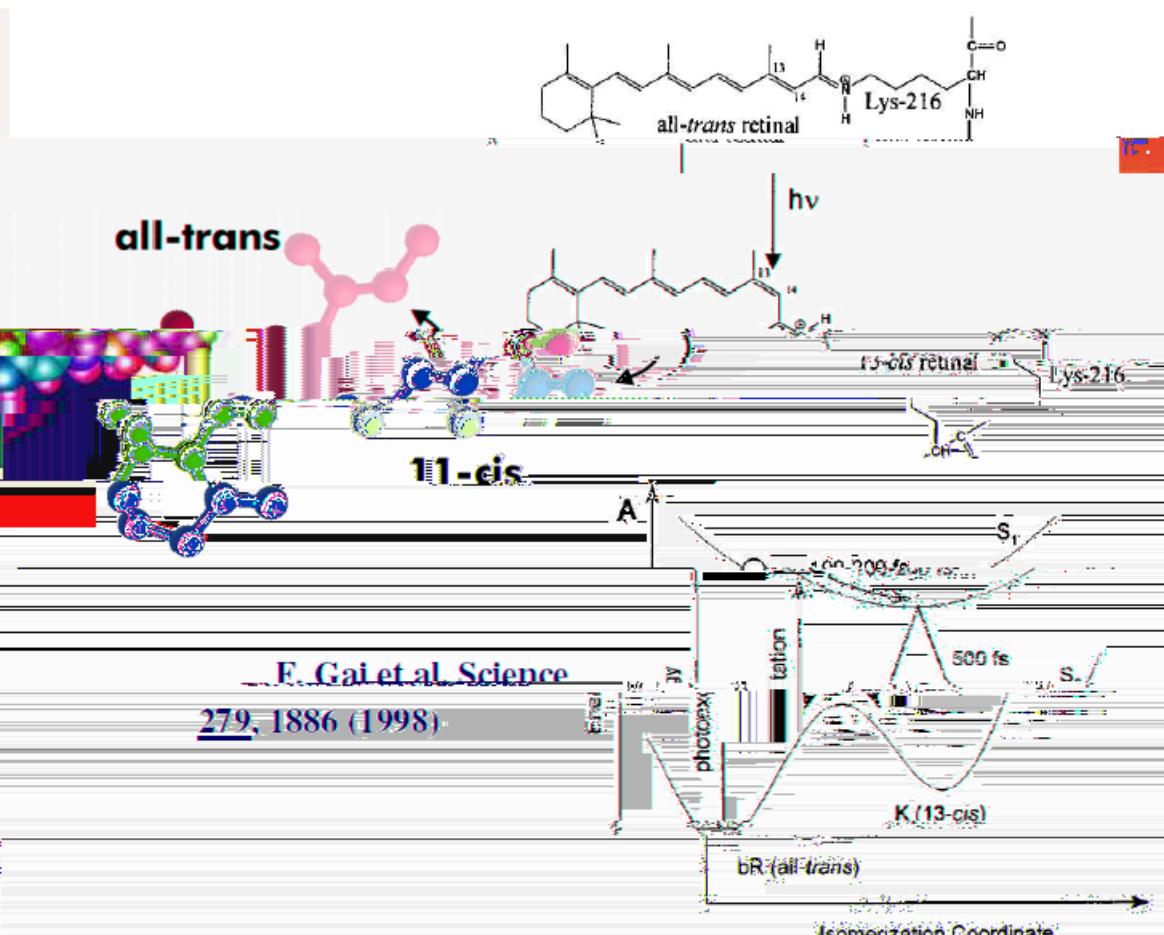
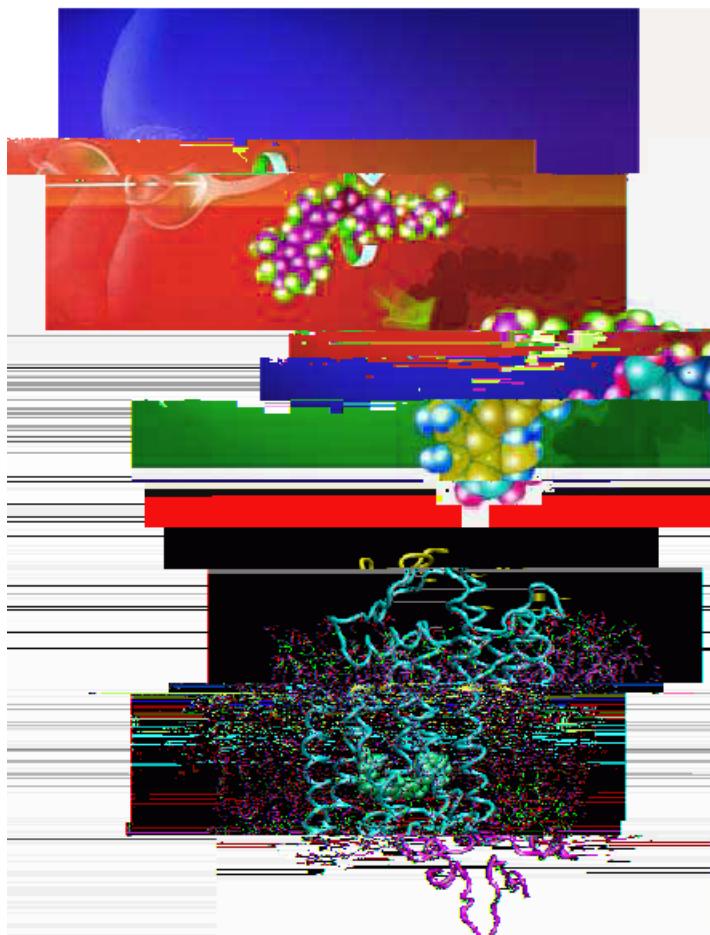


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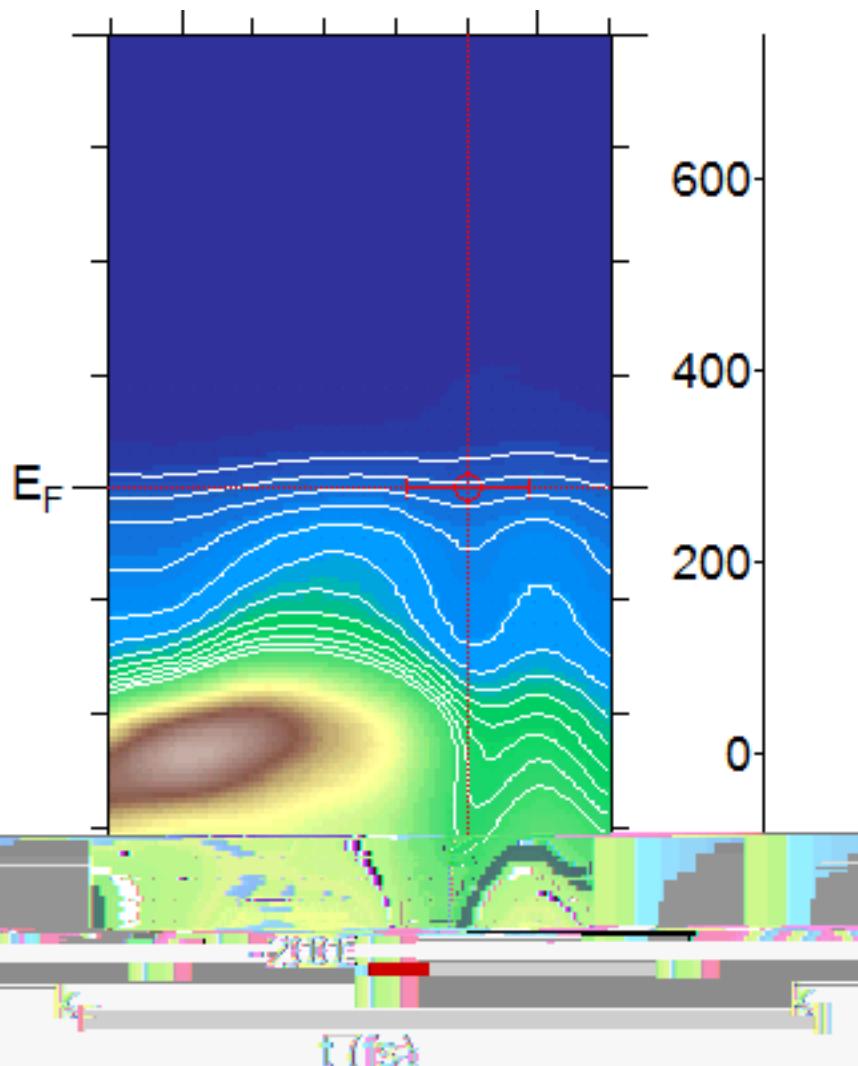


# First-principles contribution to understanding the vision process. Photoisomerization processes in retinal and other bio-photoreceptors



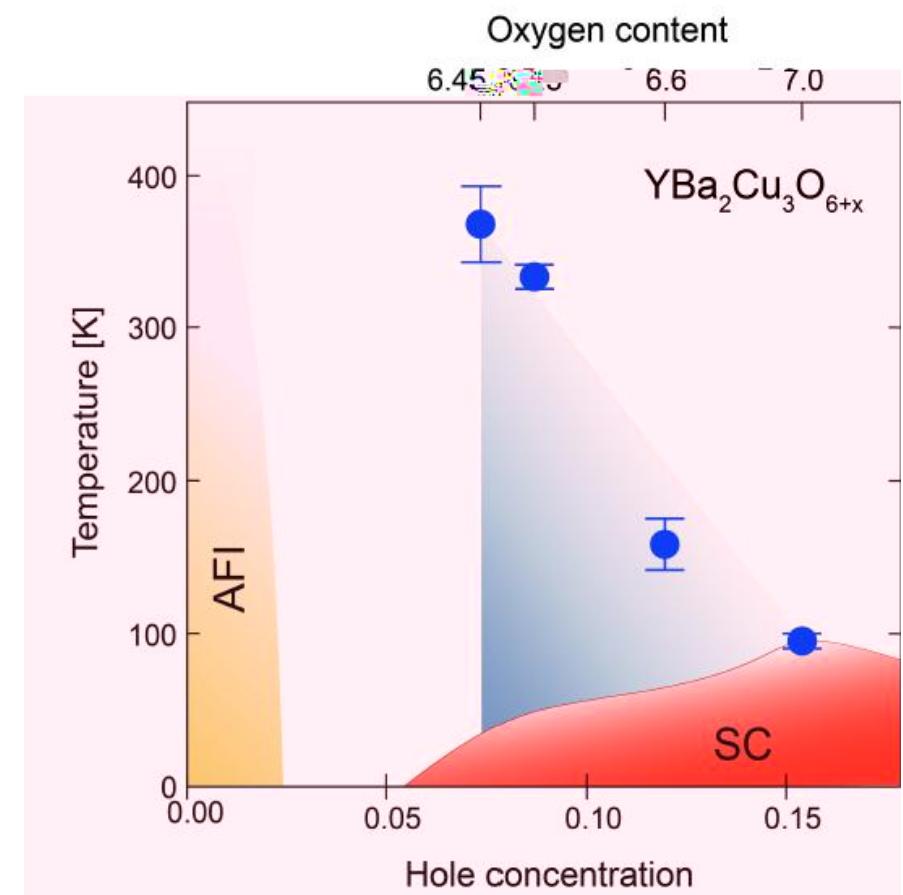
# Experimental Observations

TR-ARPES



Schmitt *et al.* Science 321, 1649 (2008)

Light-driven superconductor @RT



Cavelleri *et al.* PRB 89, 184516(2014);Nature (2014)

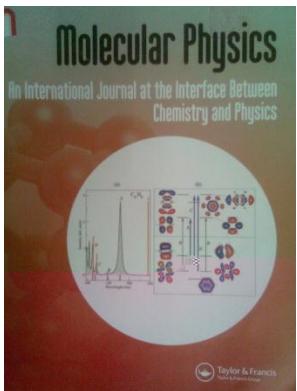
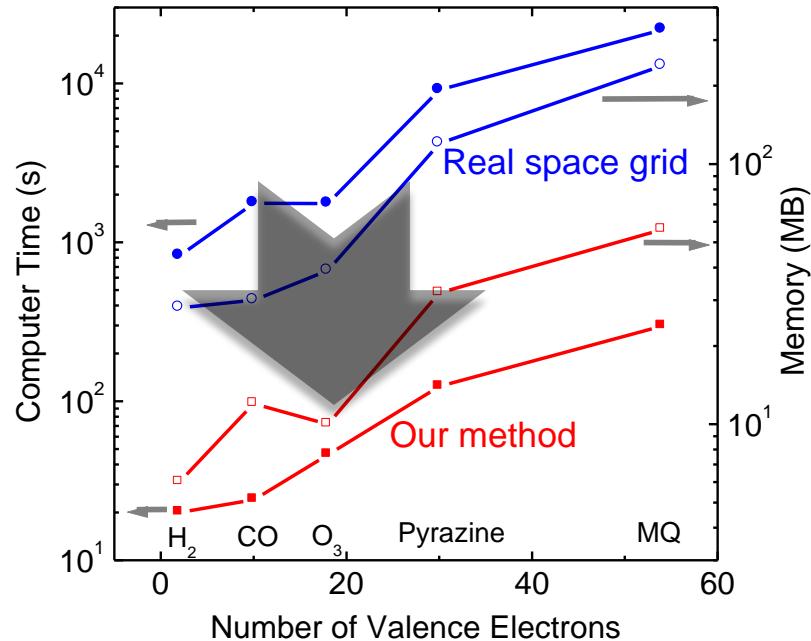
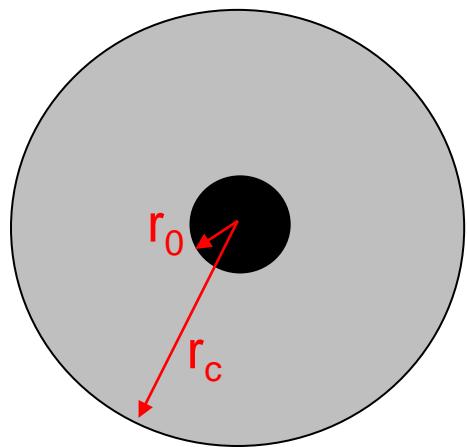


$$M_J \frac{d^2 \mathbf{R}_J^{cl}(t)}{dt^2} = -\nabla_{\mathbf{R}_J^{cl}} \left[ V_{ext}^J(\mathbf{R}_J^{cl}, t) - \int \frac{Z_J \rho(\mathbf{r}, t)}{|\mathbf{R}_J^{cl} - \mathbf{r}|} d\mathbf{r} + \sum_{I \neq J} \frac{Z_J Z_I}{|\mathbf{R}_J^{cl} - \mathbf{R}_I^{cl}|} \right]$$

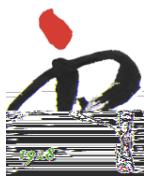


# Computational efficiency

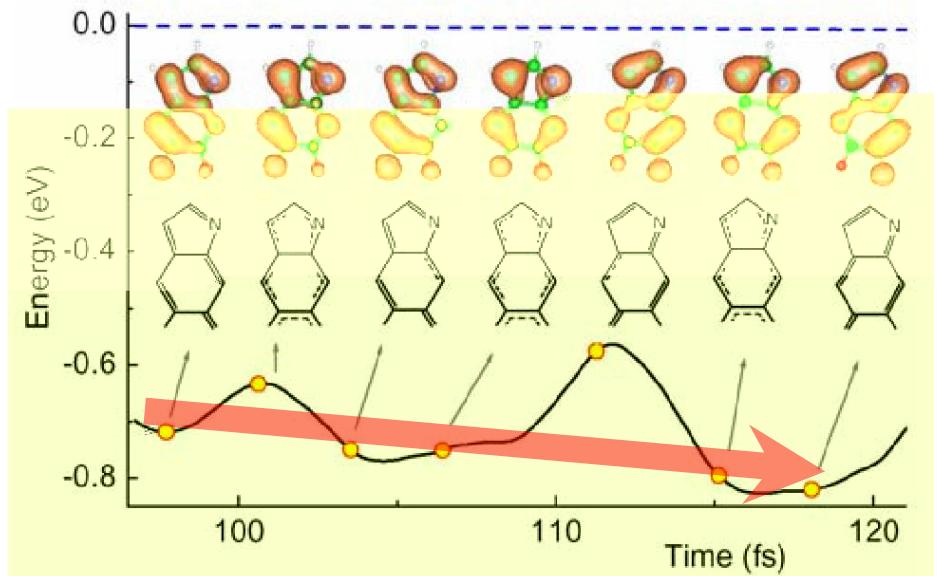
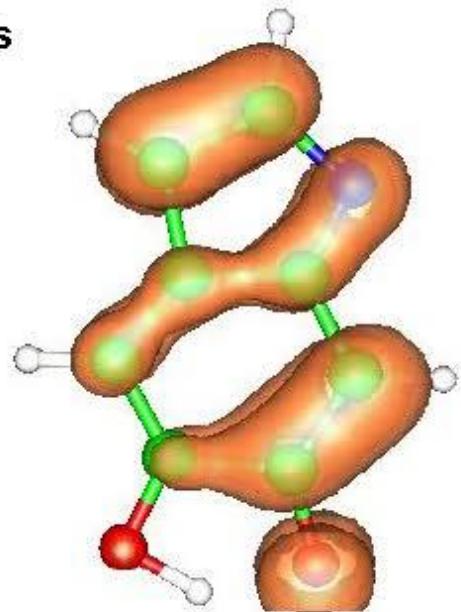
Pseudopotential + Numerical  
atomic orbitals



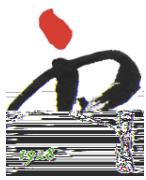
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**J. Ren, E. Kaxiras, S. Meng,  
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Clouds = e density in excited state



I.



