

Figure S1. Time-resolved photoconductivity decay of hydrogen-terminated (111)-oriented n-type Si in contact with concentrated sulfuric acid (circles). Much more rapid conductivity decays were recorded after exposing this sample to air for 30 min (squares). A single-exponential fit to these decays (not shown) yielded a time constant of 458 μs for the $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_{4(\text{aq})}$ -immersed sample and 20 μs for the air-exposed sample. Measurements were made under low-level injection conditions ($1.3 \times 10^{-6} \text{ mJ cm}^{-2} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$; 5.2×10^{11} injected charge carriers $\text{cm}^{-3} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$ in a 190 μm thick sample).

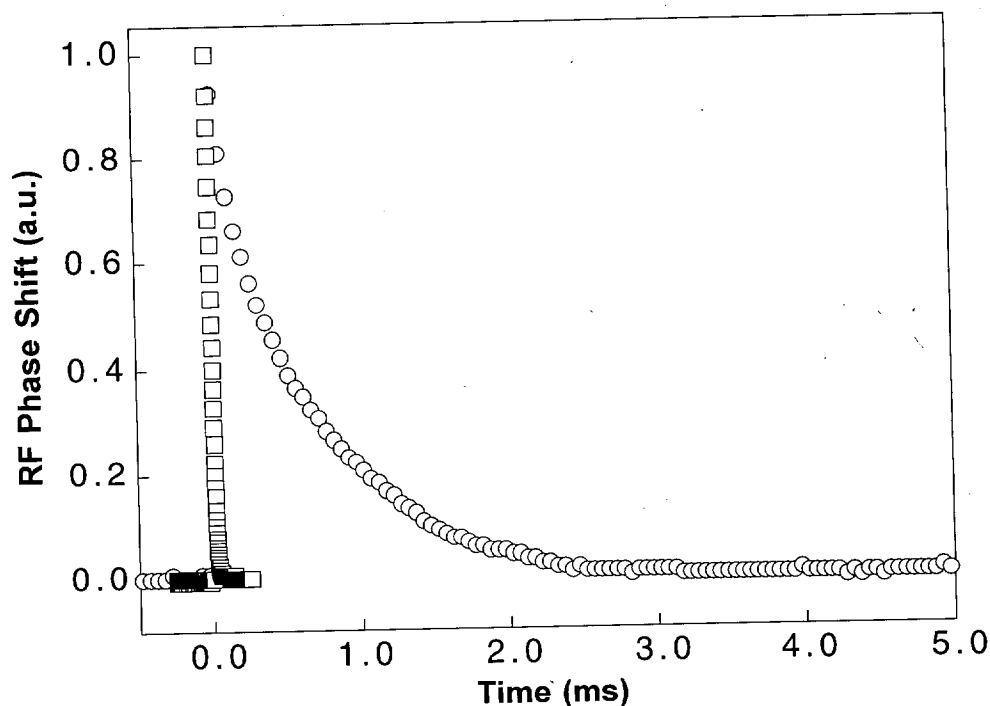


Figure S2. Time-resolved photoconductivity decay of $\text{NH}_4\text{F}_{(\text{aq})}$ -etched (111)-oriented n-type Si in contact with CH_3OH -0.05 M I_2 (circles) and in contact with $\text{N}_{2(\text{g})}$ after immersion in CH_3OH - I_2 and a subsequent CH_3OH rinse (squares). A single-exponential fit to these decays (not shown) yielded a time constant of 657 μs and 11 μs for the CH_3OH - I_2 -immersed and the $\text{N}_{2(\text{g})}$ -exposed samples, respectively. Measurements were made under high-level injection conditions ($7.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mJ cm}^{-2} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$; 2.7×10^{14} injected charge carriers $\text{cm}^{-3} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$ in a 195 μm thick sample).

