

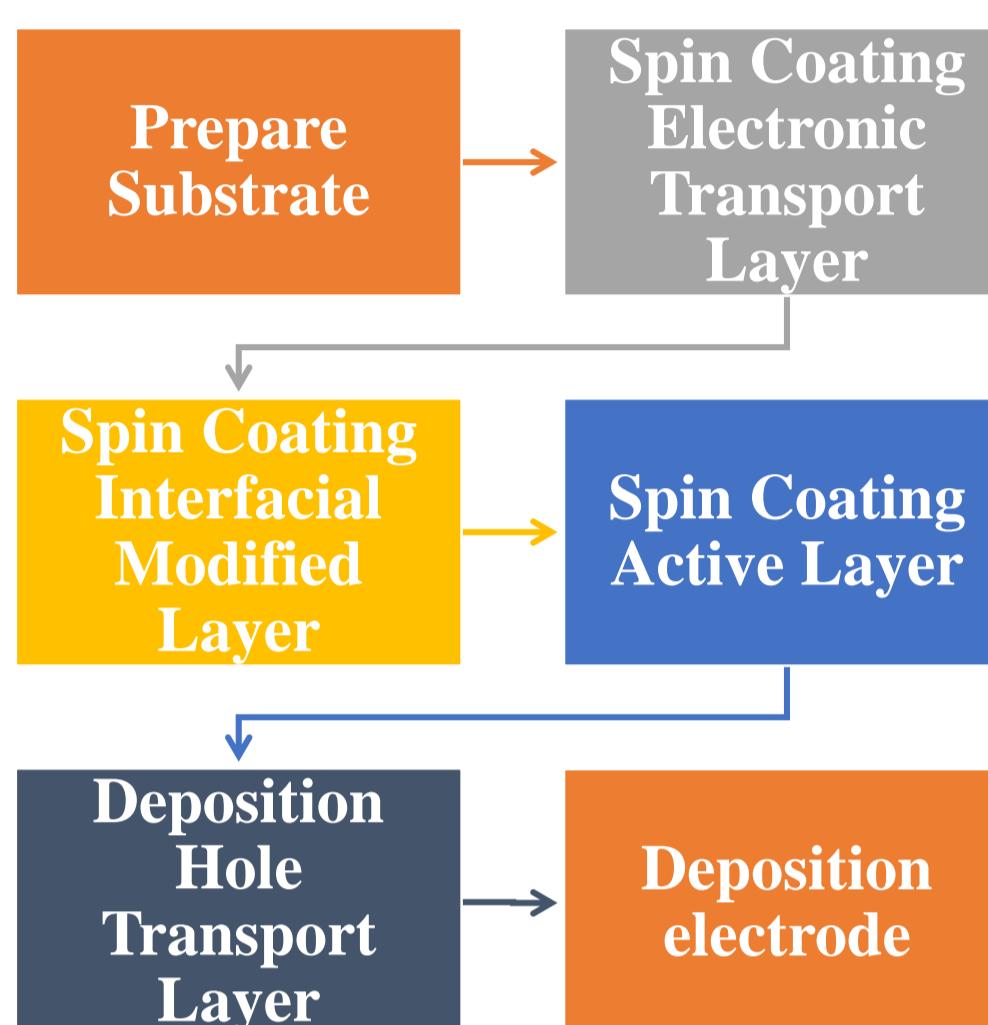
# Embedding interfacial layer enhances the performance of organic photovoltaics

