

Supporting Information

Weakened Charge Trapping at the Electrode/Active Layer Interface in Bulk Heterojunction based Organic Phototransistor for Quick Photomultiplication

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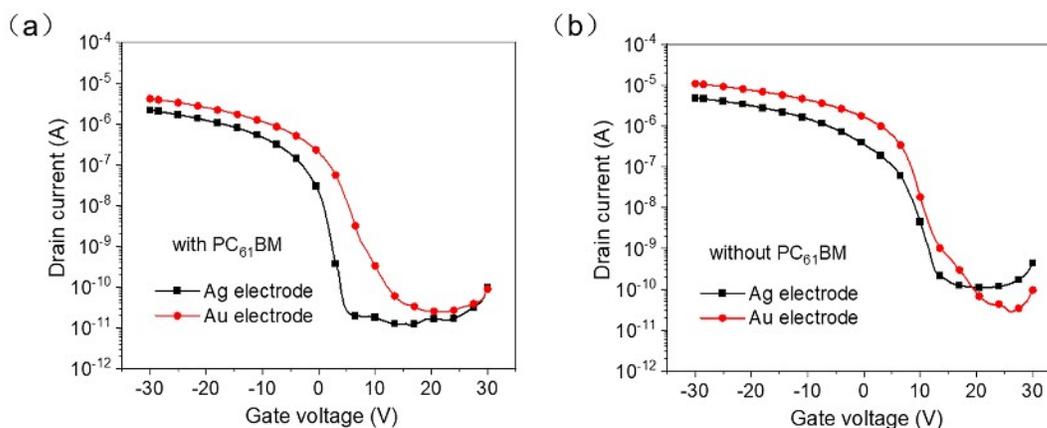


Fig. S1 Transfer characteristics curves of Ag electrode device and Au electrode device in dark, (a)with PC₆₁BM, (b)without PC₆₁BM. the drain voltage is set to -60 V.

Table S1 Field effect performance parameters of different electrode devices

	μ ($\times 10^{-2} \text{ cm}^2 \cdot \text{V}^{-1} \cdot \text{s}^{-1}$)	$I_{\text{on}}/I_{\text{off}}$ ($\times 10^5$)	V_{on} (V)	I_{off} (A)
Ag electrode device with PC ₆₁ BM	3.08	1.76	6.5	1.24×10^{-11}
Au electrode device with PC ₆₁ BM	4.21	1.61	13	2.58×10^{-11}
Ag electrode device without PC ₆₁ BM	3.38	0.43	13	1.12×10^{-10}
Au electrode device without PC ₆₁ BM	9.66	2.58	19.5	4.21×10^{-11}