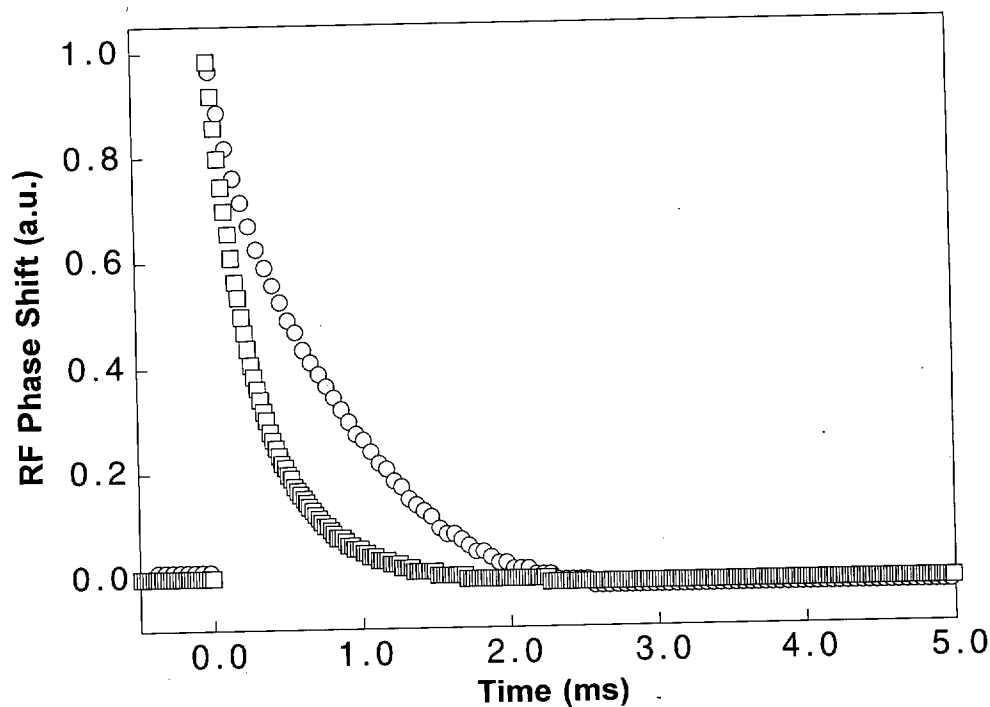


Figure S3. Time-resolved photoconductivity decay of $\text{NH}_4\text{F}_{(\text{aq})}$ -etched (111)-oriented n-type Si in contact with CH_3OH -0.05 M $\text{Fc}^{+/0}$ (circles) and in contact with $\text{N}_{2(\text{g})}$ after immersion in CH_3OH -0.05 M $\text{Fc}^{+/0}$ and a subsequent CH_3OH rinse (squares). A single-exponential fit to these decays (not shown) yielded a time constant of 741 μs and 328 μs for the CH_3OH -0.05 M $\text{Fc}^{+/0}$ -immersed and the $\text{N}_{2(\text{g})}$ -exposed samples, respectively. Measurements were made under high-level injection conditions ($7.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mJ cm}^{-2} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$; 2.7×10^{14} injected charge carriers $\text{cm}^{-3} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$ in a 197 μm thick sample).

