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Molecular Semiconductors 2012-12-06

during the past thirty years considerable efforts have been made to design the synthesis and the study of molecular semiconductors molecular semiconductors and more generally molecular materials involve interactions between individual subunits which can be separately synthesized organic and metallo organic derivatives are the basis of most of the molecular materials a survey of the literature on molecular semiconductors leaves one rather confused it does seem to be very difficult to correlate the molecular structure of these semiconductors with their experimental electrical properties for inorganic materials a simple definition delimits a fairly homogeneous family if an inorganic material has a conductivity intermediate between that of an 12 1 1 3 1 1 insulator 10 n cm and that of a metal 10 n cm then it is a semiconductor and will exhibit the characteristic properties of this family such as junction formation photoconductivity and the photovoltaic effect for molecular compounds such simplicity is certainly not the case a huge number of molecular and macromolecular systems have been described which possess an intermediate conductivity however the various attempts which have been made to rationalize their properties have more often than not failed even very basic electrical properties such as the mechanism of the charge carrier formation or the nature and the density ofthe dopants are not known in detail the study of molecular semiconductor junctions is very probably the most powerful approach to shed light on these problems

Photovoltaic and Photoactive Materials 2012-12-06

the primary objective of this nato advanced study institute asi was to present an up to date overview of various current areas of interest in the field of photovoltaic and related photoactive materials this is a wide ranging subject area of significant commercial and environmental interest and involves major contributions from the disciplines of physics chemistry materials electrical and instrumentation engineering commercial realisation etc therefore we sought to adopt an inter disciplinary approach bringing together recognised experts in the various fields while retaining a level of treatment accessible to those active in specific individual areas of research and development the lecture programme commenced with overviews of the present relevance and historical development of the subject area plus an introduction to various underlying physical principles of importance to the materials and devices to be addressed in later lectures building upon this the asi then progressed to more detailed aspects of the subject area we were also fortunately able to obtain a contribution from thierry langlois d estaintot of the european commission directorate describing present and future ec support for activities in this field in addition poster sessions were held throughout the meeting to allow participants to present and discuss their current activities these were supported by what proved to be very effective feedback sessions special thanks to martin stutzmann prior to which groups of participants enthusiastically met often in the bar to identify and agree topics of common interest

Fundamentals of Solar Cell Design *2021-07-30*

edited by one of the most well respected and prolific engineers in the world and his team this book provides a comprehensive overview of solar cells and explores the history of evolution and present scenarios of solar cell design classification properties various semiconductor materials thin films wafer scale transparent solar cells and other fundamentals of solar cell design solar cells are semiconductor devices that convert light photons into electricity in photovoltaic energy conversion and can help to overcome the global energy crisis solar cells have many applications including remote area power systems earth orbiting satellites wristwatches water pumping photodetectors and remote radiotelephones solar cell technology is economically feasible for commercial scale power generation while commercial solar cells exhibit good performance and stability still researchers are looking at many ways to improve the performance and cost of solar cells via modulating the fundamental properties of semiconductors solar cell technology is the key to a clean energy future solar cells directly harvested energy from the sun s light radiation into electricity are in an ever growing demand for future global

energy production solar cell based energy harvesting has attracted worldwide attention for its notable features such as cheap renewable technology scalable lightweight flexibility versatility no greenhouse gas emission and economy friendly and operational costs thus solar cell technology is at the forefront of renewable energy technologies which are used in telecommunications power plants small devices to satellites large scale implementation can be manipulated by various types used in solar cell design and exploration of new materials towards improving performance and reducing cost therefore in depth knowledge about solar cell design is fundamental for those who wish to apply this knowledge and understanding in industries and academics this book provides a comprehensive overview on solar cells and explores the history to evolution and present scenarios of solar cell design classification properties various semiconductor materials thin films wafer scale transparent solar cells and so on it also includes solar cells characterization analytical tools theoretical modeling practices to enhance conversion efficiencies applications and patents this outstanding new volume provides state of the art information about solar cells is a unique reference guide for researchers in solar energy includes novel innovations in the field of solar cell technology audience this book is a unique reference guide that can be used by faculty students researchers engineers device designers and industrialists who are working and learning in the fields of semiconductors chemistry physics electronics light science material science flexible energy conversion industrial and renewable energy sectors