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## Introduction

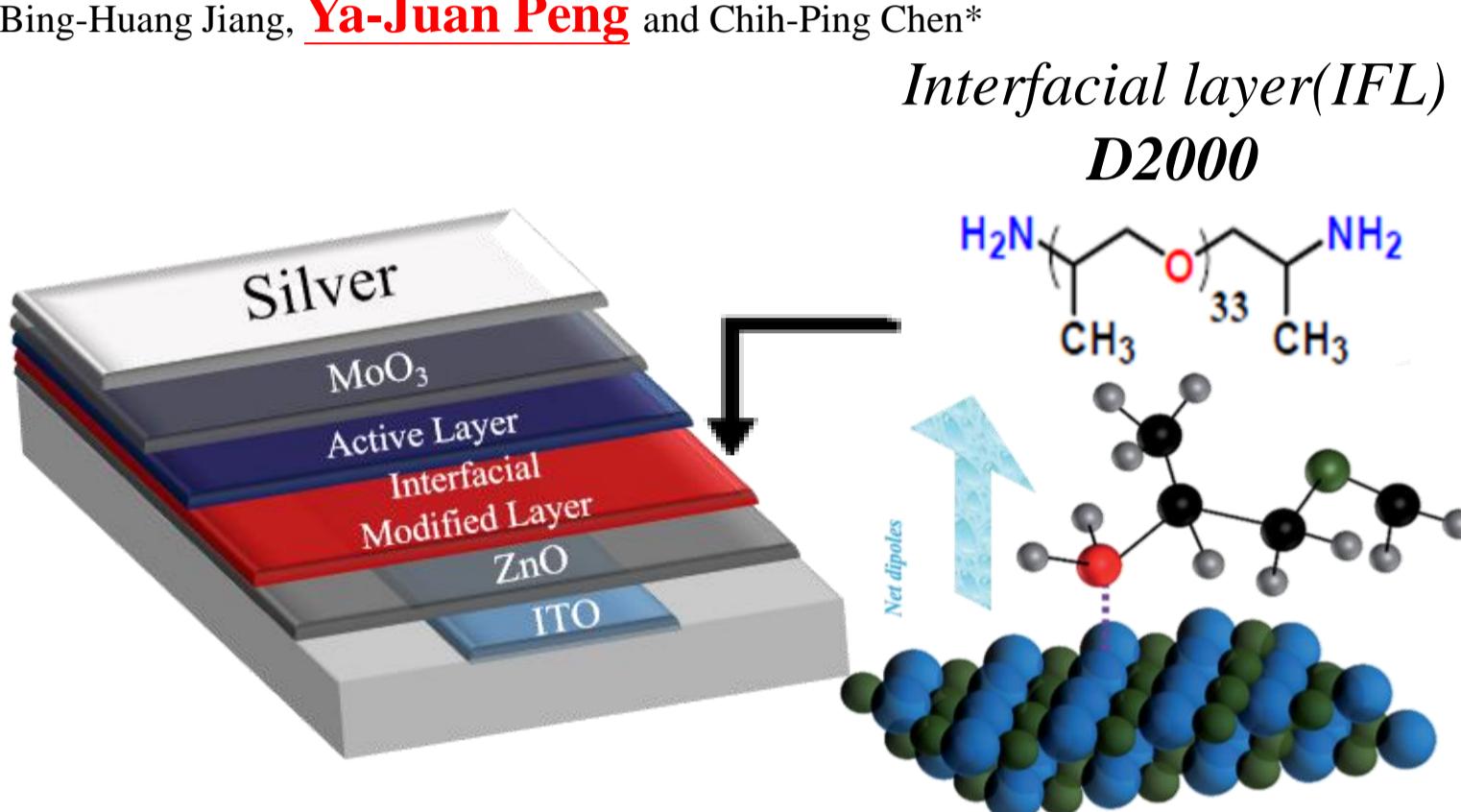
Organic interface layers have proven to be effective ways to improve component performance, affecting electrode energy levels and affecting the morphology of the interface and active layer as well as charge selection and transmission. The inverted component interface work function is better modified, which is beneficial to carrier transmission. The change of surface energy is used to control the wettability of the active layer blending membrane, and then the active layer coating pattern is modified. The active layer type can be controlled in this way to obtain high efficiency components.

