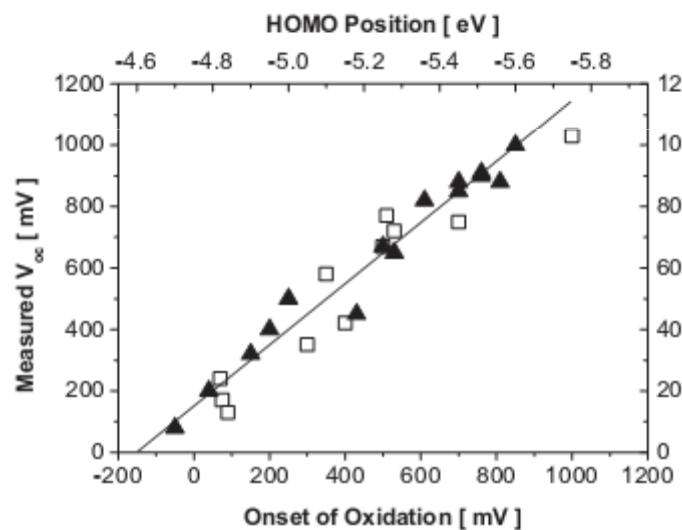
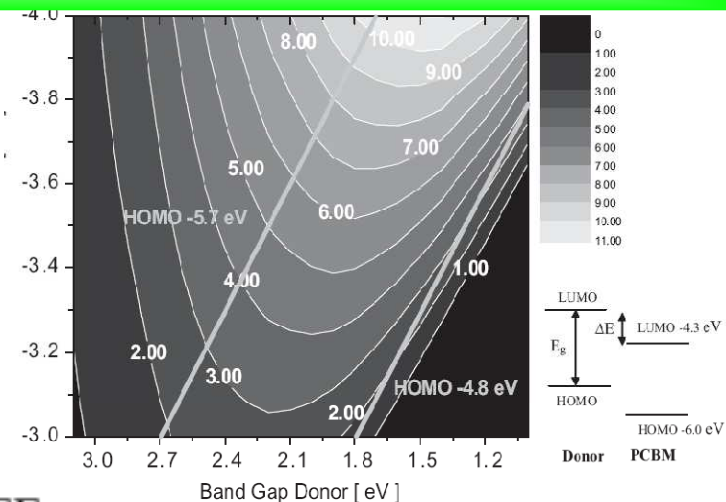
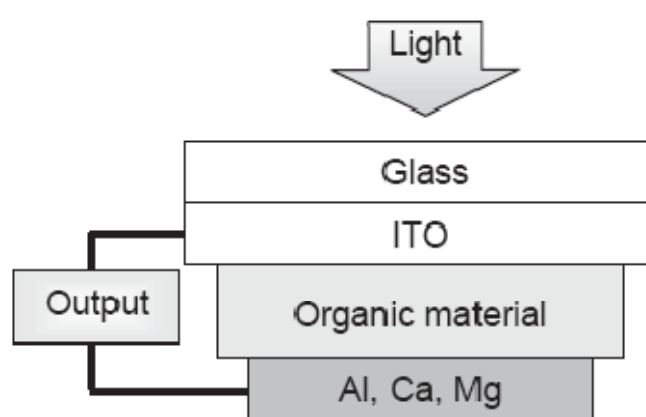
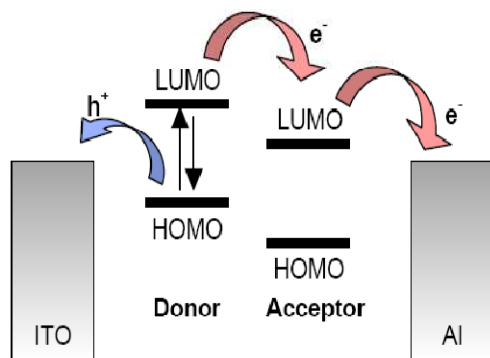
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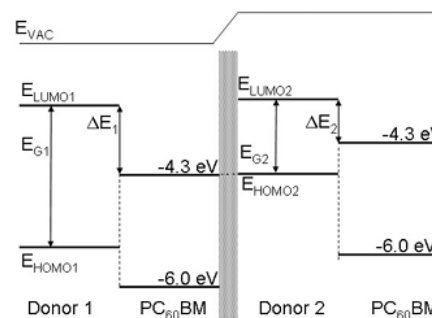
The EA of the PTPQ, PTQ, PPyBT, and PTDA: 2.7~3.0 eV, mismatch with Al → poor PV efficiency



The importance of HOMO/LUMO level on the Photovoltaic Devices



$$\eta_e = \frac{I_{mpp} V_{mpp}}{P_{in}} = \frac{I_{sc} V_{oc} FF}{P_{in}}$$



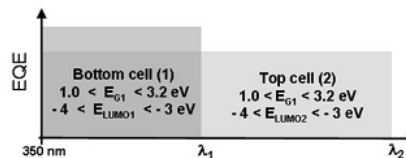
Theoretical PCE ~10% in a single

PV cell: **Bandgap of donor polymer < 1.74 eV & LUMO < -3.92 eV using PCBM**

Theoretical PCE up to 15%
By Tandem cell

Adv. Mater 2008, 20, 579-583

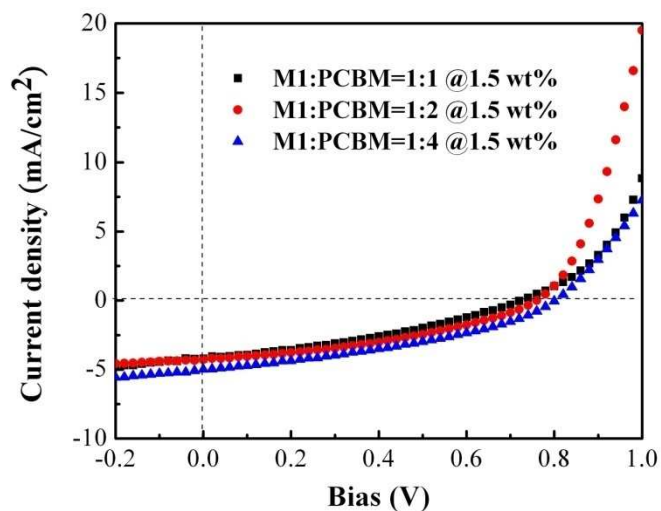
$$V_{oc} = (1/e)(|E^{\text{Donor}}_{\text{HOMO}}| - |E^{\text{PCBM}}_{\text{LUMO}}|) - 0.3 \text{ V}$$



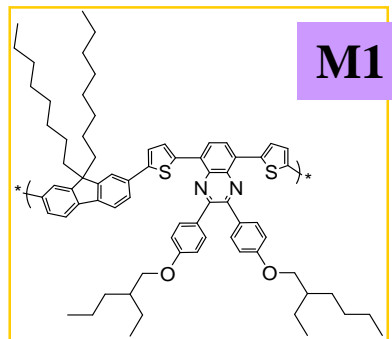
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New Quinoxaline based Donor-Acceptor Conjugated Polymers For Optoelectronic Applications

