

## Electronic supplementary information

### Architecturally Simple Organic Photodiodes with Highly Competitive Figures of Merit via Facile Self-Assembly Strategy

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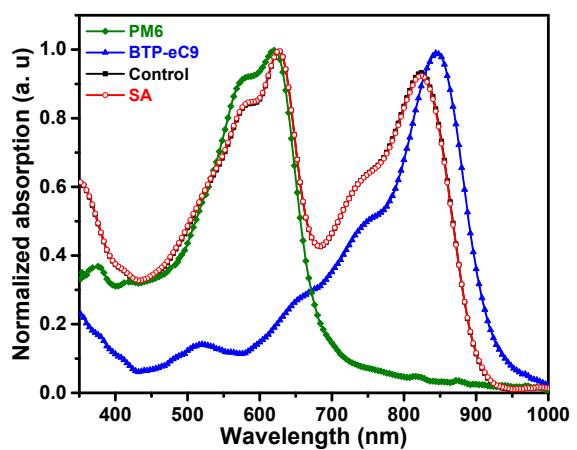
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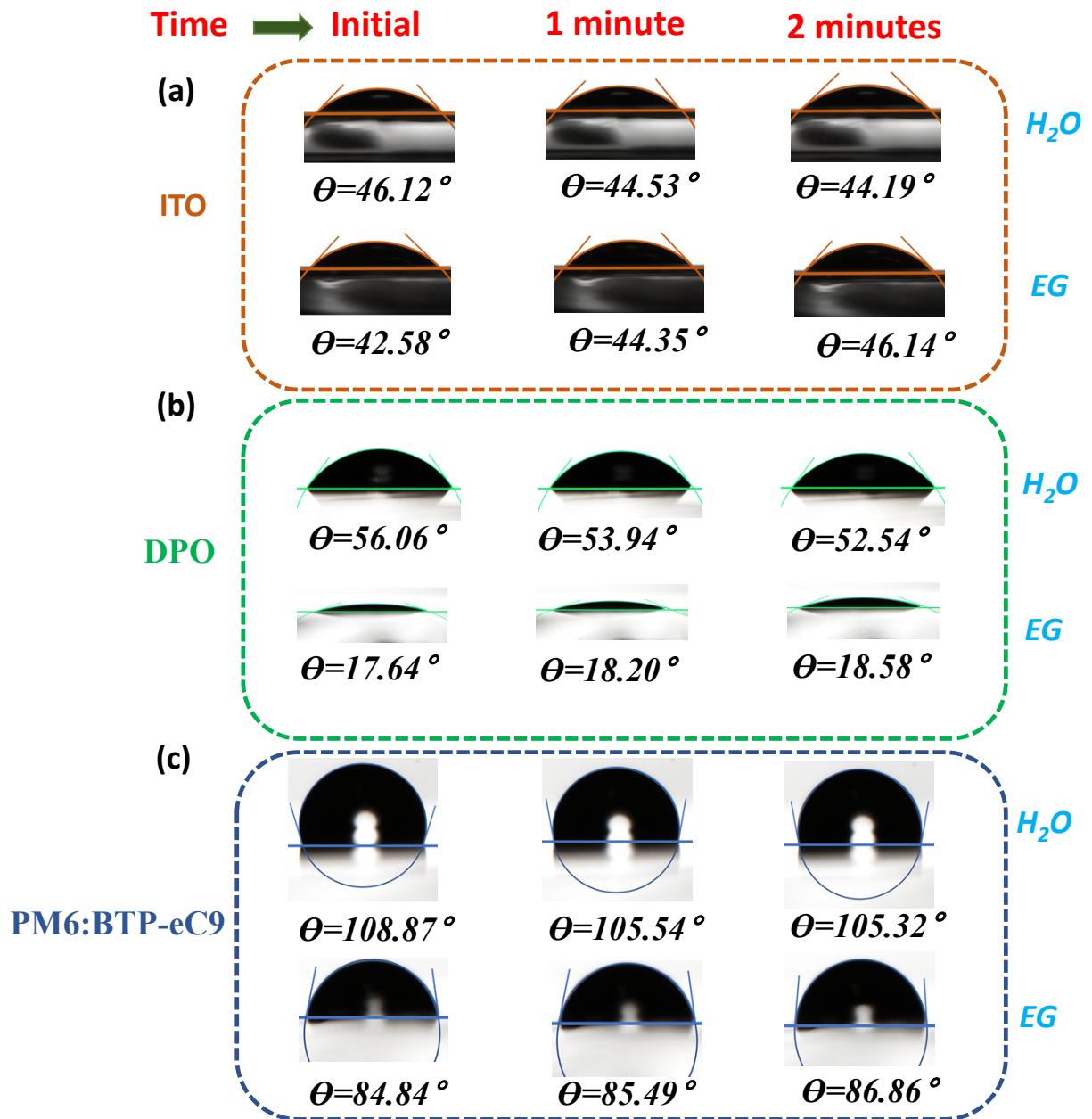