Applied Photovoltaics *2013-09-05*

a reliable accessible and comprehensive guide for students of photovoltaic applications and renewable energy engineering this thoroughly considered textbook from a group of leading influential and award winning authors is brimming with information and is carefully designed to meet the needs of its readers along with exercises and references at the end of each chapter the book features a set of detailed technical appendices that provide essential equations data sources and standards starting from basics with the characteristics of sunlight the reader is guided step by step through semiconductors and p n junctions the behaviour of solar cells cell properties ad design and pv cell interconnection and module fabrication the book covers stand alone photovoltaic systems specific purpose photovoltaic systems remote are power supply systems and grid connected photovoltaic systems there is also a section on photovoltaic water pumping system components and design applied photovolatics is well illustrated and readable with an abundance of diagrams and illustrations and will provide the reader with all the information needed to start working with photovoltaics

The Physics of Solar Cells *2003-05-09*

this book provides a comprehensive introduction to the physics of the photovoltaic cell it is suitable for undergraduates graduate students and researchers new to the field it covers basic physics of semiconductors in photovoltaic devices physical models of solar cell operation characteristics and design of common types of solar cell and approaches to increasing solar cell efficiency the text explains the terms and concepts of solar cell device physics and shows the reader how to formulate and solve relevant physical problems exercises and worked solutions are included

Hybrid Perovskite Solar Cells *2022-01-10*

unparalleled coverage of the most vibrant research field in photovoltaics hybrid perovskites revolutionary game changing semiconductor materials have every favorable optoelectronic characteristic necessary for realizing high efficiency solar cells the remarkable features of hybrid perovskite photovoltaics such as superior material properties easy material fabrication by solution based processing large area device fabrication by an inkjet technology and simple solar cell structures have brought enormous attentions leading to a rapid development of the solar cell technology at a pace never before seen in solar cell history hybrid perovskite solar cells characteristics and operation covers extensive topics of hybrid perovskite solar cells

providing easy to read descriptions for the fundamental characteristics of unique hybrid perovskite materials part i as well as the principles and applications of hybrid perovskite solar cells part ii both basic and advanced concepts of hybrid perovskite devices are treated thoroughly in this book in particular explanatory descriptions for general physical and chemical aspects of hybrid perovskite photovoltaics are included to provide fundamental understanding this comprehensive book is highly suitable for graduate school students and researchers who are not familiar with hybrid perovskite materials and devices allowing the accumulation of the accurate knowledge from the basic to the advanced levels

Investigation of Test Methods, Material Properties, and Processes for Solar Cell Encapsulants 1978

this handbook is a compendium giving a comprehensive description of the basics of semiconductor physics relevant to the design and analysis of thin film solar cell materials it starts from the basics of material science describing the material and its growth defect and electrical properties the basics of its interaction with photons and the involved statistics proceeding to space charge effects in semiconductors and pn junctions most attention is given to analyze homo and hetero junction solar cells using various models and applying the field of direction analysis for discussing current voltage characteristics and helping to discover the involvement of high field effects in solar cells the comprehensive coverage of the main topics of and relating to solar cells with extensive reference to literature helps scientists and engineers at all levels to reach a better understanding and improvement of solar cell properties and their production the author is one of the founders of thin film solar cell research

