

Supporting Information

Achieving High Efficiency in Solution-Processed Perovskite Solar Cells using C₆₀/C₇₀ Mixed Fullerenes

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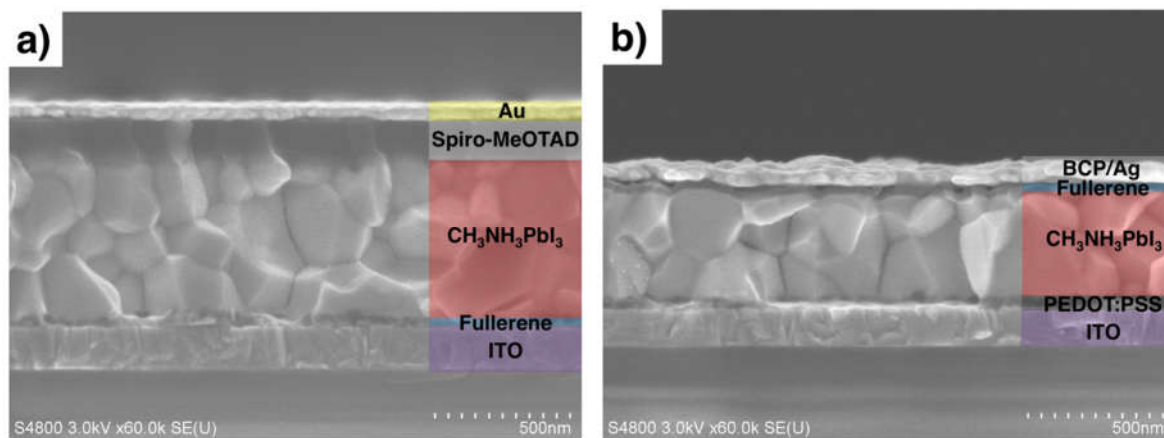


Figure S1. Cross-sectional SEM images of a) normal-type PSCs and b) inverted-type PSCs.

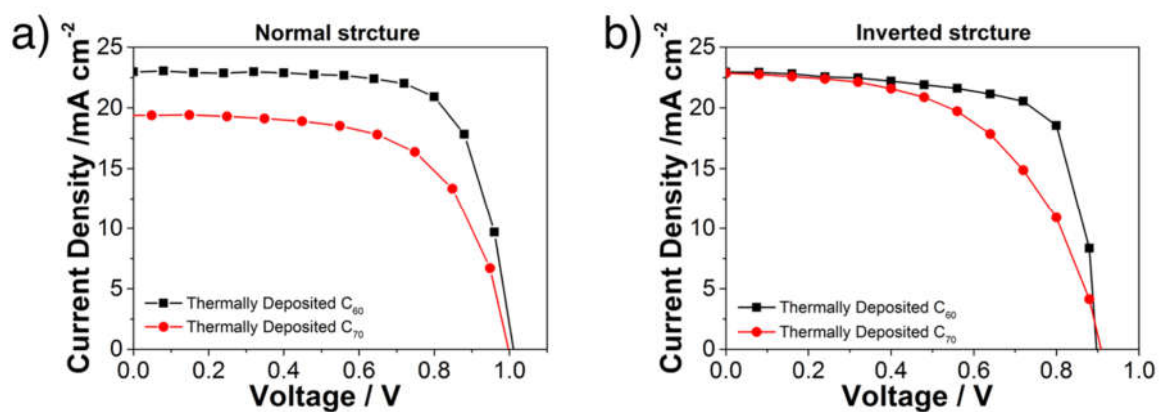


Figure S2. J - V curves of the thermally deposited C_{60} - (black squares and line) and C_{70} - (red circles and line) based PSC for a) the normal-type structure and b) the inverted-type structure.

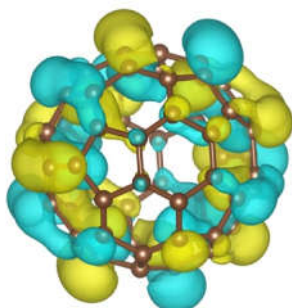
a) Frontier orbital comparison of single molecules at the DFT level: [6-31+G(d,p)]

The calculations were performed in Gaussian 09^[S1] with the 6-31+g(d,p) basis, in vacuum.

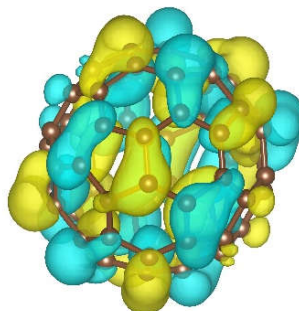
HOMO-LUMO distributions:

C₆₀

HOMO

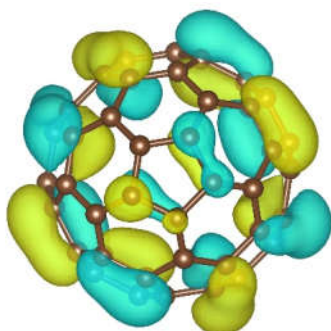


LUMO

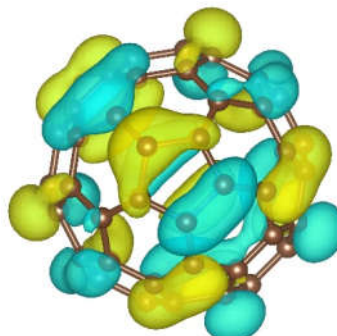


C₇₀

HOMO



LUMO



The HOMO-LUMO values are as below:

