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Organic and inorganic nanostructures for solar energy conversion

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Color Variations: Band Gap Engineering





Semiconducting and Metallic Polymers



---for they combine the electronic properties of metals and semiconductors *and*

the processablity, synthesis advantages and flexibility of polymers..



OXFORD GRADUATE TEXTS



Full Color Plastic Flat Panel Displays

















Encapsulation







Roll to roll produced solar cells





Konarka Inc.



Outdoor Demonstrations









Solar cell integrated textiles







www.scottevest.com www.neubers.de



Plastic Electronic Circuits





Organic Electronics Association des Vereins der Deutschen Maschienen- und Anlagenbauer VDMA <u>www.oe-a.de</u>



Happy Life































CO₂-Einlagerung





CO2 Recycling?

George A. Olah, Alain Goeppert, G.K. Surya Prakash WILEY-VCH

Beyond Oil and Gas: The Methanol Economy

George Olah, Nobel Prize 1994 Univ. of Southern California, USA



Scope of Nuclear Reactors



Atomenergie (Spaltung und Fusion)

- 10 TW = 10,000 neue 1 GW-Reaktoren
- d.h. 50 Jahre lang alle 2 Tage ein neuer Reaktor
- → 2.3 Mio Tonnen nachgewiesener Reserven;
 1 TWh benötigt 22 Tonnes Uran
- → entspricht bei 10 TW einem Jahr Energie
- → Alle terrestrischen Ressourcen liefern 10 Jahre Energie





Why no company insures the nuclear power plants?



Solar Energy Distribution in Europe







Solar Energy Distribution in USA





History of Solar Energy by John Perlin







EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE DE 1878.



Vue générale de mon grand appareil exposé au Trocadéro, en 1878, (Annexe de l'Exposition Algérienne).









SOLAR POWER

LIQUID AIR

MECHANICAL POWER, HEAT, LIGHT, ELECTRICITY, REFRIGERATION AND FERTILIZERS

FROM SUN HEAT AND AIR

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AN

EXHIBITION RUN

OF THE

FIRST PRACTICAL SOLAR ENGINE

AT 3400 DISSTON STREET

TACONY, PHU/ADELPHIA, PA.

ANY CLEAR AFTERNOON BETWEEN TWELVE AND THREE P. M. DURING THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

PLEASE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT AND SAY WHEN YOU WILL COME

FRANK SHUMAN

TACONY, PHILADELPHIA, AUG. 20TH, 1907







A STEAM ENGINE OPERATED BY THE SUN'S HEAT AT FACTORY, PHILADELPHIA, AUGUST, 1907. Frank Shuman, Inventor.







Solar Stirling Engines



McDonnell Douglas/Southern of California California Edison 25 kW dish/Stirling system. The 944 square foot concentrator consists of 82 spherically curved glass mirrors each 3 foot by 4 foot. The United Stirling 4-95 Mark II engine (4 cylinders of 95 cc displacement) uses hydrogen as the working pressure at a maximum gas pressure of 2900psi.. This engine delivered 25kW output at 1000W/m2 insolation.





THE SUN'S ENERGY: FUEL UNLIMITED



THREE INVENTORS exhibited last week a small metal box slatted with black, glassy strips. Raw materials for the strips come from sand and borax. But the strips-silicon thinly seeded with boron-turn sunlight into electricity, may provide more power than all the world's coal, oil, uranium. The inventors:

Calvin S. Fuller, 52, chemist. Daryl M. Chapin, 47, engineer. Gerald L. Pearson, 49, physicist. The three men worked as a team at Bell Telephone Laboratories, where all went from college a quarter century ago. Mr. Fuller found how to make the strips, Mr. Pearson put in electronics knowledge, Mr. Chapin put the pieces together.

Secret of the Bell solar battery is electronic activity much like that in a photographer's light meter, but much more powerful. The sun's energy causes rapid movements of electrons in the silicon strips. The



Photos: Bell Laboratories



movements create voltage, become direct-current electricity that can be kept in storage batteries.

A pocket-size sun battery will send radio signals several miles. The Bell company foresees first uses as power for mobile radio telephones and to charge batteries for rural telephone systems. The Defense Department is highly interested. Engineers are dreaming of silicon-strip powerhouses. The future: limitless.




Small Molecular Organic Solar Cells







Tang Patents in KODAK



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3.038.874 6/1962 Laske et al 260/42	A photovoltaic element featuring a photoconductive			
3.057.947 10/1962 Calvin et al	composition comprising an electrically insulating			
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11 Claims, No Drawings

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An ultrafast e^{-} transfer occurs between Conjugated Polymer / Fullerene composites upon illumination. The transition time is less than 40 fs. The Internal Quantum efficiency of charge generation is therefore ~100%.