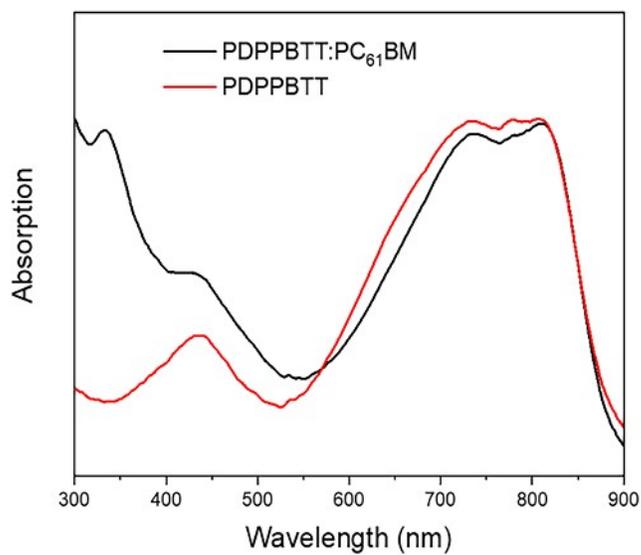


Fig. S2 Optical absorption spectra of PDPPBTT and PDPPBTT:PC₆₁BM films

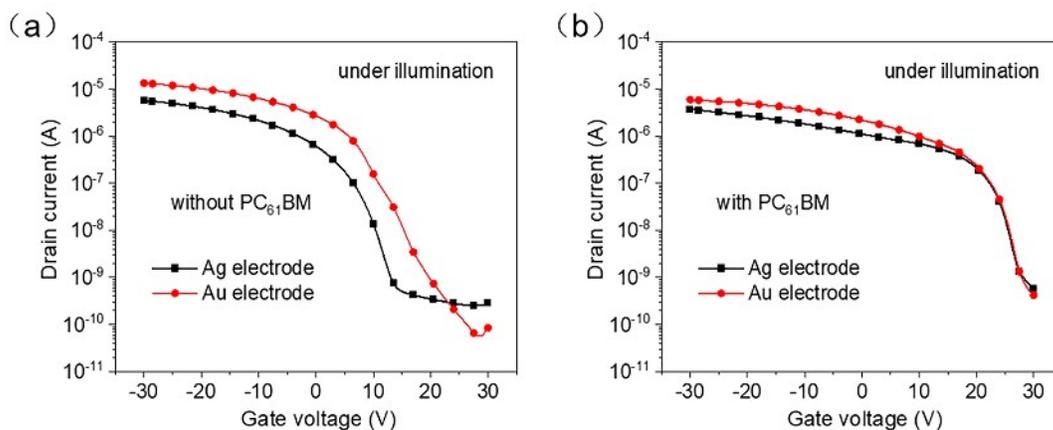


Fig. S3 Transfer characteristics curves of different devices under illumination at 810@0.011 $\text{mW}\cdot\text{cm}^{-2}$ nm, the drain voltage is set to -60 V. PDPPBTT as active layer.(a) without PC₆₁BM, (b) with PC₆₁BM

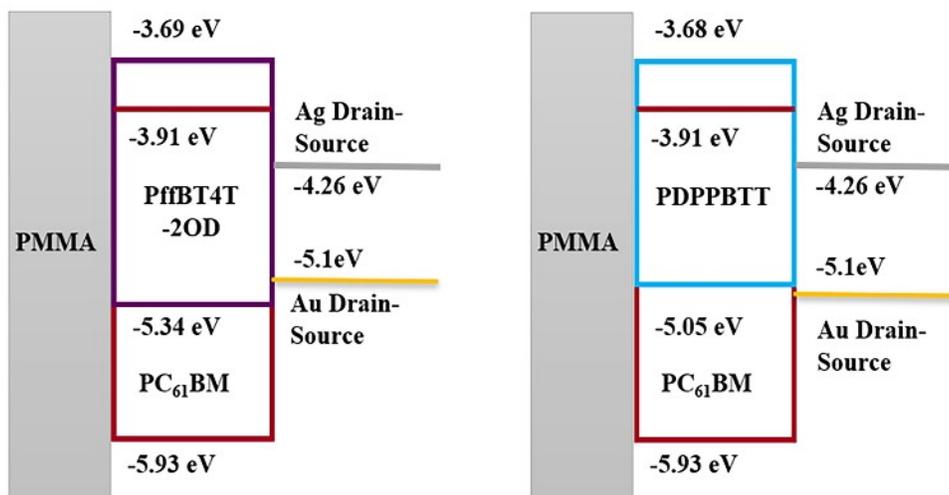


Fig. S4 The energy level structure diagram of PffBT4T-2OD:PC₆₁BM and PDPPBTT:PC₆₁BM