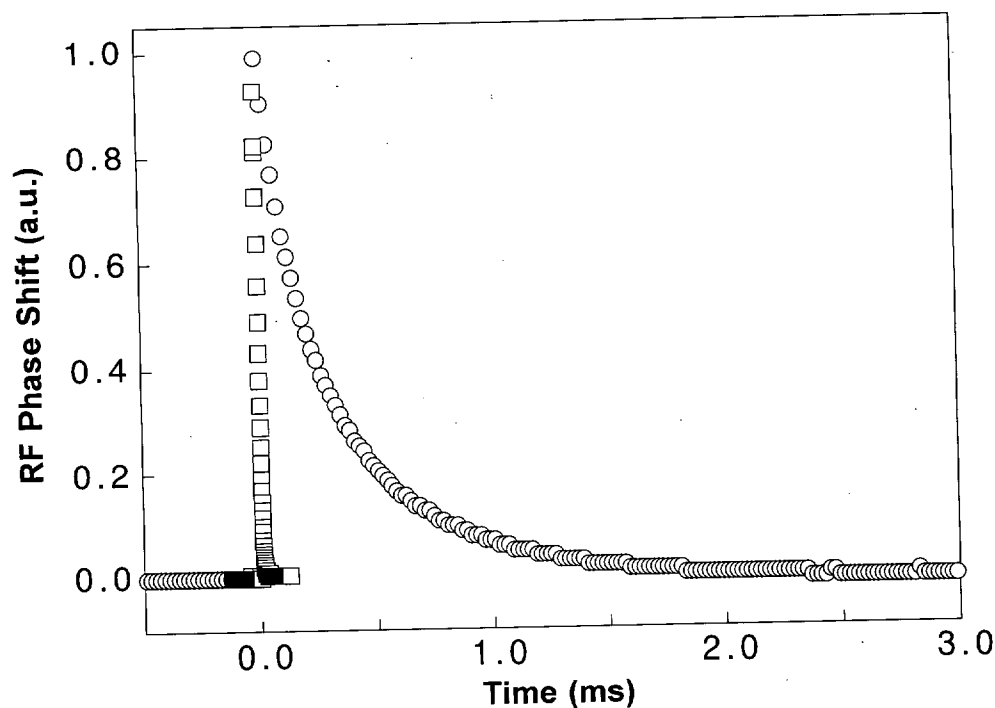


Figure S4. Time-resolved photoconductivity decay of $\text{NH}_4\text{F}_{(\text{aq})}$ -etched (111)-oriented n-type Si in contact with THF-0.05 M I_2 (circles) and in contact with $\text{N}_{2(\text{g})}$ after immersion in THF- I_2 and a subsequent THF rinse (squares). A single-exponential fit to these decays (not shown) yielded a time constant of 341 μs and 3.8 μs for the THF- I_2 -immersed and the $\text{N}_{2(\text{g})}$ -exposed samples, respectively. Measurements were made under high-level injection conditions ($7.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mJ cm}^{-2} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$; 2.7×10^{14} injected charge carriers $\text{cm}^{-3} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$ in a 195 μm thick sample).

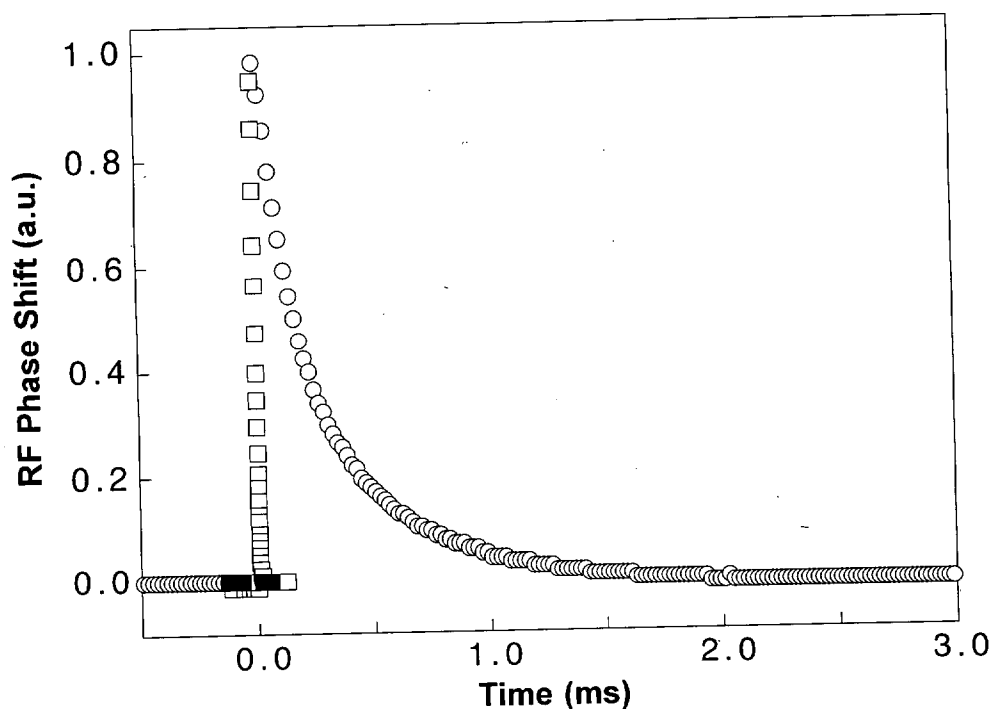


Figure S5. Time-resolved photoconductivity decay of $\text{NH}_4\text{F}_{(\text{aq})}$ -etched (111)-oriented n-type Si in contact with THF-0.05 M Fc-0.005 M Fc^+ (circles) and in contact with THF-0.05 M Me_{10}Fc -0.01M $\text{Me}_{10}\text{Fc}^+$ (squares). A single-exponential fit to these decays (not shown) yielded time constants of 291 μs and 3.2 μs for the THF- $\text{Fc}^{+/0}$ -immersed and the THF- $\text{Me}_{10}\text{Fc}^{+/0}$ -immersed samples, respectively. Measurements were made under high-level injection conditions ($7.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mJ cm}^{-2} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$; 2.7×10^{14} injected charge carriers $\text{cm}^{-3} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$ in a 195 μm thick sample).