Highest Solar Cell PCE :1.76%



J. Polym. Sci. Polym. Chem. **2009**,
Through the collaboration of
W. C. Chen and F. C. Chen



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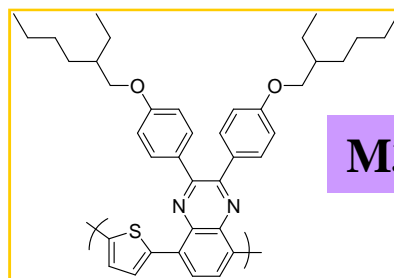
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LUMO= -3.60 eV

Mobility 9.25×10^{-4}

On/off 2.31×10^4



M3

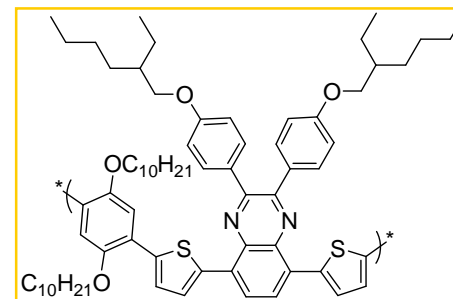
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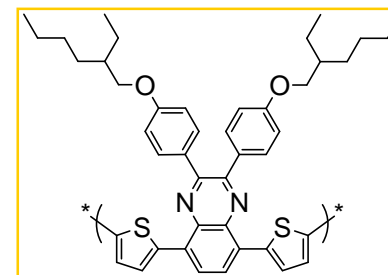
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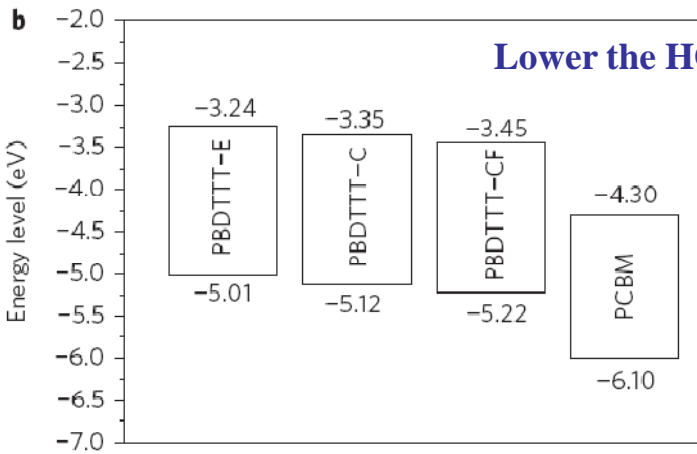
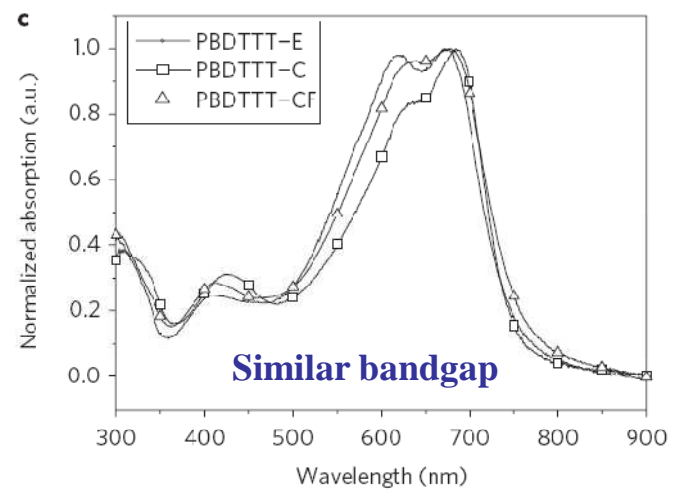
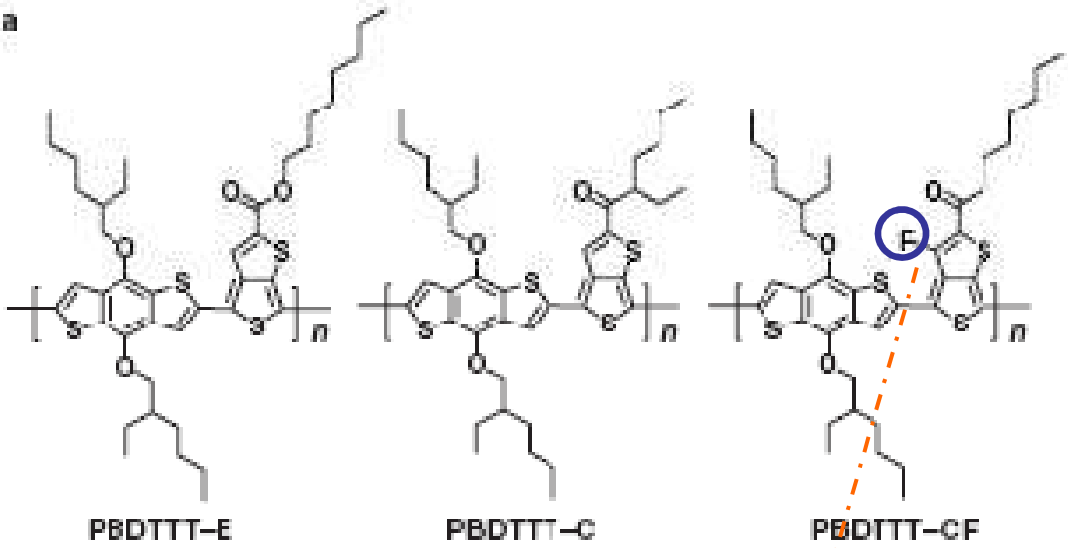
LUMO= -3.19 eV

Mobility 2.52×10^{-4}

On/off 2.00×10^4

Polymer Solar cells with enhanced open-circuit voltage and efficiency

Yu, L. *Nat. Photon.* 2009, 3, 649.



Highly efficient overall photoconversion process in the cell (high IQE)