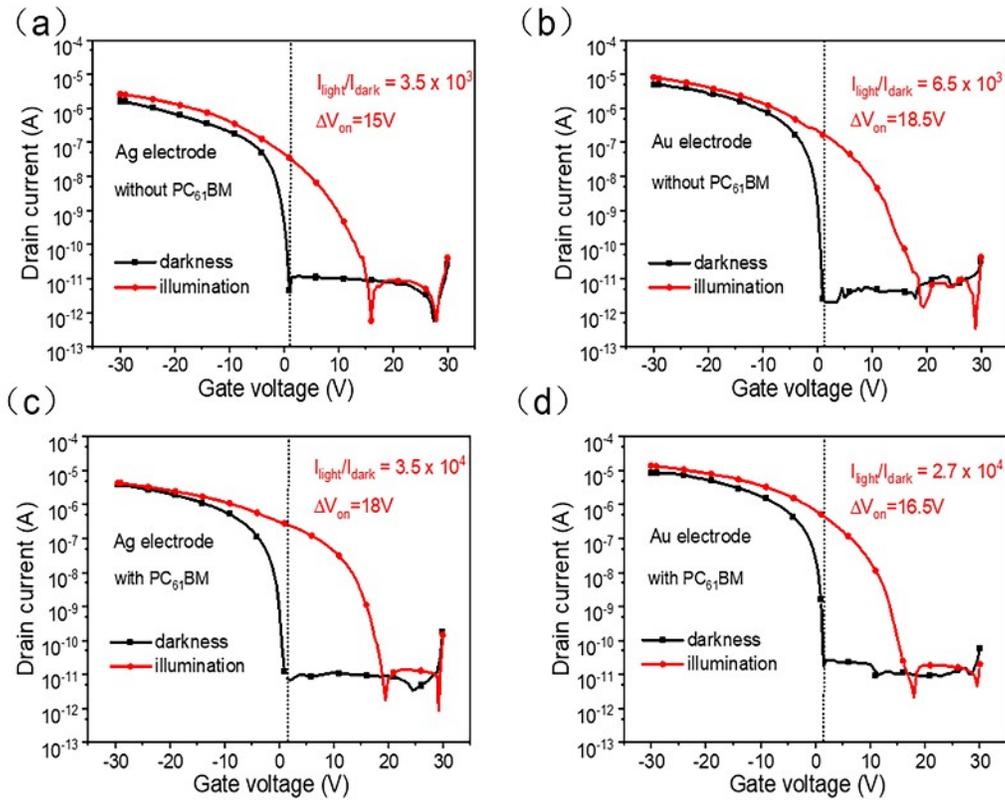


Fig. S5 (a) Transfer characteristics curves of different devices without illumination and in light intensity illumination of $702@0.011 \text{ mW}\cdot\text{cm}^{-2} \text{ nm}$, the drain voltage is set to -30 V . (a) Ag electrode without $PC_{61}BM$, (b) Au electrode without $PC_{61}BM$, (c) Ag electrode with $PC_{61}BM$, (d) Au electrode with $PC_{61}BM$.

As shown in Figure S5, when $PC_{61}BM$ is not added, Au electrode device exhibits a more pronounced turn-on voltage drift than Ag electrode device ($18.5V$ of Au electrode device vs. 15 V of Ag electrode device), which indicates that more photogenerated electrons are trapped in the active layer, and the accumulated photogenerated electrons at the electrode/active layer interface can further reduce the hole injection barrier and promote more hole injection from the source into the active layer, further increasing the output photocurrent of the device. Meanwhile, the I_{light}/I_{dark} of Au electrode device under illumination is two times higher than that of Ag electrode device, indicating that the photocurrent of Au electrode device rises faster under the same light conditions. However, when $PC_{61}BM$ was added to form BHJ with PffBT4T-2OD, the turn-on voltage

drift of Au electrode device (16.5V) was significantly smaller than that of Ag electrode device(18V), indicating that the number of photogenerated electrons captured in Au electrode device was lower than that of Ag electrode device. Meanwhile, the lower turn-on voltage drift made the $I_{\text{light}}/I_{\text{dark}}$ of Au electrode device lower than that of Ag electrode device, indicating that the rise of photocurrent in Au electrode device becomes slower under the same light condition. Therefore, when PC₆₁BM was added, the enhancement effect of Au electrode on the photocurrent of OPTs is weakened.

