Metal-Organic Decomposition-Mediated Nanoparticulate Vanadium Oxide Hole Transporting Buffer Layer for Polymer Bulk-heterojunction Solar Cells

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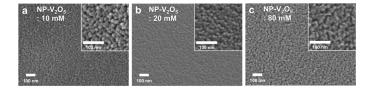


Figure S1. SEM images of NP-V₂O₅ films prepared by using various concentrations of PEG (a) 10 mM, (b) 20 mM, and (c) 80 mM.

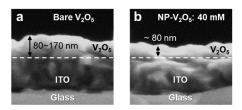


Figure S2. Cross-section SEM images of (a) bare V₂O₅ and (b) NP-V₂O₅ prepared using 40 mM PEG.

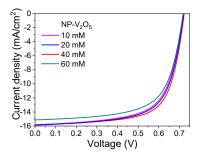


Figure S3. Photocurrent density-voltage curves of the OSCs with NP-V₂O₅ HTL prepared using various concentrations of PEG from 10 mM to 80 mM.

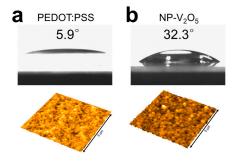


Figure S4. Contact angle and AFM images of water droplets (12 μ L) on the surface of (a) PEDOT:PSS and (b) NP-V₂O₅ films prepared using 40 mM PEG.

Table S1. Summary of the device performance parameters.

Devices ^{a,b}	Voc (V)	J _{sc} (mA/cm ²)	FF (%)	PCE (%)
PEDOT:PSS	0.734	14.95	68.09	7.47
	(±0.01)	(±0.02)	(±0.11)	(±0.09)
Bare V ₂ O ₅	0.562	10.06	20.70	1.24
	(±0.54)	(±4.58)	(±9.24)	(±1.09)
NP-V ₂ O ₅	0.725	15.79	66.47	7.55
(10 mM PEG)	(±0.07)	(±0.04)	(±0.24)	(±0.22)
NP-V ₂ O ₅	0.723	15.84	67.12	7.68
(20 mM PEG)	(±0.04)	(±0.02)	(±0.18)	(±0.19)
NP-V ₂ O ₅	0.723	15.81	69.01	7.89
(40 mM PEG)	(±0.05)	(±0.03)	(±0.15)	(±0.11)
NP-V ₂ O ₅	0.717	15.10	66.04	7.15
(80 mM PEG)	(±0.13)	(±0.37)	(±0.41)	(±0.52)

^a The cell area was determined by using an aperture of area 11.43 mm². The aperture was placed on top of the cell (of approximately 15 mm²). These area values were carefully characterized with a video microscope (Sometech, SV-35). ^b The average values were obtained from 10 devices for each condition.