# Real time TDDFT for electron-ion quantum dynamics

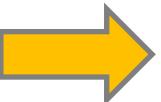
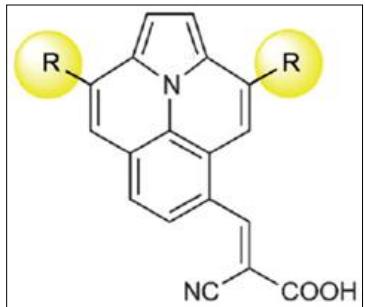
## OUTLINE

- I. Background: building computational tools for excited state dynamics
- II. Photovoltaic applications
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  - interface control in perovskite solar cells
  - electron-hole dynamics in 2D materials heterojunction
- III. Photosplitting dynamics
  - orbital dependent quantum interaction of water
  - photolysis dynamics of H<sub>2</sub>

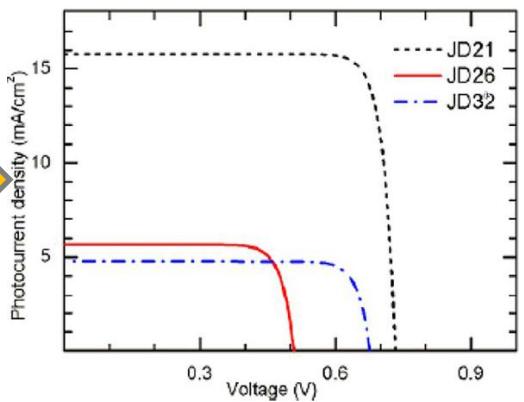


# photovoltaics

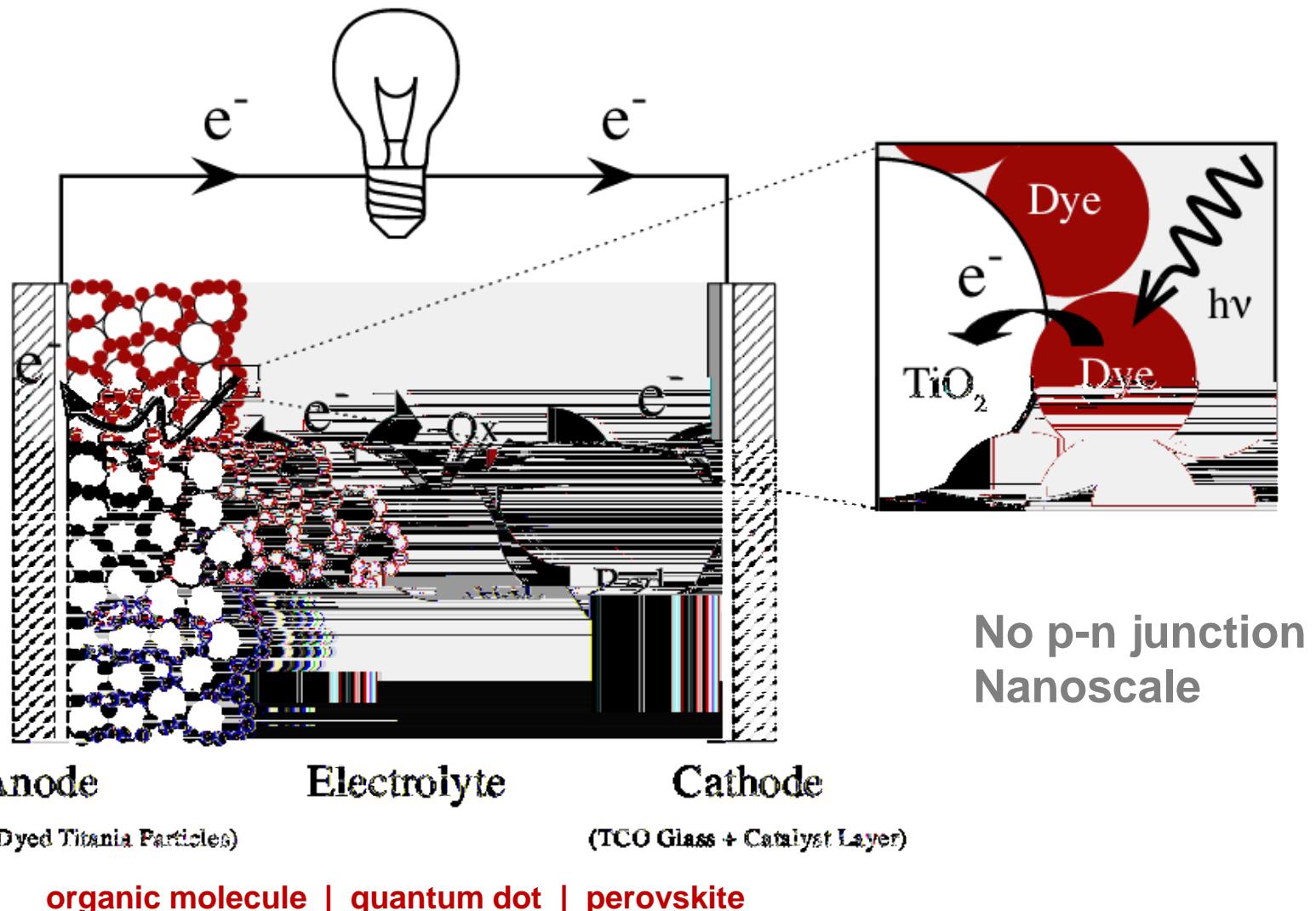
INPUT



OUTPUT



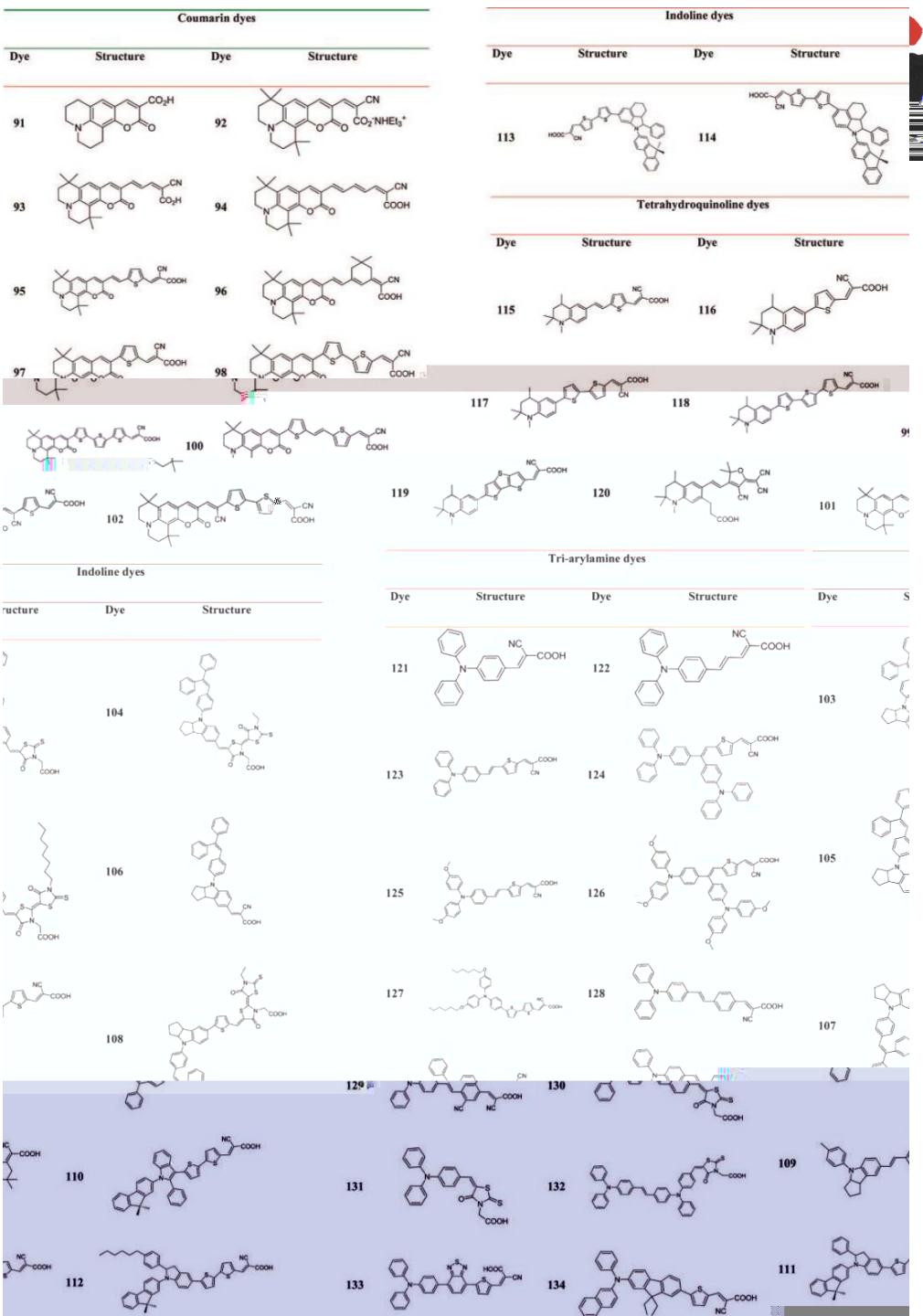
# Dye solar cell: A 3<sup>rd</sup> Generation Solar Cell



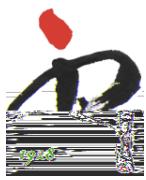
**Molecular Dyes**  
**Metal-based:**  
**Ru B A 5 8**  
**Porphyrin**  
**Phthalocyanine**

**All-organic:**  
**Coumarin**  
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**Triarylamine**  
**Perylene**  
**Squarene**

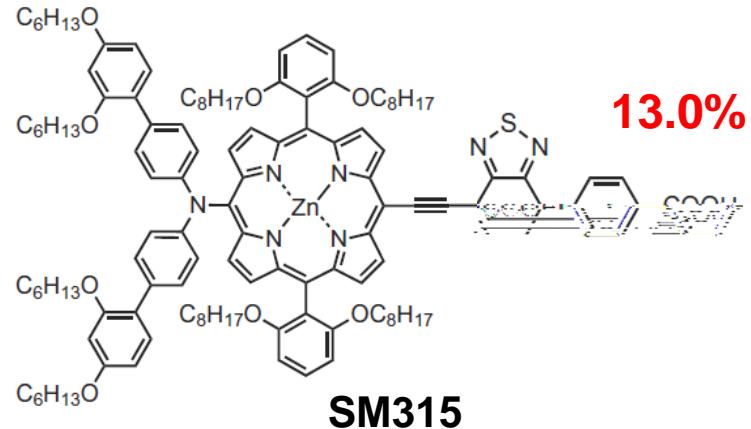
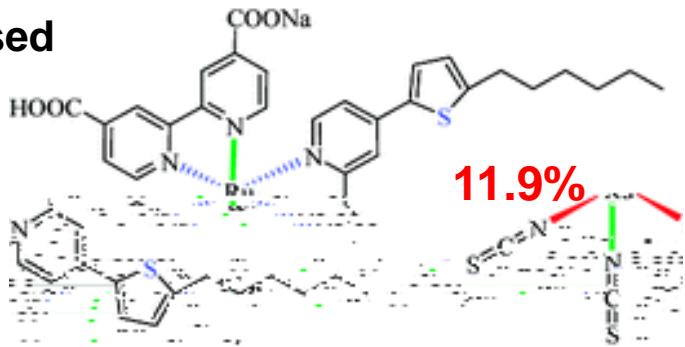
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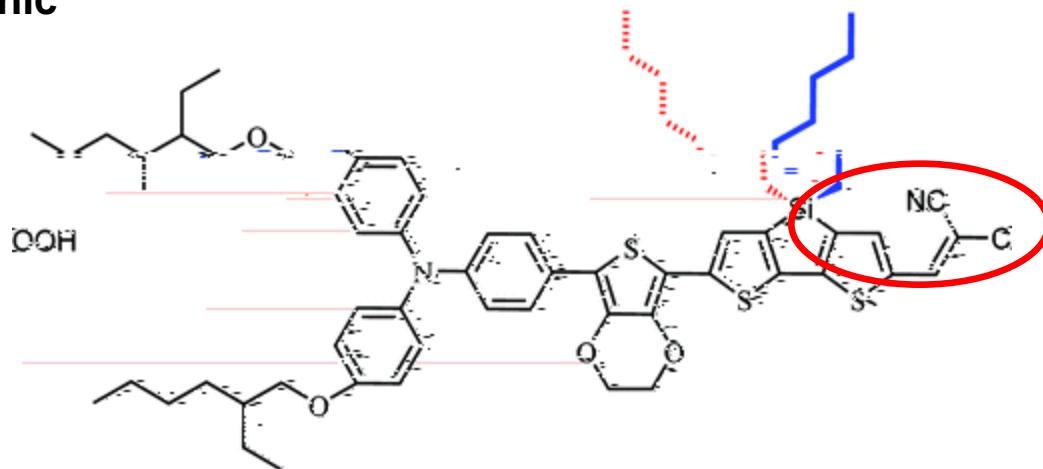
# State of the Art



**Metal-based**  
**C101**



**Organic**  
**C219**

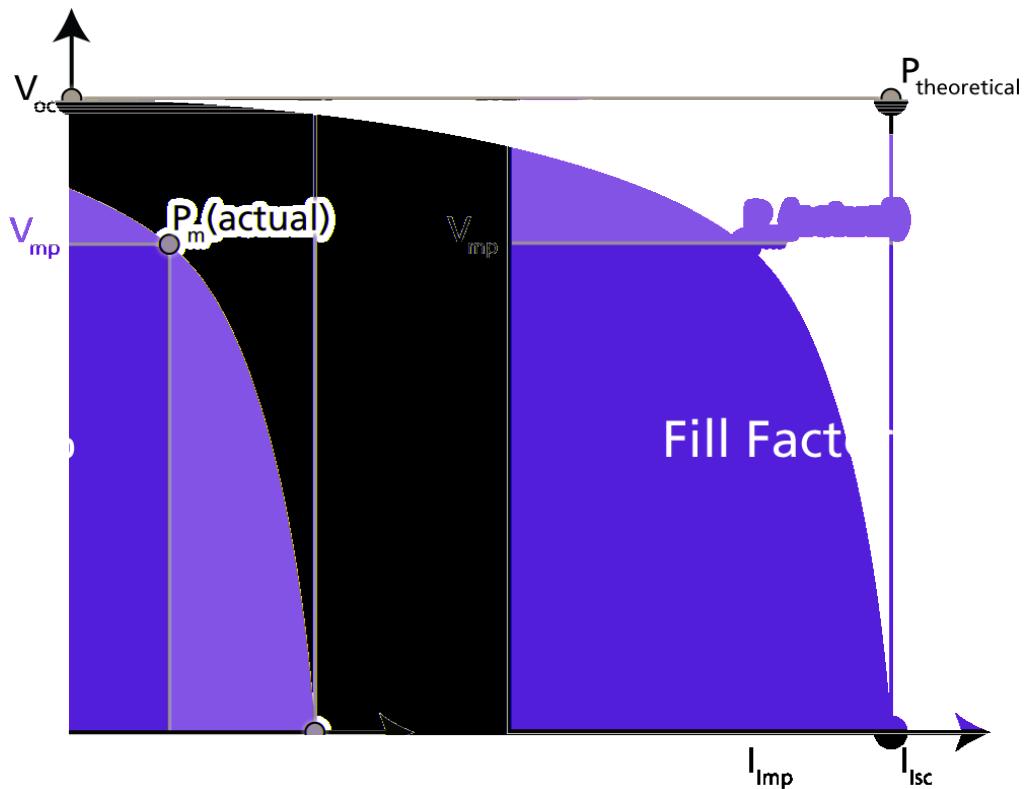


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W. Zeng, et al., Chem. Mater. (2010).  
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# Can we predict DSC efficiency from first-principles?

$$\eta = FF \frac{J_{SC} V_{OC}}{P_{inc}}$$



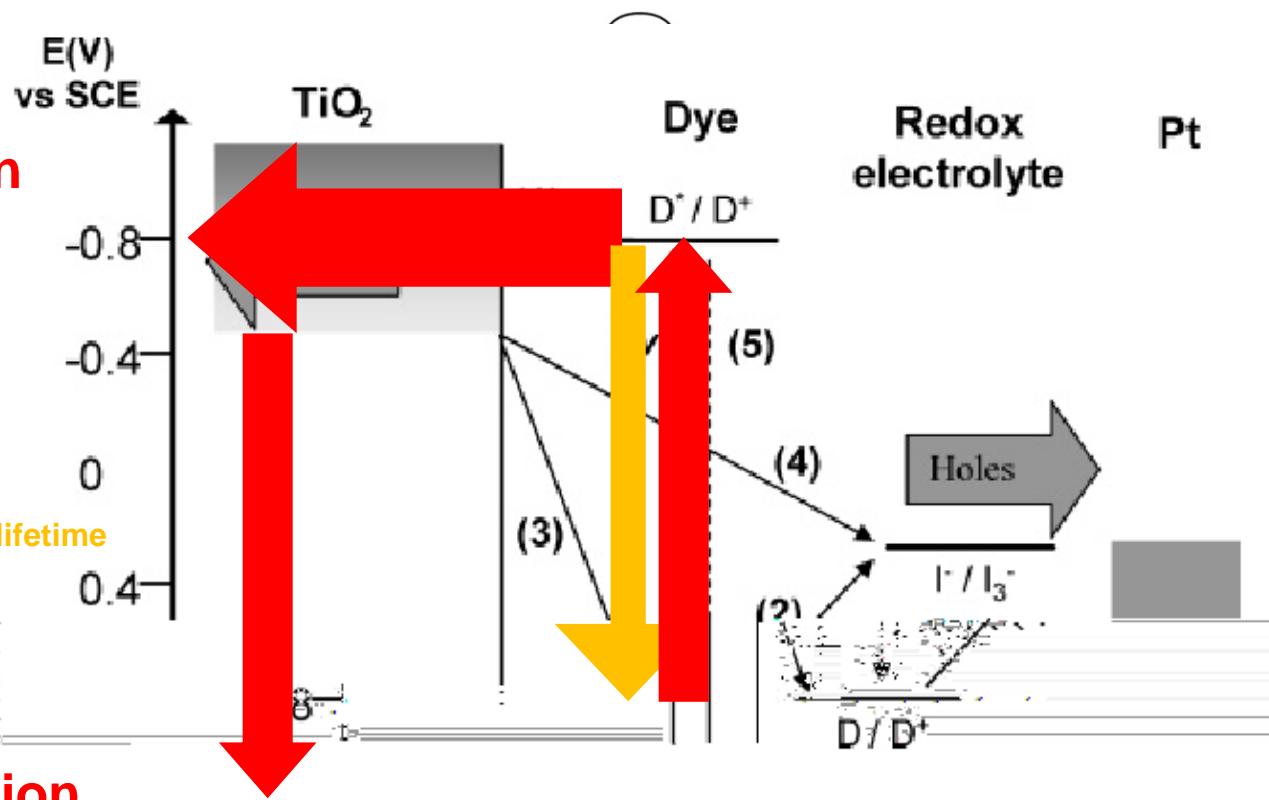
$$V = \frac{k_B T}{q} \ln\left(\frac{J_{sc} - I}{I_s} + 1\right) \quad I_s = \frac{J_{sc}}{\exp(qV_{OC}/k_B T) - 1}$$