With the B3LYP^[S2] functional (quantitative)

C₆₀: HOMO: -6.40 eV

C₇₀: HOMO: -6.33 eV

LUMO: -3.68 eV

LUMO: -3.67 eV

With the PBE^[S3] functional (for comparison to DFTB)

C₆₀: HOMO: -5.86 eV

C₇₀: HOMO: -5.86 eV

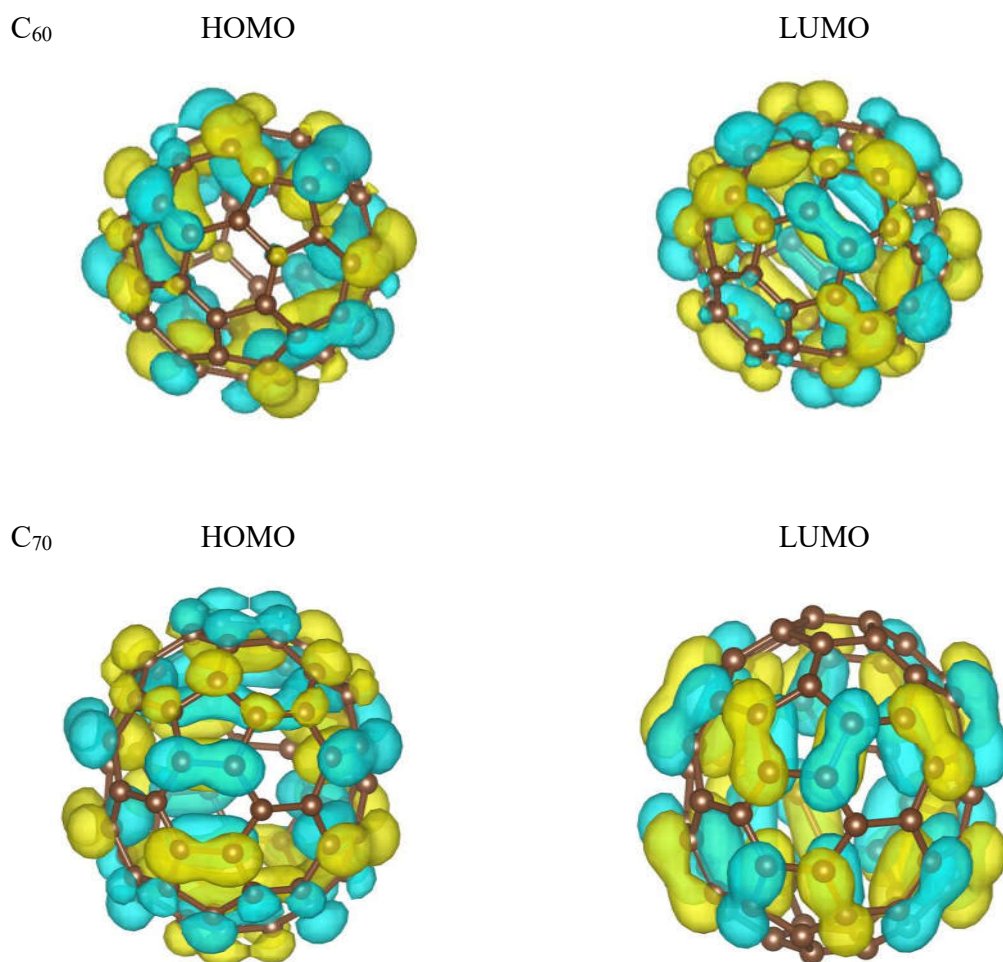
LUMO: -4.21 eV

LUMO: -4.16 eV

b) Energy level comparison of single molecules at the DFTB level:

The calculations were performed in DFTB+^[S4] using the 3ob-3-1^[S5,S6] parameter set

The HOMO-LUMO distributions:



The HOMO-LUMO values are as below:

C ₆₀ : HOMO: -5.67 eV	C ₇₀ : HOMO: -5.60 eV
LUMO: -3.88 eV	LUMO: -3.97 eV

Figure S3. Frontier orbital calculations of C₆₀ and C₇₀ a) at the DFT level, and b) at the DFTB level. ^{S1-S6}

