

Electronic supplementary information

Influence of 2,2-bithiophene and thieno[3,2-b] thiophene units on the photovoltaic performance of benzodithiophene-based wide-bandgap polymers

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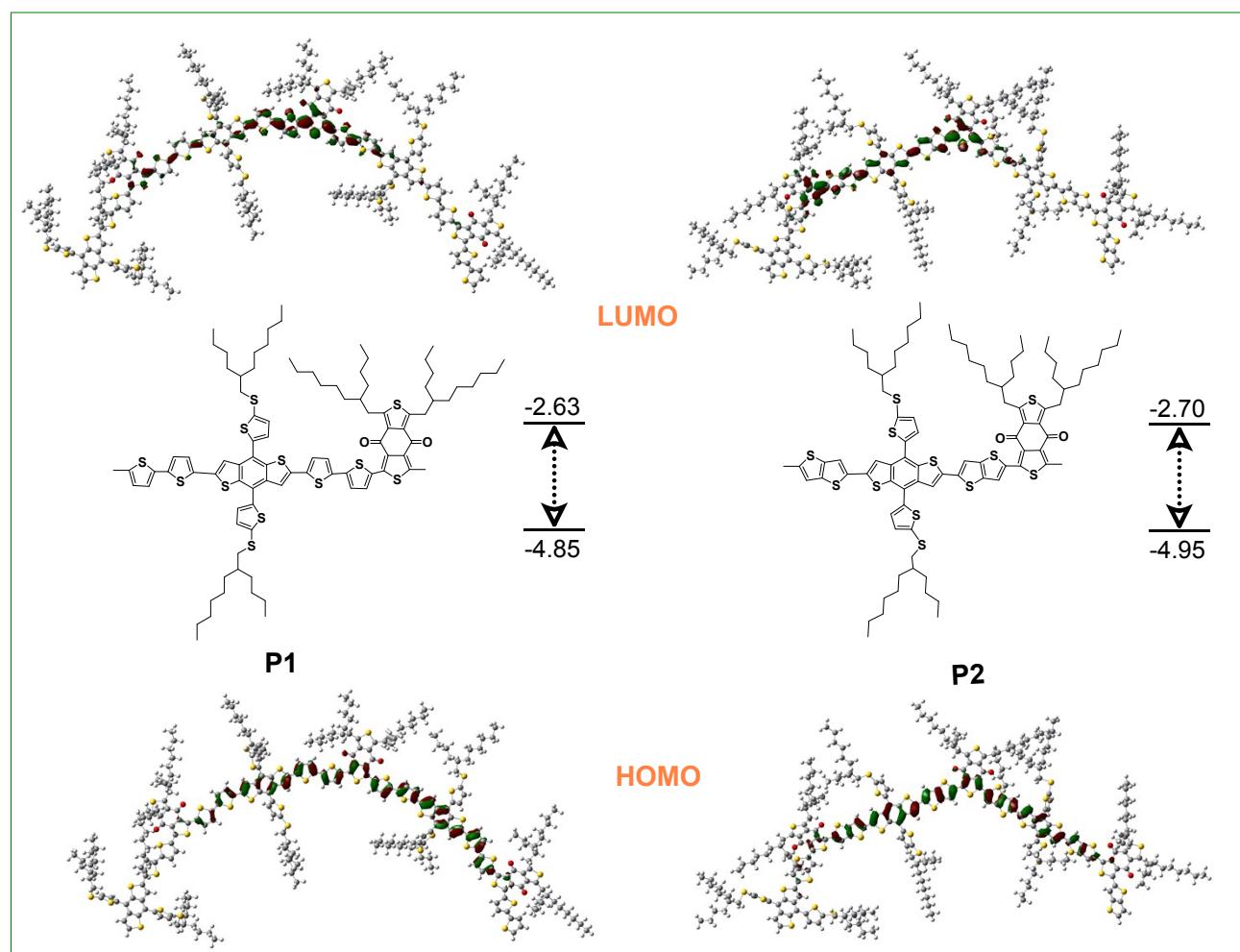


Figure S1. Theory calculated HOMO and LUMO electron density distributions for **P1** and **P2** by the DFT calculation at B3LYP/6-31G level