## 1. Absorption

## 2. Injection

## 3. Collection /Recombination



Injection: (1),  $10^{-15} \text{ s} \sim 10^{-12} \text{ s}$

Relaxation: (5)  $10^{-12} \text{ s} \sim 10^{-9} \text{ s}$

Collection 5 A:  $10^{-6} \text{ s} \sim 10^{-3} \text{ s}$

Recombination: (3),(4),  $10^{-12} \sim 10^{-3} \text{ s}$

Reduction: (2),  $10^{-9} \text{ s}$

# PANDORA: Predictive algorithms for nano device operation rate assessment



PCE

$$\eta = \left[ J_{SC} : \Phi_{jn} : \eta_b \right]$$

J<sub>SC</sub>

$$LHE: E) \quad \lambda = \int_{-d}^d \rho d(-\rho x) \quad x$$

V<sub>OC</sub>

$$V_{OC} = \frac{kT_B}{\beta'q} \ln \frac{\beta' J_0 s}{kT_B}$$

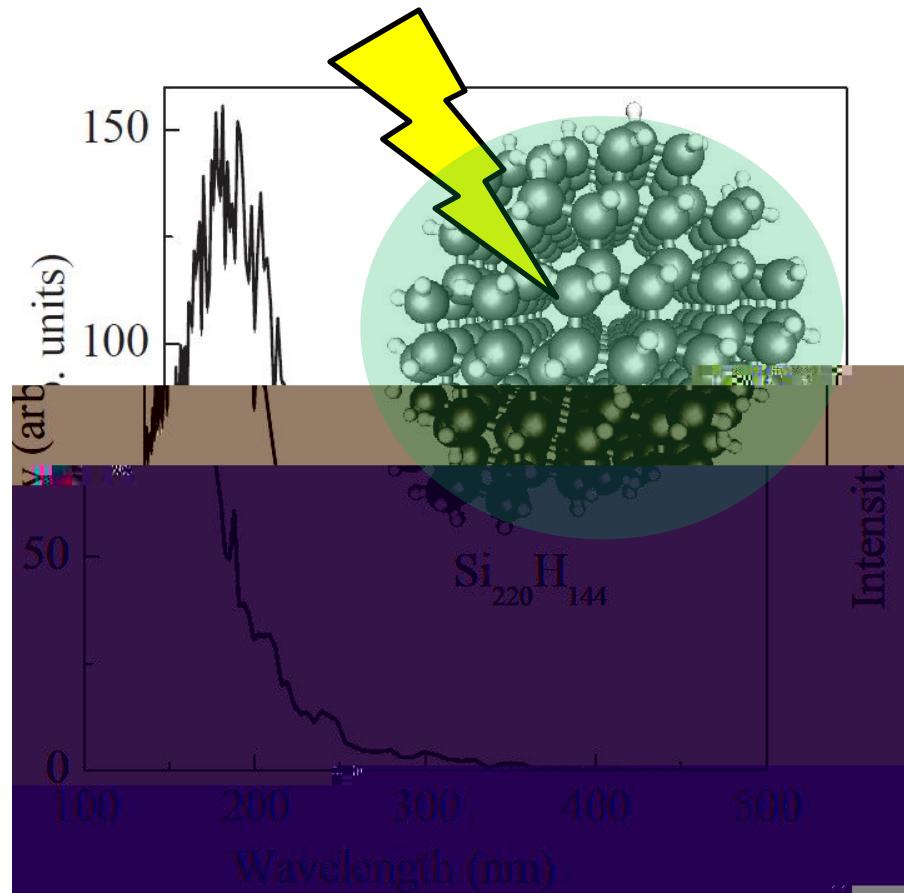
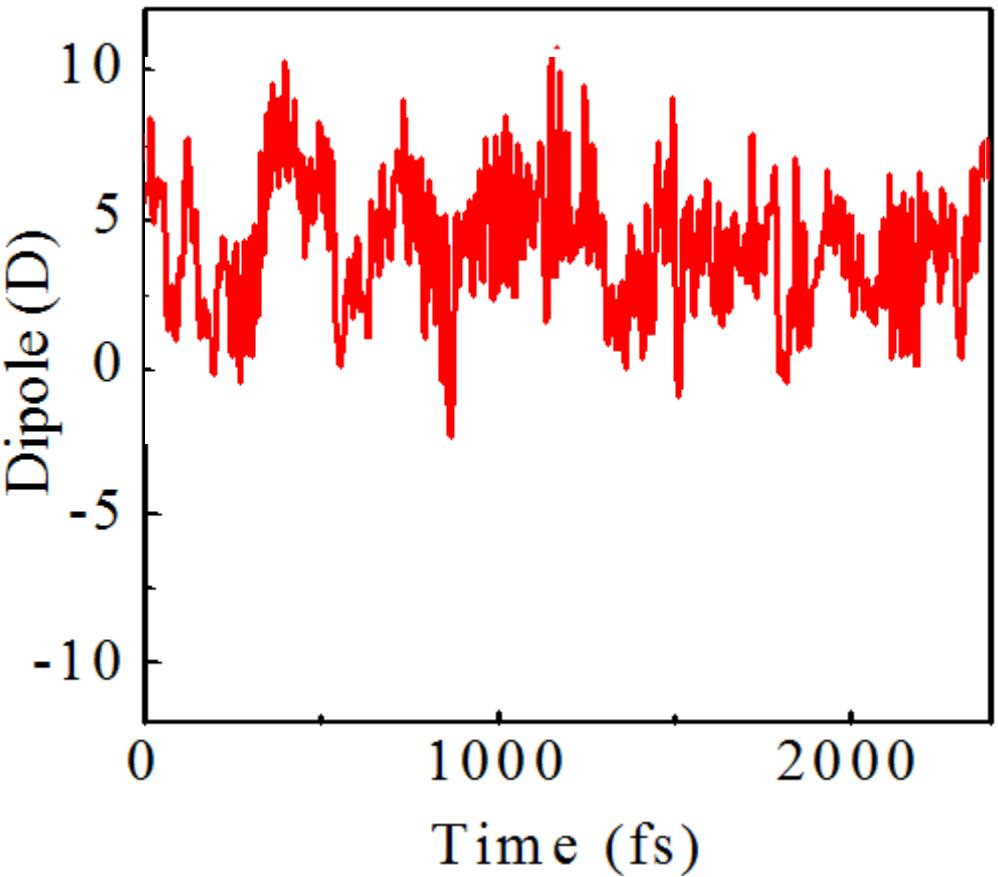
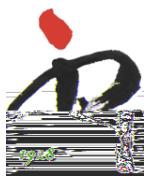
$$R_0 = \frac{\sqrt{\pi \lambda k T_B}}{qd k \gamma e N_s} \left( \gamma \frac{E_{BI} - E}{k T_B} + \frac{\lambda}{4} \right)$$

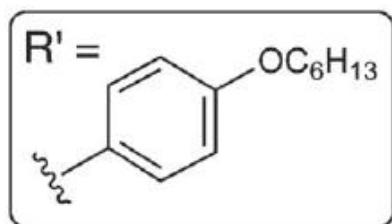
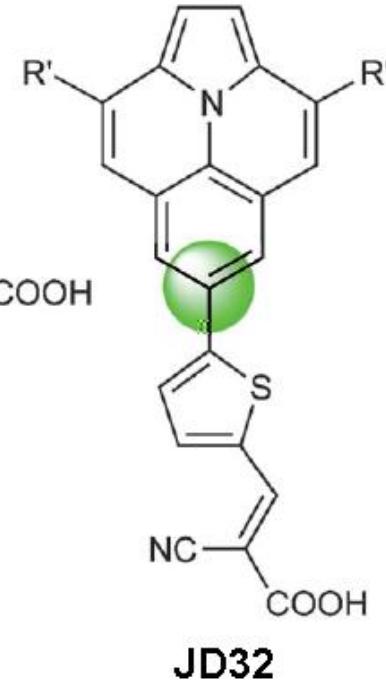
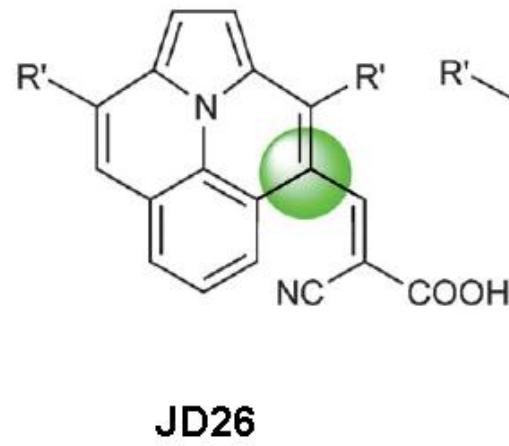
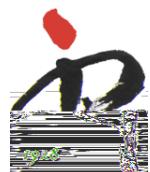
FF

$\longrightarrow$  I-V curve



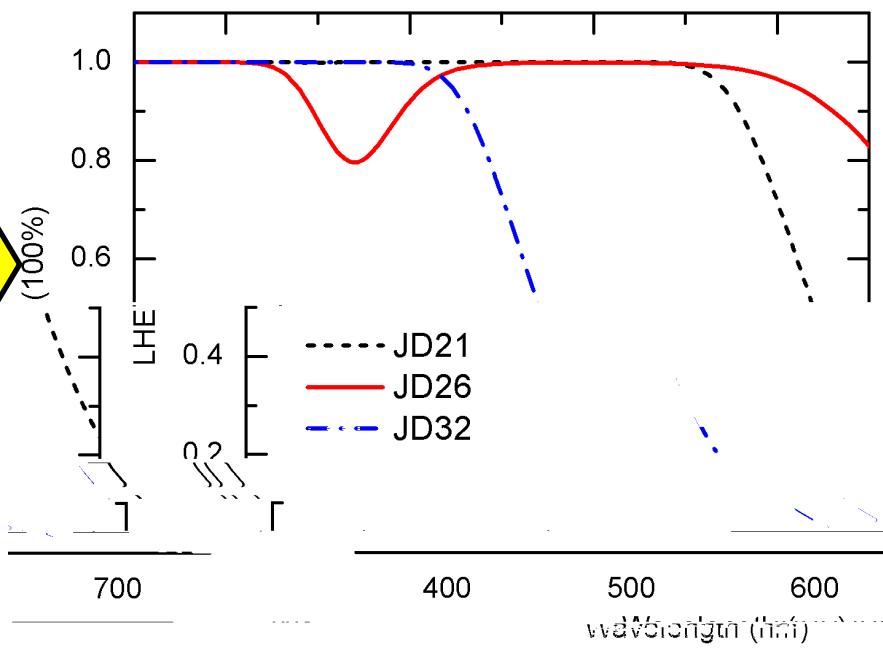
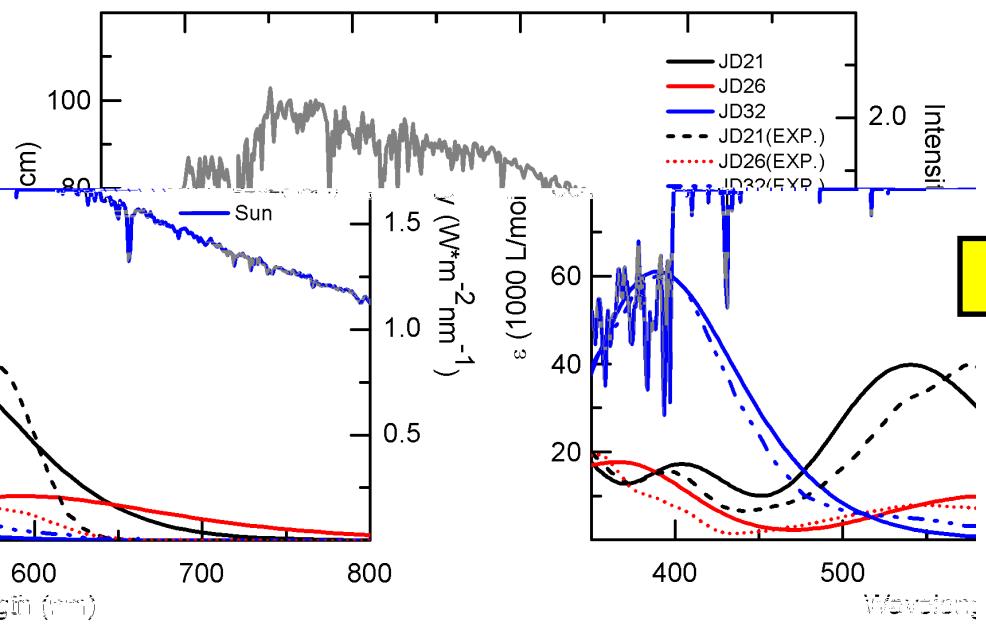
PANDORA





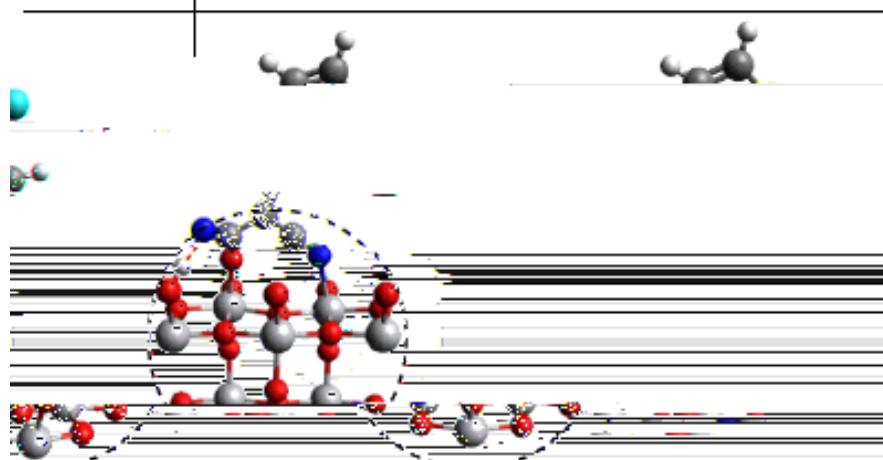
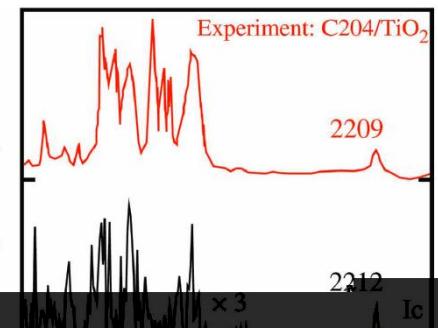


E)  $\lambda = \int \epsilon \rho d(-\epsilon \rho x) x$



TiO<sub>2</sub> film thickness:  $d = 3$   
dye loading: 300 mmol/L



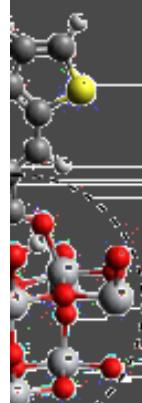


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$\parallel c: 1.426$

$\parallel a: 0.731$  eV

$\parallel b:$



1.233

$\parallel c: 1.010$

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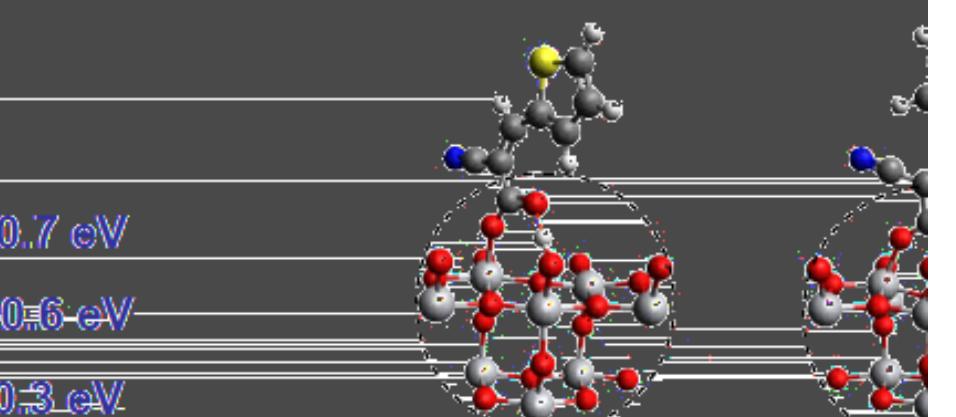
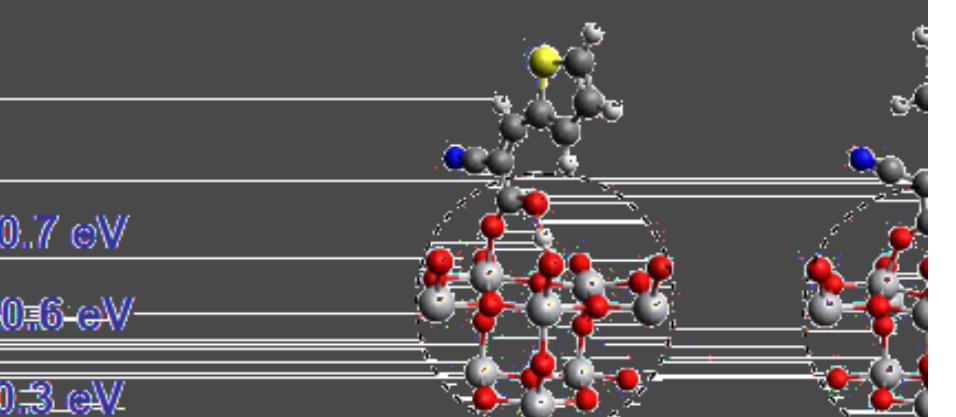
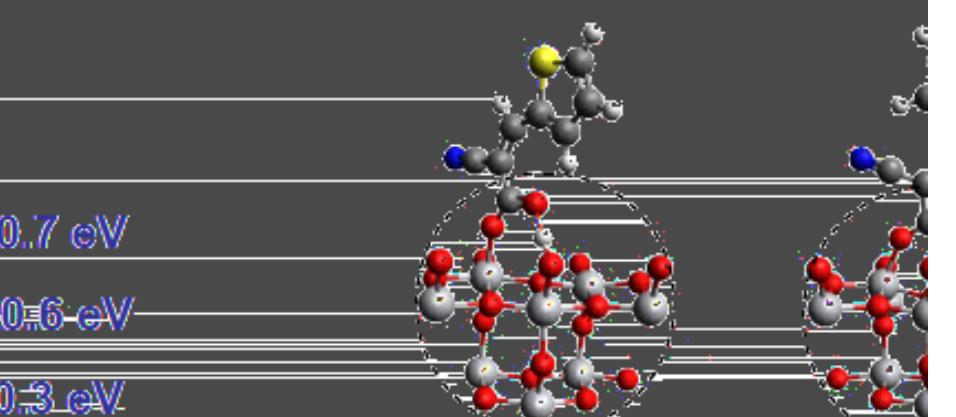
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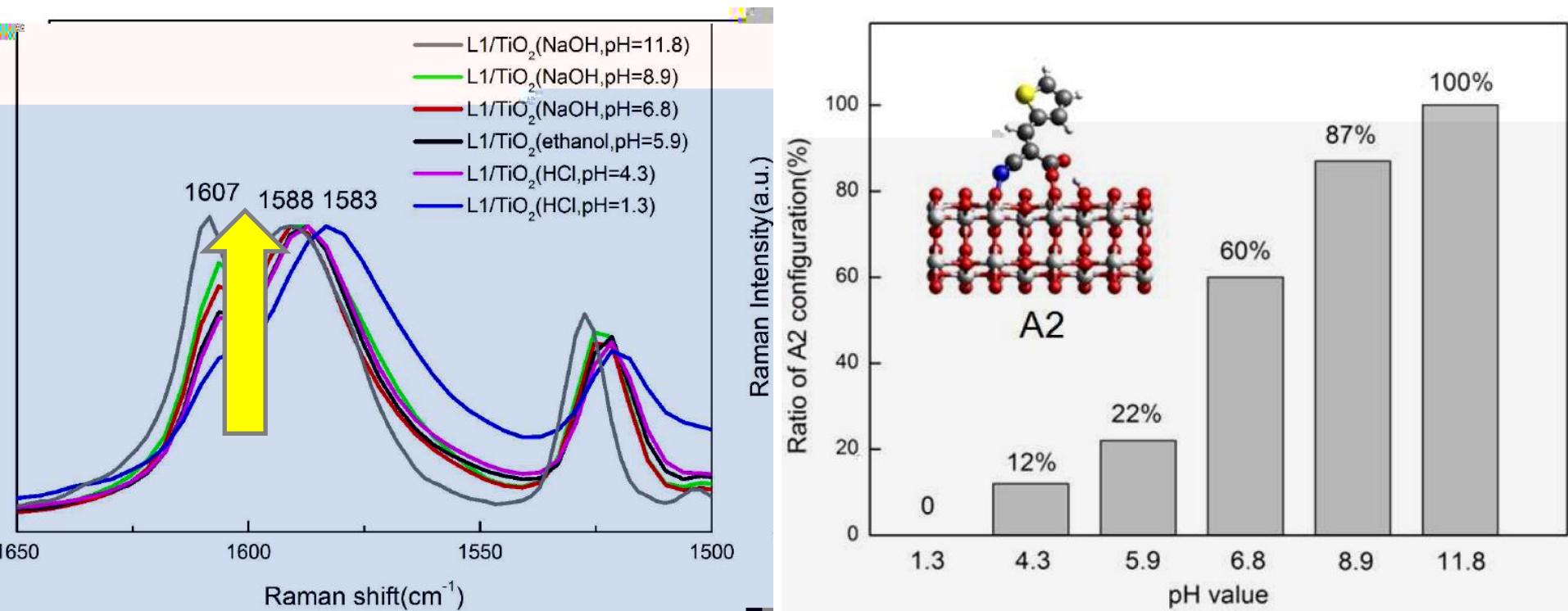
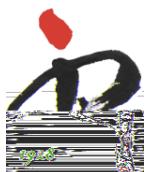
$\parallel b:$