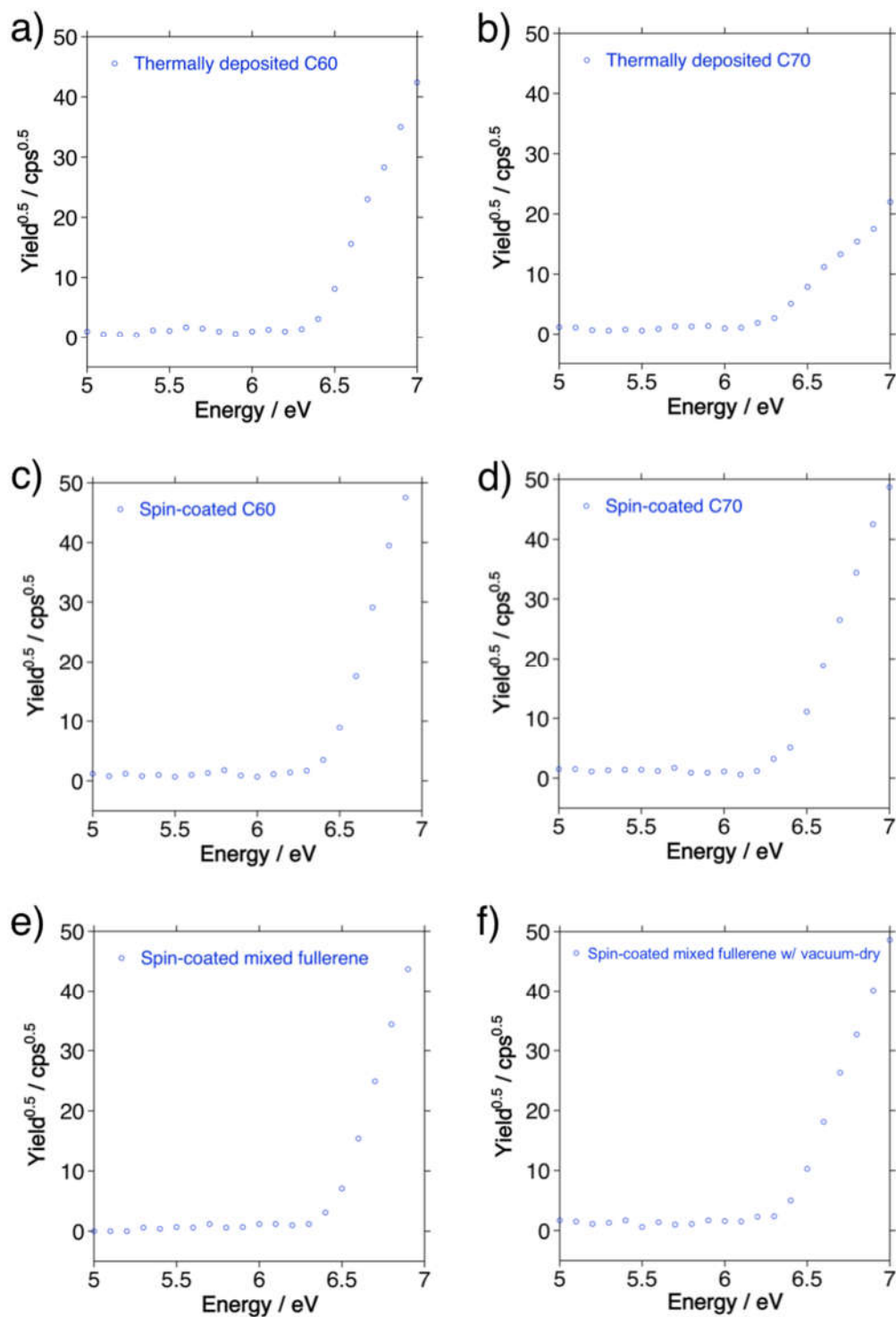


Figure S4. PYS spectra of a) thermally deposited C₆₀, b) thermally deposited C₇₀, c) spin-coated C₆₀, d) spin-coated C₇₀, e) spin-coated C₆₀/C₇₀ (9:1), and f) vacuum-dried spin-coated C₆₀/C₇₀ (9:1).

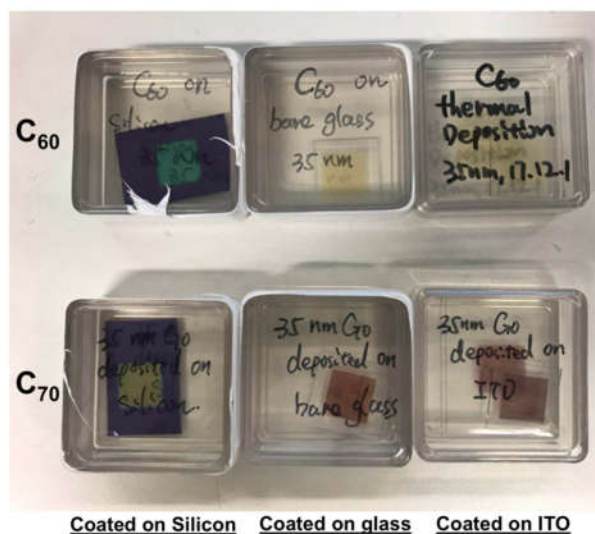


Figure S5. Various C_{60} and C_{70} films on glass and silicon substrates. The difference in transparency between C_{60} and C_{70} of the same thickness is visible even for the naked eye.