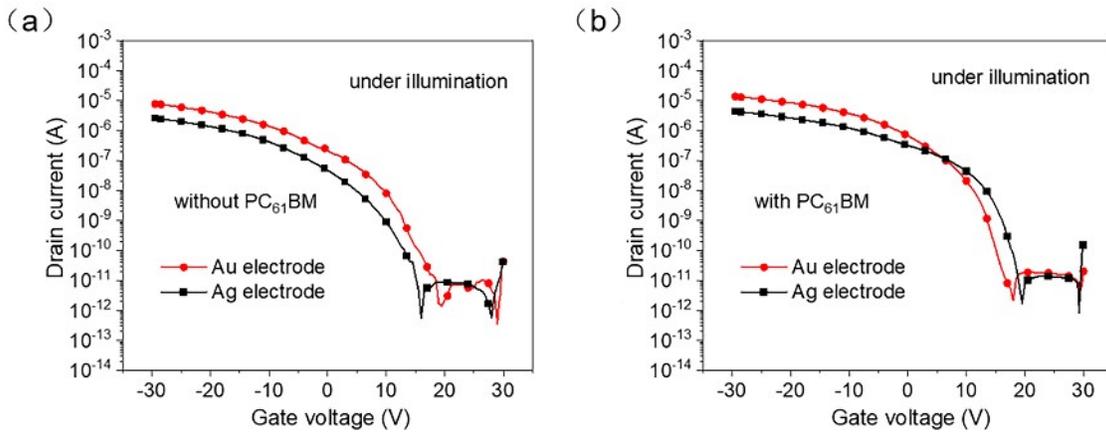


Fig. S6 Transfer characteristics curves of different devices under illumination at 702@0.011 mW·cm⁻² nm, the drain voltage is set to -30 V. PffBT4T-2OD as active layer.(a) without PC₆₁BM, (b) with PC₆₁BM

Table S2. The photodetection performance parameters of OPTs.

PffBT4T-2OD	V_{on} (V) in dark	ΔV_{on} (V)	I_{light}/I_{dark}	R ($A \cdot W^{-1}$)	D^* (Jones)
Ag electrode device without PC ₆₁ BM	1	15	3.5×10^3	93.6	1.5×10^{15}
Au electrode device without PC ₆₁ BM	1	18.5	6.5×10^3	330.7	9.7×10^{15}
Ag electrode device with PC ₆₁ BM	1.5	18	3.5×10^4	684	7.4×10^{15}
Au electrode device with PC ₆₁ BM	1.5	16.5	2.7×10^4	1052.2	1.0×10^{16}

under 702 nm@0.011 mW · cm⁻² illumination at -30 V source drain voltage.

As shown in Table S2. When PffBT4T-2OD is used as a separate active layer, it can be seen that Au electrode device exhibits significant higher R and D^* values than Ag electrode device. The R and D^* values of Au electrode device at the turn-on voltage ($V_g = 1V$) are $330.7 A \cdot W^{-1}$ and 9.7×10^{15} Jones, respectively. Compared with Ag electrode device, the R value ($93.6 A \cdot W^{-1}$) and D^* value (1.5×10^{15} Jones) at the turn-on voltage ($V_g = 1V$) are increased by 3.5 times and 6 times, respectively. As mentioned earlier, when constructing OPTs with a single p-type material, since the Au electrode has a smaller hole injection barrier than the Ag electrode, it is beneficial for holes to inject from the electrode into the active layer, thereby obtaining a larger photocurrent and improving the photodetection performance of OPTs.

It is worth noting that Au electrode device does not exhibit significantly higher R and D^* values than Ag electrode device when PC₆₁BM is added to form a native heterojunction (BHJ) with PffBT4T-2OD as the active layer. When $V_g = 1.5 V$ (turn-on voltage), Au electrode device obtains the maximum D^* value of 1.0×10^{16} Jones, and the corresponding R value is $1052.2 A \cdot W^{-1}$. Although these two parameters are still larger than Ag electrode device ($R = 684 A \cdot W^{-1}$, $D^* = 7.4 \times 10^{15}$ Jones, $V_g = 1.5 V$), R and D^* are only increased by 1.5 times and 1.3 times, respectively. The advantage of Au electrode is no longer obvious compared to Ag electrode devices without PC₆₁BM. The above

experimental results are consistent with the results of Table 1, which again prove that our previous conclusion is correct.