Direct observation of the C60 orientations

Frequency shift signal obtained at constant current mode, Ap-p = 48 pm



44 Hz

-87 Hz



Courtesy of Thilo Glatzel









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United States Patent [19	9] [11]	Patent Number:	5,331,183	
Sariciftci et al.	[45]	Date of Patent:	Jul. 19, 1994	

- [54] CONJUGATED POLYMER ACCEPTOR HETEROJUNCTIONS; DIODES. PHOTODIODES, AND PHOTOVOLTAIC CELLS
- [75] Inventors: N. S. Sariciftci; Alan J. Heeger, both of Santa Barbara, Calif.
- The Regents of the University of [73] Assignee: California, Oakland, Calif.
- [21] Appl. No.: 930,161
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15 Claims, 3 Drawing Sheets

structures as photodiodes and as photovoltaic cells.



Sariciftci Heeger Patents at UCSB



We claim as our Invention:

- 1. A heterojunction device comprising
- a. a layer of a conjugated polymer which serves as a donor, and adjacent thereto, a
- b. layer of an acceptor material comprising an acceptor selected from the group consisting of the group of fullerenes, substituted fullerenes, fullerene derivatives, polymers comprising fullerenes or substituted fullerenes or of organic or polymeric acceptors having electronegativity in the range to enable a photoinitiated charge separation process defined



- 3. A heterojunction device comprising
- a conjugated polymer which serves as a donor, and adjacent thereto,
- b. an acceptor material comprising an acceptor selected from the group consisting of fullerenes or fullerene derivatives, polymers comprising fullerenes or fullerene derivatives, organic and or polymeric acceptors having electronegativity in the range to enable a photoinitiated charge separation where
 - donor (D) and acceptor (A) units are either covalently bound (intramolecular), or spatially close but not covalently bonded (intermolecular);
 - "1,3" denotes singlet or triplet excited states, respectively,
 - and where a heterojunction between the conjugated polymer and acceptor material is formed in situ by controlled segregation during solidification from a solution containing both the donor and the acceptor moieties.

Birth of Bulk Heterojunction, 1992



Color Variations: Band Gap Engineering









Are our concepts working?





1.) Light absorption

- 2.) Exciton diffusion
- 3.) Photoinduced electron transfer (exciton dissociation)
- 4.) Charge carrier transport (charge carrier recombination)
- 5.)Charge carrier collection at the electrodes (interface engineering)



Photon Harvesting











E.G. Wang, et al., Appl. Phys. Lett. 2008, 92, 033307.



A. J. Heeger, M. Leclerc, et al. *Nature Photonics*, 2009, 3, 297 (**1: 6.1%**)



[Yingping Zou, M. Leclerc*, et al., J. Am. Chem. Soc., 2010, DOI: 10.1021/ja101888b]



Table 1 Solar cell parameters of devices based on the three different polymers.								
	LUMO	номо	$V_{\rm oc}$ (V)	$J_{\rm sc}$ (mA cm ⁻²)	FF (%)	PCE (%)		
						Best	Ave	
PBDTTT-E	-3.24	- 5.01	0.62	-13.2	63	5.15	4.8	
PBDTTT-C	-3.35	- 5.12	0.7	-14.7	64.1	6.58	6.3	
PBDTTT-CF	-3.45	- 5.22	0.76	-15.2	66.9	7.73	7.4	

LUMO, lowest unoccupied molecular orbital; HOMO, highest occupied molecular orbital; FF, fill factor, PCE, power conversion efficiency.

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Photon Harvesting Problem



Incident Photon to Electron Conversion efficiency:



By low band gap materials we are loosing the green-blue region





Tandem Solar Cells









1.) Light absorption (interface effects !)

2.) Exciton diffusion

3.) Photoinduced electron transfer (exciton dissociation)

4.) Charge carrier transport / recombination

5.)Charge carrier collection at the electrodes (interface engineering)



Diffusion versus Drift Effects



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Comparing organic to inorganic photovoltaic cells: Theory, experiment, and simulation

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FIG. 3. A cartoon illustrating the difference in charge-carrier generation mechanisms in conventional (a) and excitonic (b) solar cells. In conventional solar cells (a), electrons and holes are photogenerated together where ever light is absorbed. Therefore, the photoinduced chemical-potential-energy gradient $\nabla \mu_{hv}$ (represented by arrows) drives both carrier types in the same direction. In the excitonic cell (b), however, electrons are photogenerated in one phase while holes are generated in the other via interfacial exciton dissociation. Carrier generation is simultaneous to, and identical with, carrier separation across the interface in OPV cells; $\nabla \mu_{hv}$ therefore drives electrons and holes in opposite directions.