Handbook of the Physics of Thin-Film Solar Cells *2014-04-23*

hybrid organic and inorganic perovskites hoip have shown remarkable progress since the first realization of efficient pscs with a pce of 3 9 in 2009 the record pce reached 23 3 in 2018 the next step will undoubtedly be developing scale up techniques for transitioning small area devices to large area modules most books outline only the basic theoretical background fabrication methods and or applications to bridge the gap between academia and industry a profound understanding of the recent advancements in the hoips field is necessary experts insights in this book present an in depth overview of information regarding the materials synthesis methodologies effects of dopants optimized optoelectronic properties suitable deposition methods engineering and improving the stability of various device architectures using printing methods for flexible large area psc modules including the module concept discuss various challenges and issues that can open the door for the researchers towards commercialization of durable perovskite solar cells moreover this book also covers the developments on the zero two and three dimensional non toxic perovskite non perovskite materials the radiation degradation of solar cells the synergetics of cooperative phenomena in tandem systems and provide some recommendations to overcome the challenges for improving the photoconversion efficiency

Perovskite Solar Cells *2019*

lithium ion batteries and solar cells physical chemical and materials properties presents a thorough investigation of diverse physical chemical and materials properties and special functionalities of lithium ion batteries and solar cells it covers theoretical simulations and high resolution experimental measurements that promote a full understanding of the basic science to develop excellent device performance employs first principles and the machine learning method to fully explore the rich and unique phenomena of cathode anode and electrolyte solid and liquid states in lithium ion batteries develops distinct experimental methods and techniques to enhance the performance of lithium ion batteries and solar cells reviews syntheses fabrication and measurements discusses open issues challenges and potential commercial applications this book is aimed at materials scientists chemical engineers and electrical engineers developing enhanced batteries and solar cells for peak performance

Lithium-Ion Batteries and Solar Cells *2021-01-18*

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Lithium-Ion Batteries and Solar Cells *2021-01-21*

a thin film solar cell tfsc also called a thin film photovoltaic cell tfpv is a solar cell that is made by depositing one or more thin layers thin film of photovoltaic material on a substrate this book deals with some physical properties of sulfur binary and ternary thin films used as buffer and absorber layers in solar cells and prepared using economic spray pyrolysis technique this book also investigates some thermal properties of zn doped binary thin films used as solar cells buffer layers and prepared using economic techniques other chapters in this book describe the development of diverging band gap amorphous silicon materials and their optoelectronic properties the unique one ampoule bridgman method as well as the cleavage and twinning characteristics of the single crystals and how they are influenced by annealing etching deviation from stoichiometric starting proportions and by the addition of sodium this book also investigates emerging trends that might lead to additional commercial c si thin film solar cells after 2010

Improved Organic Materials and Electronic Properties of Organic Solar Cells *2015*

organic photovoltaic opv cells have the potential to make a significant contribution to the increasing energy needs of the future in this book 15 chapters written by selected experts explore the required characteristics of components present in an opv device such as transparent electrodes electron and hole conducting layers as well as electron donor and acceptor materials design preparation and evaluation of these materials targeting highest performance are discussed this includes contributions on modeling down to the molecular level to device level electrical and optical testing and modeling as well as layer morphology control and characterization the integration of the different components in device architectures suitable for mass production is described finally the technical feasibility and economic viability of large scale manufacturing using fast inexpensive roll to roll deposition technologies is assessed

Thin-film Solar Cells *2010*

presents a thorough overview of perovskite research written by leaders in the field of photovoltaics the use of perovskite structured materials to produce high efficiency solar cells is a subject of growing interest for academic researchers and industry professionals alike due to their excellent light absorption longevity and charge carrier properties perovskite solar cells show great promise as a low cost industry scalable alternative to conventional photovoltaic cells perovskite solar cells materials processes and devices provides an up to date overview of the current state of perovskite solar cell research addressing the key areas in the rapidly growing field this comprehensive volume covers novel materials advanced theory modelling and simulation device physics new processes and the critical issue of solar cell stability contributions by an international panel of researchers highlight

both the opportunities and challenges related to perovskite solar cells while offering detailed insights on topics such as the photon recycling processes interfacial properties and charge transfer principles of perovskite based devices examines new compositions hole and electron transport materials lead free materials and 2d and 3d materials covers interface modelling techniques methods for modelling in two and three dimensions and developments beyond shockley queisser theory discusses new fabrication processes such as slot die coating roll processing and vacuum sublimation describes the device physics of perovskite solar cells including recombination kinetics and optical absorption explores innovative approaches to increase the light conversion efficiency of photovoltaic cells perovskite solar cells materials processes and devices is essential reading for all those in the photovoltaic community including materials scientists surface physicists surface chemists solid state physicists solid state chemists and electrical engineers

