

Electronic Supplementary Information

Effect of Alkyl Chain Length of Ammonium in SEPC-CIL on Performance of Polymer Solar Cells[†]

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[†]SEPC-CIL: Surfactant-Encapsulated Polyoxometalate Complex as Cathode InterLayer.

1. Effect of TOA-SiW₁₂ thickness on the device performance of ITO/PEDOT:PSS/PTB7:PC₇₁BM/TOA-SiW₁₂/Al.

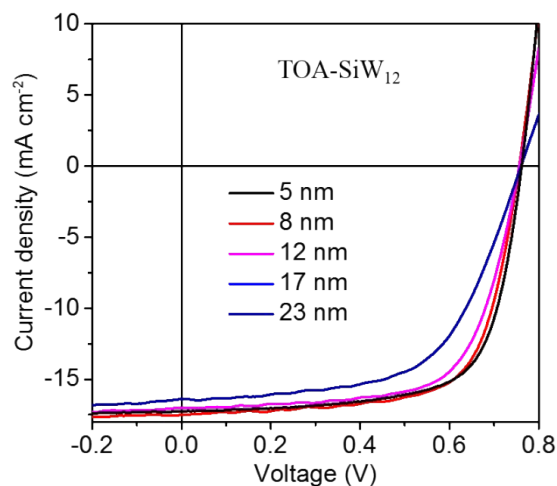


Figure S1. J – V characteristics of PTB7:PC₇₁BM based PSCs with 5 nm, 8 nm, 12 nm, 17 nm or 23 nm TOA-SiW₁₂ as a cathode interlayer under AM 1.5 G illumination at 100 mW cm⁻².

Table S1. Photovoltaic parameters of PTB7:PC₇₁BM based PSCs with different thickness TOA-SiW₁₂ as a cathode interlayer.

TOA-SiW ₁₂ concentration (mg/mL)	TOA-SiW ₁₂ thickness (nm)	V_{OC} (V)	J_{SC} (mA cm ⁻²)	FF (%)	PCE (%)
0.25	5	0.760	17.13	69.4	9.04
0.50	8	0.755	17.50	69.3	9.15
1.0	12	0.760	17.06	70.2	9.09
1.5	17	0.755	17.04	67.6	8.70
2.0	23	0.760	16.60	59.0	7.44

2. Effect of TEA-SiW₁₂ thickness on the device performance of ITO/PEDOT:PSS/PTB7:PC₇₁BM/TEA-SiW₁₂/Al.

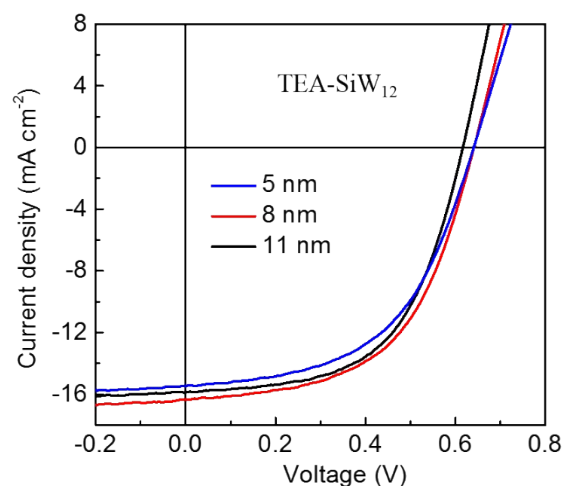


Figure S2. J – V characteristics of PTB7:PC₇₁BM based PSCs with 5 nm, 8 nm or 11 nm TEA-SiW₁₂ as a cathode interlayer under AM 1.5 G illumination at 100 mW cm⁻².

Table S2. Photovoltaic parameters of PTB7:PC₇₁BM based PSCs with different thickness TEA-SiW₁₂ as a cathode interlayer.

TEA-SiW ₁₂ concentration (mg/mL)	TEA-SiW ₁₂ thickness (nm)	V_{OC} (V)	J_{SC} (mA cm ⁻²)	FF (%)	PCE (%)
0.33	5	0.640	15.48	52.9	5.24
0.5	8	0.640	16.35	55.2	5.78
1.0	11	0.615	15.89	57.0	5.57