The general kinetic expression for the one-dimensional current density of electrons $J_n(x)$ through any device is usually expressed as¹

$$J_n(x) = n(x)\mu_n \nabla U(x) + kT\mu_n \nabla n(x), \qquad (1)$$

where n(x) is the concentration of electrons, μ_n is the electron mobility (not to be confused with the chemical potential energy μ), and k and T are Boltzmann's constant and the

ing force. Thus, ∇U can be ≈ 0 , for example, and a highly efficient solar cell can be made based wholly on $\nabla \mu_{h_v}$. This is how dye-sensitized solar cells (DSSCs) function, ^{19,32} in which the mobile electrolyte permeating the cell eliminates the internal electric fields (see below). In solid-state OPV cells without mobile electrolyte, both ∇U and $\nabla \mu$ must be taken into account.



Schematic Band Diagram





Metal-Insulator-Metal (MIM) picture implies the field of assymetric metal electrodes (All interface effects neglected!)



Band Models









A measure of the internal electric field in the device









A measure of the internal electric field in the device



Lungenschmied et al., 2006



Electroabsorption Studies







ITO/PEDOT-PSS/MDMO-PPV/Metal

100 K Electroabsorption Vac = 1V @590nm probed

Lungenschmied et al., 2006









ITO/PEDOT-PSS/MDMO-PPV/LiF/A1



MDMO-PPV mixed with 1% C60



ITO/PEDOT-PSS/MDMO-PPV/LiF/Al

ITO/PEDOT-PSS/MDMO-PPV+1% PCBM/LiF/A1

Built-in field is reduced by nearly 0.8 V upon addition of 1% PCBM into MDMO-PPV

C. Lungenschmied, G. Dennler, H. Neugebauer, N.S. Sariciftci, E. Ehrenfreund Applied Physics Letters 89 (2006), 223519



Internal field is reduced by nearly 1 V upon addition of 1% PCBM into MDMO-PPV



C. Lungenschmied, G. Dennler, H. Neugebauer, N.S. Sariciftci, E. Ehrenfreund Applied Physics Letters 89 (2006), 223519





Internal field in P3HT diodes is nearly independent to LiF insertion



ITO/PEDOT-PSS/P3HT/A1

ITO/PEDOT-PSS/P3HT/LiF/Al

Measured @ 640nm and 77 K SCHOTTKY JUNCTION FORMATION IS PROBABLE IN P3HT DIODES !

C. Lungenschmied (2006)



Schottky Junction in P3HT Devices ?







Band Models









Origin of the Open Circuit Voltage Voc









Voc vs LUMO of Acceptor
















Nanomorphology of the donor-acceptor composites



Bulk Heterojunction Device Structure



Rene Janssen et al, 2004



Morphology Effects-TEM Studies





Nanomorphology Effects-SEM Studies (2005)



Harald Hoppe et al. Adv. Func. Mater. 14, (2004) 1005,



A 2-3 fold increase of the IPCE and short circuit current was observed by S.E. Shaheen et al.* due to the change from toluene to chlorobenzene as solvent, while by AFM measurements a decrease in the surface roughness was detected.









Property Optimization











D-A block copolymers



^a Symbols: G, glassy; S, smectic; N, nematic; I, isotropic.



PCE = 1.50%Voc = 0.87 V; Isc = 4.49 mA/cm2; FF = 0.38

[Y. H. Geng, et al., *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 2009, *131*, 13242–13243]







Di-block copolymer miscelle formation encapsulating fullerenes.

S. Jenekhe, & Chen, *Science* **279**, 1903 (1998)



Both donor *and* acceptor phases have to be percolated !!!





The ideal double-cable polymers...





The double-cable concept









What is the next challenge in

Organic Solar Energy Conversion?

Solar energy into chemical energy







INTERFACE BETWEEN CO2 REDUCTION AND RENEWABLE ENERGY CREATION CO2 EMISSIONS RENEWABLE CLIMATE CHANGES **ENERGIES RECYCLE CO2 !!! CREATE FUEL**

Future recycling of CO2 as important mission of renewable energies





INTERFACE BETWEEN CO2 REDUCTION AND RENEWABLE ENERGY CREATION

Renewable energies such as solar photovoltaic or wind energy have instabilities that can not be controlled in time domain.

creating synthetic fuels will solve this problem

10-20 billion tons of CO2 is coming from burning fossil fuels including coal for making electricity.