Ti-N: -0.7 eV

Ti-O: -0.5-0.6 eV

H-bond: -0.3 eV

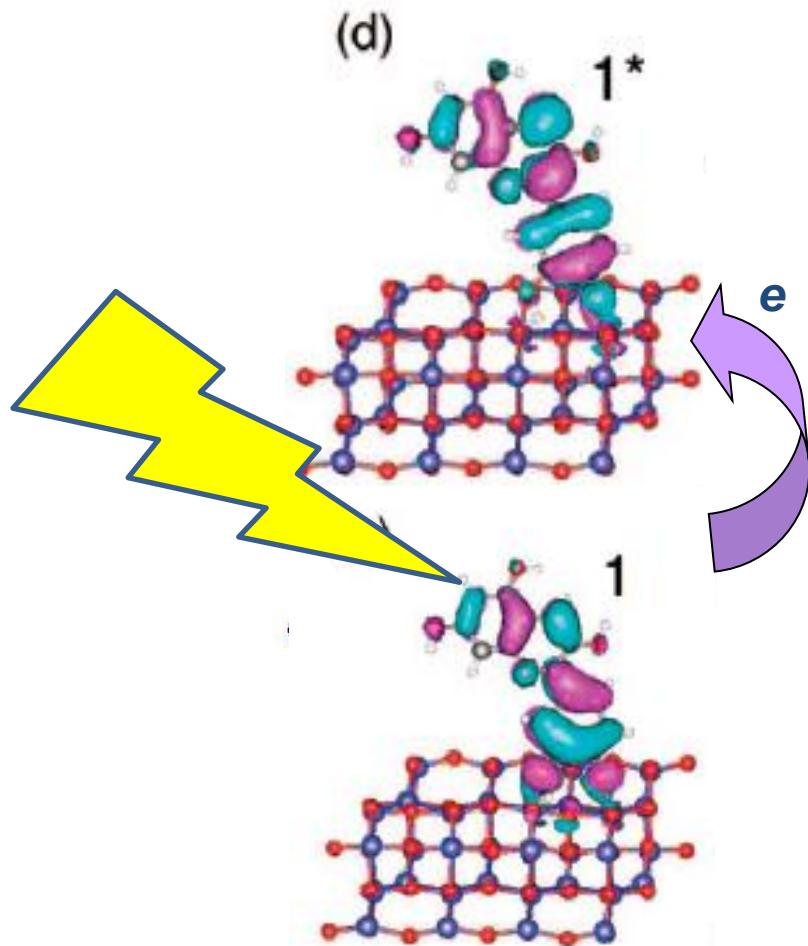




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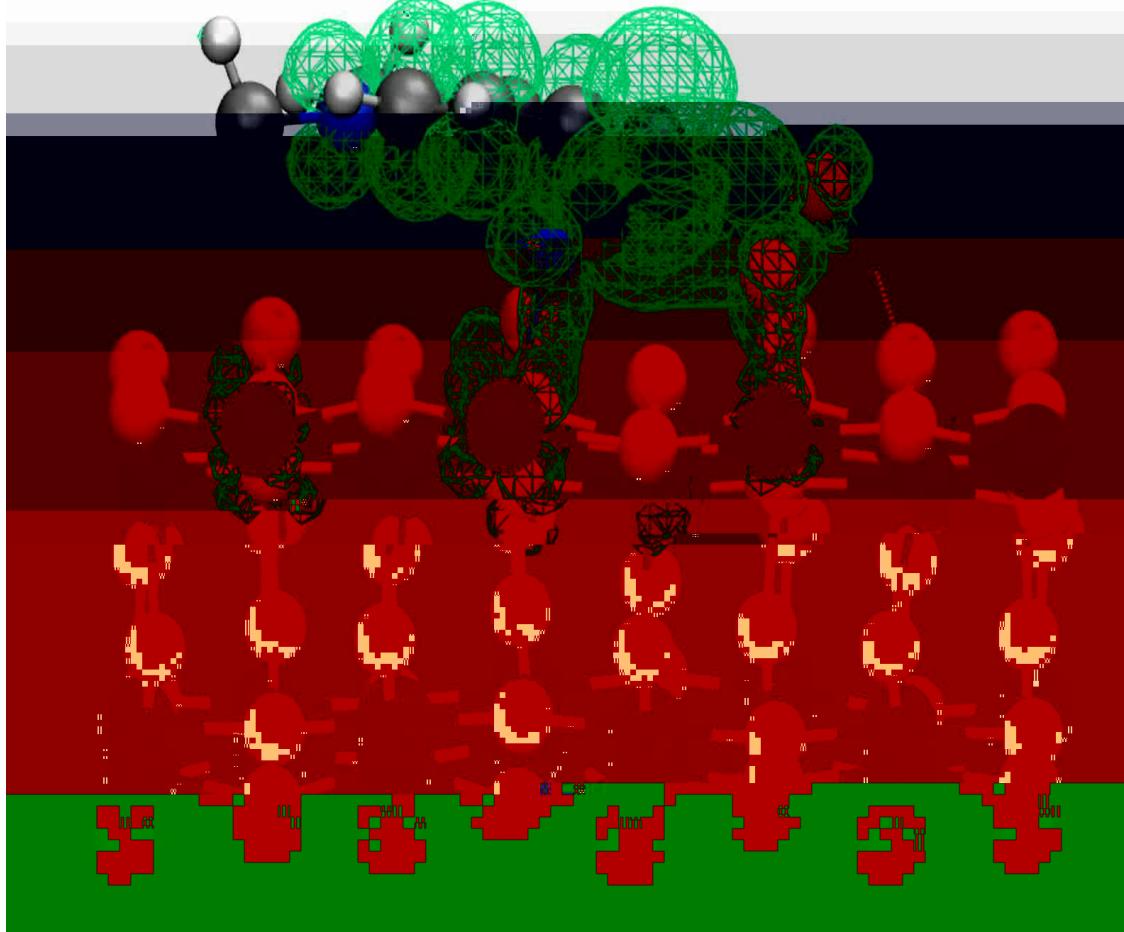
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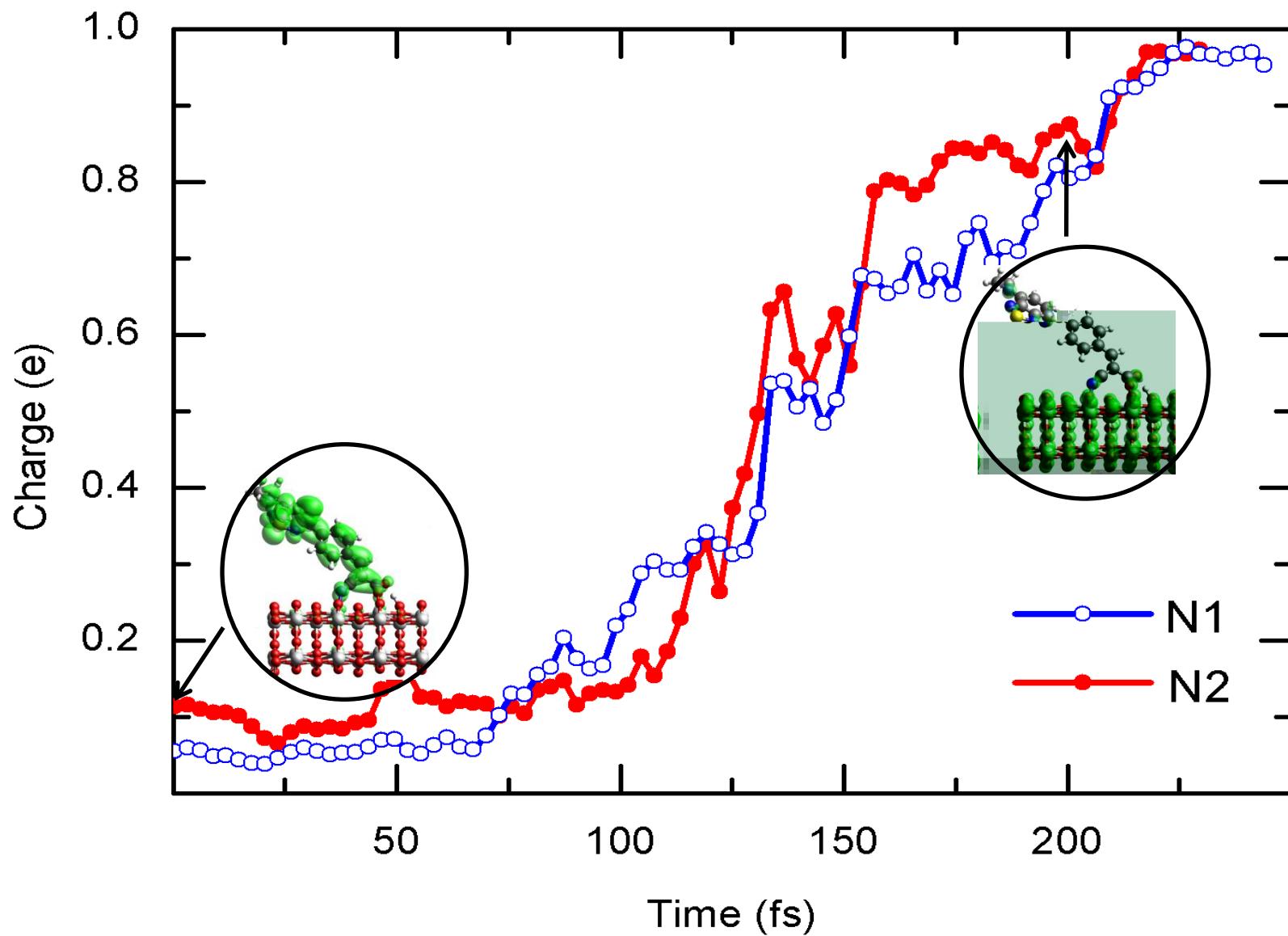




# Electron Injection Dynamics

$t = 5.8 \text{ fs}$

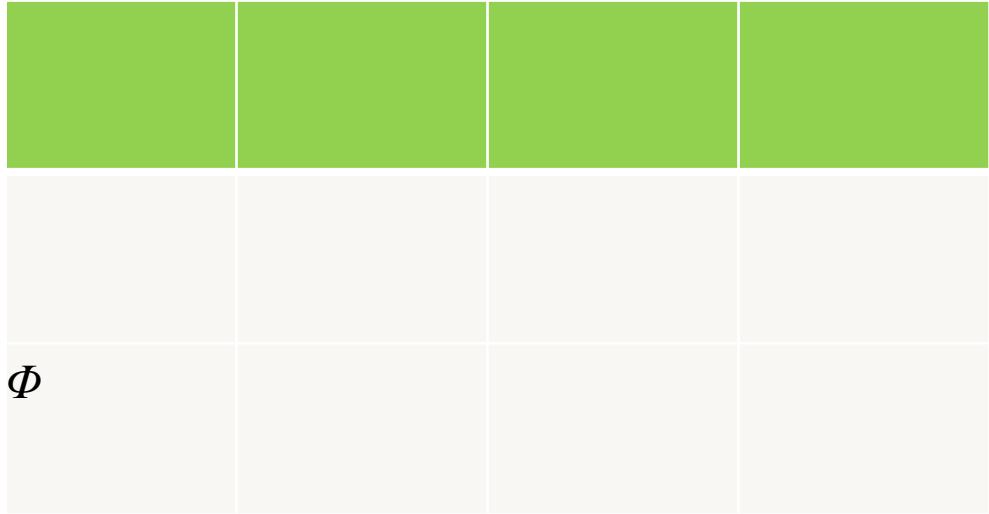
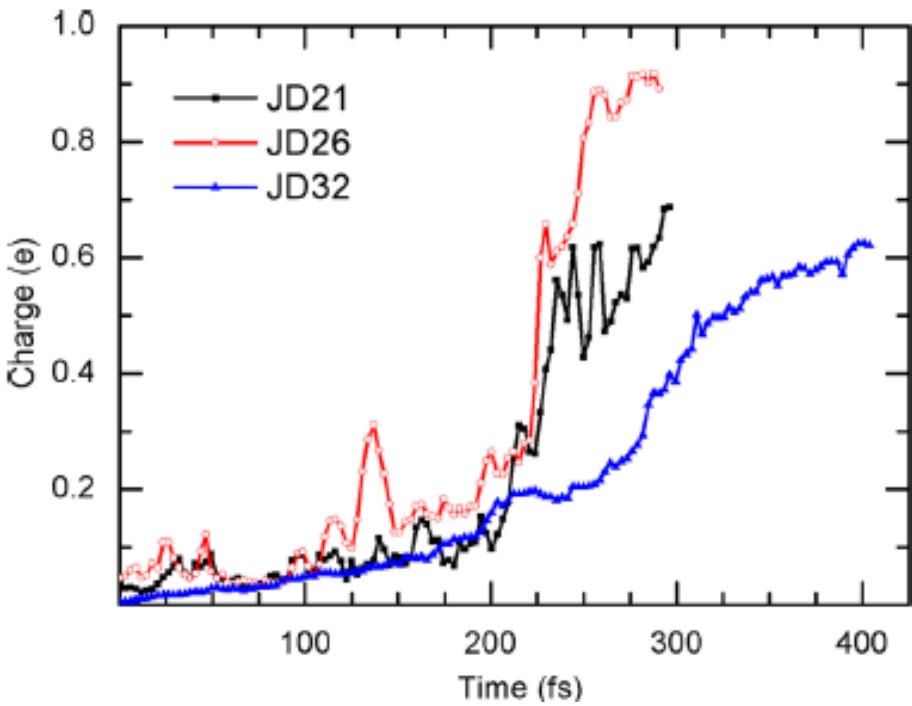






# Electron Injection Efficiency

$$\Phi_{j_k} = 1 \left/ \left( 1 + \frac{\tau_{j_k}}{\tau_{k_p}} \right) \right. , \quad k_p = 0 \quad p \quad (P)$$



Jiao, Zhang, Gratzel, Meng, *Adv. Funct. Mater.* (2013).

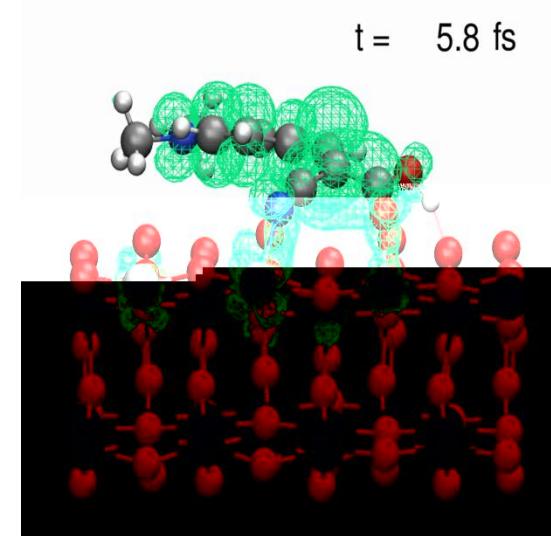
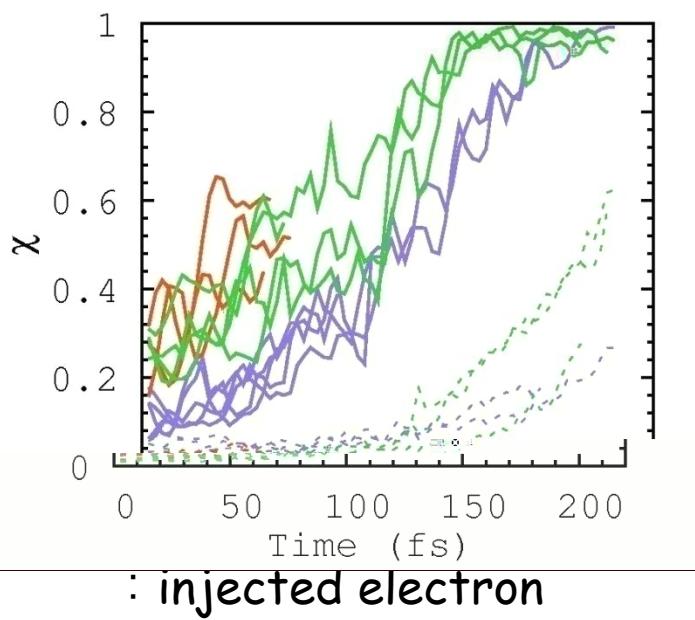
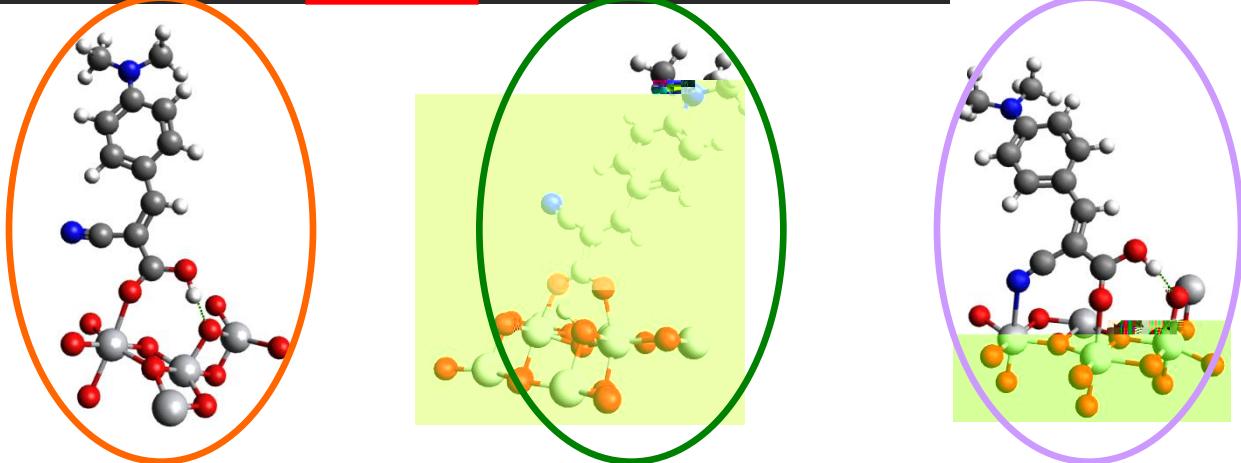
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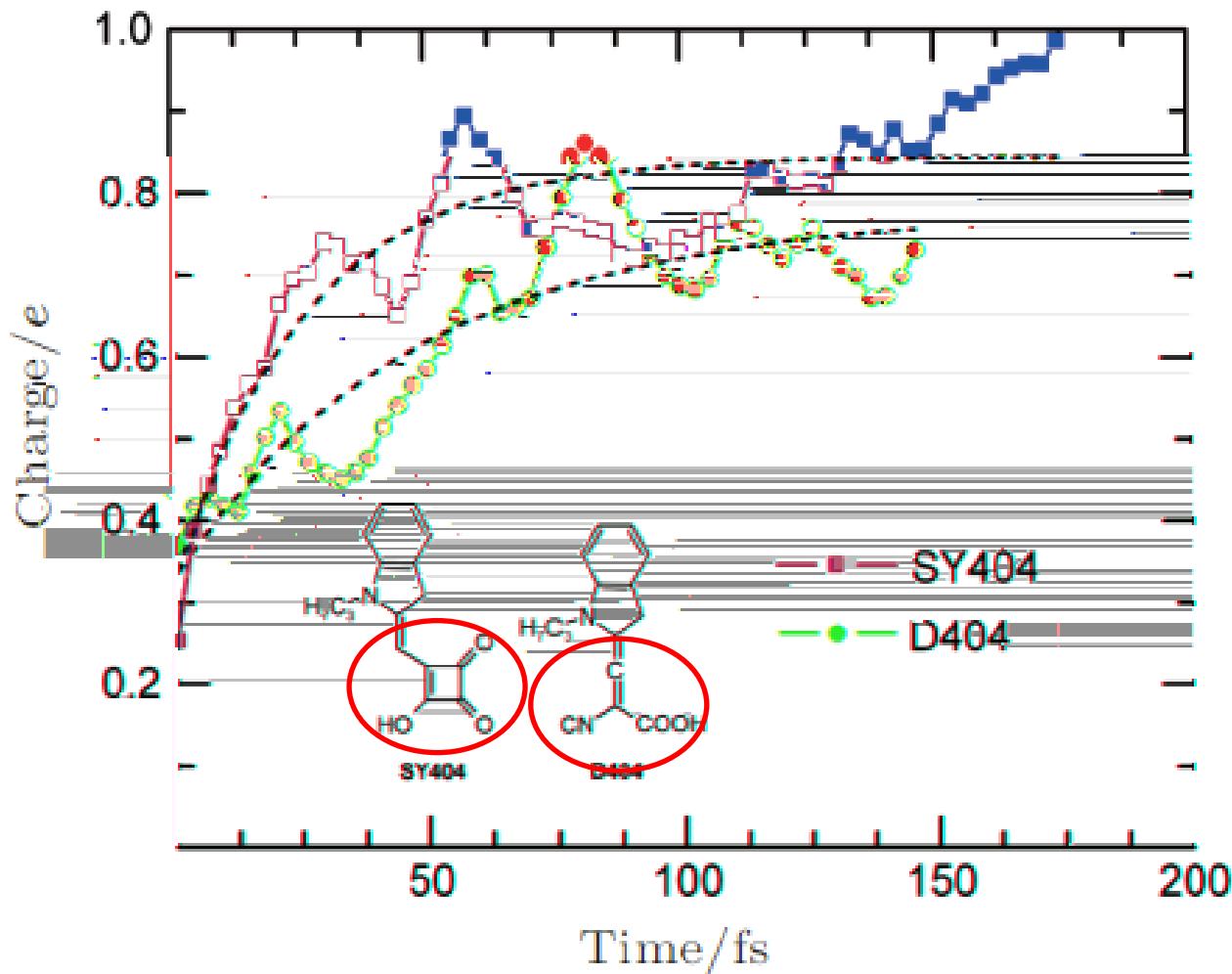
## Structure–Property Relations in All-Organic Dye-Sensitized

