Supporting information

Insights into the Photovoltaic Mechanism of Organic Photovoltaics under Solar and Artificial Light

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FigureS1. Chemical structures of PBDB-T, ITIC, and PC₇₁BM.



Figure S2. UV-vis spectrum of active layer thicknesses (a)PBDB-T:PC₇₁BM, (b)PBDB-T:ITIC. Fluorescence spectrum of active layer thicknesses (c)PBDB-T:PC₇₁BM, (d)PBDB-T:ITIC.



Figure S3. The morphology characterization and surface roughness. PBDB-T:PC₇₁BM blend film with different thicknesses, (a)65 nm, (b)75 nm, (c)100 nm, (d)140 nm, (e)160 nm, and PBDB-T:ITIC blend film with different thickness. (f)80 nm, (g)100 nm, (h)120 nm, (i)140 nm, (j)160 nm.



Figure S4. The J-V curve measured for device. PBDB-T:PC₇₁BM different thicknesses (a)One sun, (b)200 lux TL84, and PBDB-T:ITIC different thicknesses (c)One sun, (d)200 lux TL84.



Figure S5. EQE spectra and integrated J_{SC} of device with different active layer thickness: (a) PBDB-T:PC₇₁BM, (b) PBDB-T:ITIC.



Figure S6. Photostability of the PPBDB-T:ITIC device with different thicknesses under (a)1-Sun and (b) Indoor light illumination.



Figure S7. Photo-CELIV curves of device with different active layer under two light intensities: (a) PBDB-T:PC₇₁BM, (b) PBDB-T:ITIC.

Table S1. Characteristics of organic photovoltaic with different PBDB-T:PC₇₁BM active layer thickness under 1-Sun and 200 lux TL84. and the data in each condition are averaged from 20 devices.

	1-sun				200 lux TL 84			
Thickness	V _{oc}	J _{SC}	FF	PCE	V _{oc}	J _{SC}	FF	PCE
(nm)	(V)	(mA/cm ²)	(%)	(%)	(V)	$(\mu A/cm^2)$	(%)	(%)
65	0.81	13.13	64.53	6.79	0.60	22.69	65.10	15.33
	0.81 ± 0.00	$13.05\pm\!\!0.11$	64.17 ± 0.57	$6.72 \pm \! 0.08$	0.60 ± 0.00	22.11 ± 0.78	63.68 ± 3.00	14.54 ± 0.69
75	0.82	13.16	64.96	6.89	0.60	22.40	67.50	15.72
	0.81 ± 0.00	13.23 ± 0.08	64.29 ± 0.41	6.83 ± 0.06	$0.60\pm\!\!0.00$	21.81 ± 1.10	65.80 ± 1.21	14.86 ± 0.78
100	0.82	13.72	62.89	6.93	0.60	23.64	65.96	16.22
	0.81 ± 0.00	13.69 ± 0.07	$63.00\pm\!\!0.64$	6.91 ± 0.09	0.60 ± 0.00	23.14 ± 0.60	65.00 ± 1.41	15.60 ± 0.76
140	0.81	13.57	62.47	6.75	0.60	23.33	62.03	14.89
	0.81 ± 0.00	13.44 ± 0.10	61.06 ± 1.54	6.54 ± 0.19	0.59 ± 0.01	22.63 ± 1.10	61.09 ± 0.99	14.02 ± 0.66
160	0.81	14.39	57.07	6.54	0.59	21.09	45.79	9.83
	0.80 ± 0.00	13.71 ± 0.45	58.10 ± 1.72	6.31 ± 0.12	0.59 ± 0.00	$21.62\pm\!\!0.40$	44.43 ± 1.32	9.75 ± 0.24

Table S2. Characteristics of organic photovoltaic with different PBDB-T:ITIC active layer thickness under 1-Sun and 200 lux TL84. and the data in each condition are averaged from 20 devices.

