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Solution-processed MoS_x thin-films as hole-transport layers for efficient polymer solar cells

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Figure S1 J-V characteristics of PSCs with MoS_x obtained after different annealing times.



Figure S2 The PCE distribution of devices with MoS_x obtained at 300 °C.

Table S1 Device performance of PSCs with MoS_x obtained after different annealing times.

Annealing time	V _{oc}	J _{sc}	FF	PCE (%)	
(min)	(V)	(mA cm ⁻²)	(%)	Best (average) ^a	
50	0.65	13.15	30.73	2.63 (2.39)	
60	0.77	18.16	53.56	7.50 (7.36)	
70	0.74	15.04	41.69	4.61 (3.90)	
^a The average PCFs were based on eight devices					

The average PCEs were based on eight devices.

Table S2 Summary of XPS analysis of valence states, peak positions and relative contents of different MoS_x films calculated from Mo 3d scan.

		Mo ⁴⁺			Mo ⁵⁺		
	Peak position		Deletive content	Peak position			
Temp (°C)	3d 5/2	3d 3/2	Relative content	3d 5/2	3d 3/2	Relative content	
	(eV)	(eV)	(%)	(eV)	(eV)	(%)	
200	229.03	232.23	31.28	231.18	234.38	68.72	
250	229.76	232.96	30.11	231.67	234.87	69.89	
300	229.53	232.73	32.51	231.24	234.44	67.49	

Table S3 Device performance of PSCs with different MoS_x film thicknesses.

Spin-coating speed	V _{oc}	J _{sc}	FF	PCE (%)	
(rpm)	(V)	(mA cm ⁻²)	(%)	Best (average) ^a	
600	0.79	15.10	46.97	5.58 (5.33)	
800	0.78	15.58	47.37	5.76 (5.38)	
1000	0.79	15.72	47.96	5.93 (5.67)	
1200	0.77	18.16	53.56	7.50 (7.36)	
1400	0.73	15.59	43.45	4.95 (4.62)	

^aThe average PCEs were based on eight devices.

Table S4 Device performance with different active layer thicknesses.

Spin-coating speed	V _{oc}	J _{sc}	FF	PCE (%)	
(rpm)	(V)	(mA cm ⁻²)	(%)	Best (average) ^a	
1000	0.69	16.56	47.13	5.37 (5.03)	
1200	0.77	18.16	53.56	7.50 (7.36)	
1400	0.75	16.24	52.57	6.42 (5.59)	
1600	0.70	16.89	44.92	5.34 (5.04)	
^a The average PCEs were based on eight devices.					