## Experimental



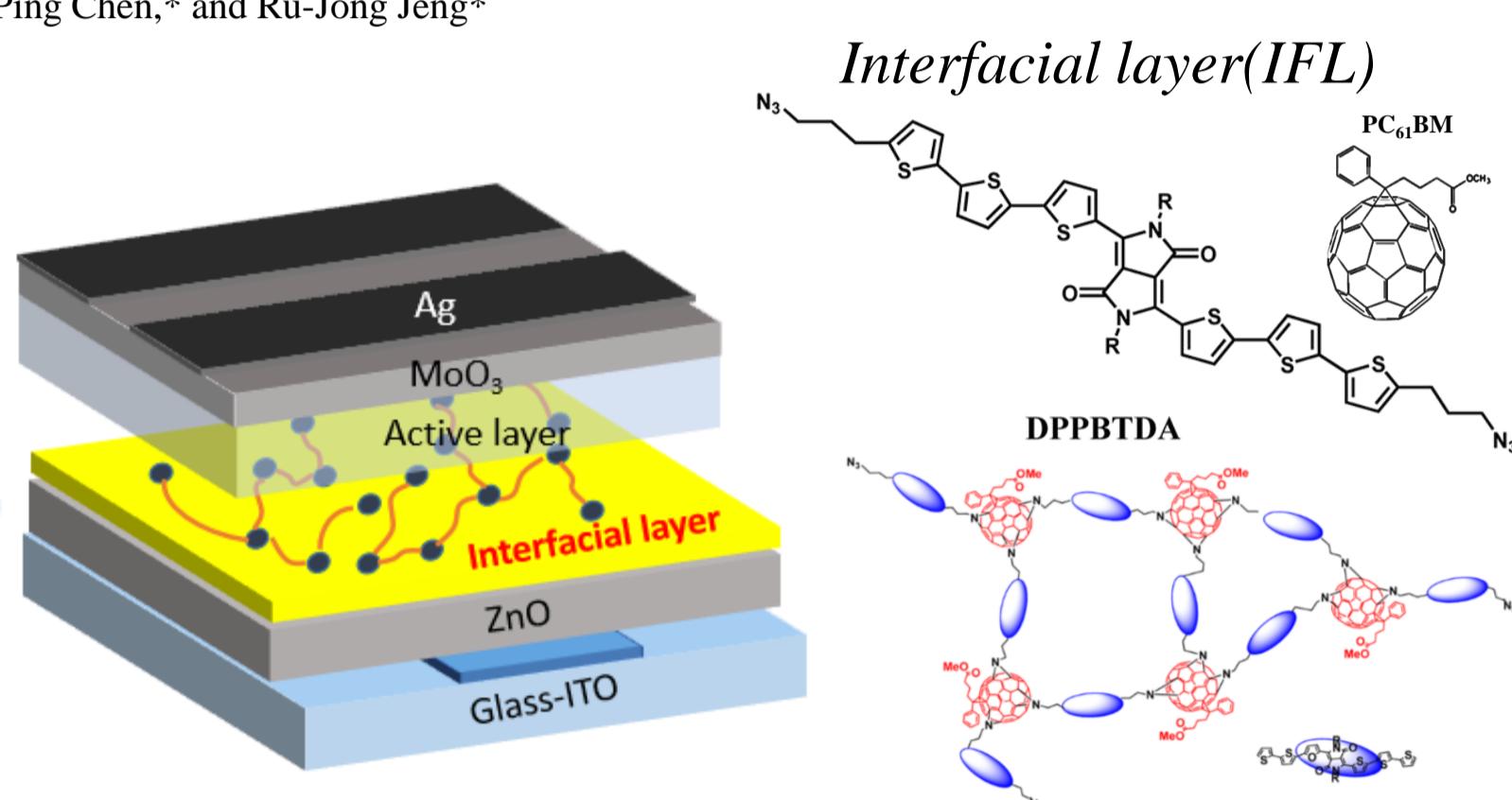
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## D2000