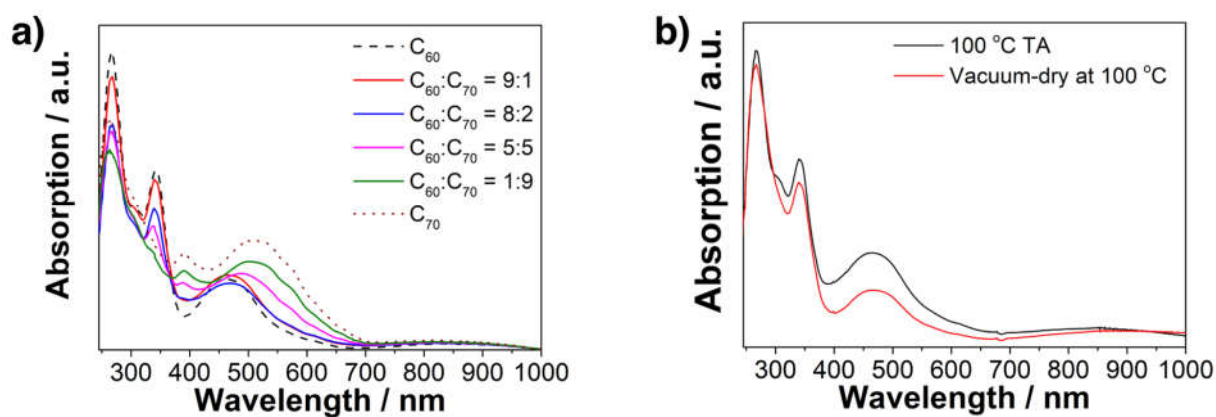


Figure S6. a) UV-vis absorption of spin-coated fullerene films with different C_{60} to C_{70} ratios. b) UV-vis absorption spectroscopy of thermally deposited C_{60} and C_{70} .

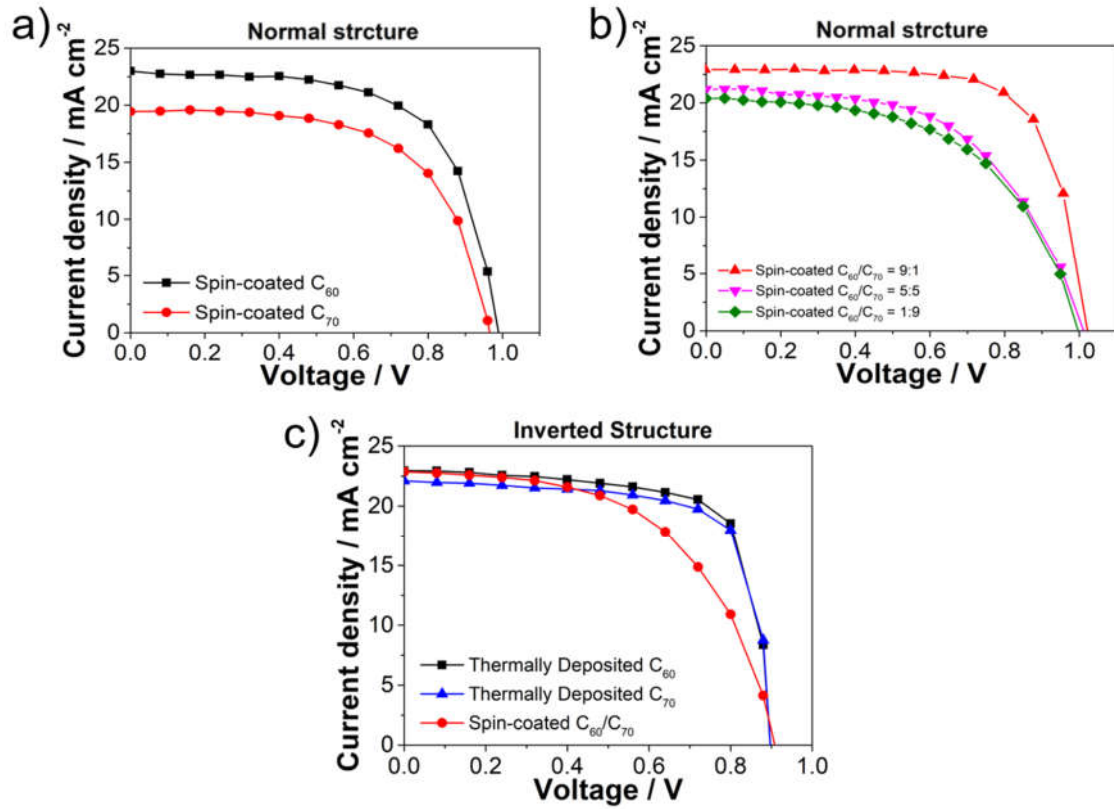


Figure S7. $J-V$ curves of a) the normal-type PSCs using spin-coated C_{60} - (black) and C_{70} - (red); the normal-type PSCs using b) mixed fullerenes with different C_{60} to C_{70} ratios; c) the inverted-type PSCs using thermally deposited C_{60} - (black) and C_{70} - (red), and mixed fullerenes (blue).

Table S1. Photovoltaic parameters of the inverted-type PSCs using thermally deposited C_{60} , thermally deposited C_{70} , and spin-coated mix-fullerene as the ETLs under one sun (AM 1.5 G, 100 mW cm^{-2}).