Solar Cells

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# Different anchors

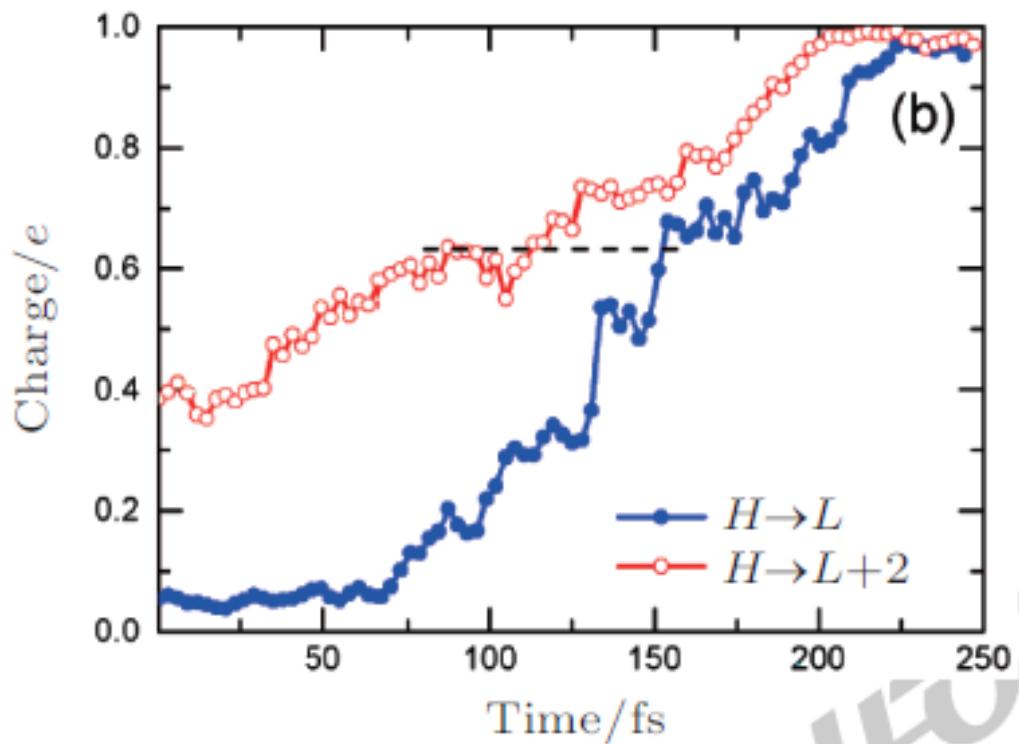
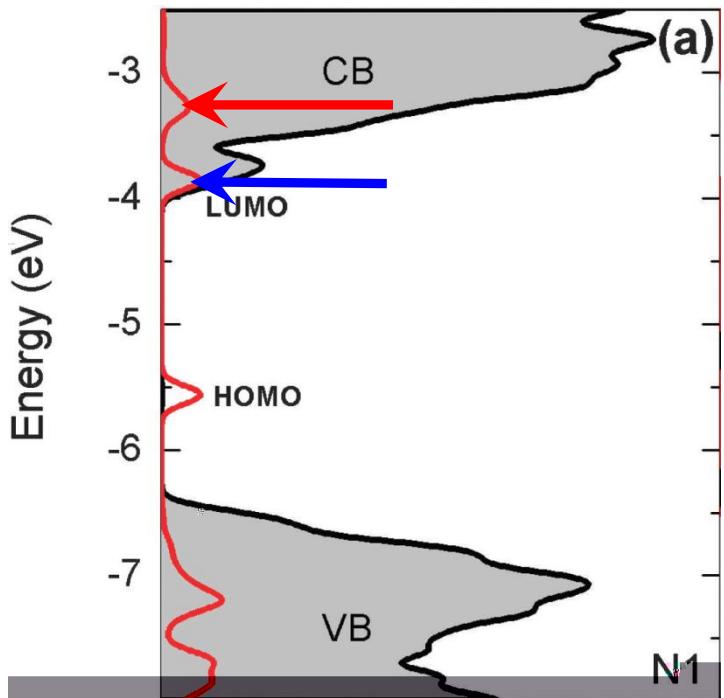


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Theory	33 fs	60 fs
Expt. <sup>a)</sup>	$50 \pm 13$ fs	

a) Bartelt et al. JPCC (2014).



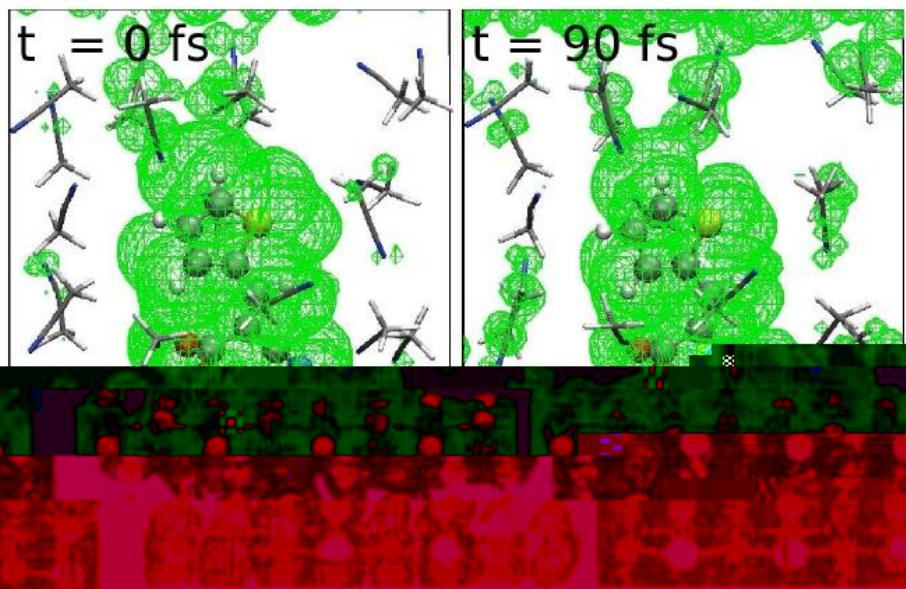
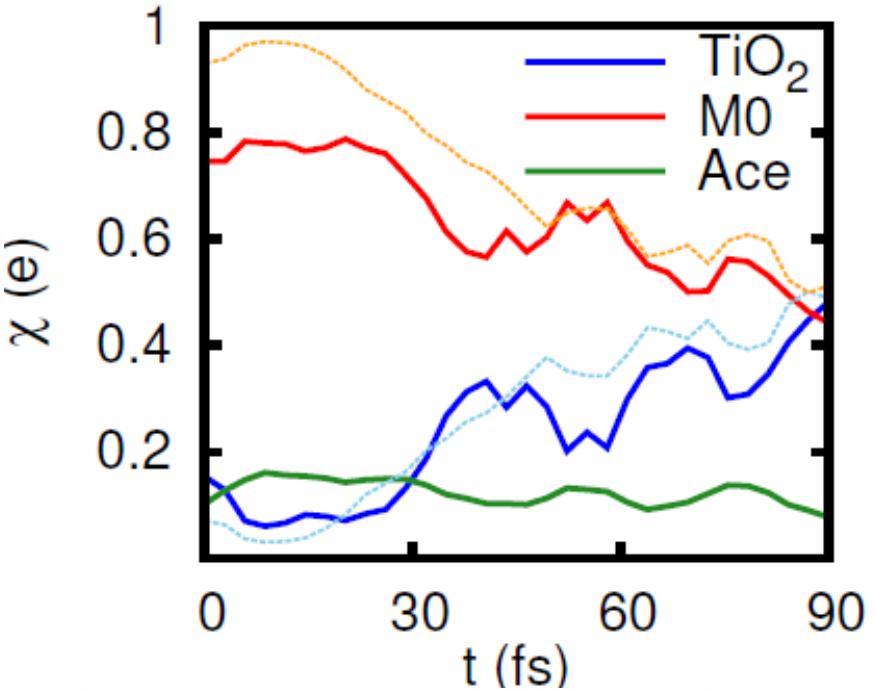
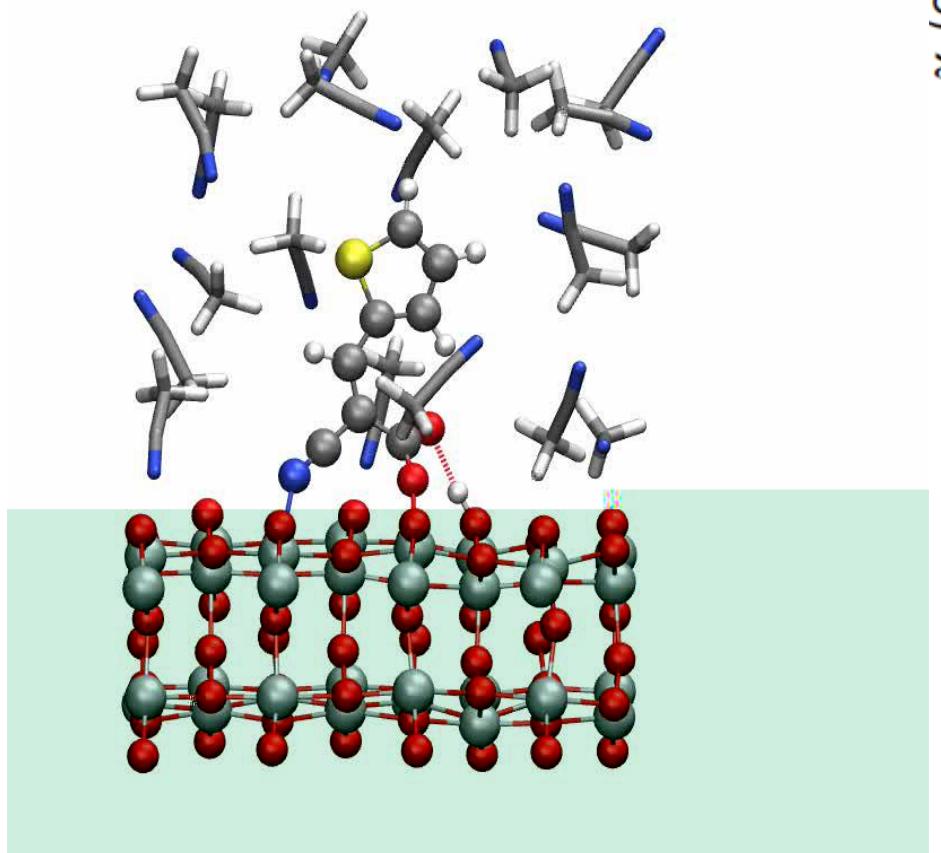
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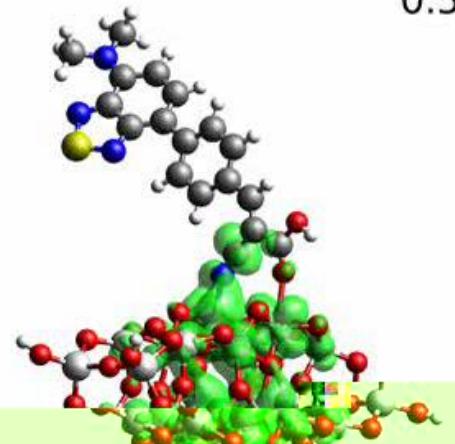
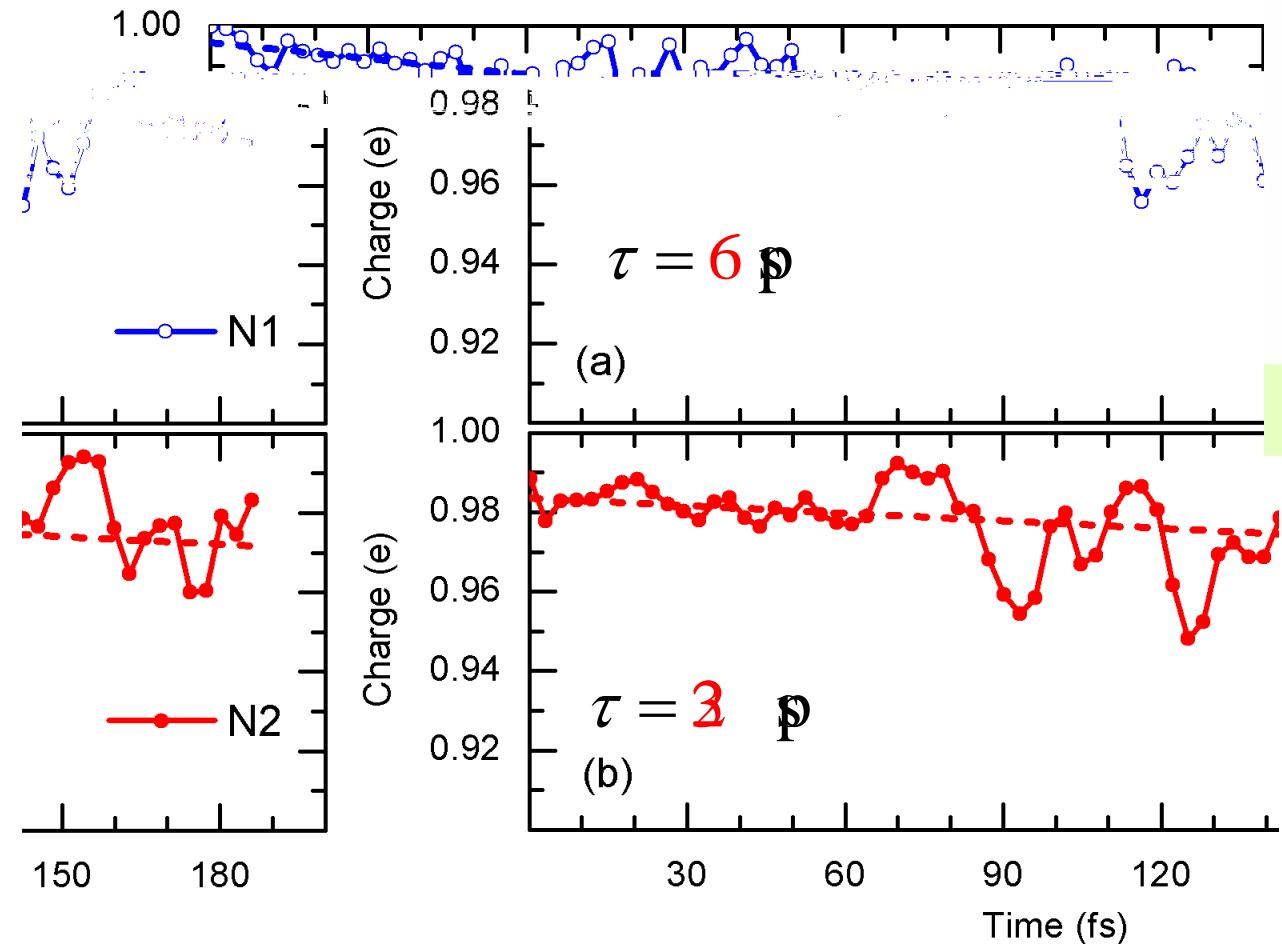


# Solvent effect



$t = 0.00 \text{ ps}$

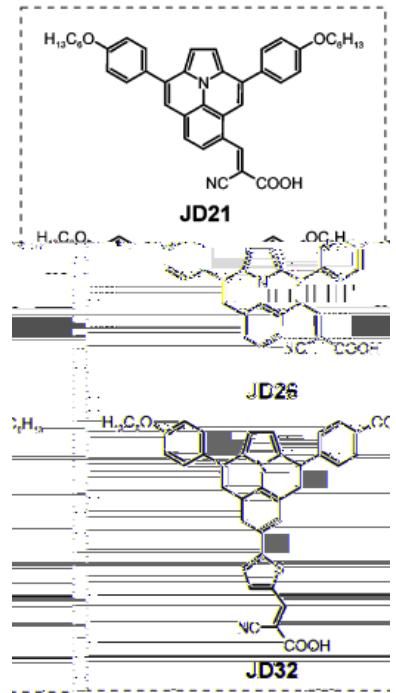
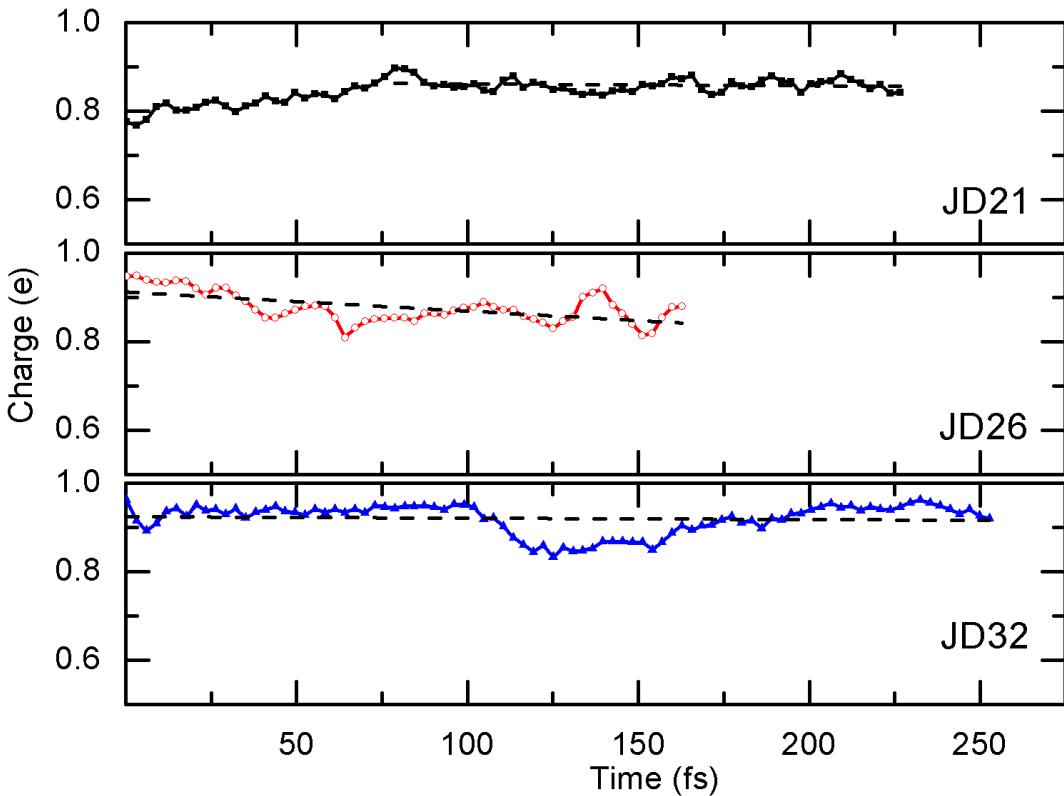




Experiment: 5 times difference using ultrafast laser photolysis.  
 Ma, Jiao, Meng, PCCP (2013).