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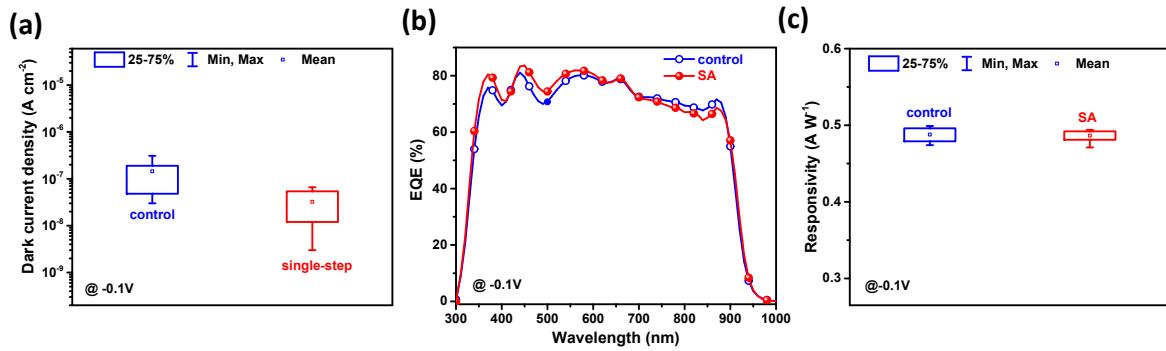
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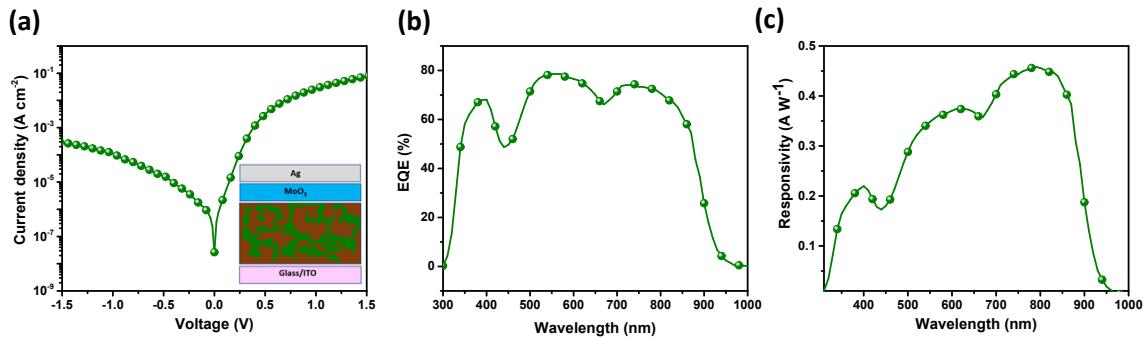
**Fig. S1** Normalized absorption spectra of pristine materials (PM6 and BTP-eC9) and BHJ blends ('control' and 'SA').