Organic Solar Cells 2014-08-26

the first comprehensive book on thin film solar cells potentially a key technology for solving the energy production problem in the 21st century in an environmentally friendly way it covers a wide range of scientific and technological aspects of thin film semiconductors deposition technologies growth mechanisms and the basic properties of amorphous and nano crystalline silicon as well as the optimum design theory and device physics of high efficiency solar cells especially of single junction and multi junction solar cells the development of large area solar cell modules using single and multi junction solar cells is also considered examples of recent photovoltaic systems are presented and analysed

Perovskite Solar Cells *2021-09-11*

solar cell device physics offers a balanced in depth qualitative and quantitative treatment of the physical principles and operating characteristics of solar cell devices topics covered include photovoltaic energy conversion and solar cell materials and structures along with homojunction solar cells semiconductor semiconductor heterojunction cells and surface barrier solar cells are also discussed this book consists of six chapters and begins by introducing the reader to the basic physical principles and materials properties that are the foundations of photovoltaic energy conversion with emphasis on various photovoltaic devices capable of efficiently converting solar energy into usable electrical energy the electronic and optical properties of crystalline polycrystalline and amorphous materials with both organic and inorganic materials are considered together with the manner in which these properties change from one material class to another and the implications of such changes for photovoltaics generation recombination and bulk transport are also discussed the two mechanisms of photocarrier collection in solar cells drift and diffusion are then compared the remaining chapters focus on specific solar cell device classes defined in terms of the interface structure employed homojunctions semiconductor semiconductor heterojunctions and surface barrier devices this monograph is appropriate for use as a textbook for graduate students in engineering and the sciences and for seniors in electrical engineering and applied physics as well as a reference book for those actively involved in solar cell research and development

Thin-Film Solar Cells *2013-03-09*

advances in science technology of microelectronic devices are making it possible to the circuit densities to unprecedented levels a step towards the microminiaturization was the introduction of thin films from which it is possible to built devices in a very compact form in recent years the development of alternative energy sources has become inevitable due to the increased cost and instability over the conventional petroleum energy source to overcome this energy production through solar photovoltaic systems has become the thrust field of research because it is a clean energy furthermore the solar energy received from the sun in the form of light is eternal and cost free the best way to utilize the solar energy is the direct conversion of light energy to electrical energy through photovoltaic devices called solar cells cadmium chalcogenide films silicon based solar cells are increasingly studied

as prospective alternative to the costly single crystal p n junction silicon solar cells a detailed study has been made to develop cdse znse and cd1 xznxse thin film solar cells with ps silicon junction and their material and junction properties are presented in the book