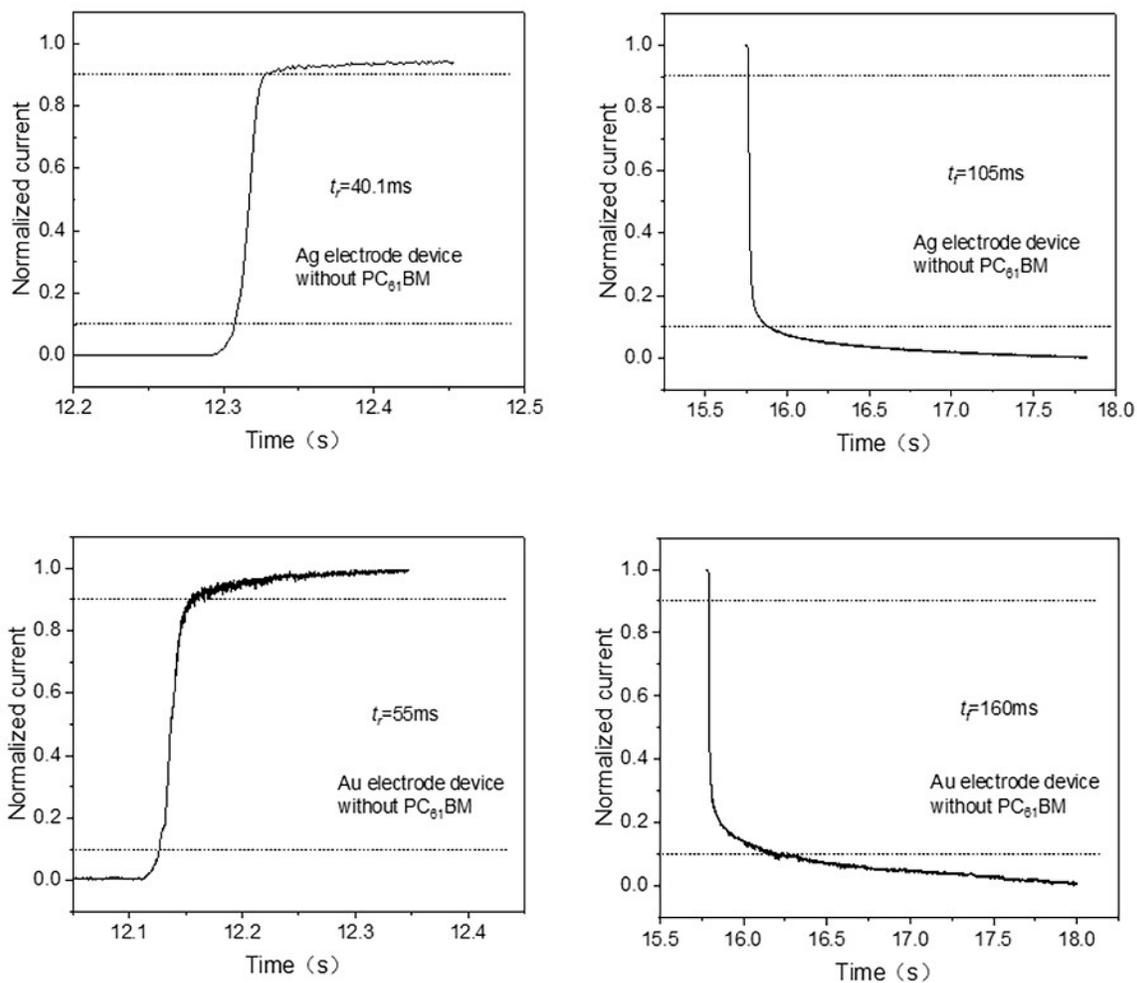


Fig. S7 Response time of different electrode devices without PC₆₁BM in PDPPBTT:PC₆₁BM