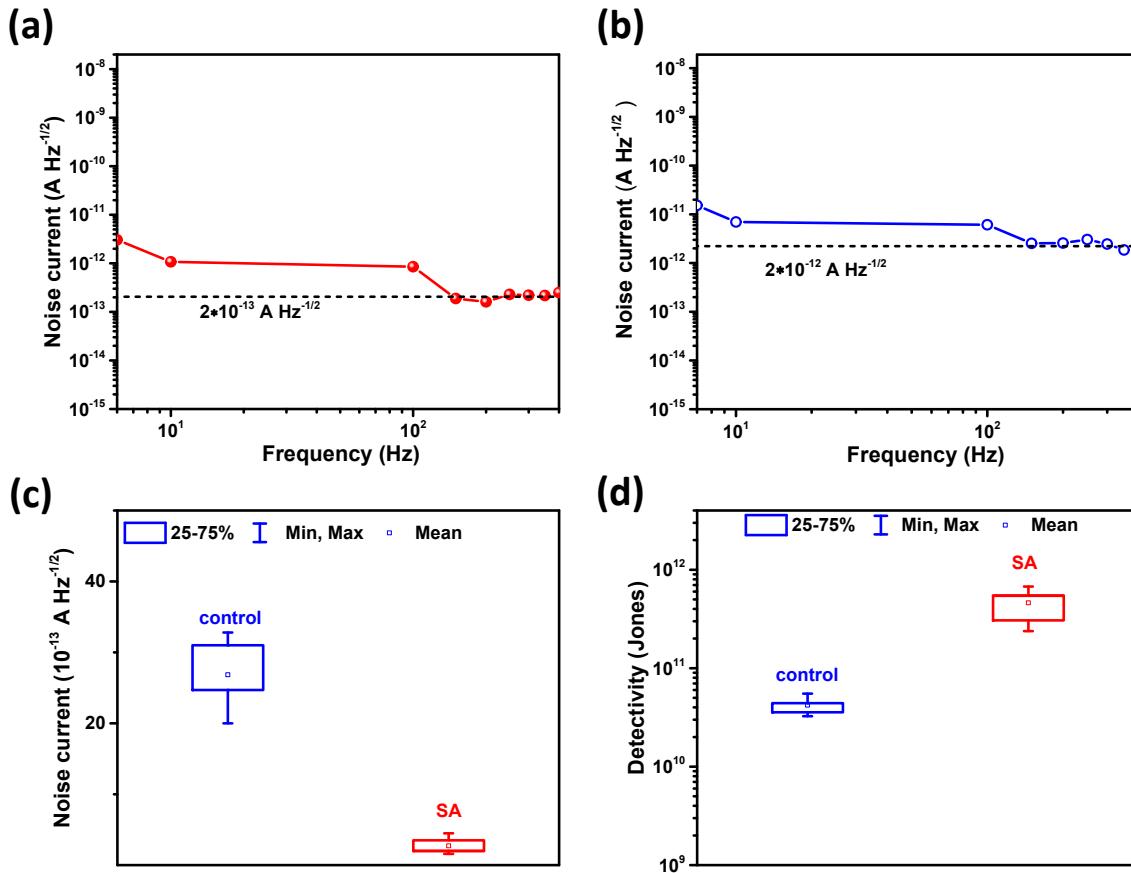
**Fig. S2** The time dependent contact angles of  $H_2O$  and  $EG$  on neat (a) ITO, (b) DPO and (c) PM6:BTP-eC9 blend films.