Solar Cell Device Physics *2012-12-02*

organic photovoltaics opvs is a promising low cost and environmental friendly technology currently achieving 12 14 power conversion efficiency despite the extensive focus of the research community over the last years critical mechanisms defining the performance of opvs are still topics of debate while energetic disorder is known to be characteristic of organic semiconductors in general its potential role in opv has received surprisingly little attention in this thesis we investigate some aspects of the relation between energetic disorder and several optoelectronic properties of opv charge carrier mobility is a key parameter in characterizing the performance of organic semiconductors analyzing the temperature dependence of the mobility is also an oftenused method to obtain estimates for the energetic disorder in the homo and lumo levels of an organic semiconductor material different formalisms to extract and analyze mobilities from space charge limited conductivity sclc experiments are reviewed surprisingly the murgatroyd gill analytical model in combination with the gaussian disorder model in the boltzmann limit yields similar mobilities and energetic disorders as a more elaborate drift diffusion model with parametrized mobility functionals common analysis and measurement errors are discussed all the models are incorporated in an automated analysis freeware tool the open circuit voltage voc has attracted considerable interest as the large difference between voc and the bandgap is the main loss mechanism in bulk heterojunction opvs surprisingly in ternary devices composed of two donors and one acceptor the voc is not pinned to the shallowest homo but demonstrates a continuous tunability between the binary extremities we show that this phenomenon can be explained with an equilibrium model where voc is defined as the splitting of the quasi fermi levels of the photo created holes and electrons in a common density of states accounting for the stoichiometry i e the ratio of the donor materials and the broadening by gaussian disorder evaluating the pce it is found that ternary devices do not offer advantages over binary unless the fill factor ff is increased at intermediate compositions as a result of improved transport recombination upon material blending stressing the importance of material intermixing to improve the performance we found that the presence of an acceptor may drastically alter the mobility and energetic disorder of the donor and vice versa the effect of different acceptors was studied in a ternary onedonor two acceptors system where the unpredictable variability with composition of the energetic disorder in the homo and the lumo explained the almost linear tunability of voc designing binary opvs based on the design rule that the energetic disorder can be reduced upon material blending as we observed can yield a relative pce improvement of at least 20 ct states currently play a key role in evaluating the performance of opvs and ctelectroluminescence ct el is assumed to stem from the recombination of thermalized electron hole pairs the varying width of the ct el peak for different material combinations is intuitively expected to reflect the energetic disorder of the effective homo and lumo we employ kinetic monte carlo kmc ct el simulations using independently measured disorder parameters as input to calculate the ground to ground state 0 0 transition spectrum including the vibronic broadening according to the franck condon principle we reproduce the width and current dependence of the measured ct el peak for a large number of donor acceptor combinations the fitted dominant phonon modes compare well with the values measured using the spectral line narrowing technique importantly the calculations show that ct el originates from a narrow non thermalized subset of all available ct states which can be understood by considering the kinetic microscopic process with which electron hole pairs meet and recombine despite electron hole pairs being strongly bound in organic materials the charge separation process following photo excitation is found to be extremely efficient and independent of the excitation energy however at low photon energies where the charges are excited deep in the tail of the dos it is intuitively expected for the extraction yield to be quenched internal quantum efficiency iqe experiments for different material systems show both inefficient and efficient charge dissociation for excitation close to the ct energy this finding is explained by kinetic monte carlo simulations accounting for a varying degree of e h delocalization where strongly bound localized ct pairs 2nm distance are doomed to recombine at low excitation energies while extended delocalization over 3 5nm yields an increased and energy independent iqe using a single material parameter set the experimental ct electroluminescence and absorption spectra are reproduced by the same kmc model by accounting for the vibronic progression of the calculated 0 0 transition in contrast to ct el ct absorption probes the complete ct manifold charge

transport in organic solar cells is currently modelled as either an equilibrium or a non equilibrium process the former is described by drift diffusion dd equations which can be calculated quickly but assume local thermal equilibrium of the charge carriers with the lattice the latter is described by kmc models that are time consuming but treat the charge carriers individually and can probe all relevant time and energy scales a hybrid model that makes use of the multiple trap and release mtr concept in combination with the dd equations is shown to describe both steady state space charge limited conductivity experiments and non equilibrium time resolved transport experiments using a single parameter set for the investigated simulations the dd mtr model is in good agreement with kmc and 10 times faster steady state mobilities from dd equations have been argued to be exclusively relevant for operating opvs while charge carrier thermalization and non equilibrium time dependent mobilities although acknowledged can be disregarded this conclusion based on transient photocurrent experiments with s time resolution is not complete we show that non equilibrium kmc simulations can describe the extraction of charge carriers from subps to 100 s timescales with a single parameter set the majority of the fast charge carriers mostly non thermalized electrons are extracted at time scales below the resolution of the experiment in other words the experiment resolves only the slower fraction of the charges predominantly holes