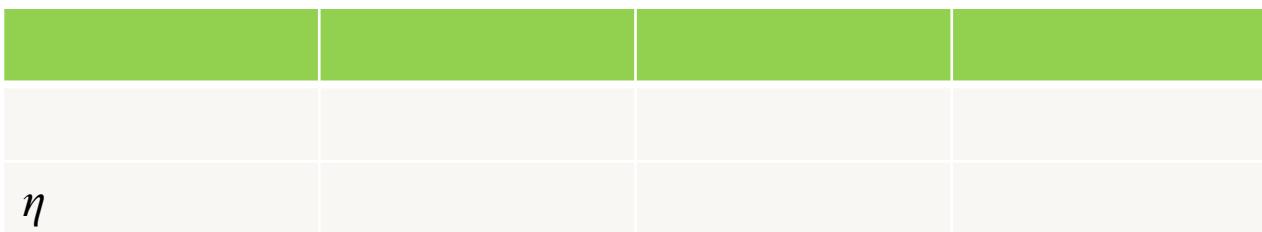


# Electron Collection Efficiency



$$\eta_b = \frac{1}{\left( 1 + \frac{\tau_b}{\tau_e} \right)}$$

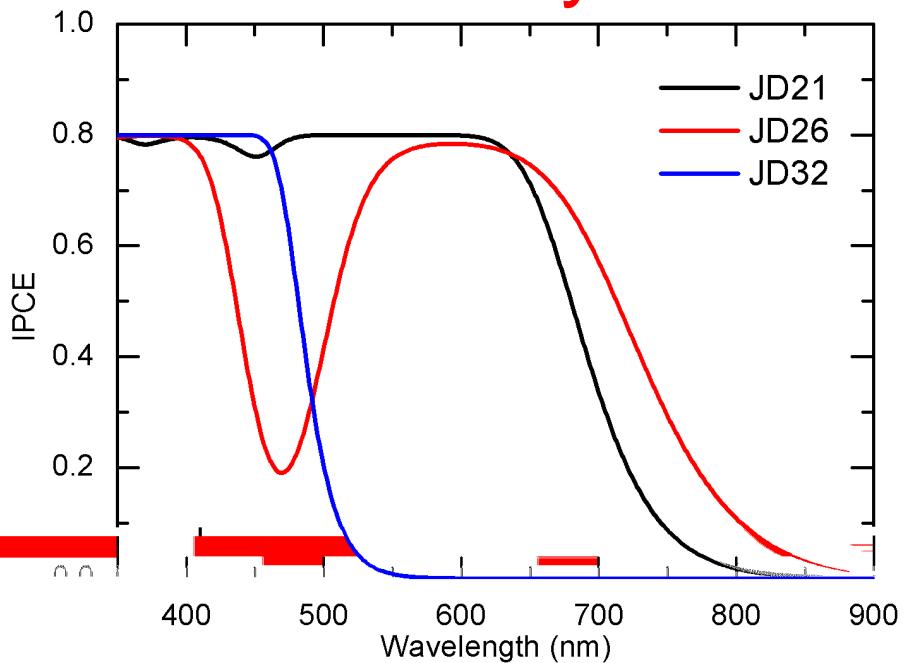
$\tau_b$  ≈ 5 ps



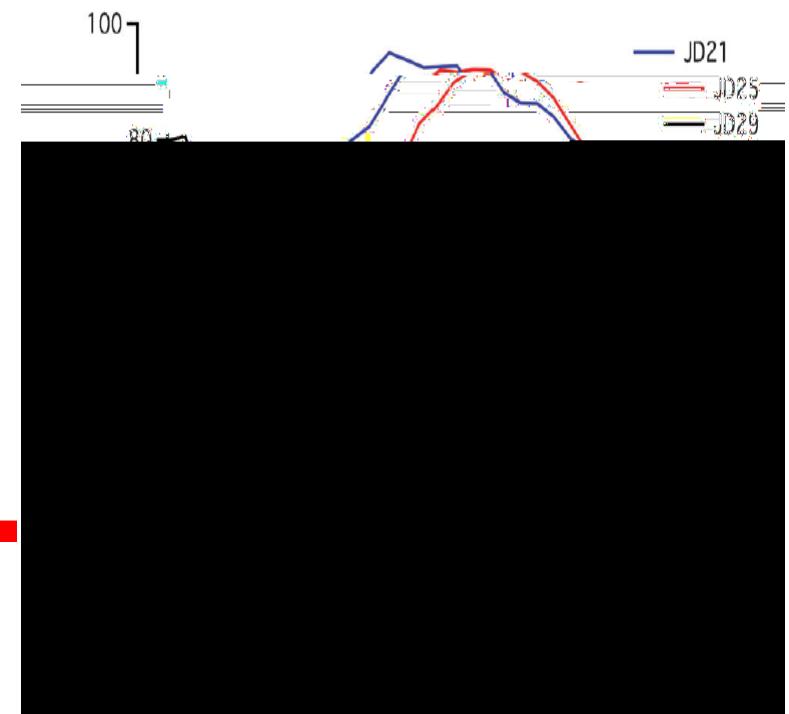


$$\text{CE}(\lambda) = \text{LHE}(\lambda)\Phi_n \text{IPC}$$

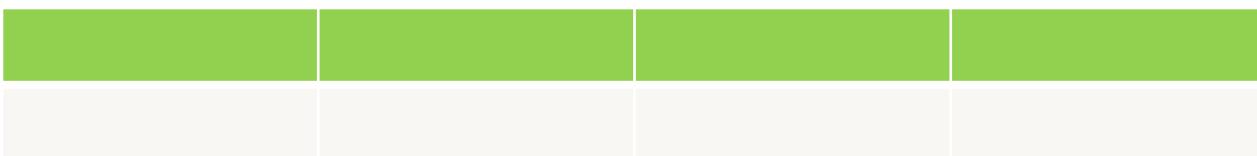
## Theory



## Experiment



$$I_{\text{ex}} = \int J(\lambda) d\lambda = \int \frac{\text{SI}}{\text{Energy}} \text{IPCE}(\lambda) d\lambda$$





# Estimating the $V_{OC}$

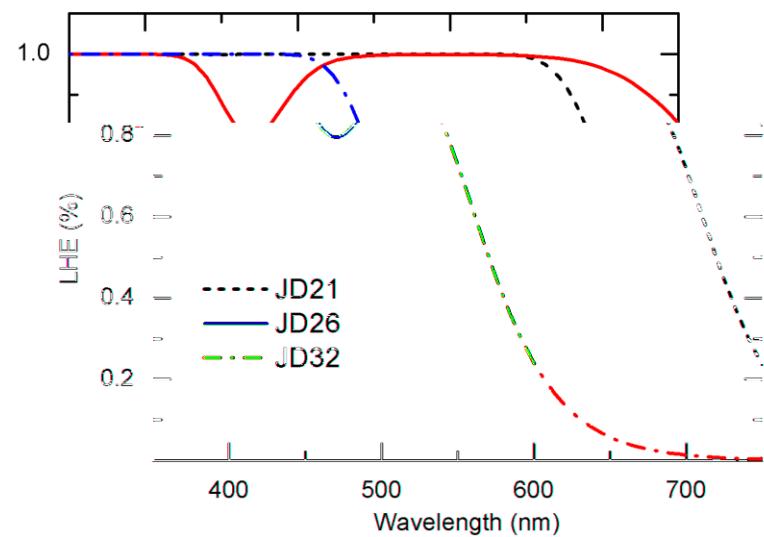
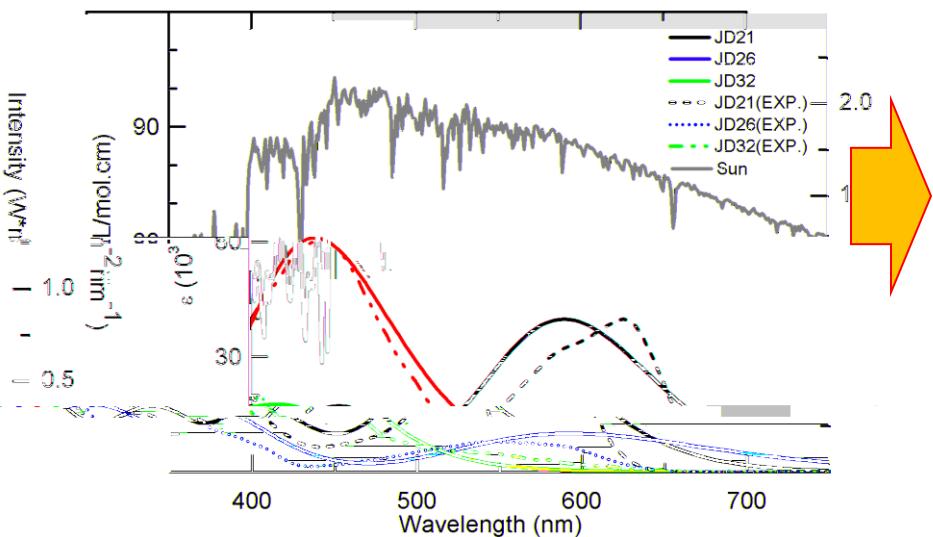
$$V_{OC} = \frac{kT_B}{\beta'q} \ln \frac{\beta' J_0 s}{kT_B}$$

$$R_0 = \frac{\sqrt{\pi \lambda k T_B}}{qd k \gamma c_e N_s} \left( \gamma \frac{E_{\text{F}} - E_F}{k T_B} + \frac{\lambda}{4} \right) \quad k_e \neq e$$

$T$	$k^{-1}_B$ (K)	$k^{-1}_e$ (eV)	$J_s /$ (A m <sup>-2</sup> )	$V_{OC}$ (V)	F	$J_s (F)$ (A m <sup>-2</sup> )	$V_{OC}(F)$ (V)	$F$		
20	0.02	0.01	0.0003	0.003	0	0.0004	0.005	0.005	0%	0%
30	0.01	0.02	0.0006	0.009	0	0.0006	0.015	0.015	2%	2%
40	0.005	0.03	0.0004	0.006	0	0.0003	0.009	0.009	1%	1%

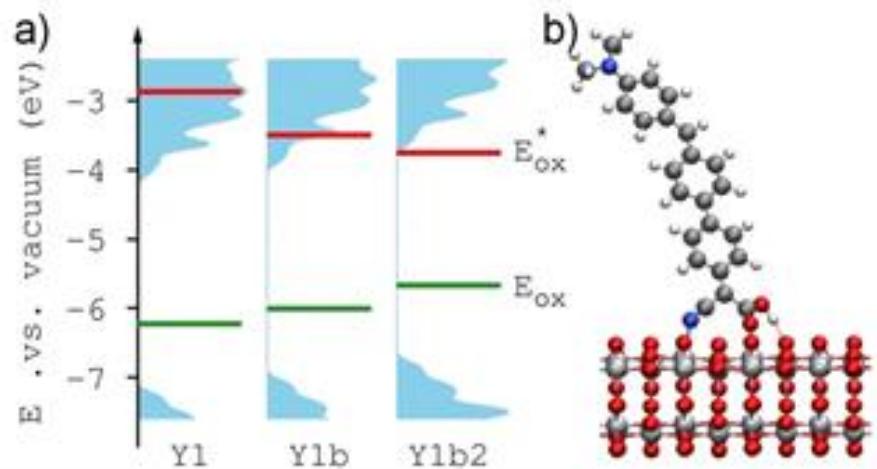
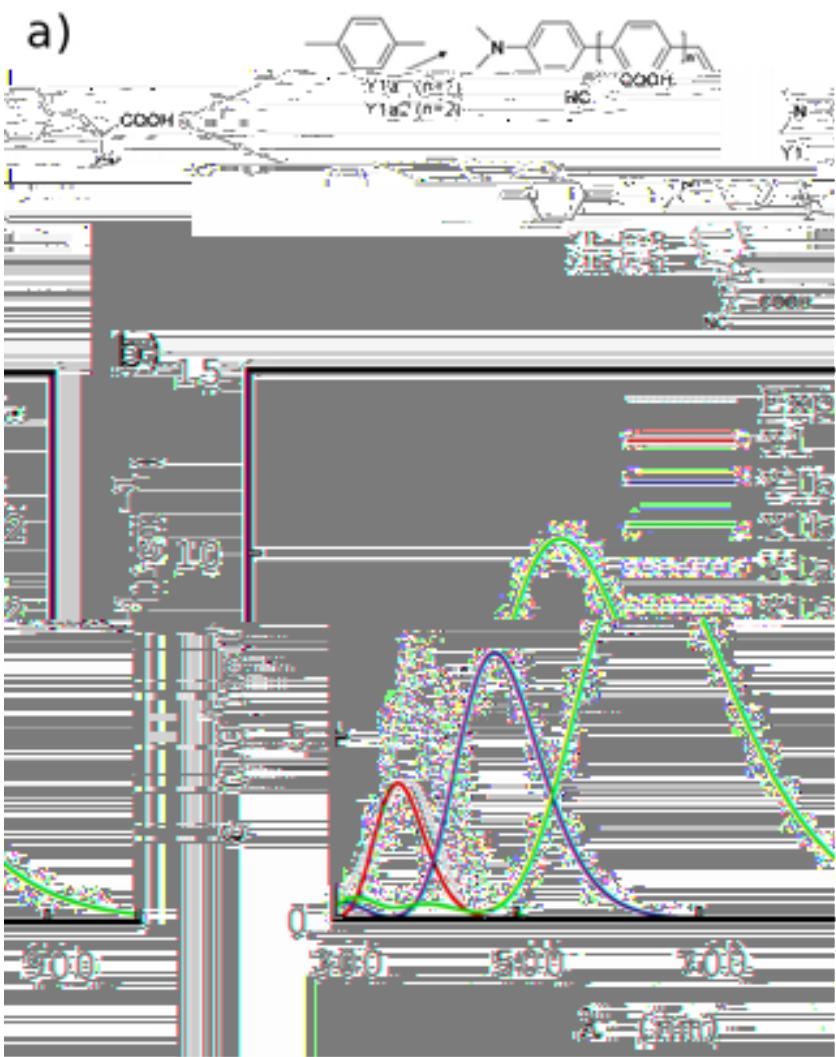
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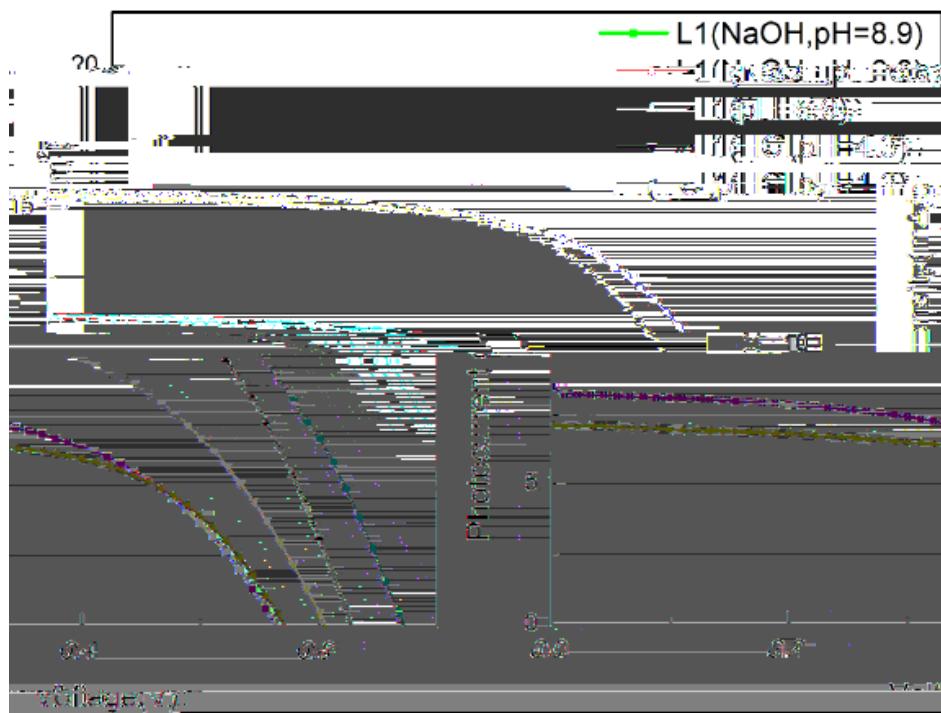
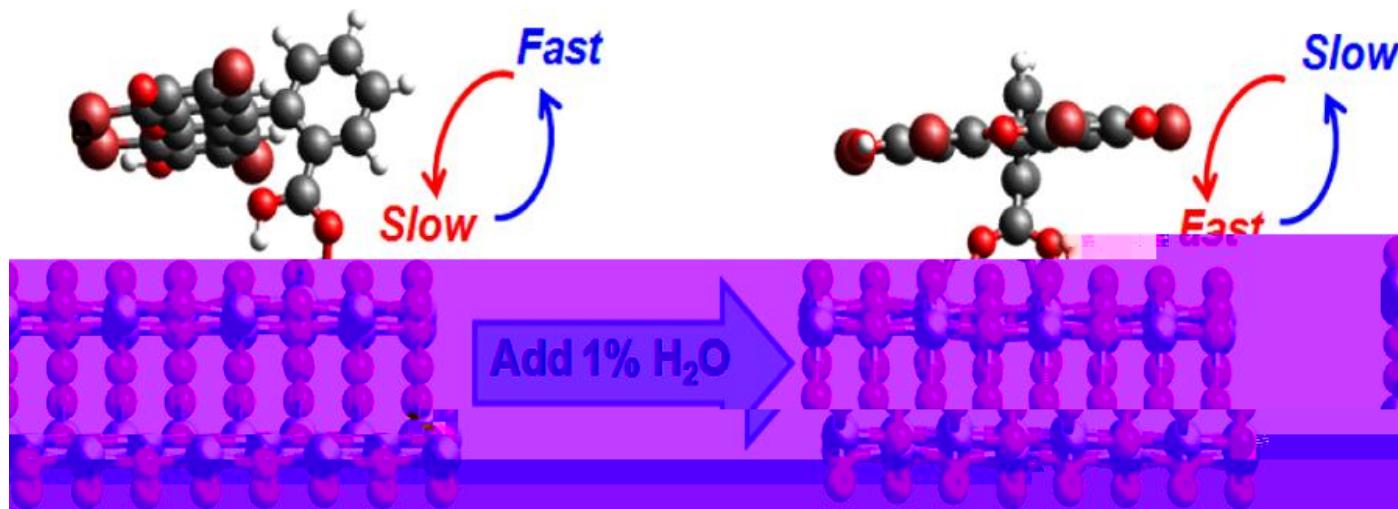
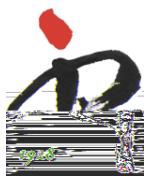
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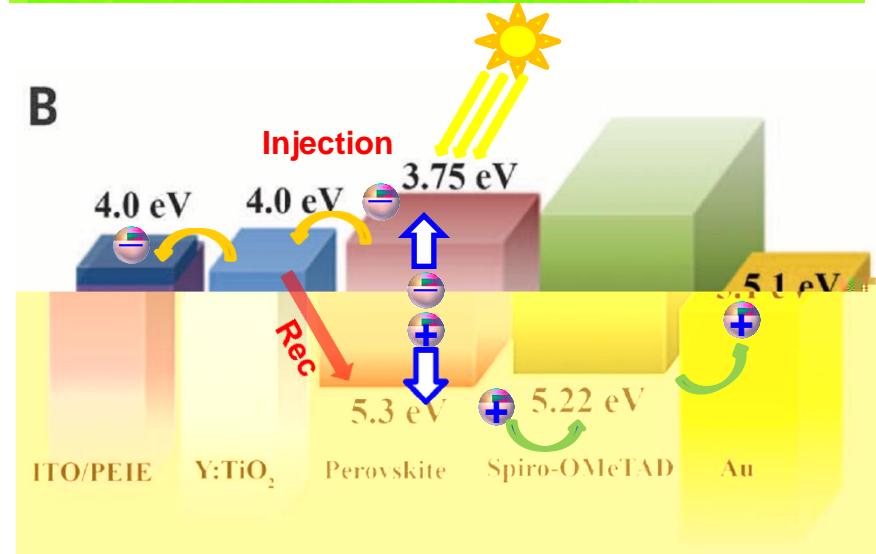
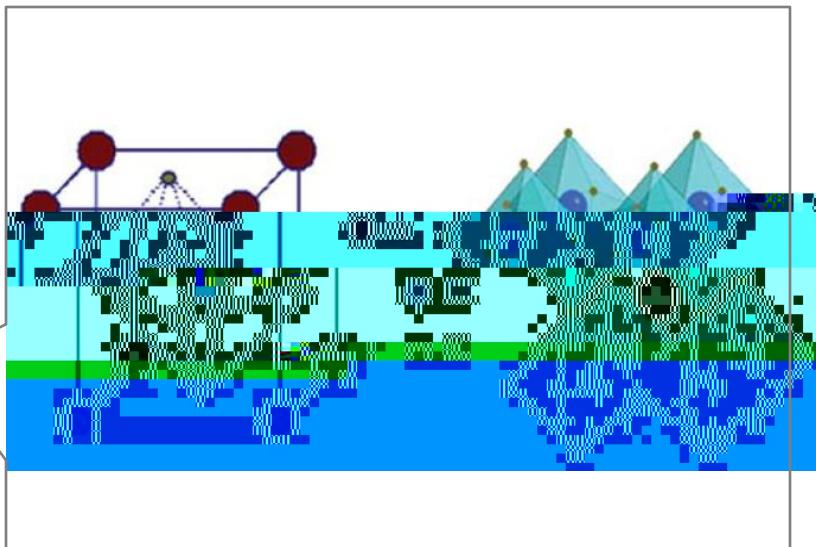
**Quantum mechanics based,  
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**Close to experiment values: 1-2%**