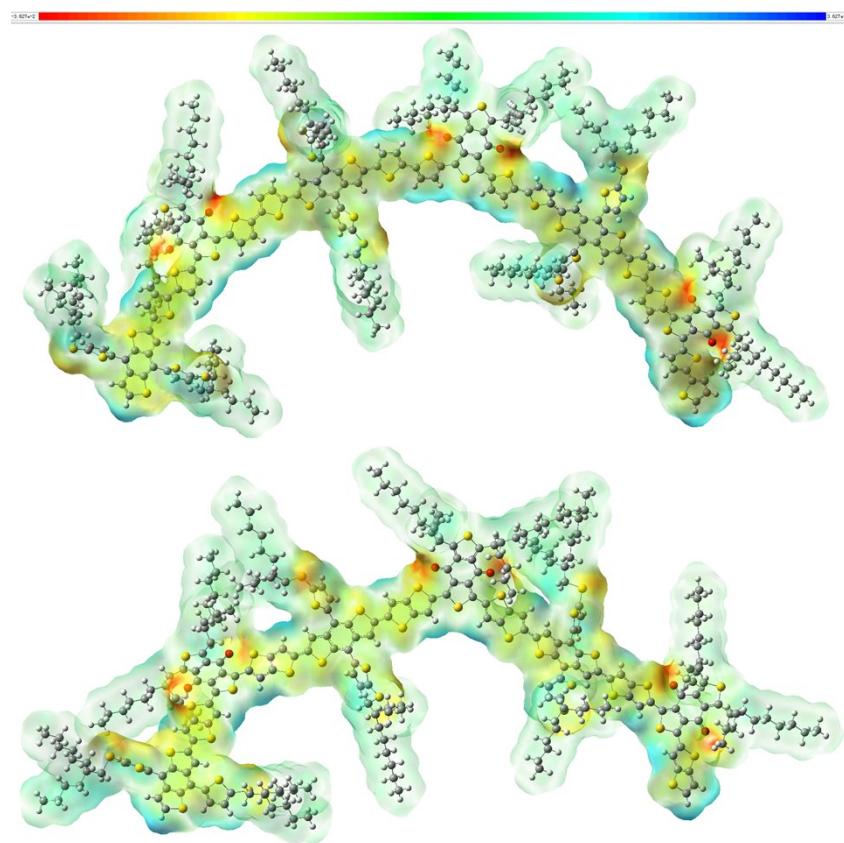


Figure S2. Map of the DFT electrostatic potential (ESP) surfaces of **P1** (up) and **P2** (down), dark color indicates greater negative charge, while white and grey colors indicate positive charges.

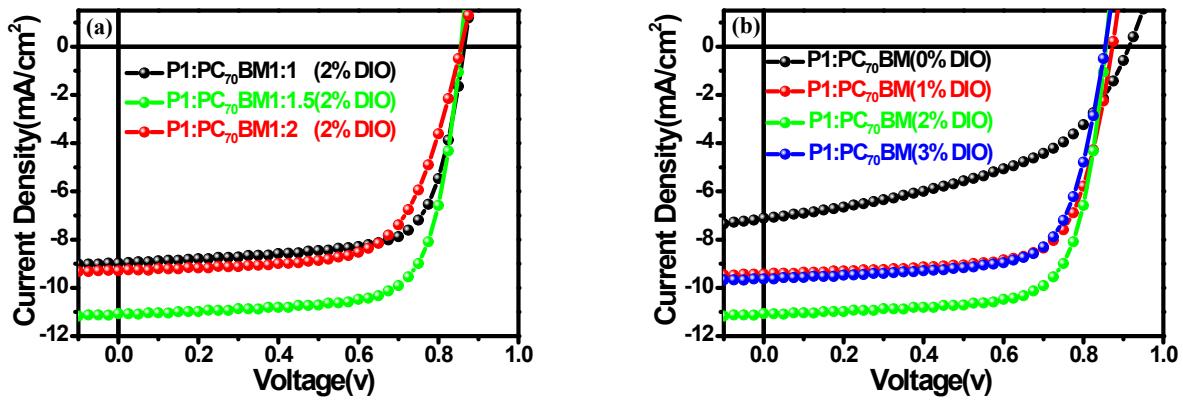


Figure S3. *J-V* curves of P1:PC₇₀BM active layer a) different blend ratios (DIO 2%) and b) different concentration of DIO(P1:PC₇₀BM=1:1.5).