Fig1. UPS spectrum for ZnO with/without D2000

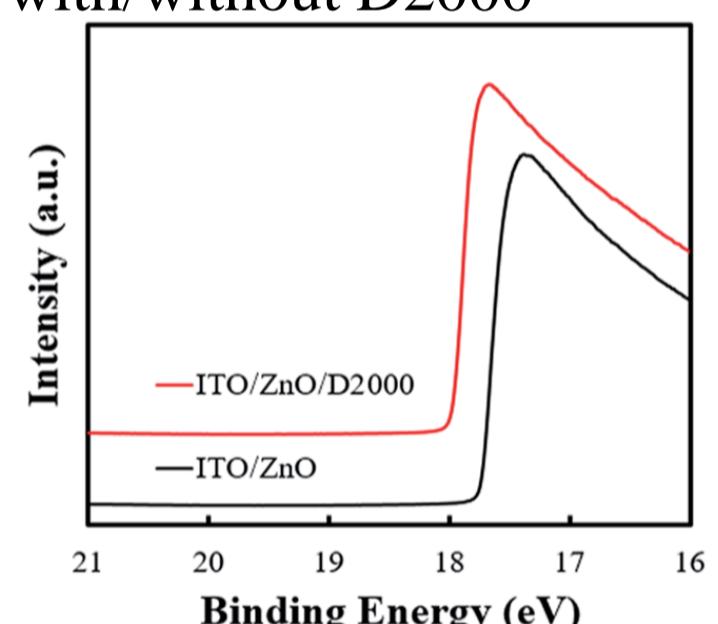


Table 1. SCLC mobility

Devices	Electron mobility (cm <sup>2</sup> V <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )
ZnO/PTB7:PC <sub>71</sub> BM	1.24 x10 <sup>-8</sup> (±1.86x10 <sup>-9</sup> )
ZnO/D2000/PTB7:PC <sub>71</sub> BM	3.06 x10 <sup>-8</sup> (±1.07x10 <sup>-9</sup> )