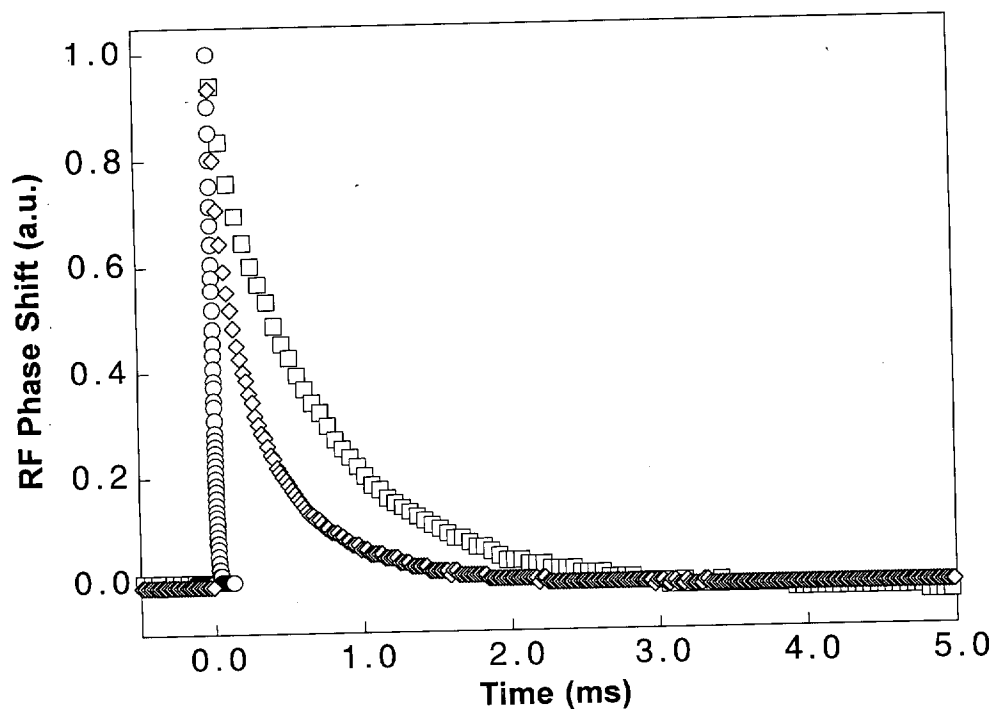


Figure S6. Time-resolved photoconductivity decay of $\text{NH}_4\text{F}_{(\text{aq})}$ -etched (111)-oriented n-type Si in contact with CH_3OH -0.01 M $\text{CoCp}_2^{+/0}$ (squares) and the subsequent exposure of the same sample to $\text{N}_{2(\text{g})}$ (circles). A single-exponential fit to these decays (not shown) yielded time constants of 732 μs and 9 μs , respectively. Also shown is the photoconductivity decay for this sample in contact with CH_3CN -0.01 M $\text{CoCp}_2^{+/0}$ (diamonds). A single-exponential fit to this decay yielded a time constant of 348 μs . Measurements were made under high-level injection conditions ($7.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mJ cm}^{-2} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$; $1.7 \times 10^{14} \text{ injected charge carriers cm}^{-3} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$ in a 306 μm thick sample).