3. Effect of TBA-SiW₁₂ thickness on the device performance of ITO/PEDOT:PSS/PTB7:PC₇₁BM/TBA-SiW₁₂/Al.

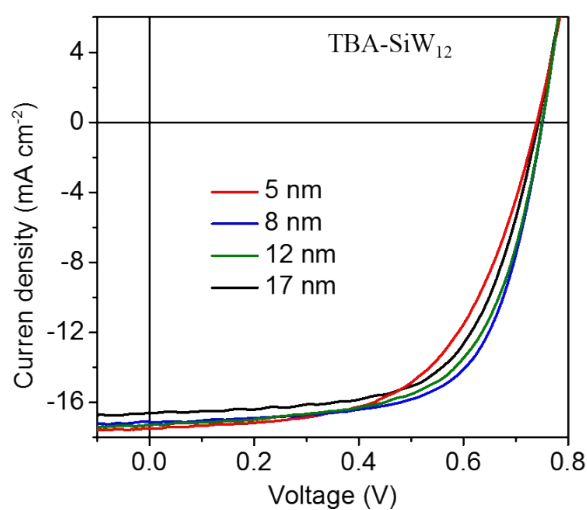


Figure S3. J – V characteristics of PTB7:PC₇₁BM based PSCs with 5 nm, 8 nm 12 nm or 17 nm TBA-SiW₁₂ as a cathode interlayer under AM 1.5 G illumination at 100

mW cm⁻².

Table S3. Photovoltaic parameters of PTB7:PC₇₁BM based PSCs with different thickness TBA-SiW₁₂ as a cathode interlayer.

TBA-SiW ₁₂ concentration (mg/mL)	TBA-SiW ₁₂ thickness (nm)	<i>V</i> _{OC} (V)	<i>J</i> _{SC} (mA cm ⁻²)	FF (%)	PCE (%)
0.25	5	0.740	17.48	58.1	7.51
0.5	8	0.750	17.16	66.2	8.50
1.0	12	0.750	17.11	63.8	8.21
1.5	17	0.745	16.60	63.2	7.82

4. Effect of TDA-SiW₁₂ thickness on the device performance of ITO/PEDOT:PSS/PTB7:PC₇₁BM/TDA-SiW₁₂/Al.

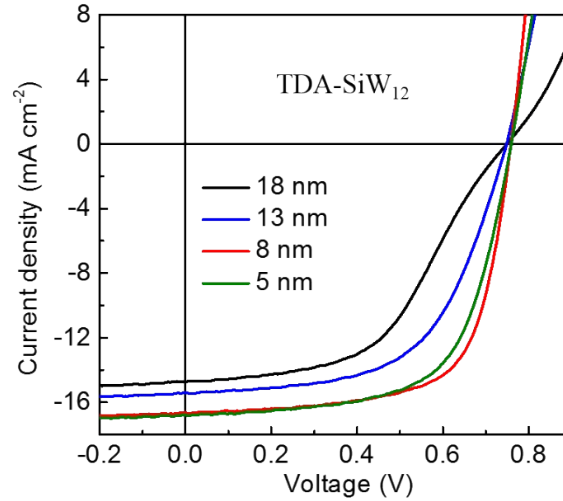


Figure S4. *J*–*V* characteristics of PTB7:PC₇₁BM based PSCs with 5 nm, 8 nm 13 nm or 18 nm TDA-SiW₁₂ as a cathode interlayer under AM 1.5 G illumination at 100 mW cm⁻².

Table S4. Photovoltaic parameters of PTB7:PC₇₁BM based PSCs with different thickness TDA-SiW₁₂ as a cathode interlayer.

TDA-SiW ₁₂ concentration (mg/mL)	TDA-SiW ₁₂ thickness (nm)	<i>V</i> _{OC} (V)	<i>J</i> _{SC} (mA cm ⁻²)	FF (%)	PCE (%)
0.25	5	0.755	16.81	64.6	8.20
0.5	8	0.755	16.64	68.6	8.62
1.0	13	0.745	15.40	58.4	6.70
1.5	18	0.745	14.73	50.0	5.49

