Solar Cell Bulk Heterojunction

Can bulk heterojunction solar cells be used in large-scale applications?
During the last years the performance of bulk heterojunction solar cells has been improved significantly. For a large-scale application of this technology further improvements are required. This article reviews the basic working principles and the state of the art device design of bulk heterojunction solar cells.

How efficient are organic bulk heterojunction solar cells?
In the last decade,large progress has been made in improving the power conversion efficiency of organic bulk heterojunction solar cells. Today a single junction organic BHJ with an efficiency of 10%is listed in the efficiency table of the Journal Progress in Photovoltaics.

Do bulk heterojunction solar cells have high power conversion efficiencies?
The importance of high power conversion efficiencies for the commercial exploitation is outlined and different efficiency models for bulk heterojunction solar cells are discussed. Assuming state of the art materials and device architectures several models predict power conversion efficiencies in the range of 10-15%.

What is LD in a bulk heterojunction solar cell?
Recent measurements indicate that LD is in the range of 10 nmfor several prototype conjugated polymers used in bulk heterojunction solar cells,which means that an intermixing of the donor and the acceptor moieties on the nanometer scale is required.

Are heterojunction solar cells efficient?
Ordinary heterojunction solar cells are high efficiencyif the carrier mobility and electrical conductivity of the D and A layers are high. However,only the excitons generated near the D/A interface contribute to the photocurrent.

What is the absorber layer of a bulk heterojunction solar cell?
The absorber layer of an efficient state of the art bulk heterojunction solar cell is made of so-called donor and acceptor molecules. As donors usually conjugated polymers,oligomers or conjugated pigments,as acceptors frequently fullerene derivatives are applied (Fig. 2). Often these materials are classified as organic semiconductors .

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The addition of squaraine dye to a polymer bulk heterojunction solar cell is shown to enhance light harvesting and cell efficiency through Förster resonance energy transfer.

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Recent efforts in materials and device architecture optimization have pushed the power conversion efficiency of bulk heterojunction organic solar cells (BHJ OSCs) well beyond 10% 1,2,3.All of ...

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In this work, a bulk-heterojunction-buried (buried-BHJ) structure is introduced by sequential deposition to realize efficient exciton dissociation and charge collection, thereby contributing to efficient OSCs with 500 nm thick active layers. The buried-BHJ distributes donor and acceptor phases in the vertical direction as charge ...

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Bulk-heterojunction (BHJ) solar cells are an emerging technology for solar energy conversion alongside dye-sensitized solar cells (DSSCs) and perovskite solar cells.

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