- ► Local high sources of CO2
- Can be combined with renewable energy for recycling
- ► CO2 can be much easier transported in gas pipelines than H2

Binding CO2 away from emissions will bring increasingly more macroeceonomic load (Kyoto, Seweso etc, payments)
▶ Recycling CO2 will be ecenomically attractive



Natural Photosynthesis







Recycling of CO₂

Over 90 % of emitted CO_2 isgeneratedbyenergyproducts.

To convert back CO₂ to fuels hydrogen or energy is required.





One promising field in this direction is the **photochemical**

Or electrochemical reduction of carbon dioxide using solar light







RECYCLING CO2



Methanol as carrier and storage of energy

a.) Methanol can be mixed to gasoline

b.) Methanol is used in fuel cells

c.) Methanol is starting chemical for Many other derivatives

George Olah, Nobel Prize 1994 Univ. of Southern California, USA George A. Olah, Alain Goeppert, G.K. Surya Prakash **WILEY-VCH**

Beyond Oil and Gas: The Methanol Economy







Electrochemical reduction of CO₂

• Excess electric energy can be conveniently used for the catalysed reduction of CO_2 in water to afford alcohols and/or C_n -hydrocarbons :

storage of electricity!

- Such use of excess electric energy can play a key role in the short term for the conversion of CO_2 into fuels implementing a significant recycling of carbon.
- The use of **solar energy** for CO₂ reduction in water is a key issue for the medium term: a substantial recycling of carbon could be performed.





 $1.\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3^{2+}$ (bpy = 2,2'-bipyridine) as both photosensitizer and catalyst

- 2. $\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3^{2+}$ as the photosensitizer and another metal complex as the catalyst
- 3. $ReX(CO)_3(bpy)$ (X = halide or phosphine-type ligand) or a similar complex as both photosensitizer and catalyst
 - 4. $\operatorname{Ru}(\operatorname{bpy})_3^{2+}$ or $\operatorname{Ru}(\operatorname{bpy})_3^{2+}$ -type complex as the photosensitizer in micro-heterogeneous systems
 - 5. A metalloporphyrin as both the photosensitizer and the catalyst
- 6. Organic photosensitizers with transition-metal complexes as catalysts
 - 1."Photochemical carbon dioxide reduction with metal complexes" E. Fujita, Coord. Chem. Rev. 1999







Coupling Chemistry and Biotechnology $CO_{2 aq} \rightarrow HCOO^{-}$ Formate dehydrogenase

• HCOO⁻ \rightarrow H₂CO

Formaldehydedehydrogenase

• $H_2CO \rightarrow CH_3OH$

Methanoldehydrogenase

- NAD⁺/NADH is the source of energy .
- Key issue : how to reverse the NAD +/NADH couple after oxidation ?
- Use of chemical systems for solar light harvesting and conversion





Scheme of the enzymatic reduction of CO₂



Reaction conditions

Solution buffered at pH 7

T = 37 °C P = 1 atm





4 mL of solution of Sodium Alginate 2% (m/ In deionized water

1.6 mL TEOS

1 mL solution

F_{ato}DH (10.0 mg) F_{ide}DH (10.0 mg) ADH (10.0 mg)

In buffer TRIS-HCI 0.1 M (pH 7)

Michele Aresta, Bari, Italy

Drop by drop addition in 20 mL CaCl₂ 0.2 M+TESO

Sol-gel-formation time 30 min

Filtration

Washing with water







1.) Electrochemical Reduction: Use of "mediators" needed

Process	U/ V	∆G0/ kJ mol-1	Energy for 1 mol of MeOH/ kJ mol-1
NADH Electrolysis	-1,136	219,2	657,6
Water Electrolysis	-1,23	237,5	712,5



Cp*Rh(bpy)_{ox}

 Mediator: Rh-Complex (0,024mmol I⁻¹)

- 50 mmol Phosphate buffer pH=7 (100ml total volume)
- Potentiostatic
- -750 mV on a graphite electrode (A= 3,11cm²)
- approximately 18h
- NAD+ at start: 0,4mmol I⁻¹

erature: Hildebrandt et al., Adv.Synth.Cat. 2008, 350, 909-918

Trefflinger, Oppelt, 2009



Reduction of NAD+ to NADH Electrochemical Reduction of NAD+ with [Cp*Rh(bpy)H₂O]²⁺



Trefflinger, Oppelt, 2009





Photochemical Reduction of NAD+ to NADH

Homogeneous photocatalysts



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