Preparation and Properties of Chalcogenide Materials for Solar Cells *2015-02-04*

this book discusses the enhancement of efficiency in currently used solar cells the authors have characterized different structures of the solar cell system to optimize system parameters particularly the performance of the copper tin sulphide solar cell using solar cell capacitance simulator scaps this research can help scientist to overcome the current limitations and build up new designs of the system with higher efficiency and greater functionality the authors have investigated the corresponding samples from various viewpoints including structural crystallinity composition and surface morphology optical uv vis near ir transmittance reflectance spectra and electrical resistivity properties describes investigations on cu2sns3 solar cells and prospective low cost absorber layer of thin film solar cells discusses the potential device structure of copper tin sulphide based on thin film technologies explains solar cell structure optimization to perform a higher conversion efficiency of copper tin sulphide

Transport Properties of Thin-Film Passivating Contacts for Silicon Solar Cells *2022*

although the cost of photovoltaic power production has been decreasing significantly during the last decade as a result of large scale solar cell and module manufacturing accompanied by an increase of the conversion efficiency pv can only contribute to the future electricity mix in a substantial way if costs are further reduced as an alternative to conventional silicon feedstock production for crystalline solar cells low cost approaches for example upgraded metallurgical grade silicon have recently been investigated extensively yielding encouraging results in laboratory and industrial processes however the understanding of the risks and implications coming along with the use of umg si are still limited which impurities determine the solar cell properties are solar cells made from umg si as reliable as conventional si solar cells the thesis compares the properties of umg and conventional si along the entire process chain and analyzes the impact of carrier mobility impurity redistribution during processing and reverse bias behavior giving an assessment of the risks of using umg si for solar cell production

Effects of Energetic Disorder on the Optoelectronic Properties of Organic Solar Cells *2018-09-10*

comprehensive guide on organic and inorganic solar cells fundamental concepts to fabrication methods is a one stop authoritative resource on all types of inorganic organic and hybrid solar cells including their theoretical background and the practical knowledge required for fabrication with chapters rigorously dedicated to a particular type of solar cell each subchapter takes a detailed look at synthesis recipes deposition techniques materials

properties and their influence on solar cell performance including advanced characterization methods with materials selection and experimental techniques by addressing the evolution of solar cell technologies second generation thin film photovoltaics organic solar cells and finally the latest hybrid organic inorganic approaches this book benefits students and researchers in solar cell technology to understand the similarities differences benefits and challenges of each device introduces the basic concepts of different photovoltaic cells to audiences from a wide variety of academic backgrounds consists of working principles of a particular category of solar technology followed by dissection of every component within the architecture crucial experimental procedures for the fabrication of solar cell devices are introduced aiding picture practical application of the technology

Investigation of Test Methods, Material Properties, and Processes for Solar Cell Encapsulants *1980*