Fullerene	J_{sc} [mA cm^{-2}]	V_{oc} [V]	FF	R_s [$\Omega \text{ cm}^2$]	R_{sh} [$\Omega \text{ cm}^2$]	PCE_{Best}	$\text{PCE}_{\text{Average}}$	Hysteresis Index
C_{60}	22.9	0.90	0.77	9	1.1×10^4	15.8%	$15.3\% \pm 0.4$	0.01
$\text{C}_{60}/\text{C}_{70}=9:1$	22.1	0.90	0.76	10	1.0×10^4	15.2%	$15.0\% \pm 0.5$	0.01
C_{70}	22.9	0.91	0.55	27	7.2×10^3	11.4%	$11.3\% \pm 0.3$	0.02

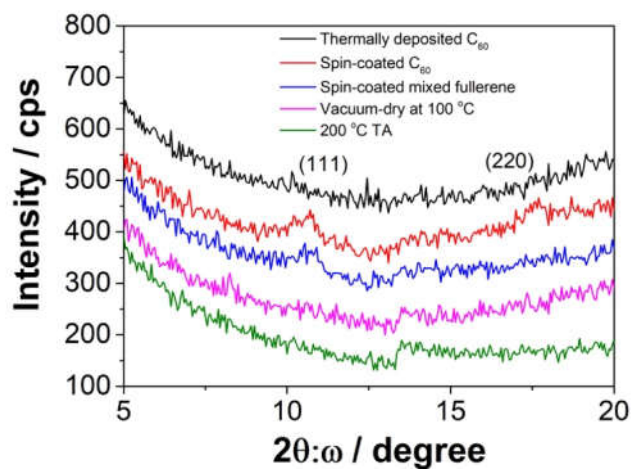


Figure S8. GIXRD scan of the thermally deposited C₆₀ film (black), the spin-coated C₆₀ film (red), the spin-coated mixed fullerene film (blue), the vacuum-dried mixed fullerene film (purple), and 200 °C TA-treated mixed fullerene film.

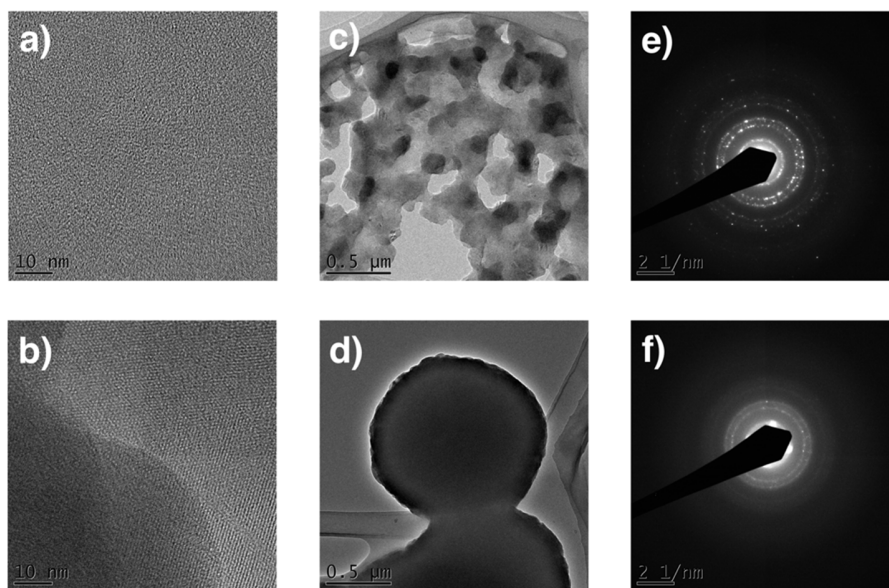
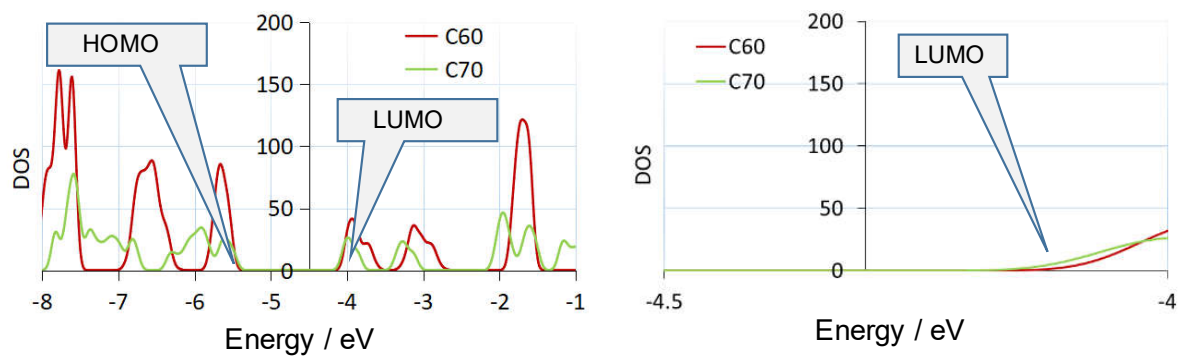
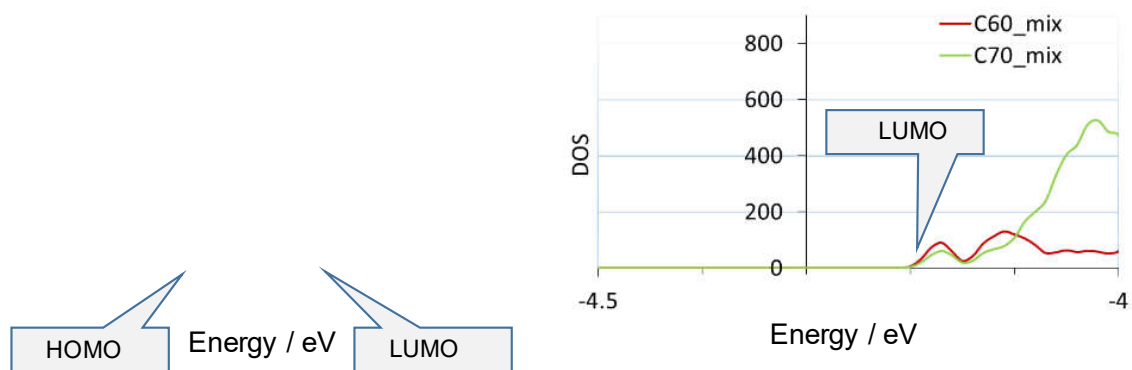