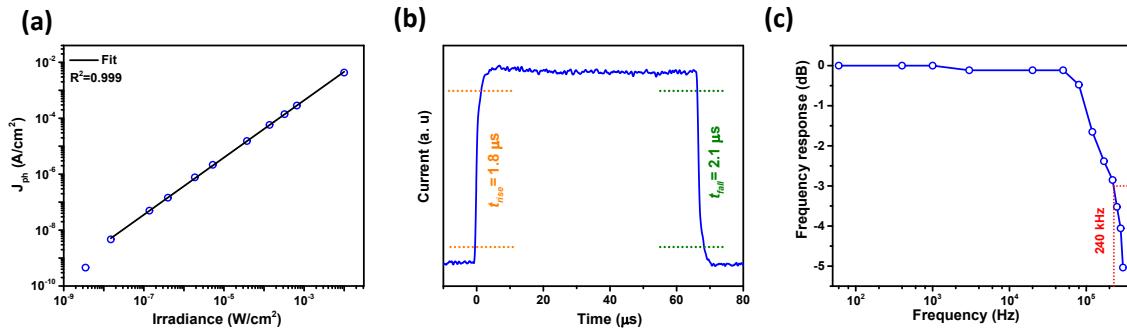
**Fig. S3** (a) Statistical analysis of dark current density at -0.1V (b) EQE spectra and (c) statistical analysis of responsivity at -0.1V of ‘control’ and ‘SA’ devices



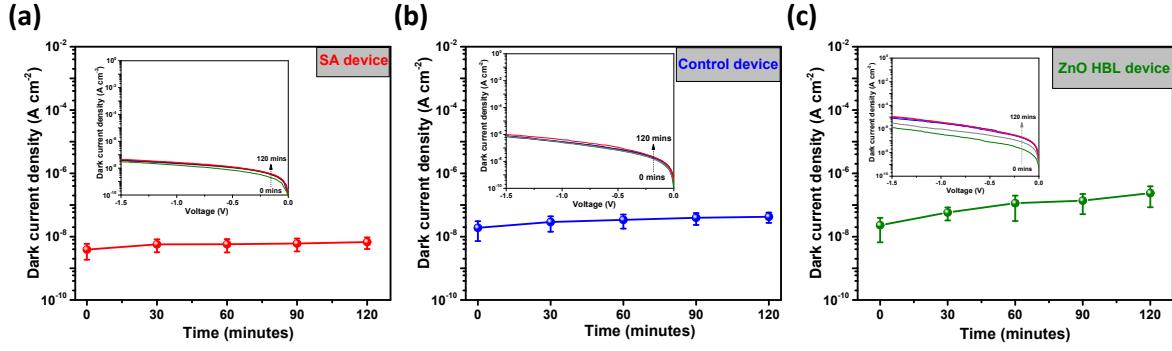
**Fig. S4** (a) Dark  $J-V$  characteristics, (b) EQE and (c) responsivity of ‘No HBL’ device.



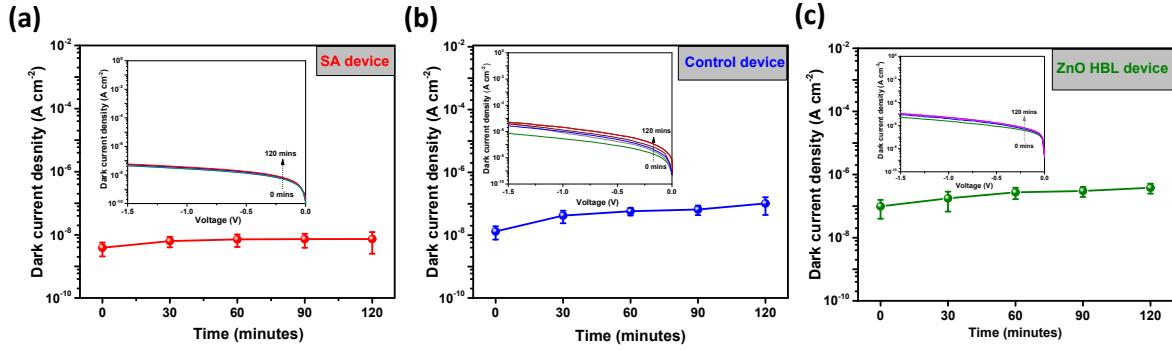
**Fig. S5** Noise current-frequency plot of (a) ‘SA’ and (b) ‘control’ devices measured at -0.1V bias. Statistical analysis ( $N=5$ ) of (c) noise current and (d) detectivity of ‘control’ and ‘SA’ devices