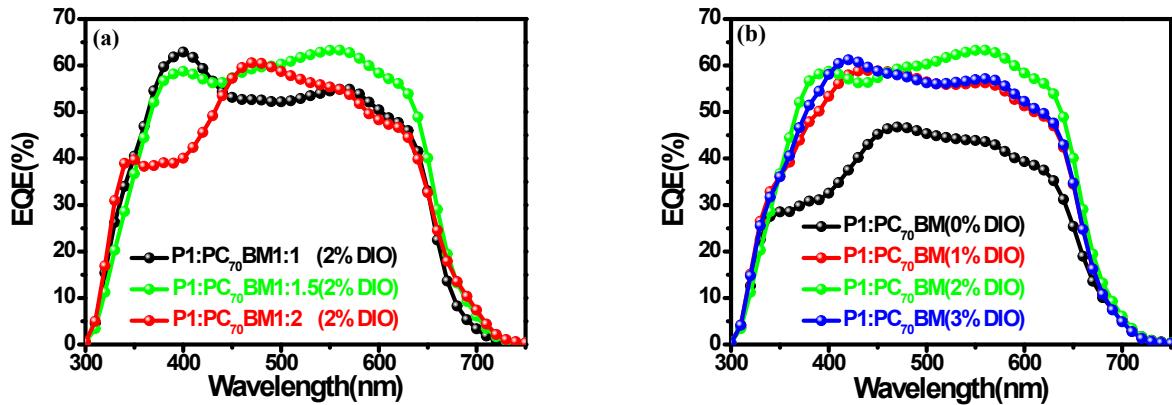


Figure S4. EQE curves of P1:PC₇₀BM active layer a) different blend ratios (DIO 2%) and b) different concentration of DIO (P1:PC₇₀BM =1:1.5).

Table S1. Photovoltaic parameters of PSCs with **P1:PC₇₀BM** active layer in different blend ratios and different concentration of DIO

Ratio of D:A (w/w)	DIO (%)	V _{OC} (V)	J _{SC} (mA/cm ²)	FF (%)	PCE _{ave} (%)	PCE _{max} (%)
1:1		0.87	8.97±0.01	70.8±0.00	5.49±0.02	5.51
1:1.5	2	0.86	11.00±0.06	72.9±0.00	6.86±0.07	6.93
1:2		0.86	9.27±0.01	66.1±0.01	5.26±0.04	5.30
	0	0.92	7.09±0.03	47.2±0.01	3.06±0.05	3.11
	1	0.87	9.43±0.01	70.4±0.00	5.79±0.05	5.84
1:1.5	2	0.86	11.00±0.06	72.9±0.00	6.86±0.07	6.93
	3	0.85	9.57±0.05	70.4±0.00	5.75±0.05	5.80

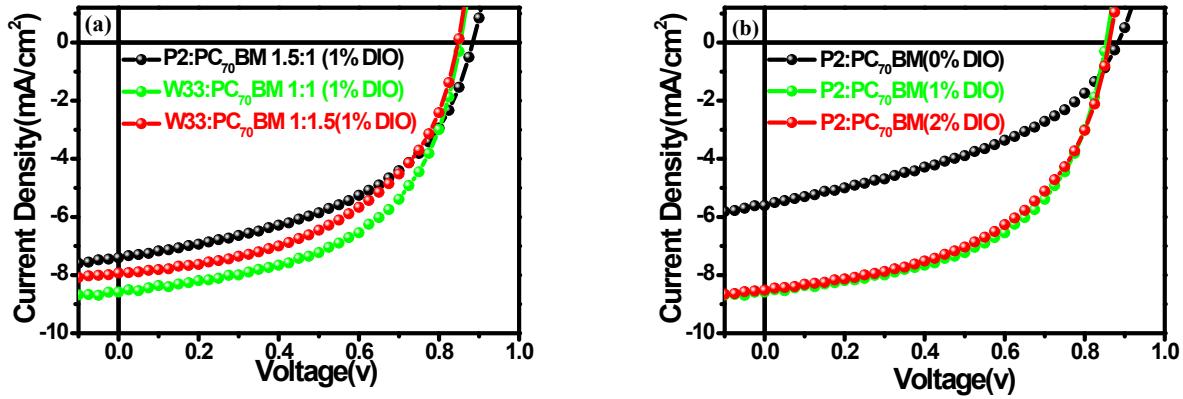


Figure S5. J - V curves of P2:PC₇₀BM active layer a) different blend ratios (DIO 1%) and b) different concentration of DIO (P2:PC₇₀BM=1:1).