Figure S9. Supplementary TEM images of a) a thermally deposited C₆₀ film, b) a boundary of crystal domains in a spin-coated C₆₀ film, c) many crystal domains in a spin-coated C₆₀ film, d) one large uniform domain in a mixed fullerene film, and supplementary SAED of e) a spin-coated C₆₀ film and f) a mixed fullerene film.

Comparison of solids at the DFTB level (dispersion correction with the Grimme scheme):^[S7]



a) Density of states (DOS) of C₆₀ and C₇₀ crystals (left) with the LUMO magnified (right), showing the C₆₀ and C₇₀ LUMO position separately.

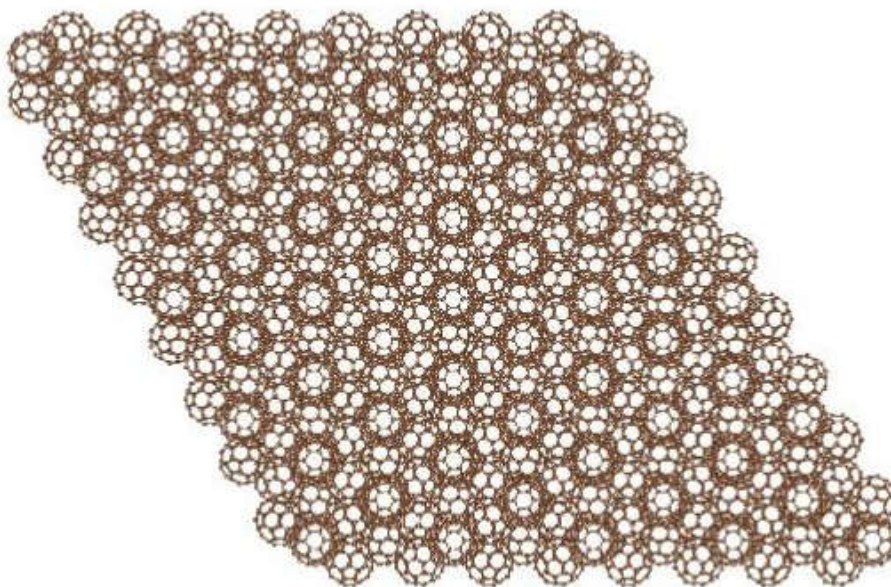


b) DOS of C₆₀ and C₇₀ parts in the mixed C₆₀/C₇₀ structure.

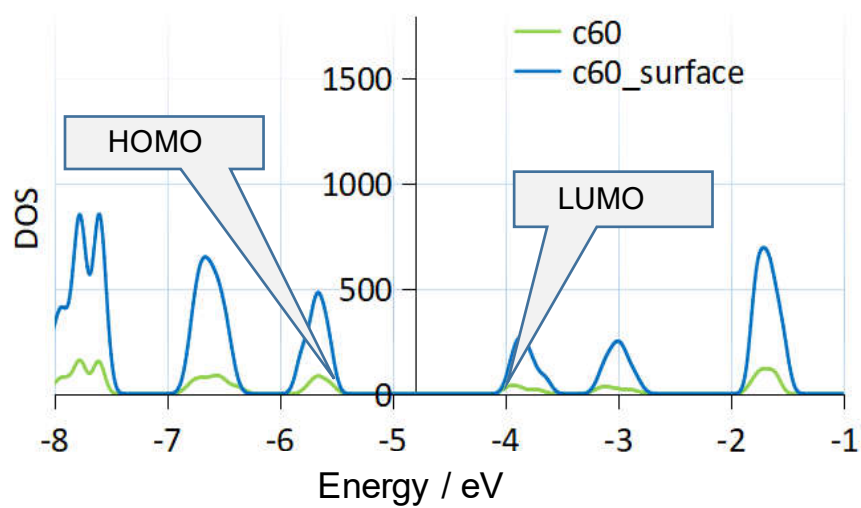
Figure S10. Densities of states of a) C₆₀ and C₇₀, and b) mixed fullerene (C₆₀:C₇₀ 29:3) in solid state at the DFTB level. ^{S7}

Effect of surfaces on the band structure of C_{60} and C_{70} :