## Morphology of blends

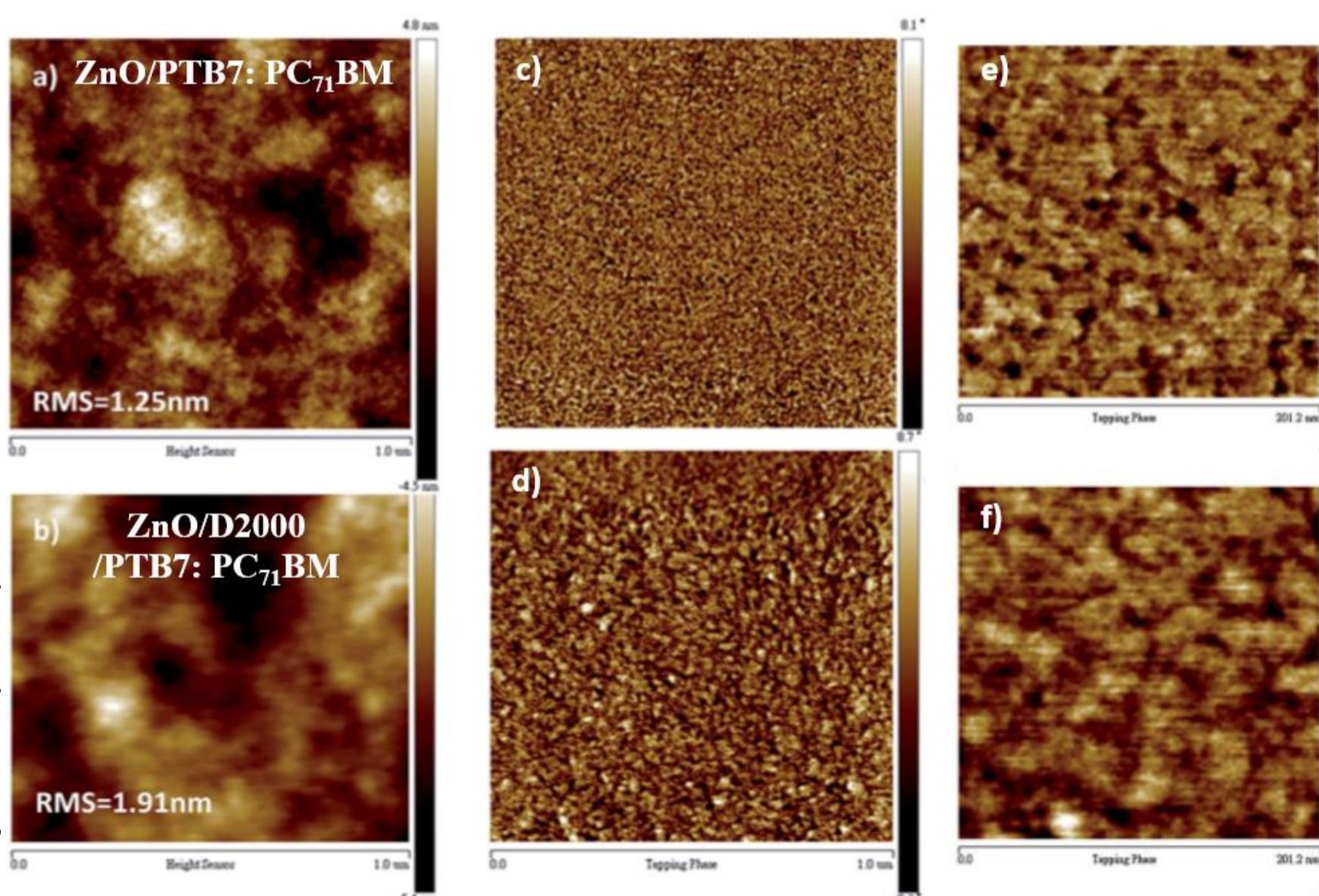


Fig2. AFM topographic (1 mm × 1 mm), phase (1 mm × 1 mm), and enlarge phase images (200 nm × 200 nm) of (a,c,e)ZnO/PTB7:PC<sub>71</sub>BM (b,d,f)ZnO/D2000/PTB7:PC<sub>71</sub>BM

## Devices performance

Fig3. I-V curve

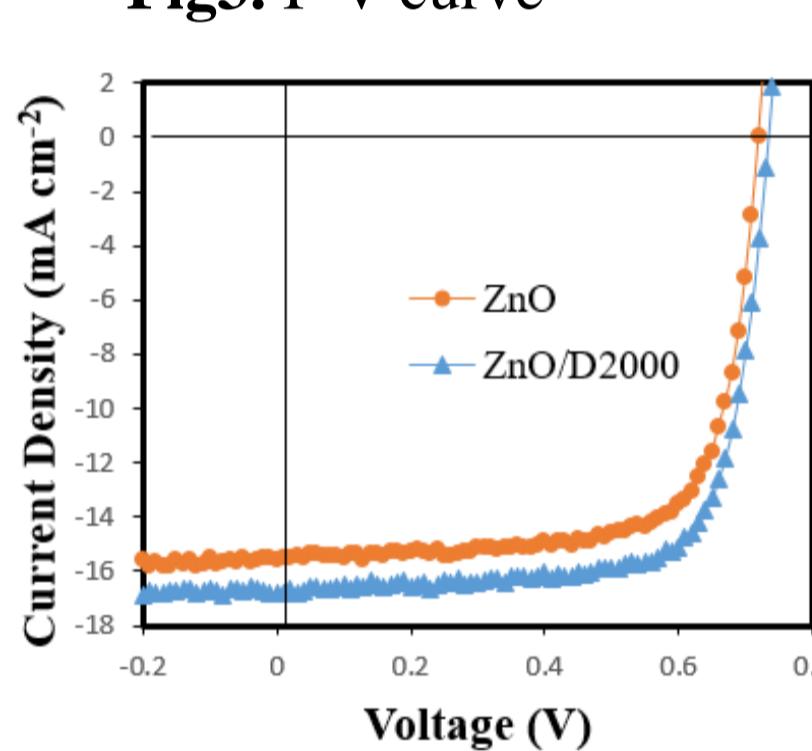


Table 2. J-V properties of the OPV devices

Devices	J <sub>sc</sub> (mA cm <sup>-2</sup> )	V <sub>oc</sub> (V)	FF (%)	PCE (%)	best PCE (%)
ZnO	15.7±0.33	0.72±0.01	71.6±2.28	8.1±0.11	8.2
ZnO/D2000	15.9±0.89	0.73±0.01	74.6±0.99	8.6±0.37	9.1

## DPPBTDA-PC<sub>61</sub>BM

Fig5.  
Depth profiles of the PTB7-Th:PC<sub>71</sub>BM blended films.