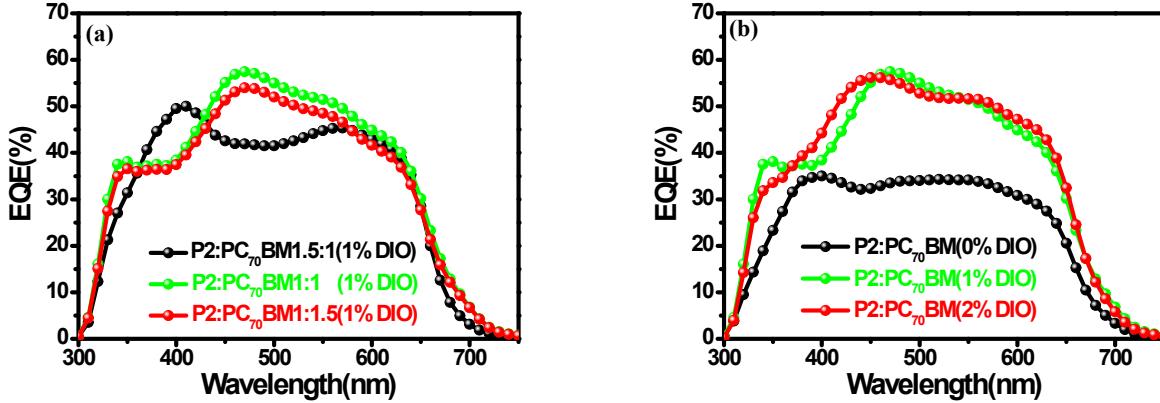


Figure S6. EQE curves of P2:PC₇₀BM active layer a) different blend ratios (DIO 1%) and b) different concentration of DIO (P2:PC₇₀BM = 1:1).

Table S2. Photovoltaic parameters of PSCs with **P2**:PC₇₀BM active layer in different blend ratios and different concentration of DIO

Ratio of D:A (w/w)	DIO (%)	V _{OC} (V)	J _{SC} (mA/cm ²)	FF (%)	PCE _{ave} (%)	PCE _{max} (%)
1.5:1		0.88	7.37±0.03	48.2±0.01	3.14±0.04	3.18
1:1	1	0.85	8.55±0.04	53.1±0.01	3.87±0.05	3.92
1:1.5		0.85	7.91±0.01	50.3±0.00	3.37±0.03	3.40
	0	0.88	5.60±0.01	40.5±0.00	2.00±0.02	2.02
1:1	1	0.85	8.55±0.04	53.1±0.01	3.87±0.05	3.92
	2	0.86	8.51±0.01	51.1±0.00	3.74±0.03	3.77

Table S3. The hole mobilities of **P1** and **P2** for pristine and blend films

sample	Hole mobilities(cm ² V ⁻¹ s ⁻¹)
P1	1.62×10 ⁻³
P2	1.17×10 ⁻³
P1:PC ₇₀ BM (1:1.5)	9.86×10 ⁻⁴
P2:PC ₇₀ BM (1:1)	6.82×10 ⁻⁴
P1:PC ₇₀ BM (1:1.5, 2%DIO)	1.22×10 ⁻³
P2:PC ₇₀ BM (1:1, 1%DIO)	8.60×10 ⁻⁴