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Perovskite solar cell  $\eta = 20.1\%$

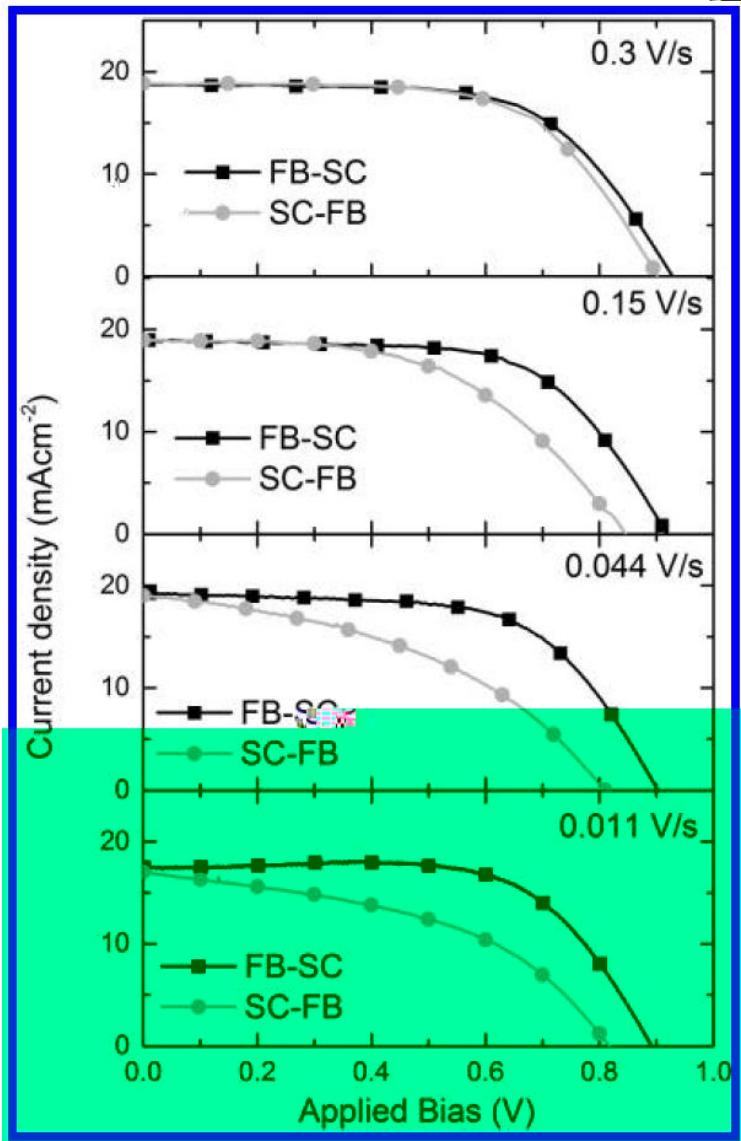
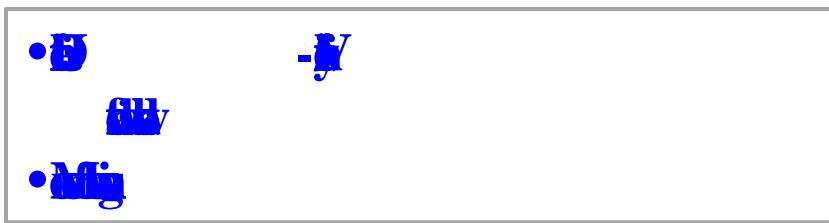
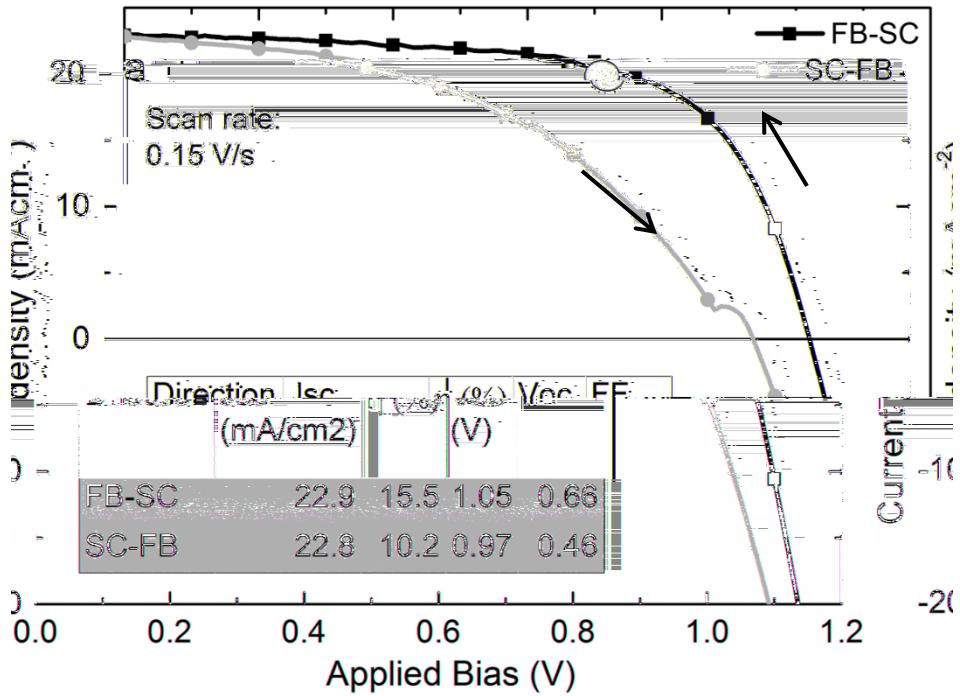
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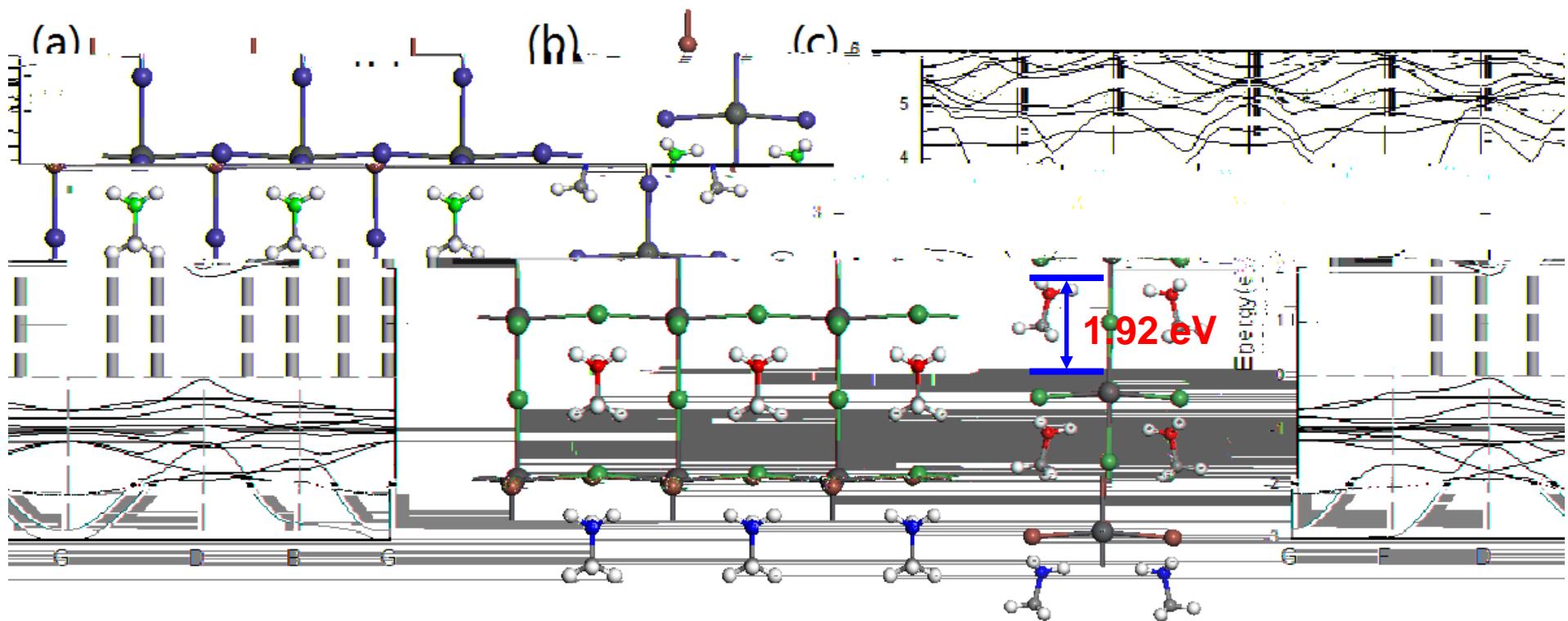
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# Anomalous hysteresis





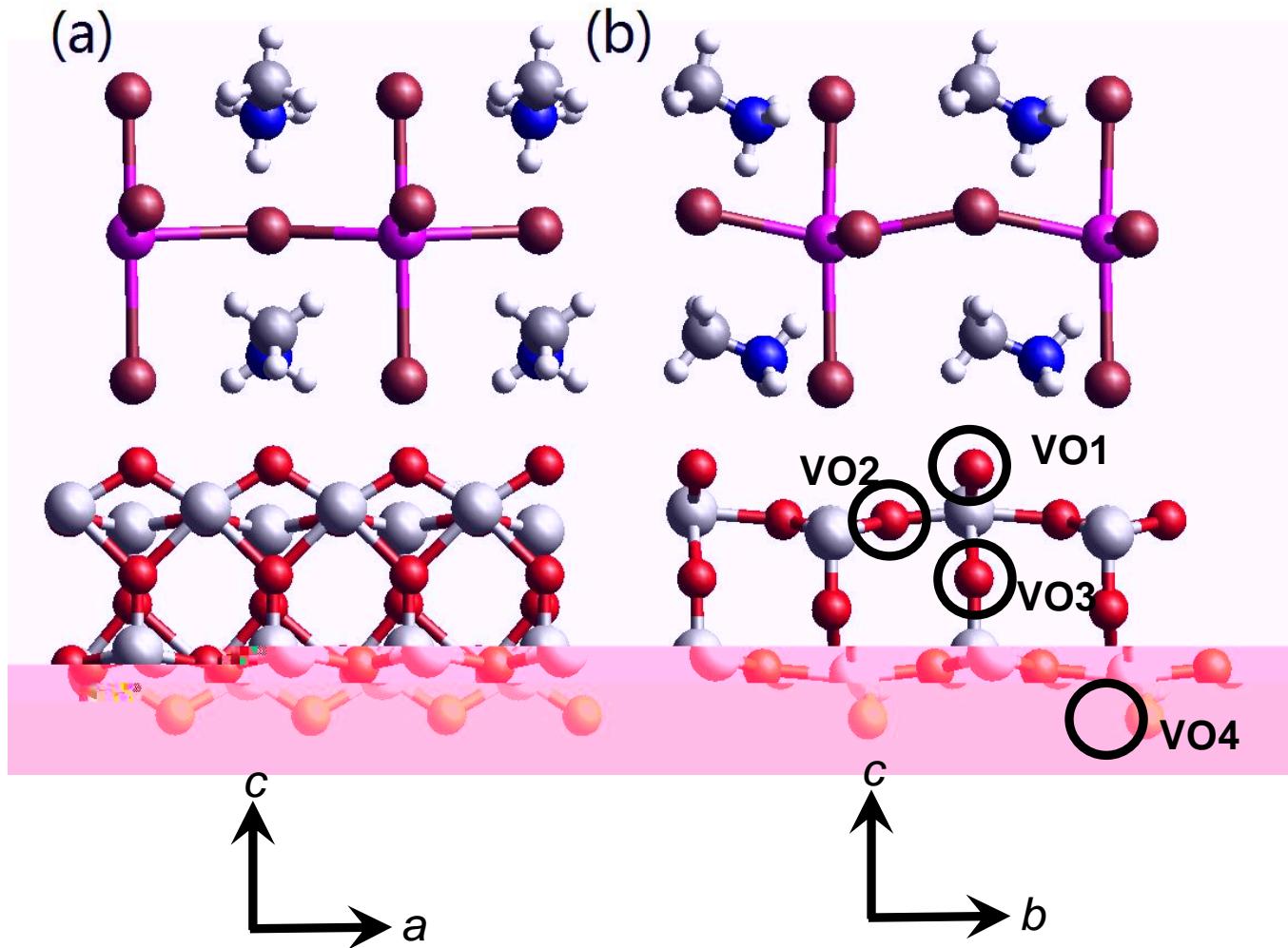
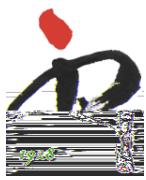
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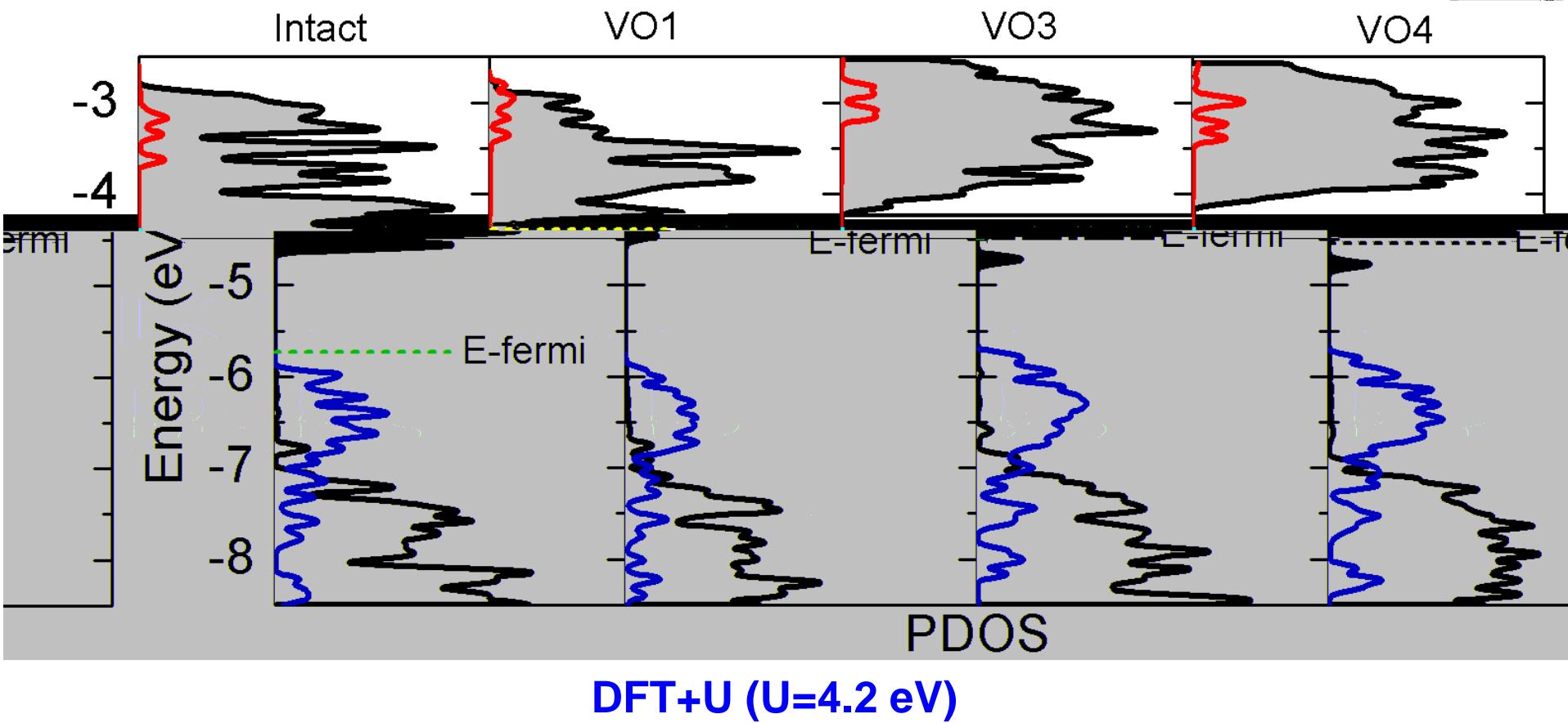