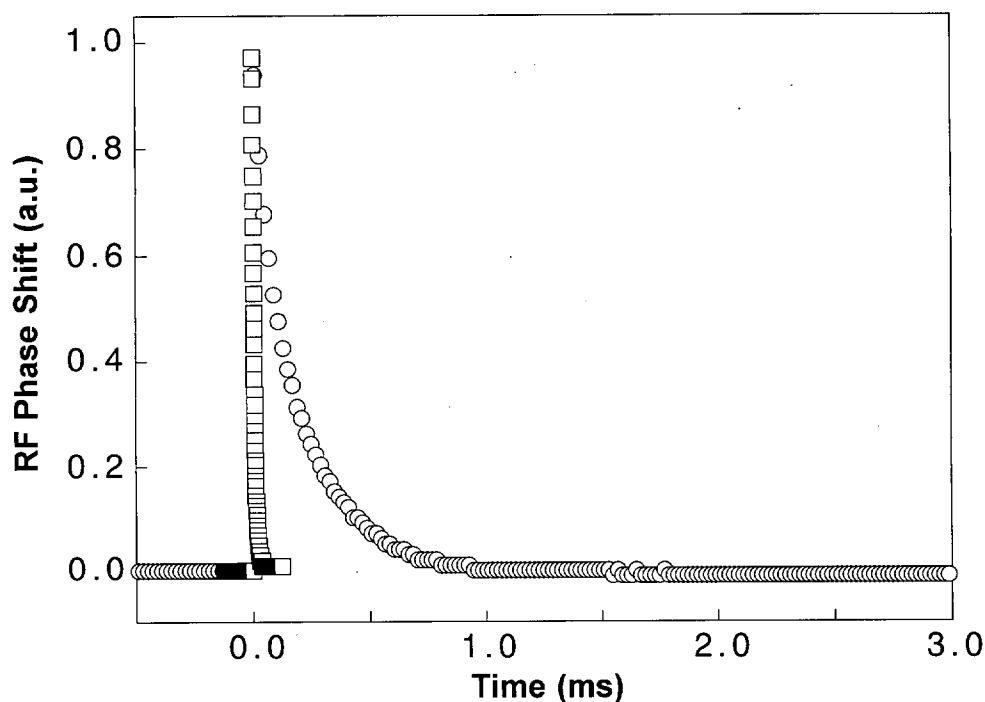


Figure S7. Time-resolved photoconductivity decay of air-oxidized (111)-oriented n-type Si in contact with CH_3OH -0.05 M $\text{Fc}^{+/0}$ (circles) and in contact with $\text{N}_{2(\text{g})}$ (squares). A single-exponential fit to these decays (not shown) yielded a time constant of 193 μs and 6.7 μs for the CH_3OH - $\text{Fc}^{+/0}$ -immersed and the $\text{N}_{2(\text{g})}$ -exposed samples, respectively. Measurements were made under high-level injection conditions ($7.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ mJ cm}^{-2} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$; 2.7×10^{14} injected charge carriers $\text{cm}^{-3} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$ in a 195 μm thick sample).