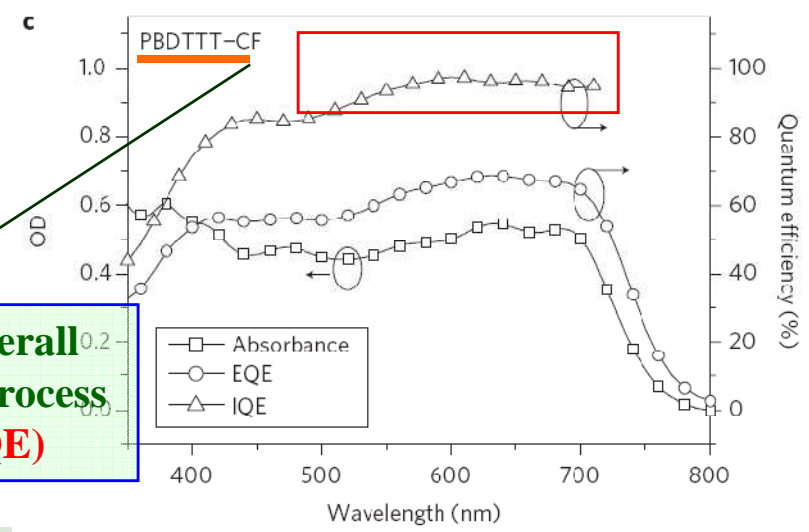
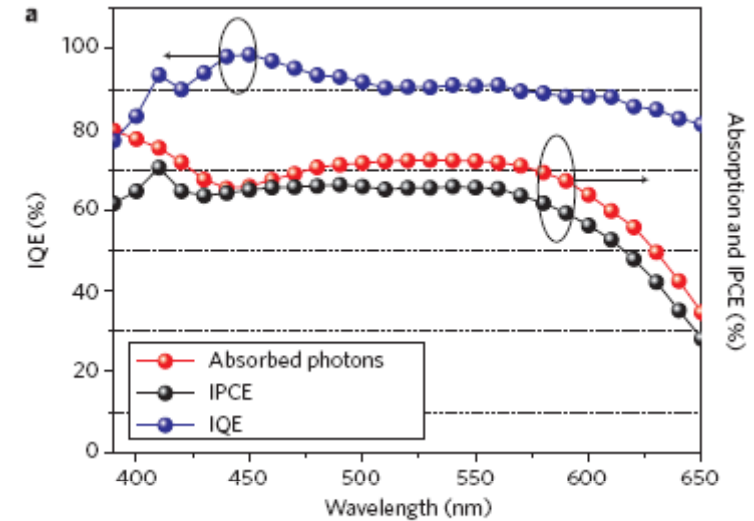
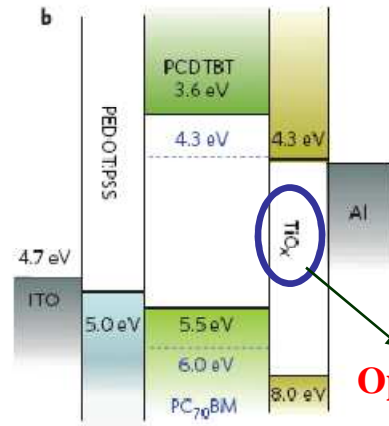
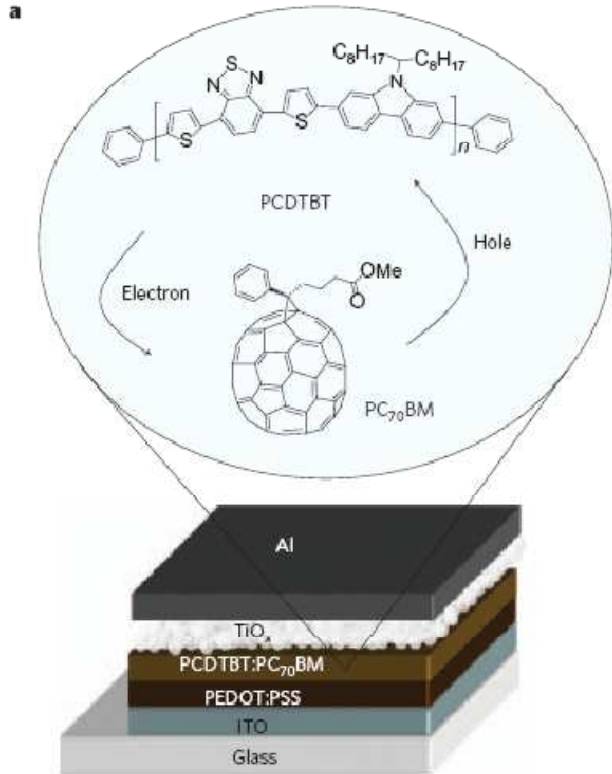


Table 1 | Solar cell parameters of devices based on the three different polymers.

	LUMO	HOMO	V_{oc} (V)	J_{sc} (mA cm^{-2})	FF (%)	PCE (%)	
						Best	Ave
PBDTTT-E	-3.24	-5.01	0.62	-13.2	63	5.15	4.8
PBDTTT-C	-3.35	-5.12	0.7	-14.7	64.1	6.58	6.3
PBDTTT-CF	-3.45	-5.22	0.76	-15.2	66.9	7.73	7.4

Bulk heterojunction solar cells with **internal quantum efficiency** approaching **100%**

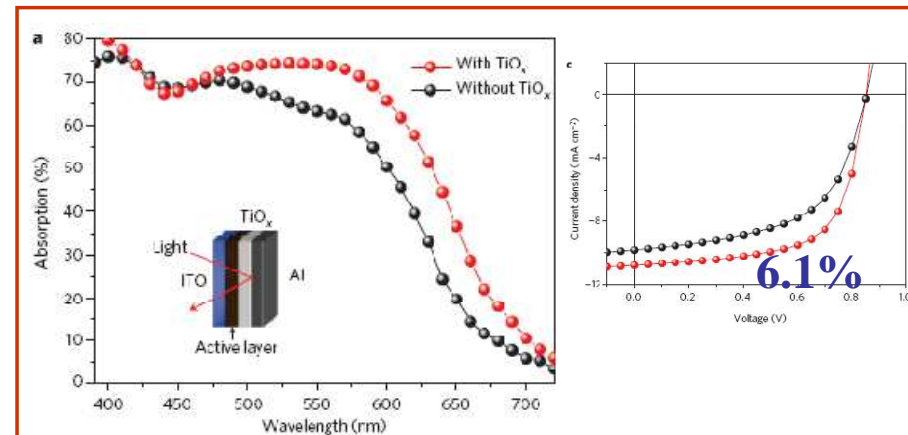
YU, L. *Nat. Photon.* **2009**, 3, 297.



Optical spacer & hole-blocking layer

The TiO_x layer redistributes the light intensity within the BHJ by changing the optical interference between the incident light and the light reflected from the metal electrode. (**optical spacer**)

Efficient collection of electrons by hole-blocking feature of TiO_x

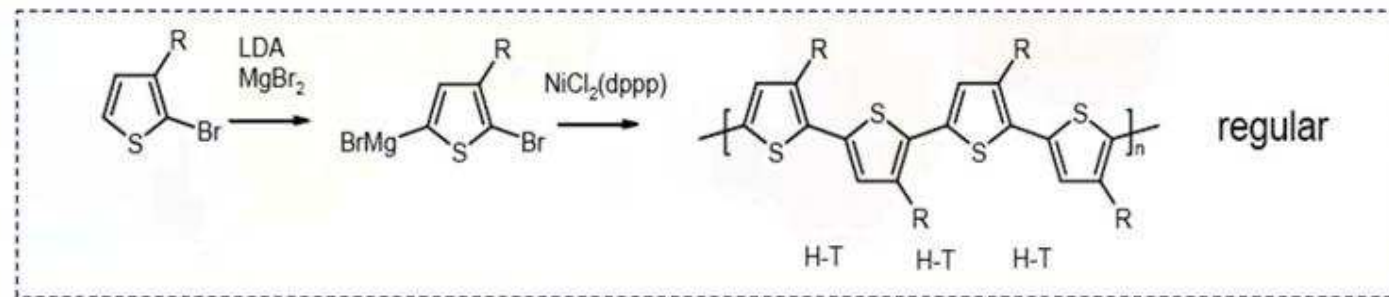


With TiO_x layer, the IQE, EQE, absorption could be enhanced, leading to the best efficiency up to 6.1%