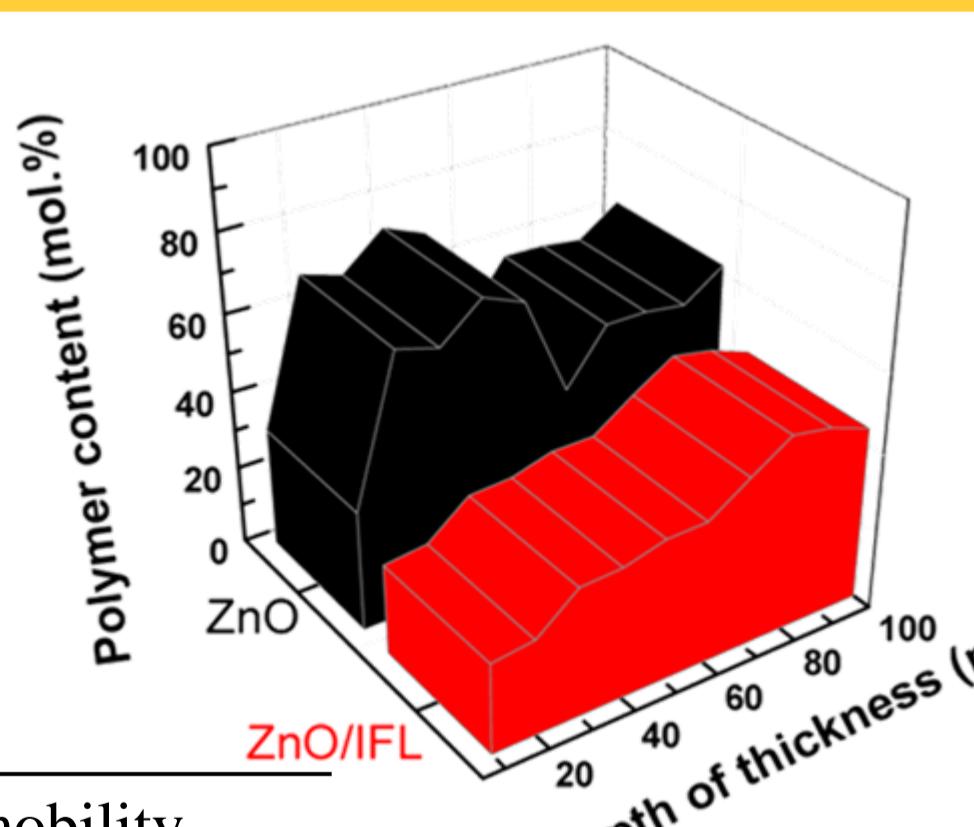


Table 3. SCLC mobility

Devices	Electron mobility (cm <sup>2</sup> V <sup>-1</sup> s <sup>-1</sup> )
ZnO/PTB7-th:PC <sub>71</sub> BM	5.67x10 <sup>-5</sup> (±1.73x10 <sup>-5</sup> )
ZnO/DPPBTDA-PC <sub>61</sub> BM /PTB7-th:PC <sub>71</sub> BM	1.44x10 <sup>-4</sup> (±4.38x10 <sup>-5</sup> )