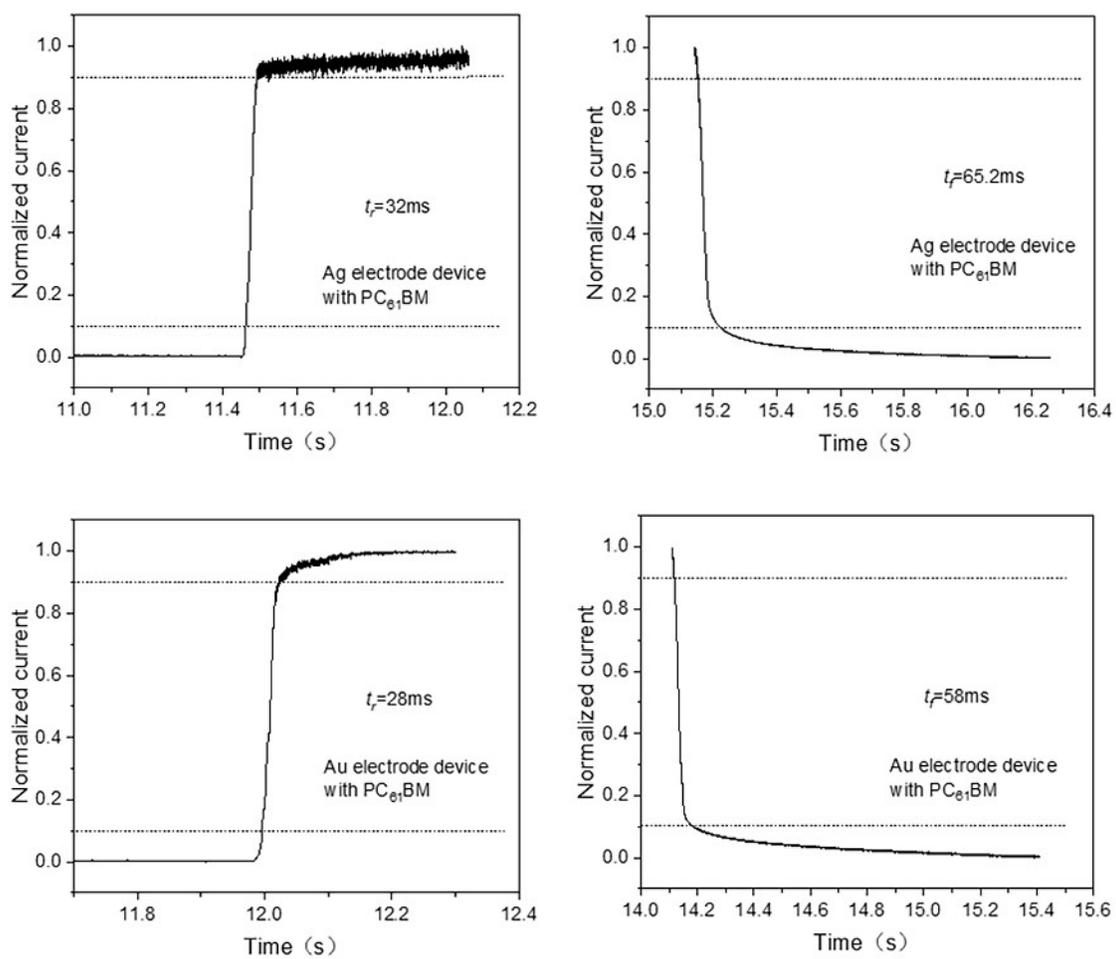


Fig. S8 Response time of different electrode devices with PC₆₁BM in PDPPBTT:PC₆₁BM

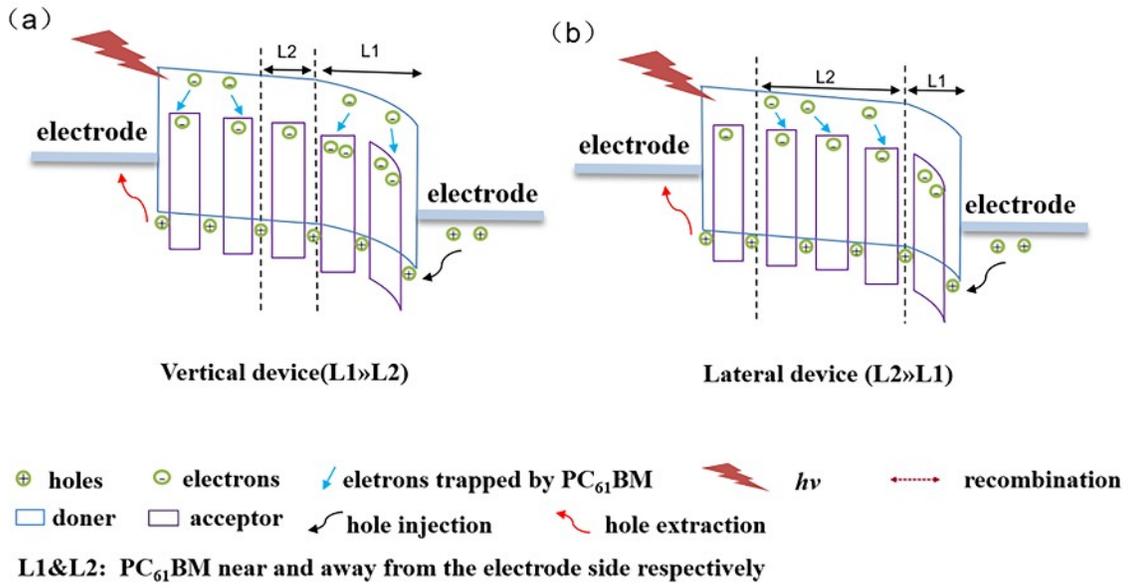


Figure S9. Comparison of charge trapping mechanism between lateral device and vertical device