Some of the Approaches in MCL

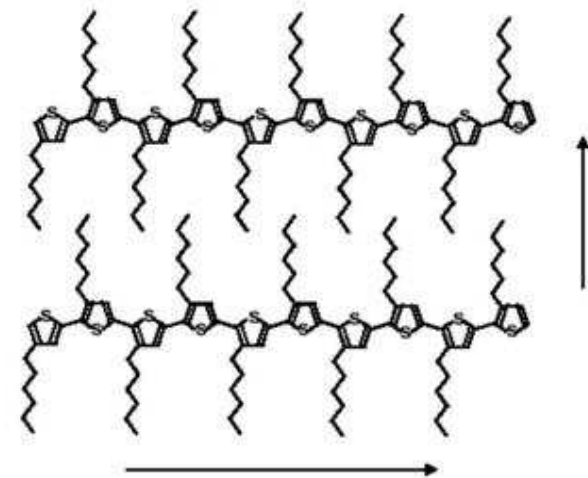
Better packing conducting polymer

— Stereo-regular conducting polymer (no micro-structure defects)



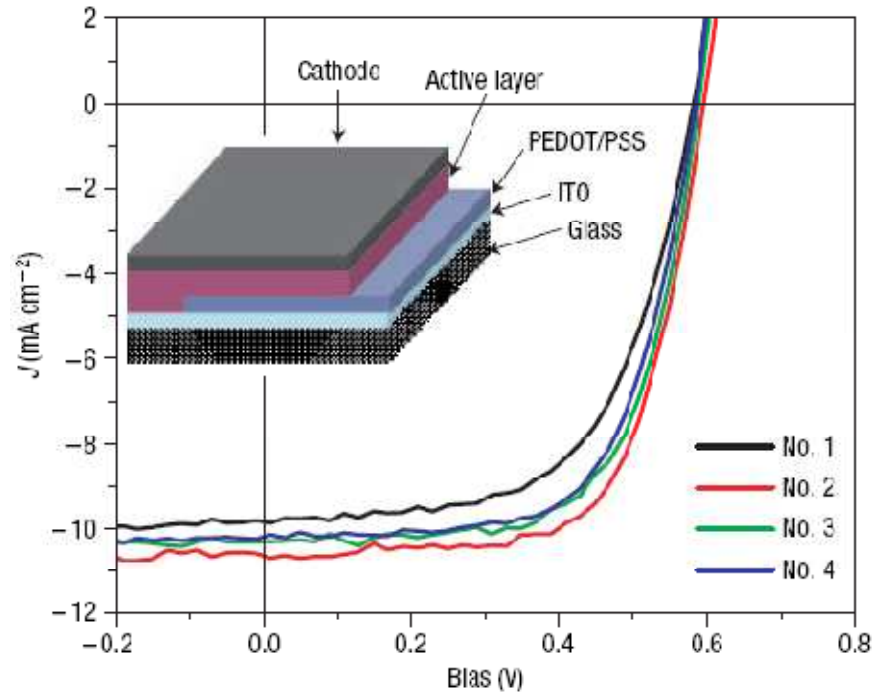
— Tightly-packing conducting polymer
but still maintain its processibility

— High mobility conducting
polymer design with good
solubility



P3HT:PCBM Solar Cells

Different annealing time



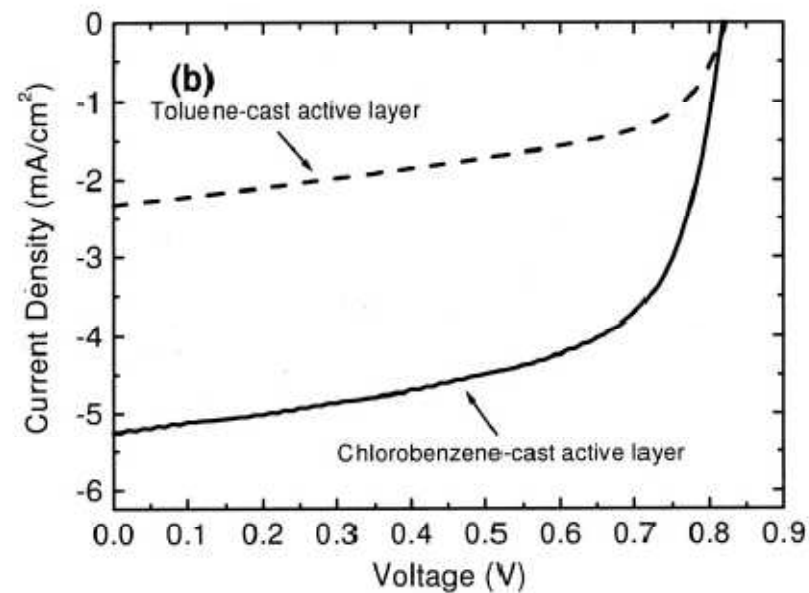
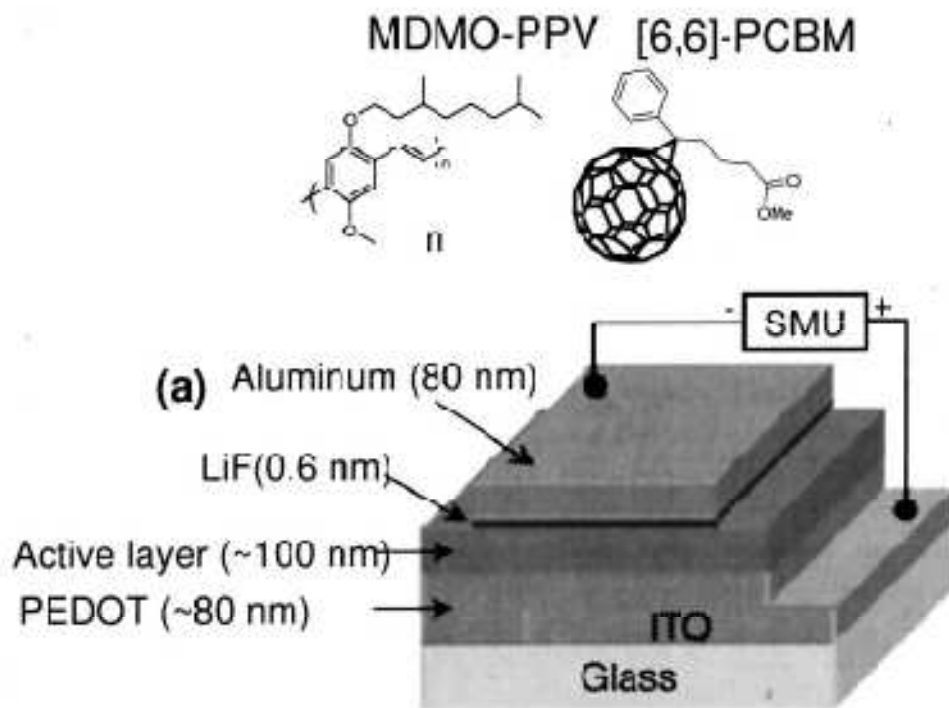
$$V_{oc} = 0.61 \text{ V}$$