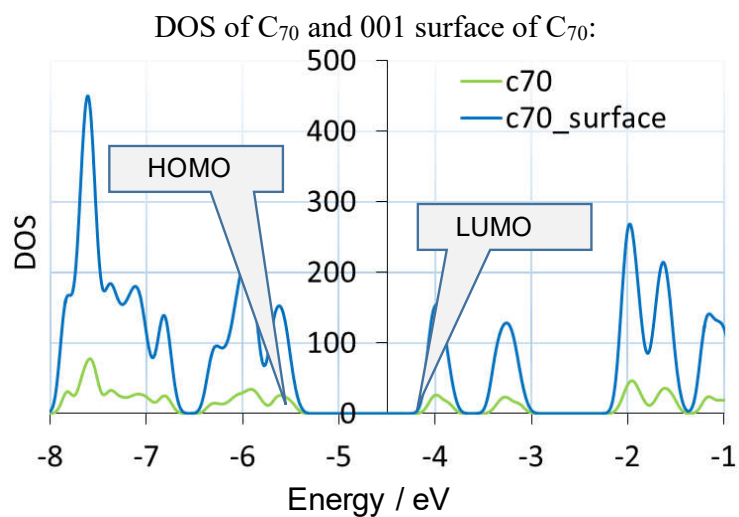
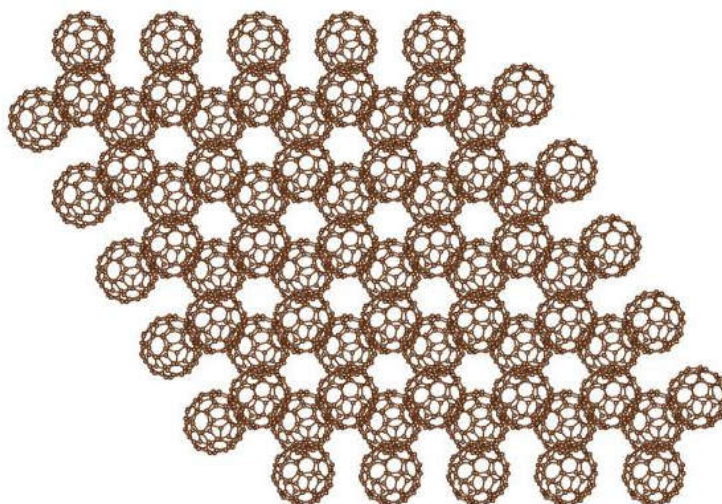
111 surface of C_{60} in fcc structure:



DOS of C_{60} and 111 surface of C_{60} :



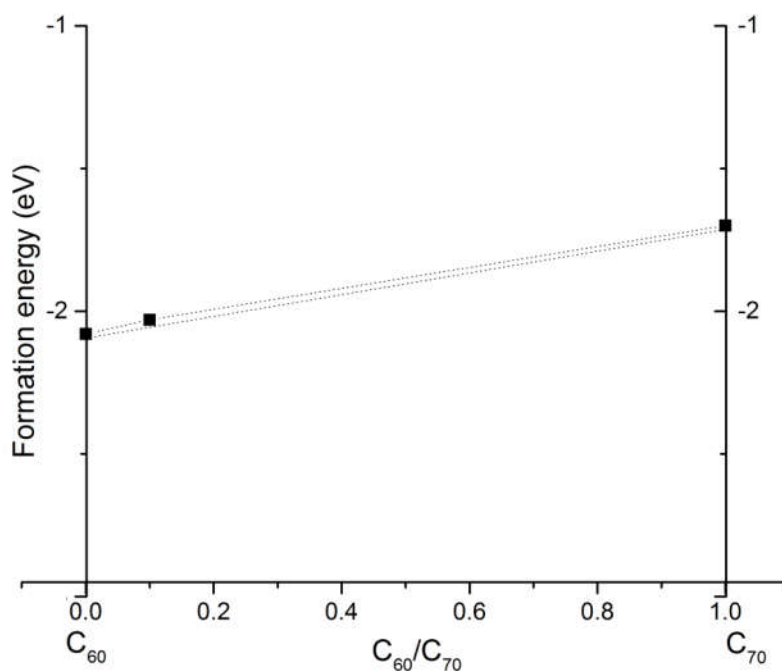
001 surface of C_{70} in hcp structure:
 Similar to C_{60} , we cut the 001 surface of C_{70} hcp crystal.



The lowest energy surfaces of both the C_{60} and C_{70} crystal behave similar with the bulk.

Figure S11. Computational energy level calculations of C_{60} , C_{70} , and mixed fullerene in which crystallinity and surface have been taken into account in solid at DFTB level.

Convex hull: The formation energies of C_{60} , and C_{70} and the mixed fullerene.



The electron transfer rate of C_{60}/C_{70} mixed system: the computed electron transfer rates that can be achieved with C_{60}/C_{70} mixed structure between C_{60}/C_{70} units are on the order of 10^{12} (highest $3.98 \times 10^{12}/\text{sec}$). Thus the electron transfer rate does not drop compared to pure C_{60} ($4.9 \times 10^{12}/\text{sec}$) crystals (cf. $1.8 \times 10^{13}/\text{sec}$ for pure C_{70})

Figure S12. Segregation mechanism calculation of C_{60} and C_{70} mixture and electron transfer rate calculation.