## Morphology of blends

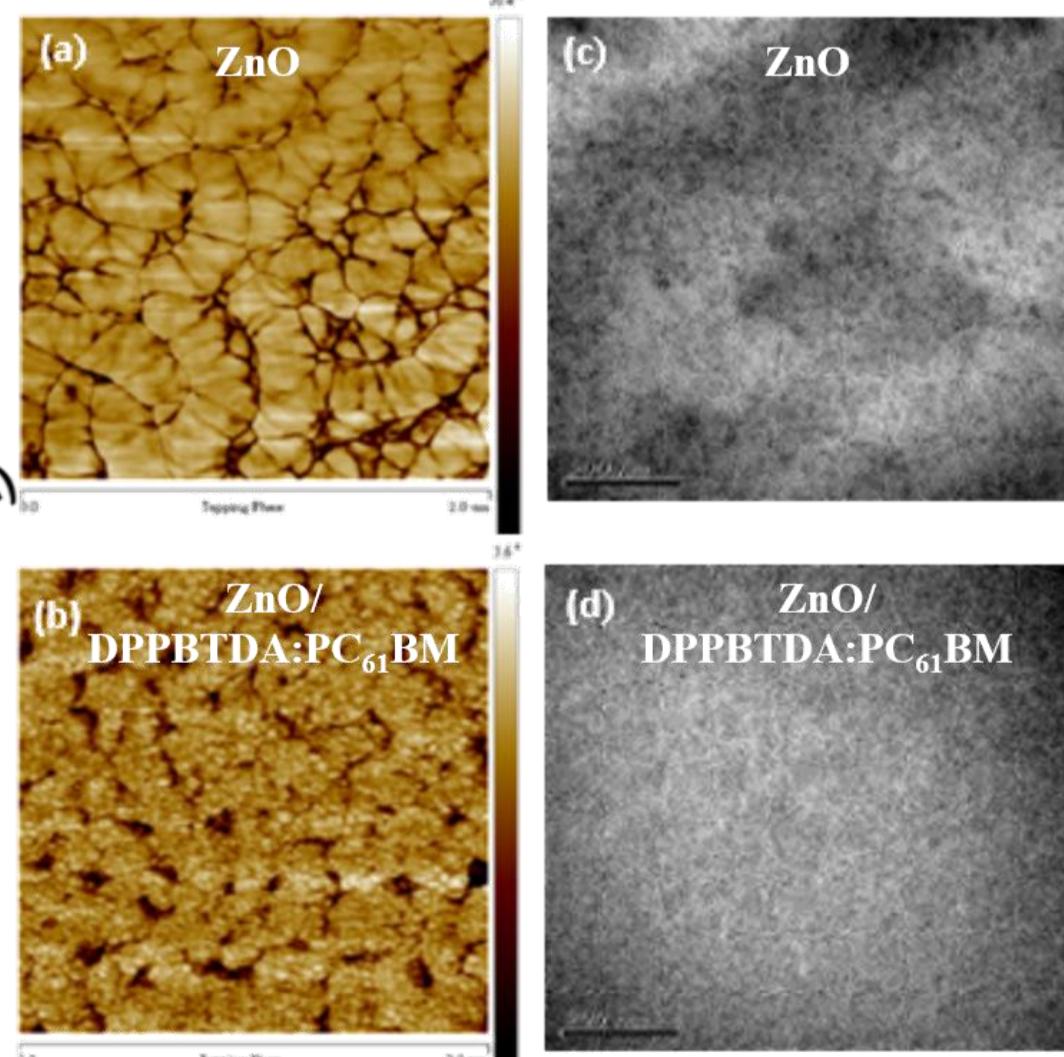


Fig6. (a,b) AFM phase images (2 × 2 μm) of the ZnO with/without IFLs and (c,d)TEM images of the BHJ blend films

## Devices performance

Fig7. I-V curve

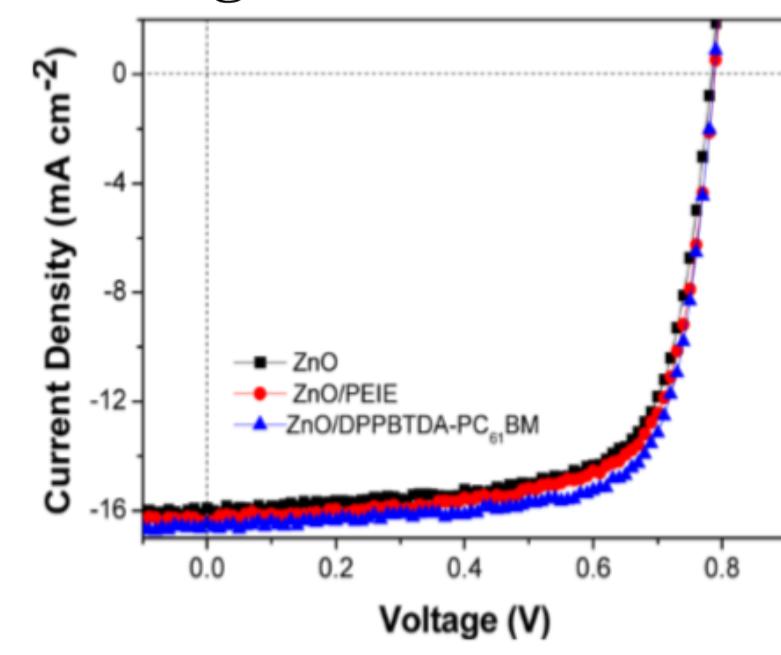


Table 4. J-V properties of the OPV devices

Devices	J <sub>sc</sub> (mA cm <sup>-2</sup> )	V <sub>oc</sub> (V)	FF (%)	PCE (%)	best PCE (%)
ZnO	15.9±0.22	0.77±0.01	68.7±1.1	8.5±0.15	8.7
ZnO/DPPBTDA-PC <sub>61</sub> BM	16.6±0.17	0.78±0.01	72.1±0.8	9.4±0.11	9.6

## Conclusions

- The embedded interfacial layer modified the work function of the ZnO by the interface dipole, changes the morphology of the blended film, and enhances electron transport and better cathode selectivity.
- Cross-linked small molecule modification layer exhibits nano phase separation and uniform dispersion of conjugated polymer and fullerene, resulting in higher electron mobility and higher efficiency of components.