$$FF = 0.67$$

$$I_{sc} = 10.6 \text{ mA/cm}^2$$

$$PCE = 4.37 \%$$

PPV:PCBM Solar Cells



$$V_{oc} = 0.82 \text{ V}$$

$$FF = 0.61$$

$$I_{sc} = 5.25 \text{ mA/cm}^2$$

$$PCE = 2.5 \%$$

Importance of Polymer Morphology on Photovoltaic Efficiency

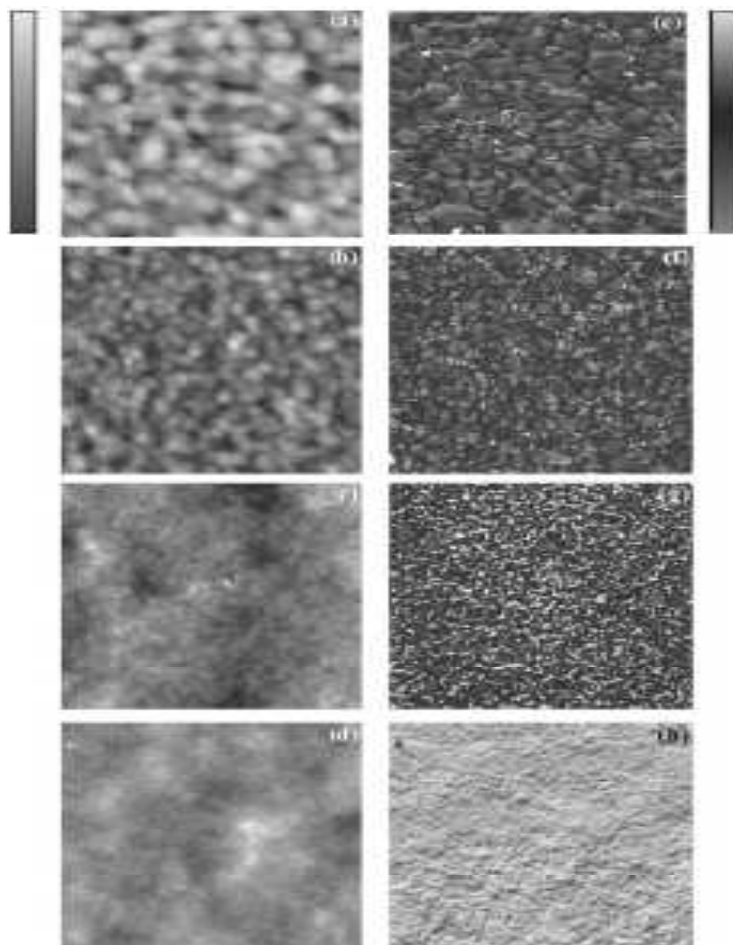
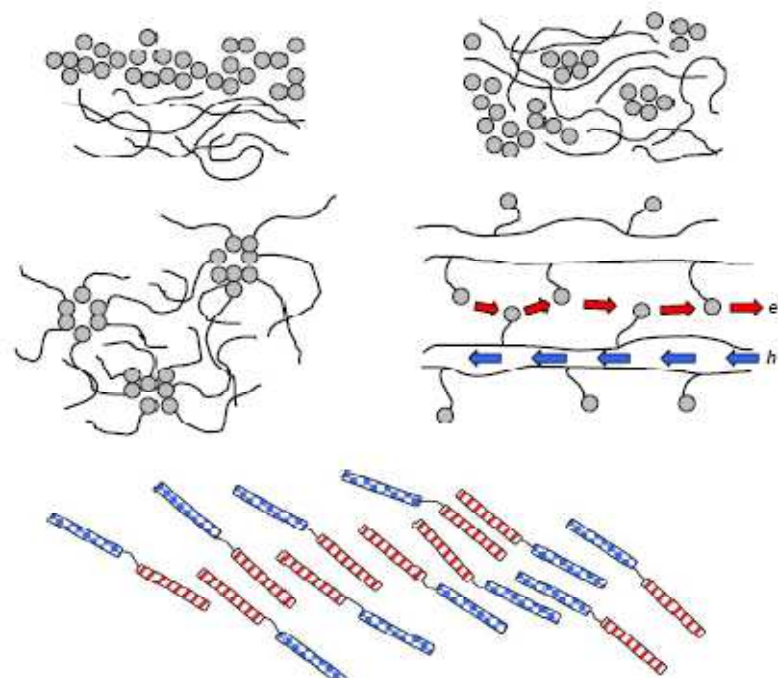


Figure 2. The AFM height (a–d) and simultaneously taken phase (e–h) images of the MDMO-PPV/PCBM composite films of 90 (a,e), 80 (b,f), 67 (c,g), and 50 wt-% PCBM (d,h). Height bar (maximum peak-to-valley) represents 20 nm (a), 10 nm (b), 3 nm (c), and 3 nm (d). The size of the images is 2.0 μm \times 2.0 μm .



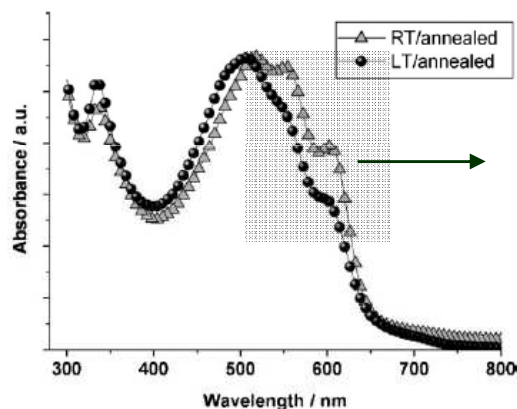
Morphology determining parameters:

- The spin casting solvent
- The composition between polymer and fullerene
- The solution concentration
- The controlled phase separation and crystallization induced by thermal annealing
- The chemical structure of the materials

Enhanced thermal stability and efficiency by **Low Temp. Drying**

Adv. Funct. Mater. 2010, 20, 834

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In RT, the larger P3HT crystallite size would result to the higher π - π^* interaction

Figure 6. UV-vis spectra of the RT and LT layers (annealed at 190°C for 2 min).

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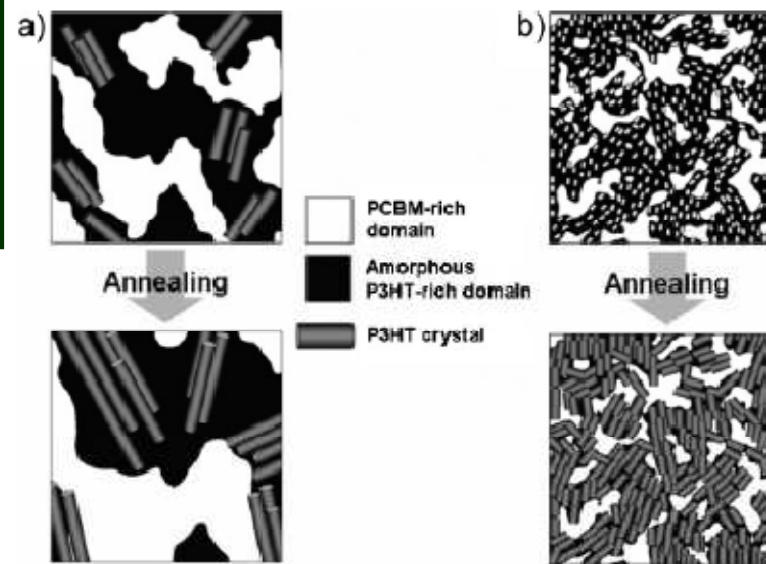