organic solar cells oscs consisted of carbon based organic semiconductors either polymers or small molecules have recently attracted the attention of both academic and industry due to their unique properties such as easy processing flexibility and scalability one major limitation toward commercialization is the low power conversion efficiency pce compared to inorganic solar cells thus much research in this field is focused on improving the efficiency a better understanding to the relationship between the properties of organic semiconductors and the solar device performance is required in this thesis perfluorinated end modified poly 3 hexylthiophene core substituted naphthalene diimide and zn ii complexes with azadipyrromethene were investigated their properties and applications in organic photovolatic opv are discussed previous studies suggested that end group modification of p3ht affects device efficiency and that some fluorine in the end group slightly improve the efficiency in order to further understand how perfluorinated end groups affect device performance of blends of poly 3 hexylthiophene p3ht and 1 3 methoxycarbonyl propyl 1 phenyl 6 6 c61 pcbm we synthesized a series of well defined p3ht with differing perfluoroalkyl length by stille coupling of the bromine end of p3ht and stannylated 2 perfluoroalkylthiophene the reactions occurred quantitatively confirmed by 1h and 19f nmr spectroscopy and by maldi tof mass spectroscopy electron filtering transmission electron microscopy ef tem revealed that the polymer pcbm phase separate on the nanoscale however solar cells of the modified p3hts with pcbm had a lower power conversion efficiency than that of un modified p3ht pcbm suggesting that perfluoroalkyl end groups are detrimental to solar cell performance the performance of solution processed organic photovoltaic is seriously limited by the absorption and energy tuning potential of fullerene based electron acceptors overcoming these limitations requires the development of non fullerene acceptors core substituted naphthalene diimides cndi are good candidates as non fullerene acceptors for organic photovoltaic because they have high electron affinity excellent electron transport properties and tunable energy levels we synthesized several cndis with different imide core substituents and different alkylamino substituents rf1 6 their optical and electrochemical properties and opv device properties as electron acceptors were studied particularly rf1 was investigated as electron accepting material for optimization of solar cells the lumo energy level of rf1 is 3 7 ev higher than pcbm 4 0 ev correspondingly a high voc 1 v can be reached from blends of p3ht and rf1 the power conversion efficiency improves from 0 31 as casted or 0 48 pre annealed to 0 96 with a processing 1 8 diiodooctane dio additive at an optimum concentration of 0 2 vol the results are explained by changes in morphology observed by atomic force microscopy afm and transmitting electron microscopy tem images charge transport properties were estimated by space charge limited current sclc model indicating that the electron mobility determines the osc performance one reason why efficiency of non fullerene based solar cell have been relatively low is partly because non fullerene acceptors are often planar and tend to form unfavorable phase separated domains when blended with typical donors we synthesized and characterized a series of new solution processable azadipyromethene based complexes zn ws1 5 2 these new complexes have high electron affinity and strong accepting properties and behave as good electron acceptors in organic solar cells the best device performance was obtained from zn ws3 2 acceptor the 3d nature of this acceptor prevents crystallization and promotes a favorable nanoscale morphology to give a high pce of 4 10 the acceptor also significantly contributed to photocurrent generation by harvesting light between 600 nm and 800 nm these results demonstrate a new paradigm to designing acceptors with tunable properties that can overcome the limitations of fullerenes

Introducing CTS (Copper-Tin-Sulphide) as a Solar Cell by Using Solar Cell Capacitance Simulator (SCAPS) *2019-05-31*

organic solar cells a timely and singular resource on the latest advances in organic photovoltaics organic photovoltaics are gaining widespread attention due to their solution processability tunable electronic properties low temperature manufacture and cheap and light materials their wide range of potential applications may result in significant near term commercialization of the technology in organic solar cells materials design technology and commercialization renowned scientist dr liming ding delivers a comprehensive exploration of organic solar cells including discussions of their key materials mechanisms molecular designs stability features and applications the book presents the most state of the art developments in the field alongside fulsome treatments of the commercialization potential of various organic solar cell technologies the author also provides thorough introductions to fullerene acceptors polymer donors and non fullerene small molecule acceptors comprehensive explorations of p type molecular photovoltaic materials and polymer polymer solar cell materials devices and stability practical discussions of electron donating ladder type heteroacenes for photovoltaic applications in depth examinations of chlorinated organic and single component organic solar cells as well as the morphological characterization and manipulation of organic solar cells perfect for materials scientists organic and solid state chemists and solid state physicists organic solar cells materials design technology and commercialization will also earn a place in the libraries of surface chemists and physicists and electrical engineers

Methods for Investigating the Properties of Polycrystalline Silicone P-n Junction Solar Cells *1981*

this report describes basic issues behind cdte cds cell performance and stability such as the nature and electronic properties of impurities and defects that control the majority carrier concentration mechanisms of dopant compensation recombination processes their nature and properties migration and transformation of defects under various processing stress and operating conditions we believe that a better basic understanding of the specific influence of grain boundaries especially for fine grain materials such as those making up cdte based cells is now one of the most important issues we must address we need to clarify the role of grain boundaries in forming the film electronic properties as well as those of the p n junction this report presents studies relevant to the problems mentioned above that were carried out at colorado school of mines during this thin film pv partnership subcontract