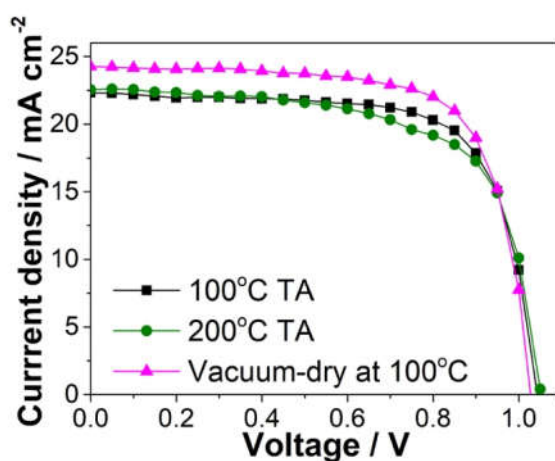


Figure S13. J - V curves of PSCs after 100 °C TA (green line), 200 °C TA (blue line), and 100 °C TA under light vacuum (purple line) on spin-coated mixed fullerene ETLs.

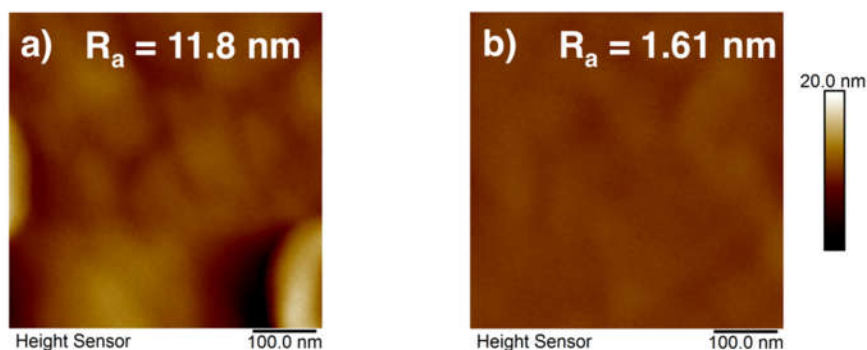


Figure S14. AFM images of a) 200 °C TA-treated spin-coated mixed fullerene film, and b) 100 °C TA-treated under light vacuum of spin-coated mixed fullerene film.

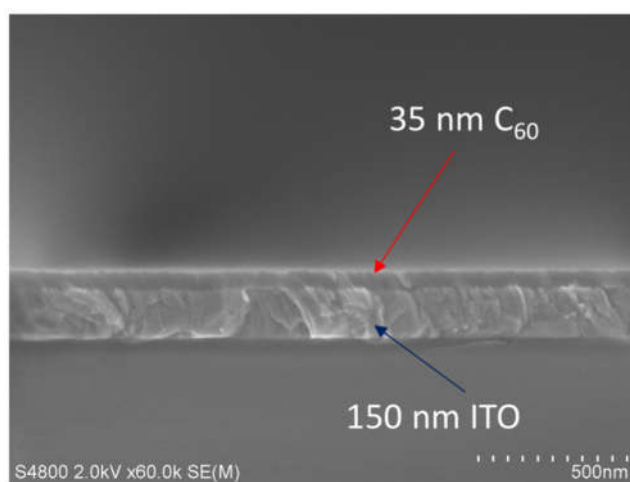


Figure S15. Cross sectional SEM of thermally deposited C₆₀ on ITO substrate.

Table S2. Photovoltaic parameters of the normal-type PSCs using spin-coated C₆₀, C₇₀ as the ETLs with vacuum-dry treatment under one sun (AM 1.5 G, 100 mW cm⁻²).

Fullerene	J_{sc} [mA cm ⁻²]	V_{oc} [V]	FF	R_s [Ω cm ²]	R_{sh} [Ω cm ²]	PCE _{Best}	PCE _{Average}	Hysteresis Index
C ₆₀	23.0	0.99	0.65	42	1.7×10^4	14.8%	14.6% ± 0.7	0.03
Vacuum-dry C ₆₀	24.1	0.99	0.67	37	1.0×10^4	16.0%	15.7% ± 0.5	0.03
C ₇₀	19.5	0.97	0.62	36	6.8×10^4	11.7%	11.4% ± 0.6	0.07
Vacuum-dry C ₇₀	21.7	0.98	0.60	38	1.2×10^4	12.1%	11.9% ± 0.4	0.05

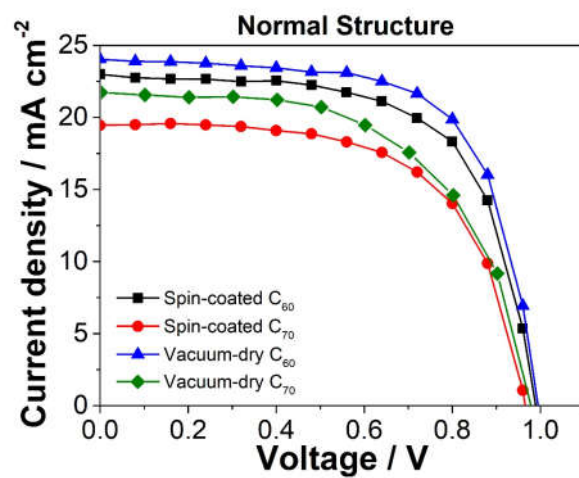


Figure S16. J - V curves of the normal-type PSCs using spin-coated C₆₀ (black square), spin-coated C₇₀ (red circle), vacuum-dry C₆₀ (blue triangle), and vacuum-dry C₇₀ (green diamond).

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