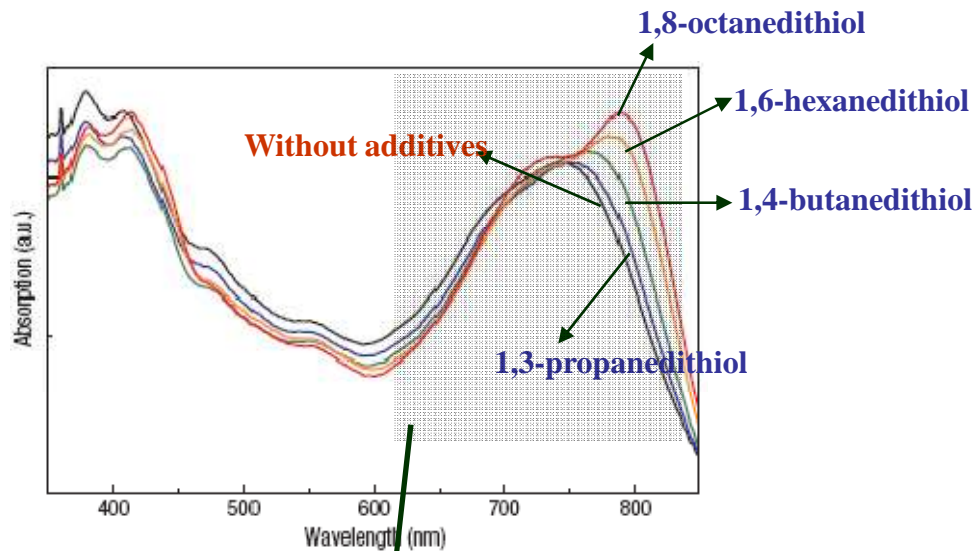
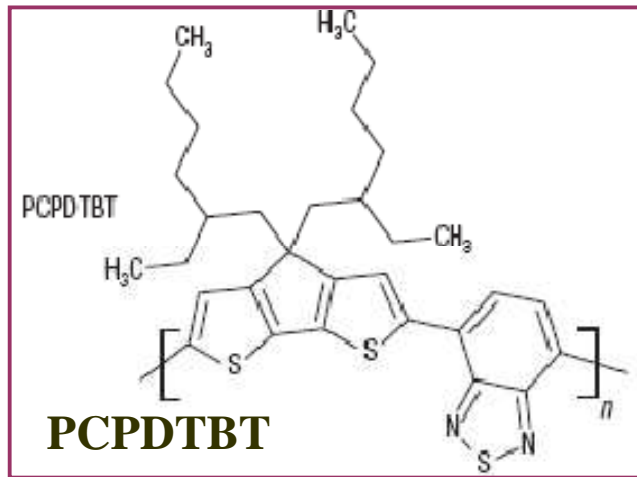
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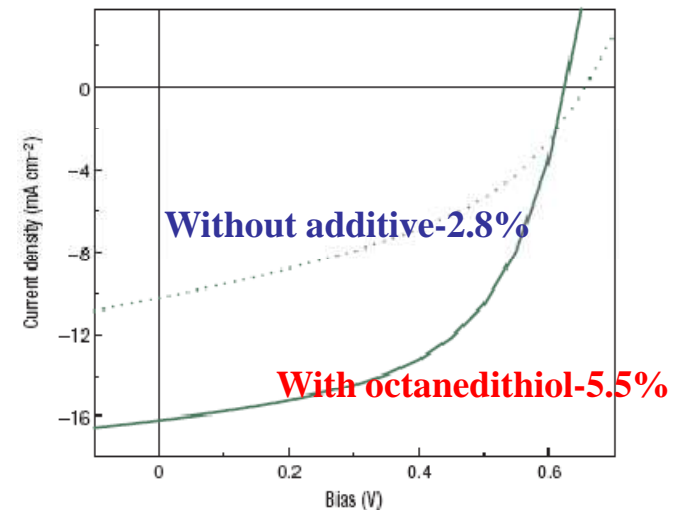
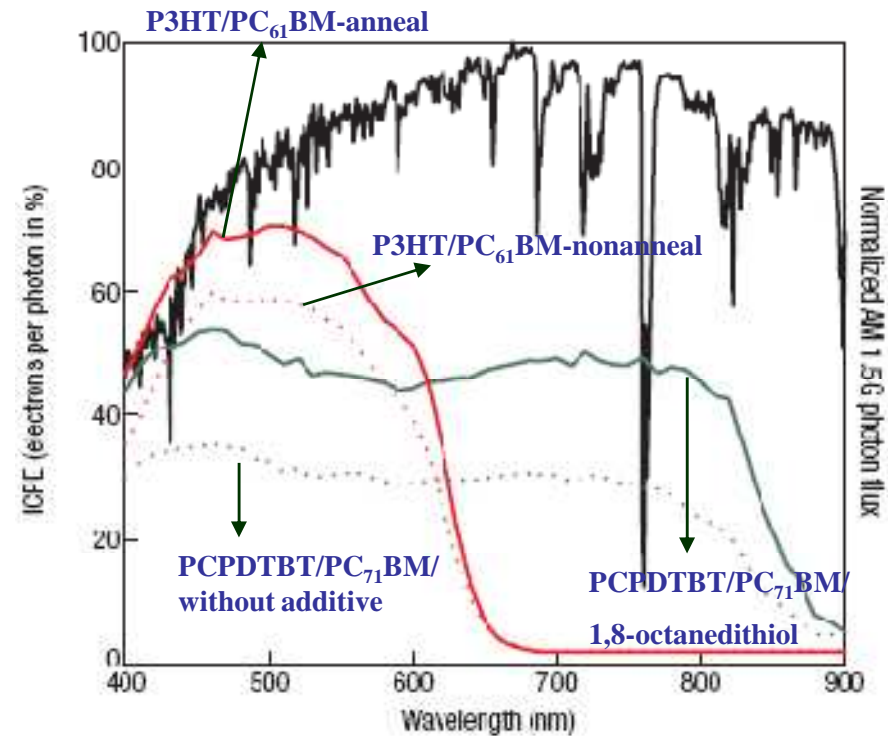
Efficiency enhancement in low-bandgap polymer solar cells by processing with **alkane dithiols**

Heeger, *Nat. Mater.* 2007, 6,497.



π - π^* transition

It indicates that the PCPDTBT chains interact more strongly and improved local structural order compared with films processed from pure chlorobenzene.