Alternative Materials for Crystalline Silicon Solar Cells 2012-04

solar pv is now the third most important renewable energy source after hydro and wind power in terms of global installed capacity bringing together the expertise of international pv specialists photovoltaic solar energy from fundamentals to applications provides a comprehensive and up to date account of existing pv technologies in conjunction with an assessment of technological developments key features written by leading specialists active in concurrent developments in material sciences solar cell research and application driven r d provides a basic knowledge base in light photons and solar irradiance and basic functional principles of pv covers characterization techniques economics and applications of pv such as silicon thin film and hybrid solar cells presents a compendium of pv technologies including crystalline silicon technologies chalcogenide thin film solar cells thin film silicon based pv technologies organic pv and iii vs pv concentrator technologies space technologies and economics life cycle and user aspects of pv technologies each chapter presents basic principles and formulas as well as major technological developments in a contemporary context with a look at future developments in this rapidly changing field of science and engineering ideal for industrial engineers and scientists beginning careers in pv as well as graduate students undertaking pv research and high level undergraduate students

Investigation of test methods, material properties, and processes for solar cell encapsulants 1976

amorphous silicon crystalline silicon solar cells deals with some typical properties of heterojunction solar cells such as their history the properties and the challenges of the cells some important measurement tools some simulation programs and a brief survey of the state of the art aiming to provide an initial framework in this field and serve as a ready reference for all those interested in the subject this book helps to fill in the blanks on heterojunction solar cells readers will receive a comprehensive overview of the principles structures processing techniques and the current developmental states of the devices prof dr wolfgang r fahrner is a professor at the university of hagen germany and nanchang university china

Comprehensive Guide on Organic and Inorganic Solar Cells 2021-11-18

a modern challenge is for solar cell materials to enable the highest solar energy conversion efficiencies at costs as low as possible and at an energy balance as sustainable as necessary in the future this textbook explains the principles concepts and materials used in solar cells it combines basic knowledge about solar cells and the demanded criteria for the materials with a comprehensive introduction into each of the four classes of materials for solar cells i e solar cells based on crystalline silicon epitaxial layer systems of iii v semiconductors thin film absorbers on foreign substrates and nano composite absorbers in this sense it bridges a gap between basic literature on the physics of solar cells and books specialized on certain types of solar cells the last five years had several breakthroughs in photovoltaics and in the research on solar cells and solar cell materials we consider them in this second edition for example the high potential of crystalline silicon with charge selective hetero junctions and alkaline treatments of thin film absorbers based on chalcopyrite enabled new records research activities were boosted by the class of hybrid organic inorganic metal halide perovskites a promising newcomer in the field this is essential reading for students interested in solar cells and materials for solar cells it encourages students to solve tasks at the end of each chapter it has been well applied for postgraduate students with background in materials science engineering chemistry or physics

Molecular Structures and Device Properties of Organic Solar Cells *2014*

we describe the results of our continuing study of deep electronic states controlling open circuit voltage in cdte cds thin film solar cells task 1 the study includes 1 analysis of factors affecting trap signatures derived from admittance spectroscopy and capacitance transients measurements such as activation energy capture cross sections and trap density estimates and 2 comparative studies of cells received from four different sources and prepared with significant variations in cell structure and processing procedures

Organic Solar Cells 2022-02-09

the work presented is focused on the electro optical properties of iii v nanowire array solar cells we begin with a study of the modal and material dispersion in a singlediameter nanowire array a dual diameter nanowire array structure is then proposed as a broadband absorber and a solar spectrum divider next a microscopic carrier transport model is adopted to further study the internal device physics nanowire array solar cells with both axially and radially arranged p n junction were studied in terms of the currentvoltage relationship cell efficiency and the response to the surface recombination with the inclusion of active region analysis the optical properties of a nanowire array are evaluated by solving maxwell s equations in the carrier transport model the continuity equations are solved along with the poisson s equation recombination mechanisms include the radiative recombination shockley read hall recombination auger recombination and the surface recombination

Studies of Basic Electronic Properties of CdTe-based Solar Cells and Their Evolution During Processing and Stress *2007*

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