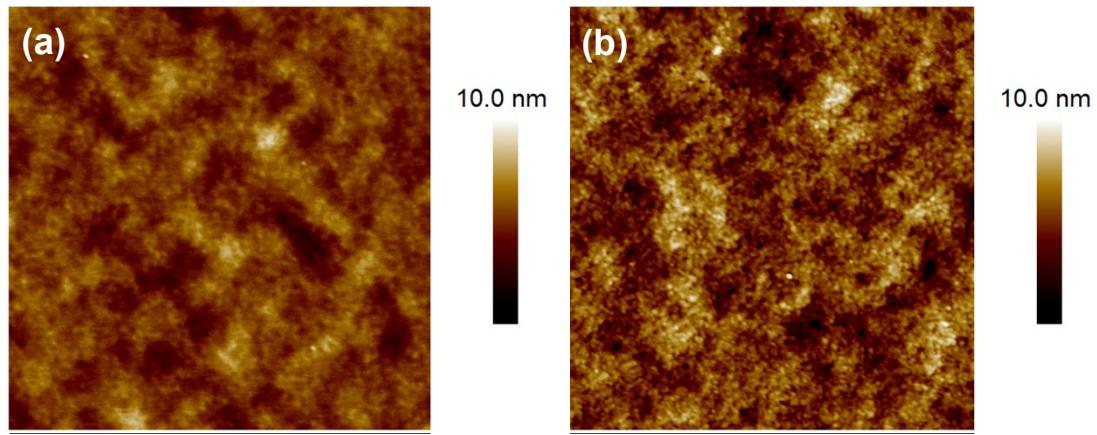


Figure S7. AFM height images of **P1** neat film, and b) **P2** neat film.

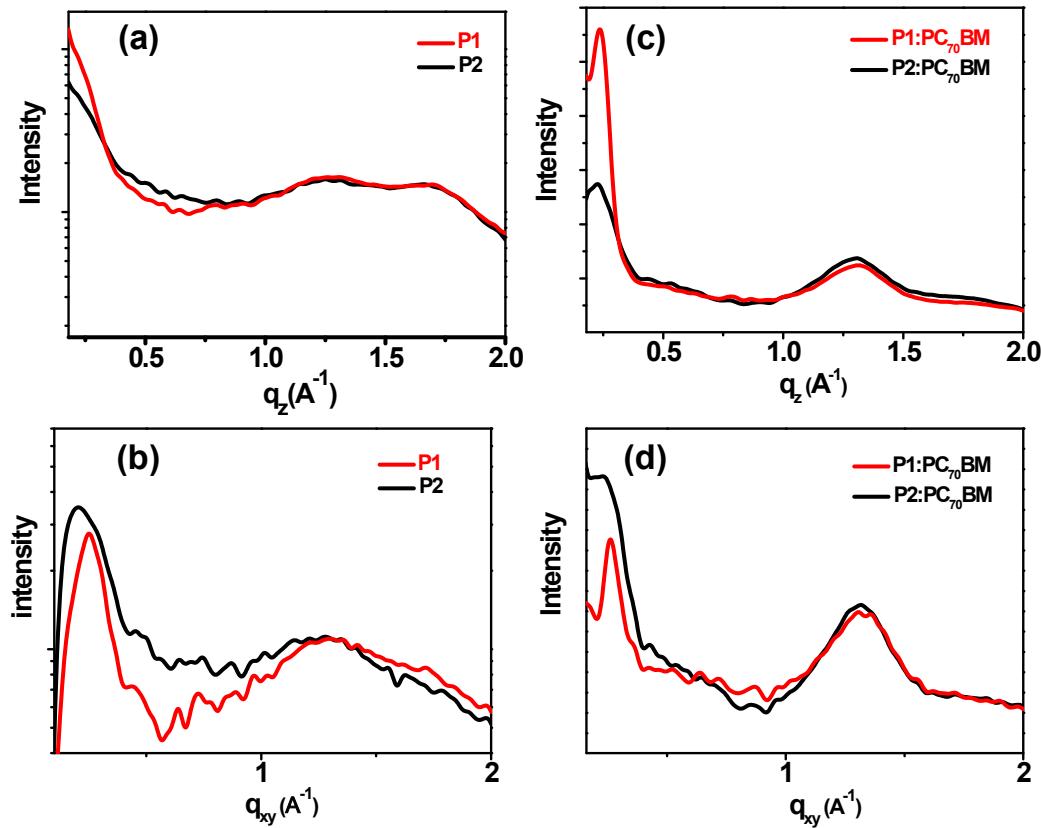


Figure S8. GIWAXS patterns of neat polymer and blend films. Out-of-plane linecut profiles of pristine films (a) and blend films (c) and In-plane linecut profiles of pristine films (b) and blend films (d).