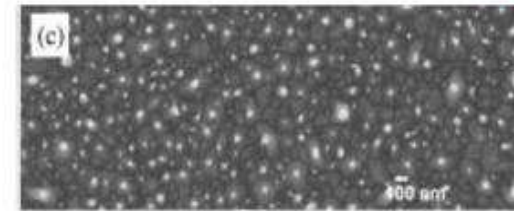
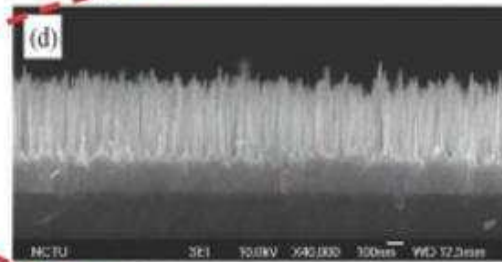


Defined transport path

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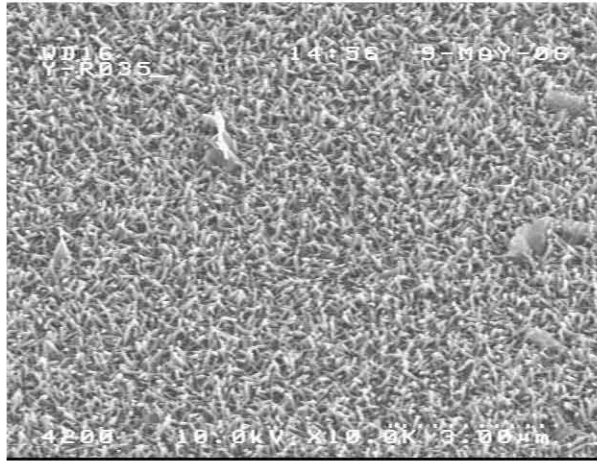


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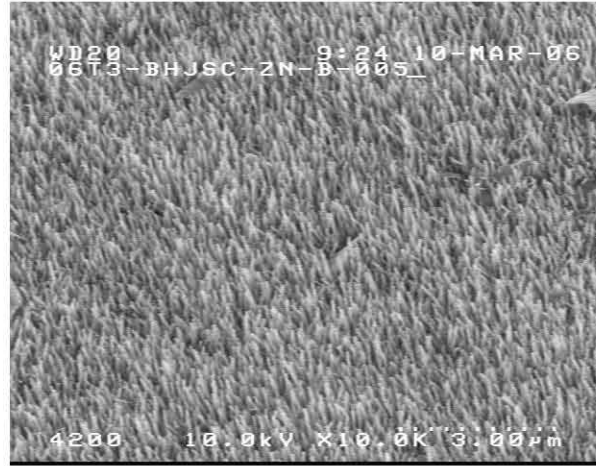


Control of Surface Grown ZnO

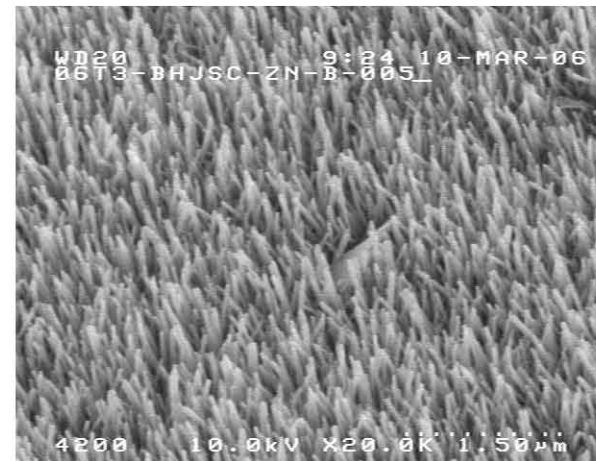
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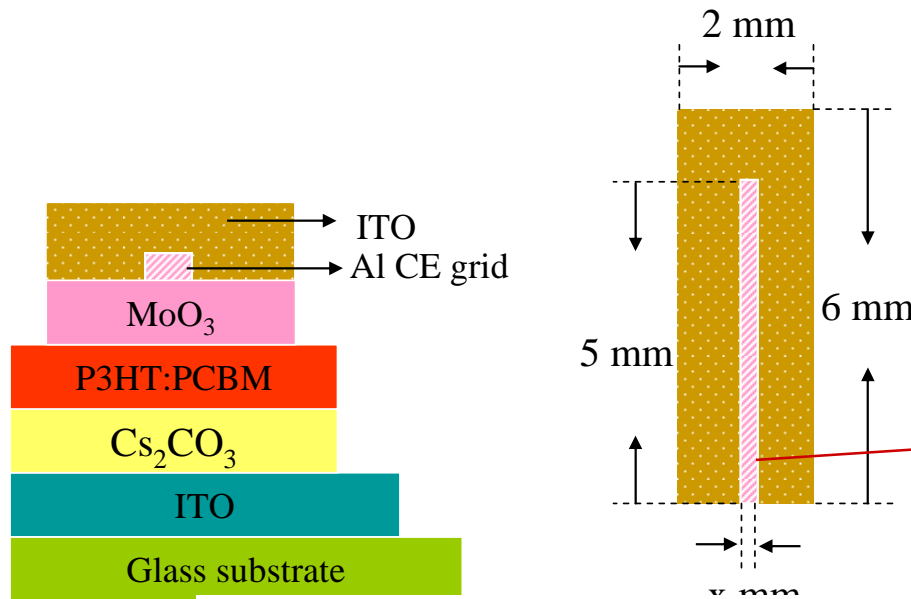


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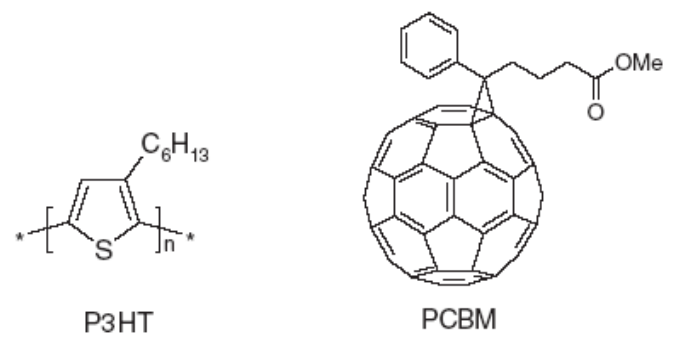
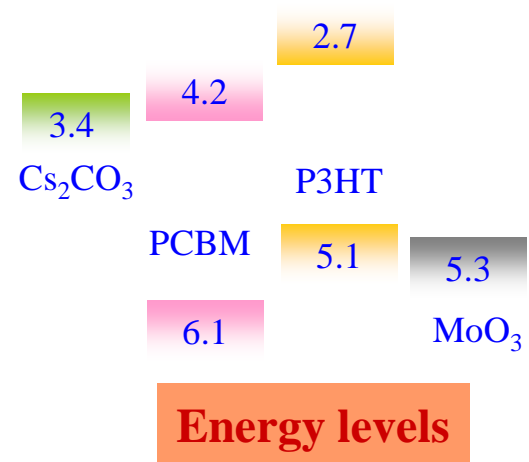
Surface modified