5. AFM images of TA-SiW₁₂ on the PTB7:PC₇₁BM film.

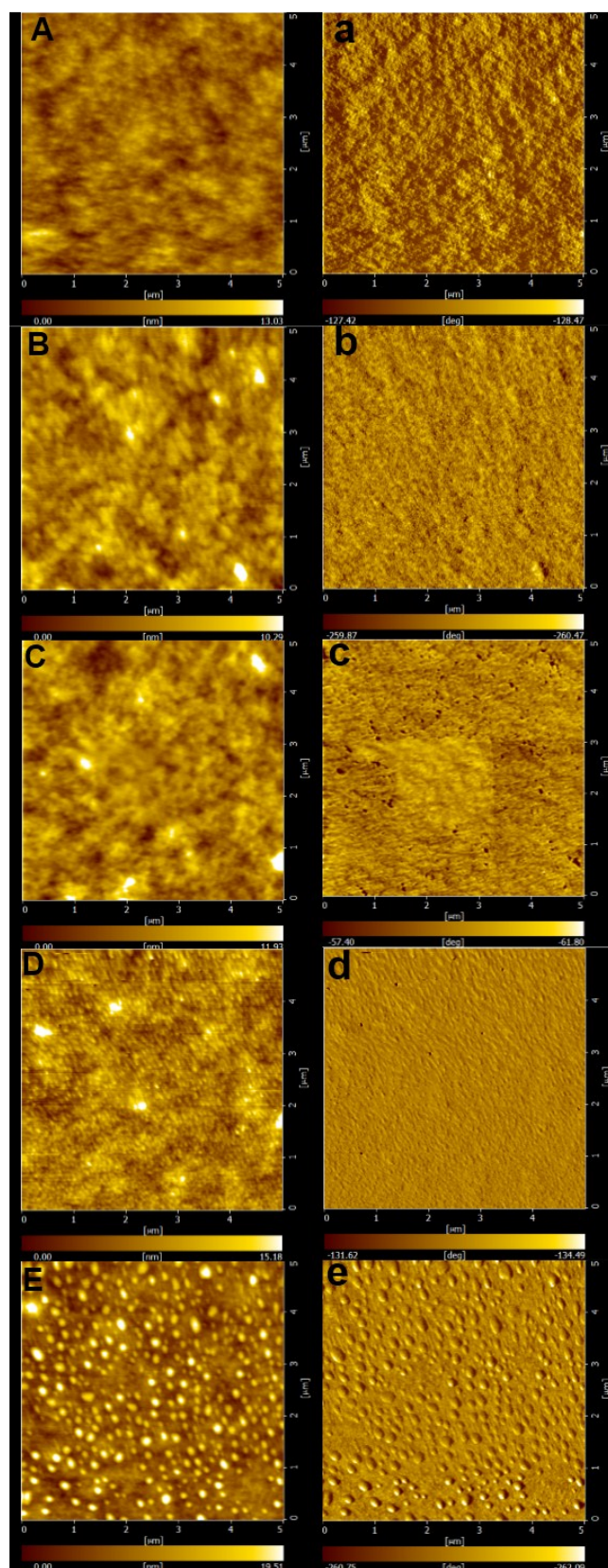


Figure S5. AFM height and phase images of bare PTB7:PC₇₁BM film (A and a), 8 nm TEA-SiW₁₂ (B and b), TBA-SiW₁₂ (C and c), TOA-SiW₁₂ (D and d) and TDA-

SiW₁₂ (E and e) on PTB7:PC₇₁BM in the scale of 5 $\mu\text{m} \times 5 \mu\text{m}$.

6. AFM height image of 8 nm TDA-SiW₁₂ on PTB7:PC₇₁BM.

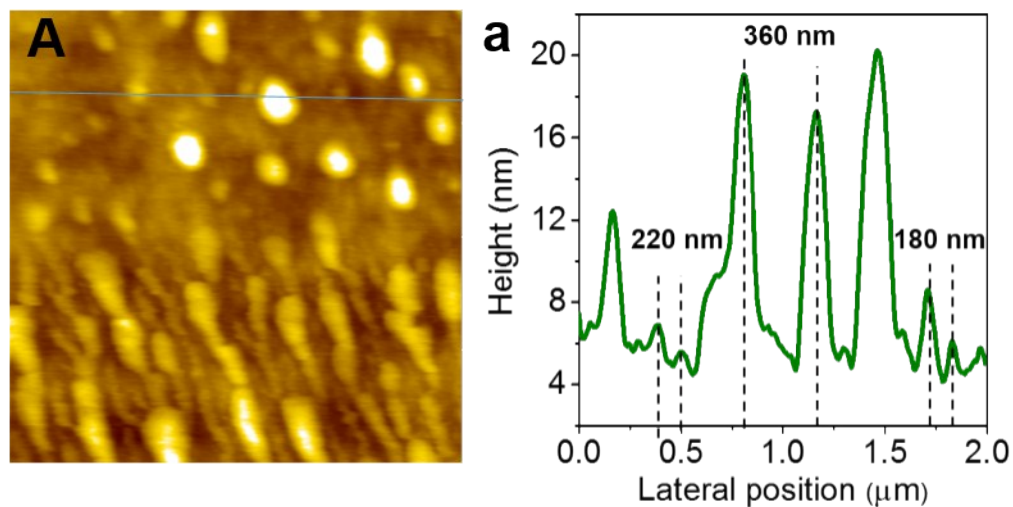


Figure S6. AFM height image of 8 nm TDA-SiW₁₂ on PTB7:PC₇₁BM in the scale of 2 $\mu\text{m} \times 2 \mu\text{m}$ (A) and profile line (a) of (A).