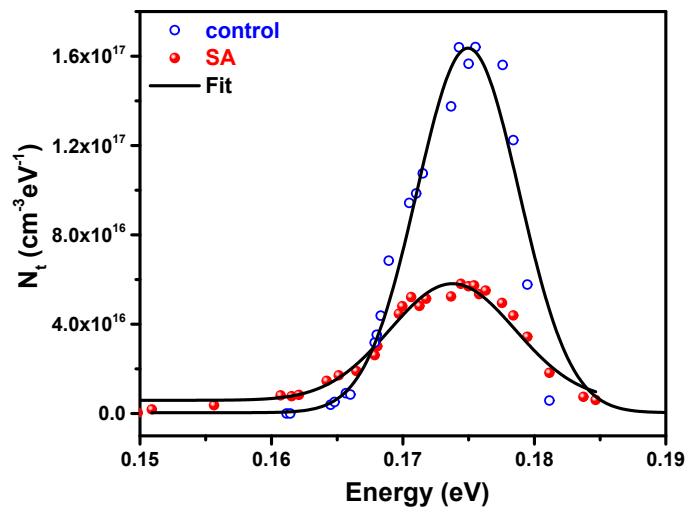
**Figure S6.** (a) LDR, (b) rise/fall times and (c) -3dB frequency of ‘control’ devices.



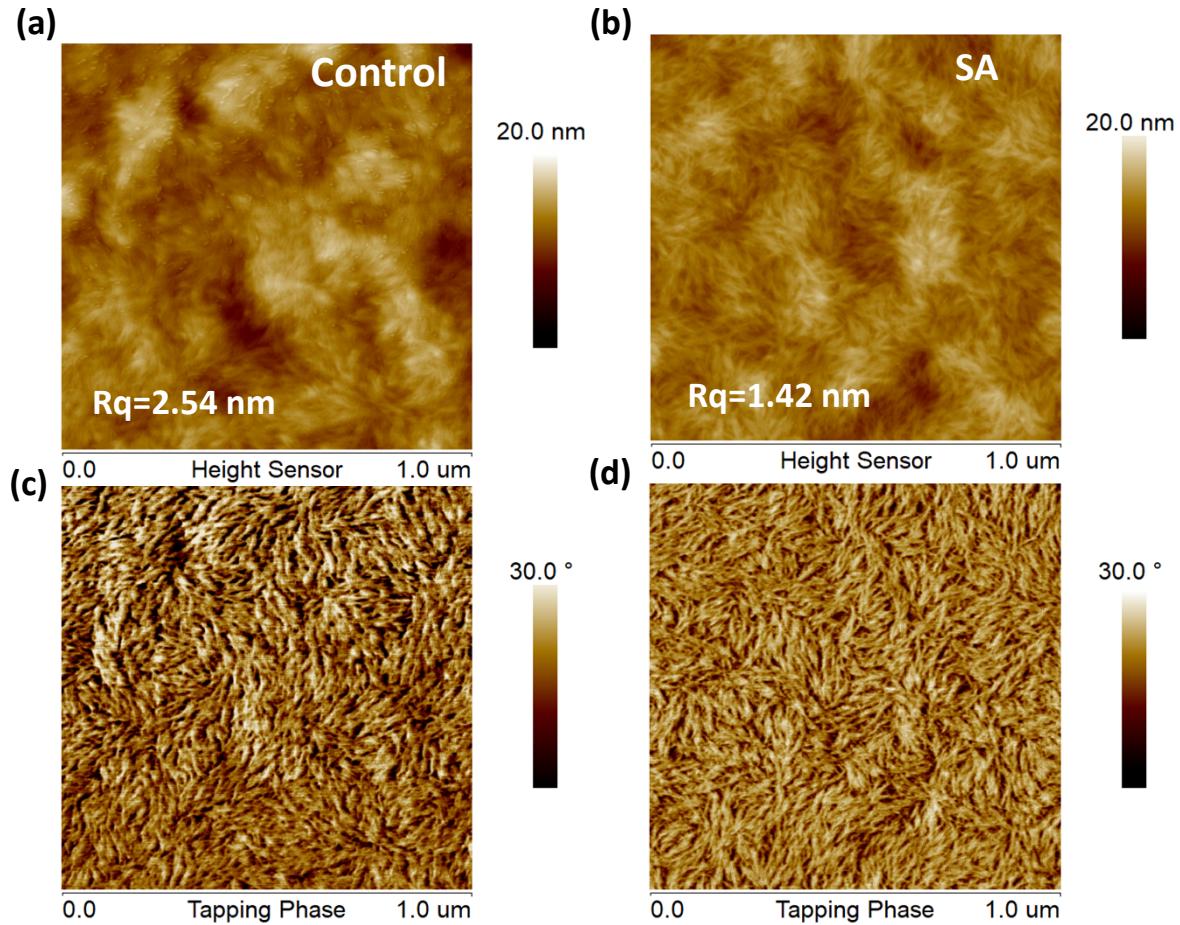
**Fig. S7** The statistical analysis of photodiode stability to illumination history (in terms of dark current density at -0.1 V bias) for (a) ‘SA’, (b) ‘control’ and (c) ‘ZnO HBL’ devices. Inset is the  $J-V$  curve of respective devices.