Inverted semi-transparent OPVs



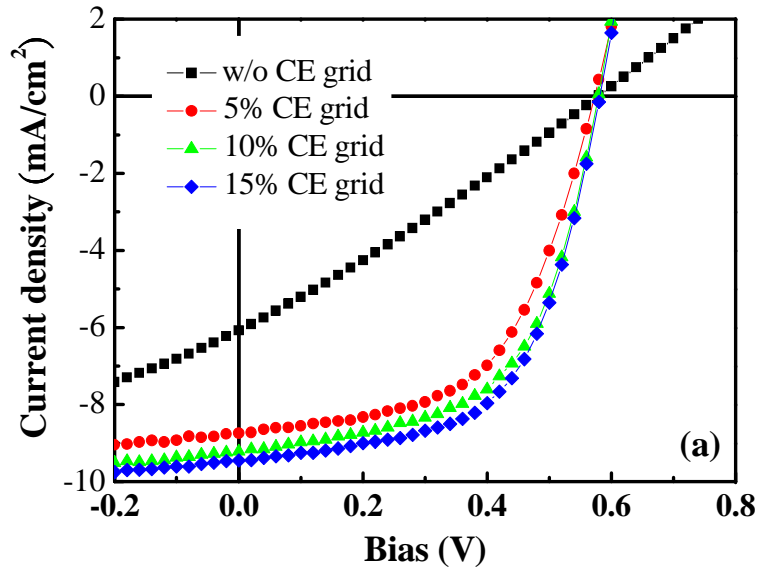
利用 ITO/Cs₂CO₃ 以及 MoO₃/ITO 作為透明電極，發展高效率之倒置式半透明元件

Shadow fraction:
5%, 10%, 15%

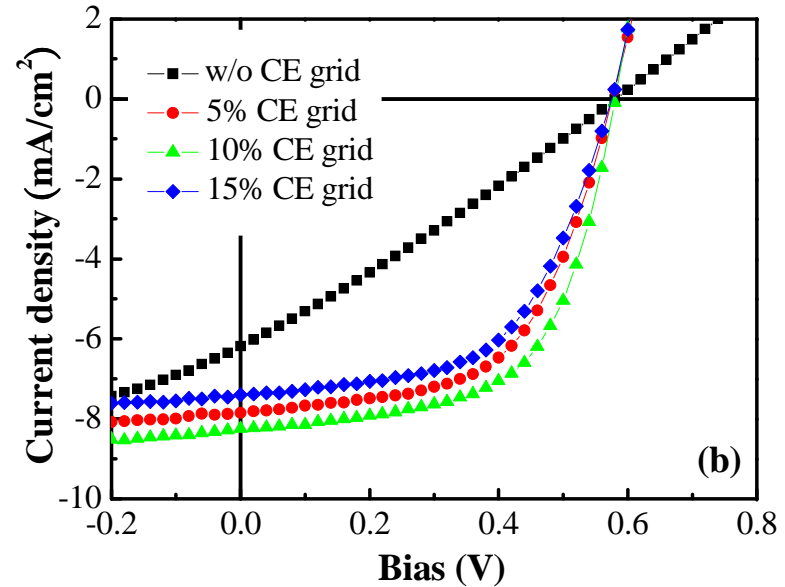


Energy levels

J-V characteristics



Bottom-illuminated

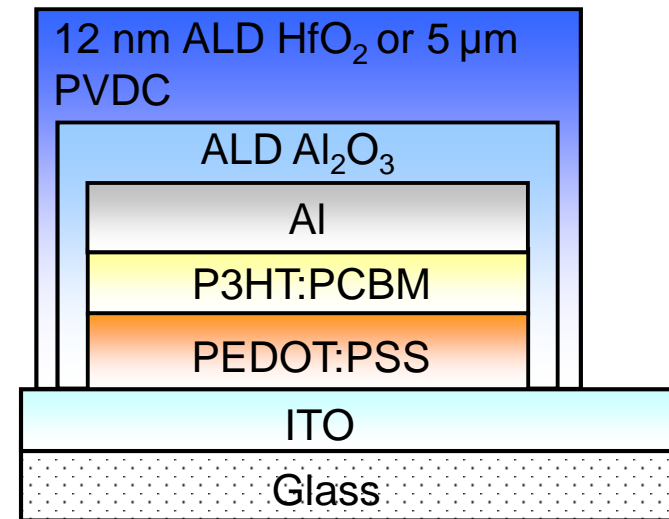
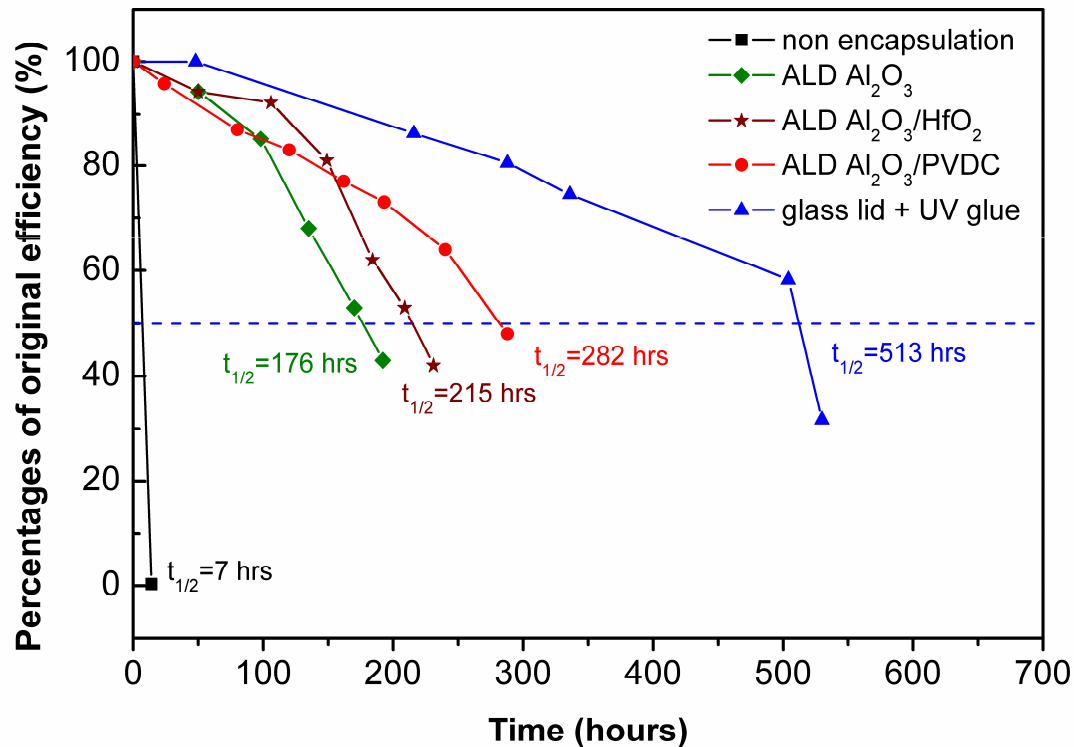


Top-illuminated

Incorporating an Al CE grid of 10% shadow fraction, the semi-transparent OPVs exhibited very similar electrical characteristics whether the device was illuminated from the bottom side (PCE = 3.15%) or from the top side (PCE = 2.8%).

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Adding a hydrophobic layer, including a ALD HfO₂ film or a PVDC film, on top of the ALD Al₂O₃ increased the lifetime to up to 282 hrs



	Al ₂ O ₃	Al ₂ O ₃ /HfO ₂
Water contact angel (deg)	79	98