The contact resistances of the Au electrodes are R_{Au1} and R_{Au2} , respectively. Therefore, the total resistance formulas of the following four devices are obtained.

$$R_a = R_{Ag1} + R_1 \quad \text{Ag electrode, without PC}_{61}\text{BM} \quad (S1)$$

$$R_b = R_{Ag2} + R_2 \quad \text{Ag electrode, with PC}_{61}\text{BM} \quad (S2)$$

$$R_c = R_{Au1} + R_1 \quad \text{Au electrode, without PC}_{61}\text{BM} \quad (S3)$$

$$R_d = R_{Au2} + R_2 \quad \text{Au electrode, with PC}_{61}\text{BM} \quad (S4)$$

The above formula is transformed to obtain:

$$R_{Ag1} - R_{Au1} = R_a - R_c \quad (S5)$$

$$R_{Ag2} - R_{Au2} = R_b - R_d \quad (S6)$$

$$\text{Based on } R = V_d / I_d \quad (S7)$$

we calculated R_a , R_b , R_c , and R_d , and finally obtained the variation of contact resistance of different electrodes with and without PC₆₁BM after deducting the channel resistance (Table S3).

Table S3. Contact resistance different between Ag and Au electrode in OPTs under illumination

	PDPPBTT (Ω)	PffBT4T-2OD (Ω)
$R_{Ag1}-R_{Au1}$ (without PC ₆₁ BM)	5.89×10^6	7.86×10^6
$R_{Ag2}-R_{Au2}$ (with PC ₆₁ BM)	5.94×10^6	4.77×10^6

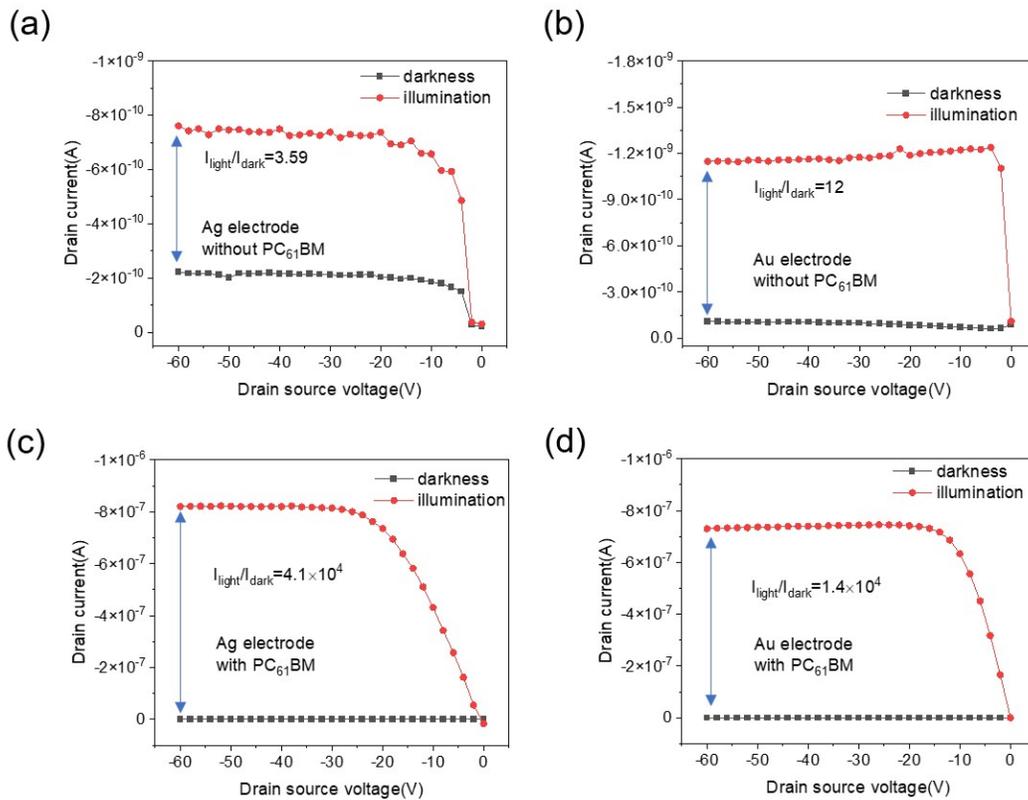


Figure S10. Output characteristics curves of different PDPPBTT:PC₆₁BM devices without illumination and in light intensity illumination of $810@0.037 \text{ mW}\cdot\text{cm}^{-2} \text{ nm}$, the gate voltage is set at turn-on voltage. (a) Ag electrode device without PC₆₁ BM, (b) Au electrode device without PC₆₁ BM, (c) Ag electrode device with PC₆₁ BM, (d) Au electrode device with PC₆₁ BM.