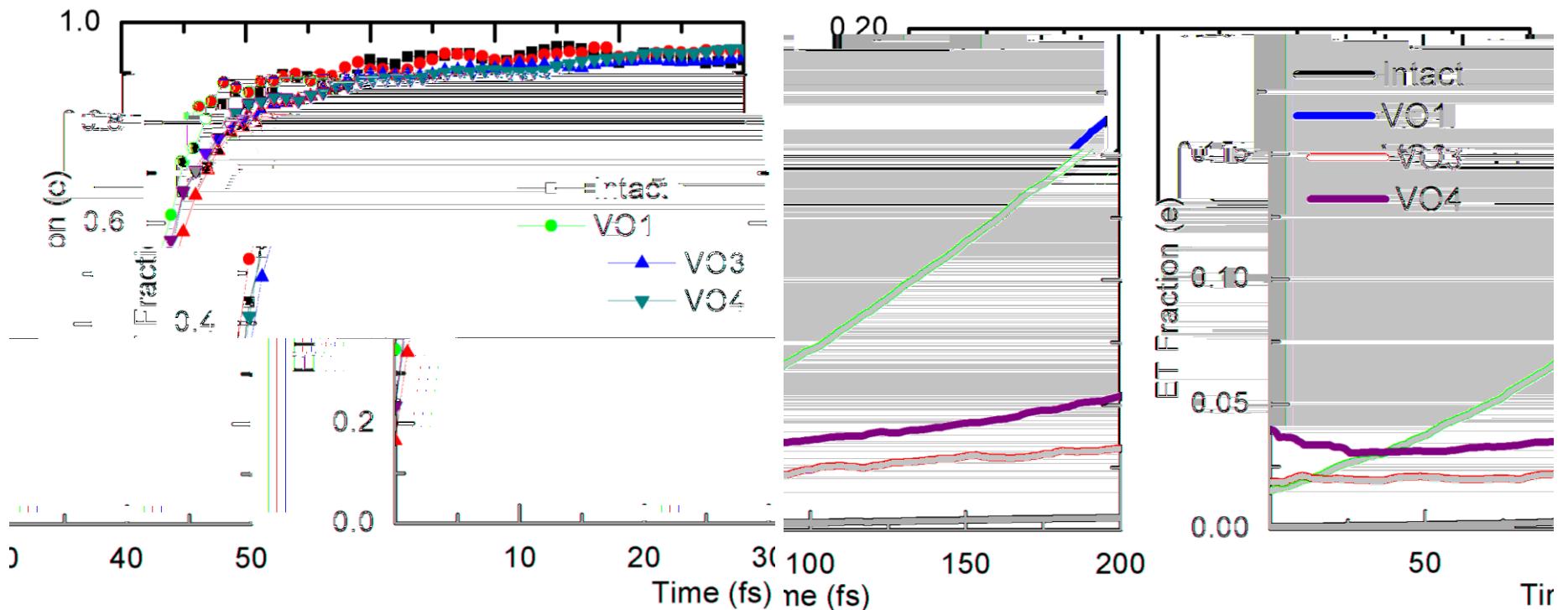
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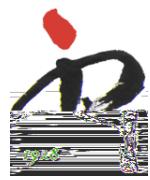
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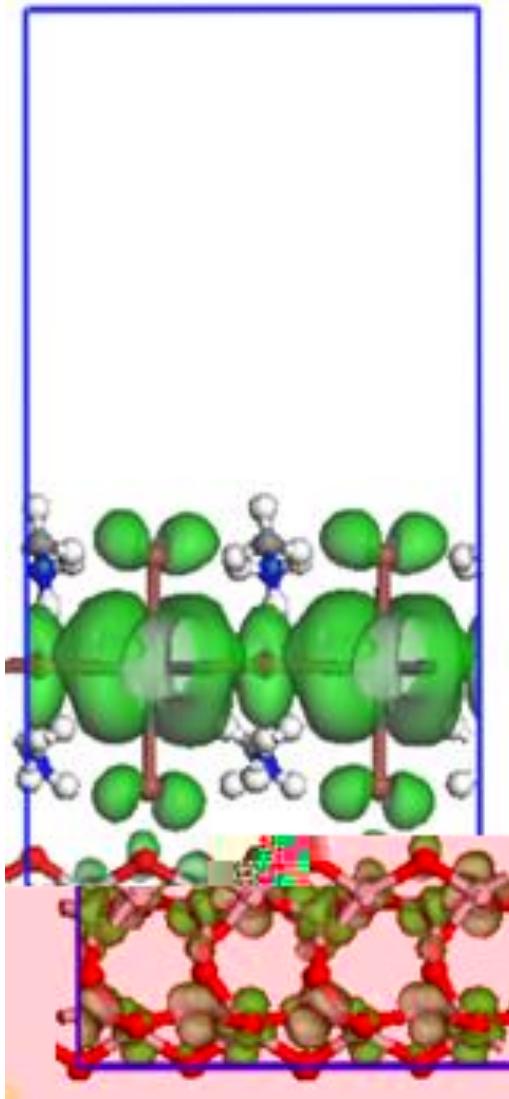
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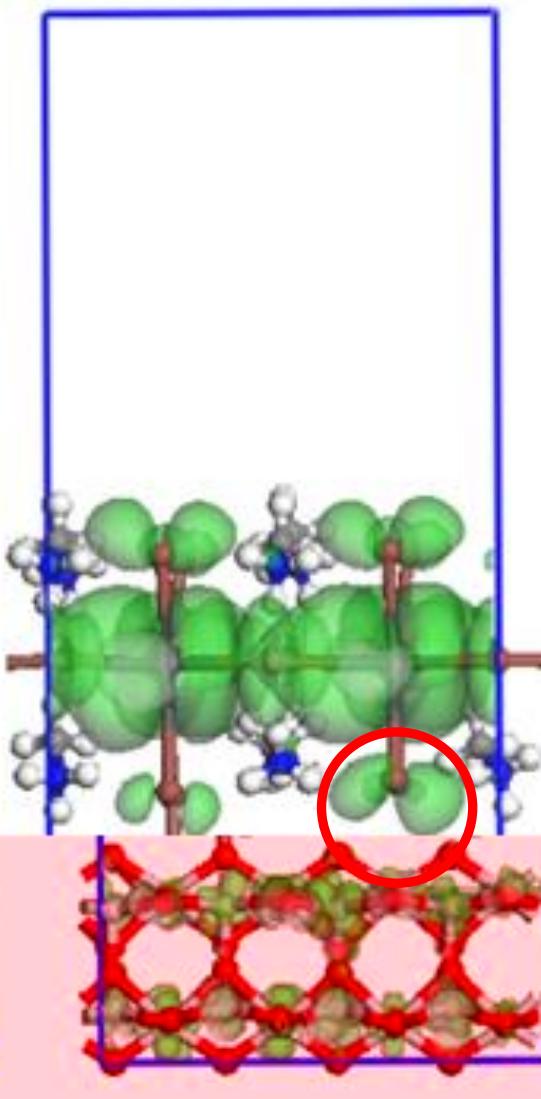
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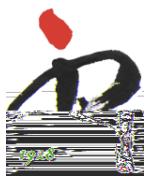


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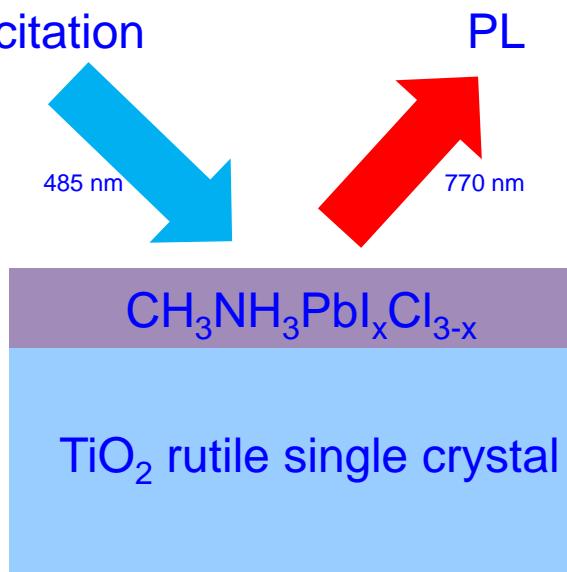


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# Experiment: Photoluminescence Spectra

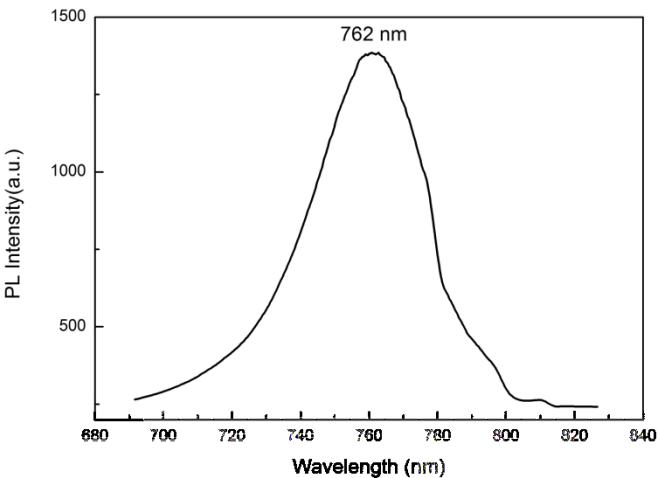
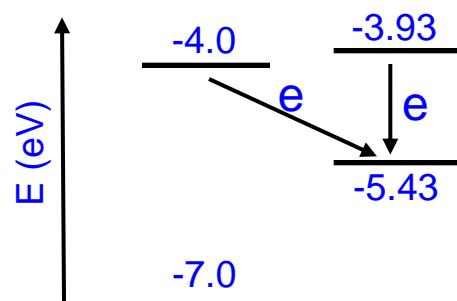


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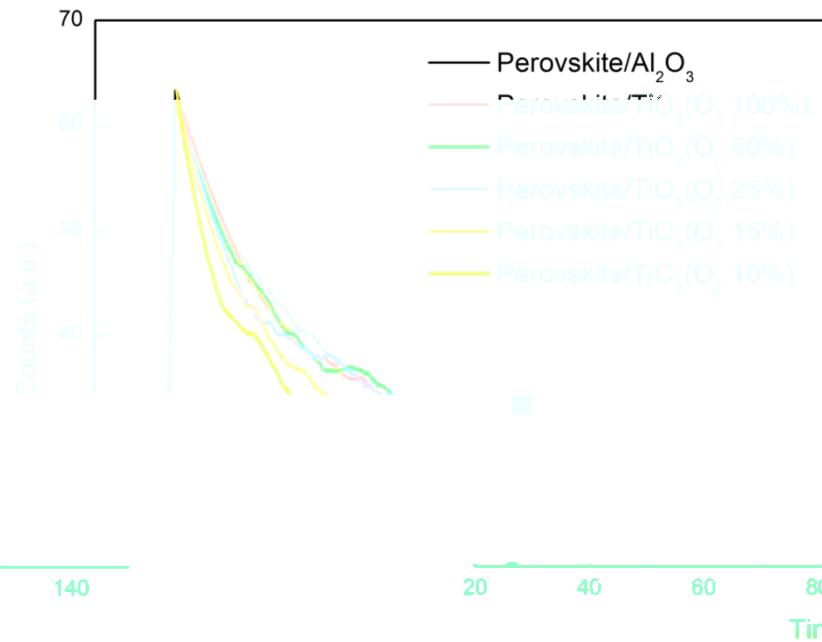


PL

$\text{TiO}_2$  Perovskite

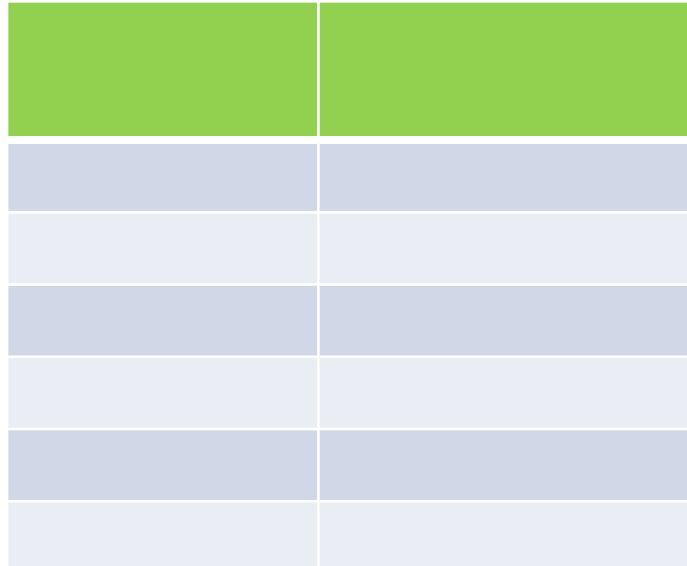


PL spectra (532 nm excitation)



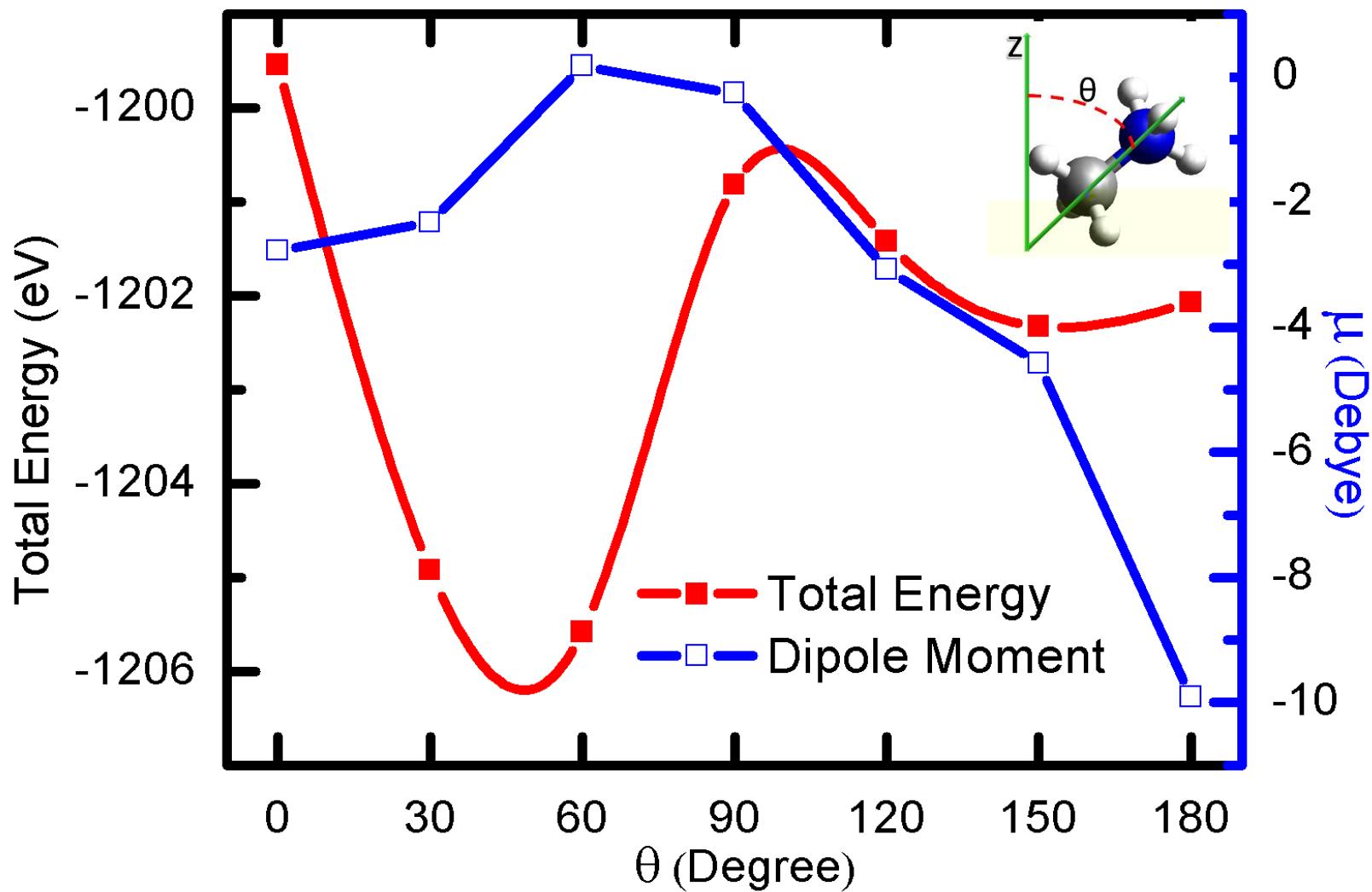
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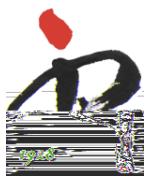
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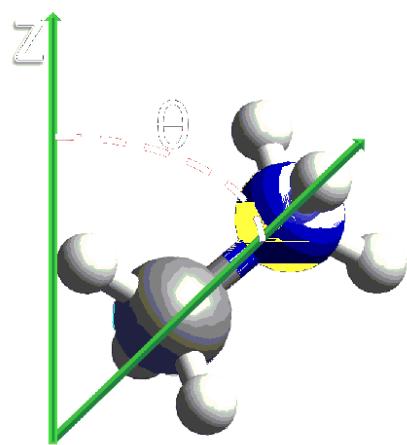


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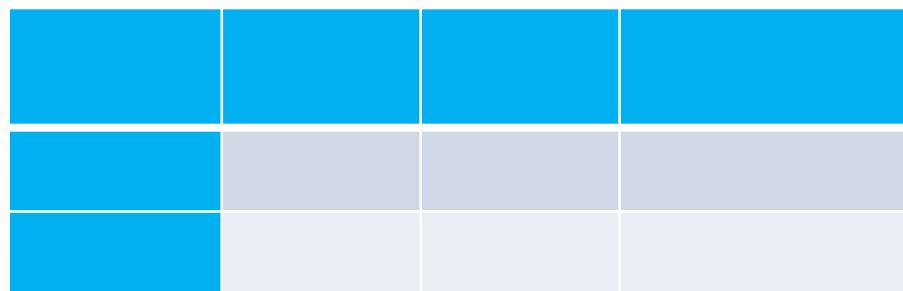
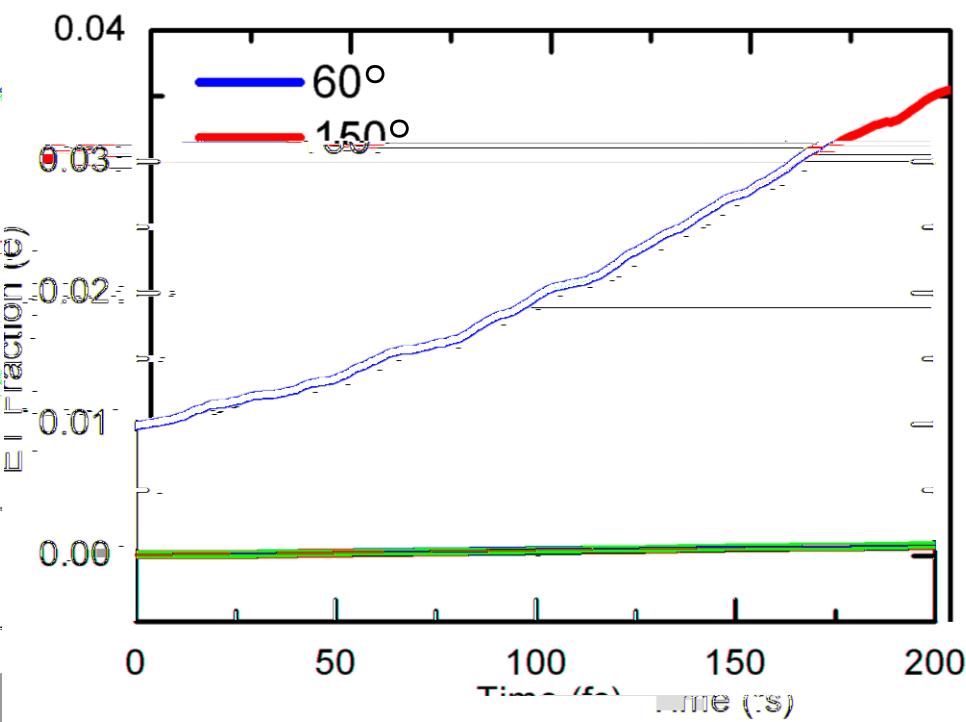
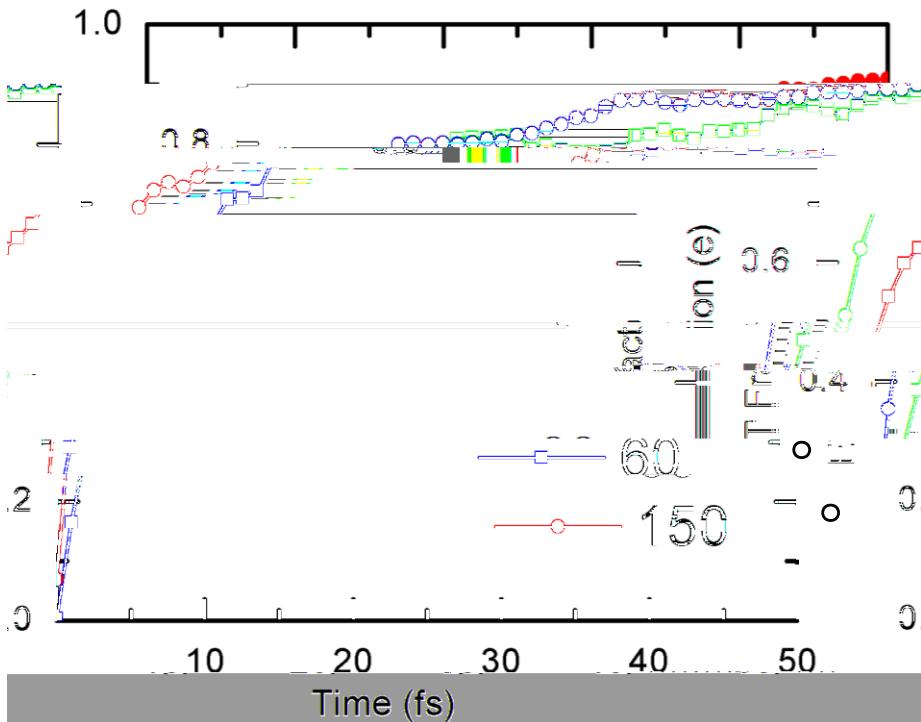


# Molecular Dynamics Simulation at 350 K



500      1000      1500  
Time (fs)

# Injection and Recombination Dynamics



Dramatic difference in recombination rates

# Real time TDDFT for electron-ion quantum dynamics

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