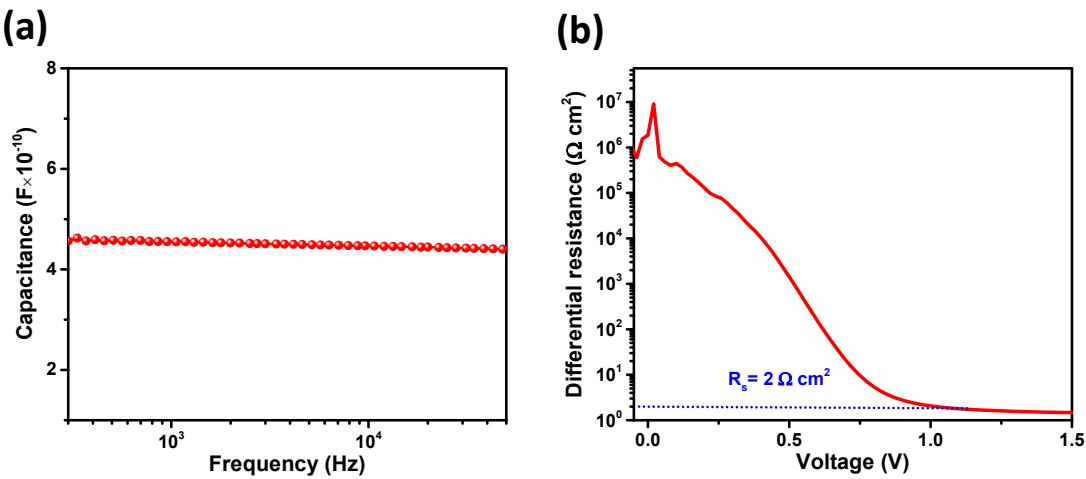
**Fig. S8** Statistical analysis of heat stability in terms of dark current at -0.1 V bias for (a) ‘SA’, (b) ‘control’ and (c) ‘ZnO HBL’ based OPD devices. Inset is the  $J-V$  curve of respective devices.



