Supporting Information

Double layered TiO₂ photoanode consisting of hierarchical flowers and nanoparticles for high-efficiency dye-sensitized solar cells

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Fig. S1 TEM and HRTEM (inset figure) images of samples scraped from the as-prepared DL-TNPs+HTFs/FTO photoanodes.

DSSCs	R_1 (ohm)	R_2 (ohm)	$\tau_{\rm r}({\rm s})$
TNPs	6.17	109.9	0.099
DL-TNPs+THFs	6.05	162.1	0.138

Table S1. Detailed simulative value of resistance (R_1, R_2) and electron lifetime value (τ_r) from EIS spectra calculated by equivalent circuit as shown in Fig. 5.

Table S2. Summarized *J-V* parameters of DSSCs based on double layered TNPs+HTFs photoanodes with different thicknesses of TNPs measured under AM 1.5G illumination (100 mW cm⁻²).

Cell	J_{sc} (mA cm ⁻²)	$V_{oc}(\mathrm{mV})$	η (%)	FF
2 µm TNPs + 5 µm HTFs	8.41	813	4.89	0.71
5 µm TNPs + 5 µm HTFs	13.49	806	7.44	0.68
10 μm TNPs+5 μm HTFs	16.76	783	8.66	0.66
15 μm TNPs+5 μm HTFs	17.85	763	9.08	0.67
20 µm TNPs+5 µm HTFs	17.47	742	8.43	0.67
^a 15 µm TNPs+5 µm ETSs	17.17	776	8.79	0.66

^{*a*} ETSs are ellipsoid TiO₂ spheres (350-400 nm in length). The 15 μ m TNPs+5 μ m ETSs double layered photoelectrode is obtained by screen printing ETSs scattering layer (5 μ m) on the TNPs layer (15 μ m).