	1-sun				200 lux TL 84			
Thickness	V _{oc}	J _{SC}	FF	PCE	V _{oc}	J _{SC}	FF	PCE
(nm)	(V)	(mA/cm ²)	(%)	(%)	(V)	$(\mu A/cm^2)$	(%)	(%)
80	0.89	15.89	62.39	8.71	0.71	20.11	70.44	17.27
	0.89 ± 0.00	15.74 ± 0.09	62.61 ± 0.31	8.66 ± 0.04	$0.71\pm\!0.00$	19.94 ± 0.24	70.95 ± 0.72	17.26 ± 0.02
100	0.89	16.54	65.22	9.50	0.71	21.04	72.15	18.57
	0.89 ± 0.00	$16.40\pm\!\!0.21$	65.32 ± 0.50	9.38 ± 0.09	0.70 ± 0.01	20.88 ± 0.15	$72.03\ {\pm}0.35$	18.22 ± 0.32
120	0.89	16.70	62.74	9.21	0.71	21.55	71.51	18.73
	0.89 ± 0.00	16.61 ± 0.12	62.73 ± 0.62	9.13 ± 0.05	0.71 ± 0.00	21.10 ± 0.39	71.94 ± 0.41	$18.47\pm\!\!0.23$
140	0.90	16.32	58.72	8.45	0.70	22.64	72.34	19.74
	0.89 ± 0.01	$16.30\pm\!\!0.15$	58.09 ± 0.66	8.31 ± 0.08	0.71 ± 0.01	22.23 ± 0.27	71.69 ± 0.60	19.43 ± 0.25
160	0.90	15.66	48.24	6.70	0.69	21.41	70.55	17.90
	0.90 ± 0.00	15.53 ± 0.12	47.65 ± 0.55	6.56 ± 0.14	0.70 ± 0.01	21.10 ± 0.21	69.78 ± 0.52	17.75 ± 0.12

		1-Sun		200 lux TL84	
System	Thickness	R _s	R _{sh}	R _s	R _{sh}
	(nm)	$(\Omega \text{ cm}^2)$	$(k\Omega \ cm^2)$	$(k\Omega \ cm^2)$	$(k\Omega \ cm^2)$
	65	10.76	0.76	2.35	174.30
-	75	10.55	0.85	2.38	356.97
PBDB-T:PC ₇₁ BM	100	10.18	1.19	2.43	547.83
-	140	10.96	1.01	3.09	490.33
-	160	12.77	0.59	14.29	395.98
	80	10.29	0.69	3.10	466.81
-	100	8.34	1.38	2.91	566.89
PBDB-T:ITIC	120	8.91	0.89	2.65	719.68
-	140	10.89	0.80	2.23	740.70
-	160	16.88	0.38	2.18	894.83

Table S3. Rs and Rsh of device with different PBDB-T:PC₇₁BM and PBDB-T:ITIC active layer thickness under 1-Sun and 200 lux TL84.

Table S4. Electrical analysis of PBDB-TPC₇₁BM and PBDB-T:ITIC with different thicknesses of devices under two light intensities.

system	Light intensity	Thicknesses	Carrier time	Extraction time	
	(mW/cm ²)	(nm)	(ms)	(ms)	
PBDB-T:PC ₇₁ BM	100	100	13.74	0.89	
		160	6.46	1.05	
	1	100	14.43	1.05	
		160	14.06	1.76	
PBDB-T:ITIC	100	100	19.06	2.61	
		160	15.21	3.39	
	1	100	14.90	3.17	
		160	14.64	4.02	

System	Light source	Thickness	R _s	R ₁	C ₁	R ₂	C ₂
		(nm)	(Ω)	(Ω)	(F)	(Ω)	(F)
	1-Sun	100	68.26	14.50	5.02E-07	82.91	1.25E-08
PBDB-T:PC71BM		160	92.34	60.21	6.10E-09	113.50	1.81E-08
	200 lux TL84	100	56.53	162.40	1.83E-08	39.82	2.59E-09
		160	120.00	577.00	3.75E-09	50.42	1.42E-09
	1-Sun	100	78.43	46.68	3.77E-08	39.79	1.16E-08
PBDB-T:ITIC		160	115.00	75.00	3.52E-09	85.04	2.97E-08
	200 lux TL84	100	56.69	538.50	3.80E-09	31.33	3.19E-09
		160	114.50	1774.00	1.85E-09	28.63	3.30E-09

Table S5. The fitted parameter of each element in the equivalent model of PBDB-T: $PC_{71}BM$ and PBDB-T:ITIC with 100 nm and 160 nm under 1-Sun condition.

Table S6. The photo-CELIV mobility of PBDB-TPC₇₁BM and PBDB-T:ITIC of devices under different light intensity.

system	Light intensity	Carrier mobility
	(mW/cm ²)	(cm²/Vs)
PBDB-T:PC ₇₁ BM	100	8.18 ×10-6
_	1	1.95 ×10-5
PBDB-T:ITIC	100	1.97 ×10 ⁻⁵
	1	3.05 ×10 ⁻⁵