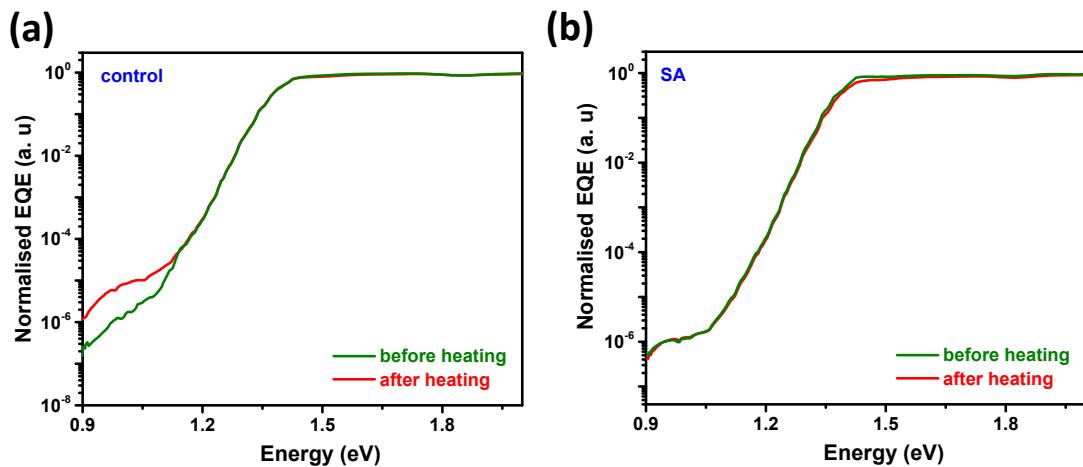
**Fig. S9**  $N_t$  distribution as a function of defect energy level for the ‘control’ (open symbol) and ‘SA’ (solid symbol) devices



**Fig. S10** AFM height images of (a) ‘control’ and (b) ‘SA’ active layer films. AFM phase images of (c) ‘control’ and (d) ‘SA’ active layer films.



**Fig. S11** (a) Capacitance-frequency and (b) differential resistance-voltage plot of ‘SA’ device



**Fig. S12** Sub-bandgap EQE spectra of (a) ‘control’ device and (b) ‘SA’ device before/after heating at 100 °C.

**Table S1-** Contact angles and surface energy parameters of ITO, DPO, and BHJ.

Films	Contact Angle (deg)		Average Contact Angle (deg)		Surface energy $\gamma$ (mJ m <sup>-2</sup> )
	a) H <sub>2</sub> O	b) EG	a) H <sub>2</sub> O	b) EG	
ITO	46.12	42.58			
	46.89	41.80	46.74	42.22	58.76
	47.23	42.30			
DPO	56.06	17.64			
	55.67	17.80	55.74	17.66	46.31
	55.50	17.54			
PM6:BTP-eC9	108.87	84.84			
	108.64	85.21	108.67	84.99	19.19
	108.50	84.92			

a) Deionized water; b) Ethylene Glycol.

**Table S2-** Performance metrics comparison of reported organic photodiodes

<b>Material system</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>D*</b>	<b>LDR</b>	<b>-3dB</b>	<b><math>t_{rise}/t_{fall}</math></b>	<b>Ref</b>
		(AW <sup>-1</sup> )	(Jones)	(dB)	(kHz)	(μs)
PTB7-Th:CO1-4Cl	0.50	$1 \times 10^{12}$	126	240	-	<sup>1</sup>
PTB7-Th:COTIC-4	0.42	$7.9 \times 10^{13*}$	115	-	21/24	<sup>2</sup>
NT40/IEICO-4F	0.40	$8.0 \times 10^{11}$	123	100	7.1/14.9	<sup>3</sup>
PM6:PDTTYM	0.48	$1.3 \times 10^{13*}$	134	145	5.8/8.4	<sup>4</sup>
P3HT:ICBA	0.3	$7 \times 10^{12}$	160	15	35/-	<sup>5</sup>
PTQ10:O-FBR	0.34	$9.6 \times 10^{12}$	71	110	12/15	<sup>6</sup>
PBDTTT-C-T:FOIC	0.30	$2.0 \times 10^{13}$	106	30	12/15	<sup>7</sup>
PTB7-Th:CO1-4F	0.46	$1.5 \times 10^{12*}$	-	-	-	<sup>8</sup>
D18/Y6	0.50	$2.5 \times 10^{11}$	83	-	15/14	<sup>9</sup>
PM6:BTP-eC9	0.50	$7.1 \times 10^{11}$	140	300	1.4/1.6	This work

\*shot noise limited detectivity

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