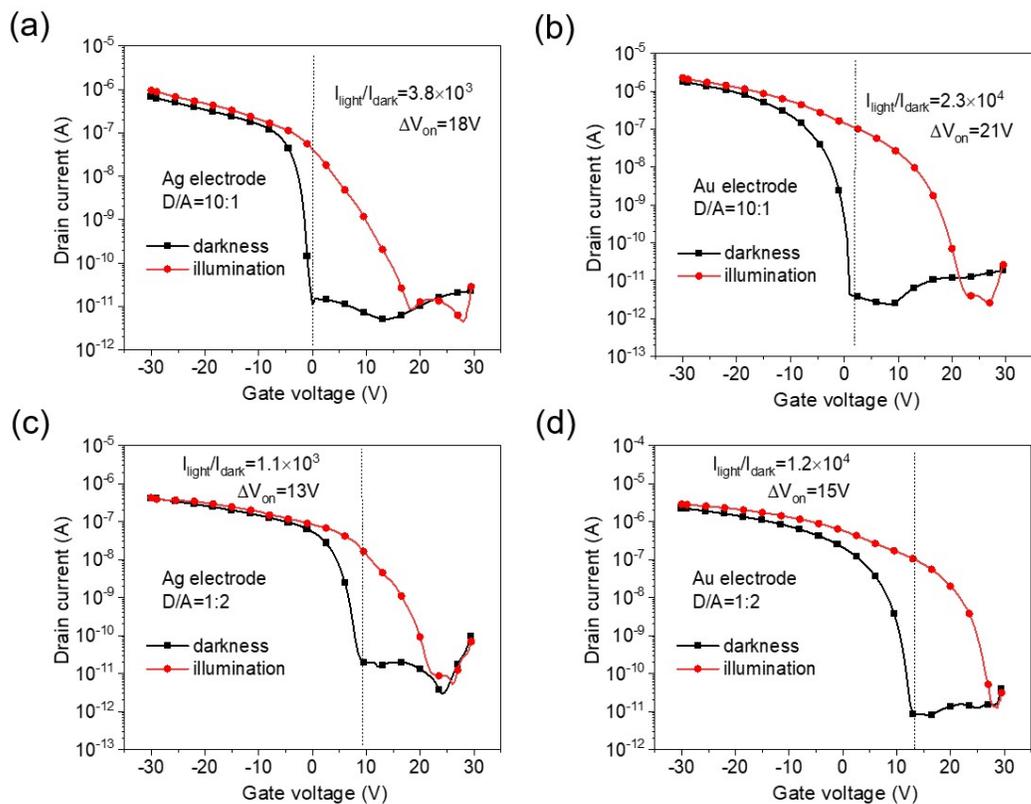


Fig. S11 Transfer characteristics curves of different PDPPBTT:PC₆₁BM devices without illumination and in light intensity illumination of 810@0.037 mW·cm⁻² nm, the drain voltage is set to -60 V. (a) D/A=10:1 of Ag electrode device, (b) D/A=10:1 of Au electrode device (c) D/A=1:2 of Ag electrode device, (d) D/A=1:2 of Au electrode device

Table S4. The photodetection performance parameters of different D/A ratio devices

PDPPBTT:PC61BM	V_{on} (V) in dark	ΔV_{on} (V)	I_{light}/I_{dark}	R ($A \cdot W^{-1}$)	D^* (Jones)
Ag electrode device D/A=10:1	0	18	3.8×10^3	133	3.1×10^{14}
Au electrode device D/A=10:1	2	21	2.3×10^4	552	9.8×10^{14}
Ag electrode device D/A=1:2	19	13	1.1×10^3	112	1.9×10^{14}
Au electrode device D/A=1:2	14	15	1.2×10^4	420	5.3×10^{14}

under 810nm@0.037 mW cm⁻² illumination at -60 V source drain voltage.