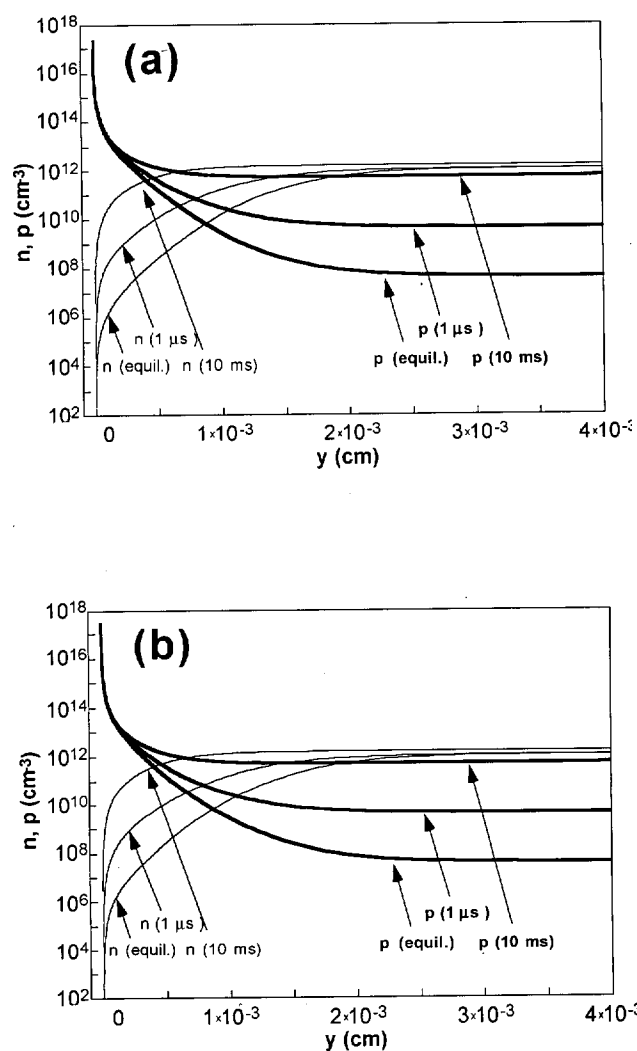


Figure S8. Charge carrier concentration profiles for Si/Me₂Fc⁺⁰ contacts (barrier height $\Phi_B = 1.03$ V) under low-level injection conditions (3.3×10^{11} injected charge carriers cm^{-3} pulse⁻¹). Profiles are depicted at 1 μs and at 10 ms after optical light excitation and at equilibrium (equil.). For clarity, only the region adjacent to the semiconductor/liquid contact ($y = 0$ cm) is shown. (a) Simulation **XI**: surface trap density $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^7$ traps cm^{-2} . Lifetime of holes (p) in the bulk equals 2.1 ms (b) Simulation **XII**: surface trap density $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^{12}$ traps cm^{-2} . Lifetime of holes (p) in the bulk equals 2.1 ms.

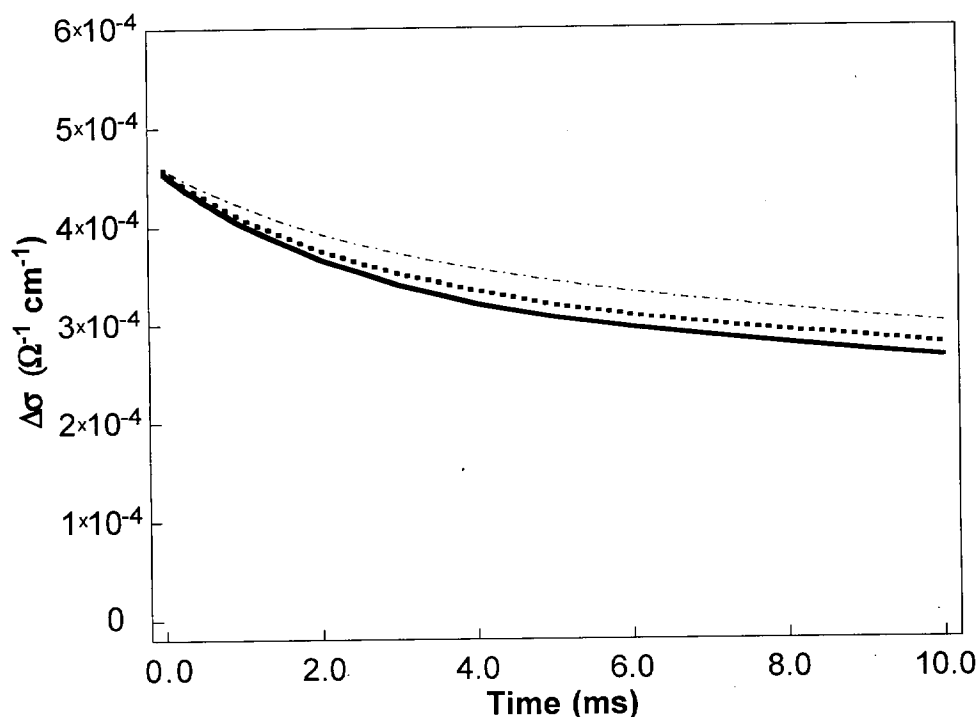


Figure S9. Plot of photoconductivity, $\Delta\sigma$, vs. time, t , for Si/Me₂Fc⁺⁰ contacts under low-level injection conditions (3.3×10^{11} injected charge carriers cm⁻³ pulse⁻¹). Photoconductivities were calculated using eq 2. Results are shown for: $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^{12}$ traps cm⁻² (solid line, **XI**), $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^7$ traps cm⁻² (dotted line, **XII**), and $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^7$ traps cm⁻² and a surface acceptor concentration $[A] = 3 \times 10^{10}$ acceptor species cm⁻² (dash-dot line, **XIIa**). The photoconductivity decay did not follow a single exponential. A decay time of 2 ms was dominant, but obtaining a good fit to the photoconductivity decay required the addition of a series of exponentials having slower decay times than 2 ms.

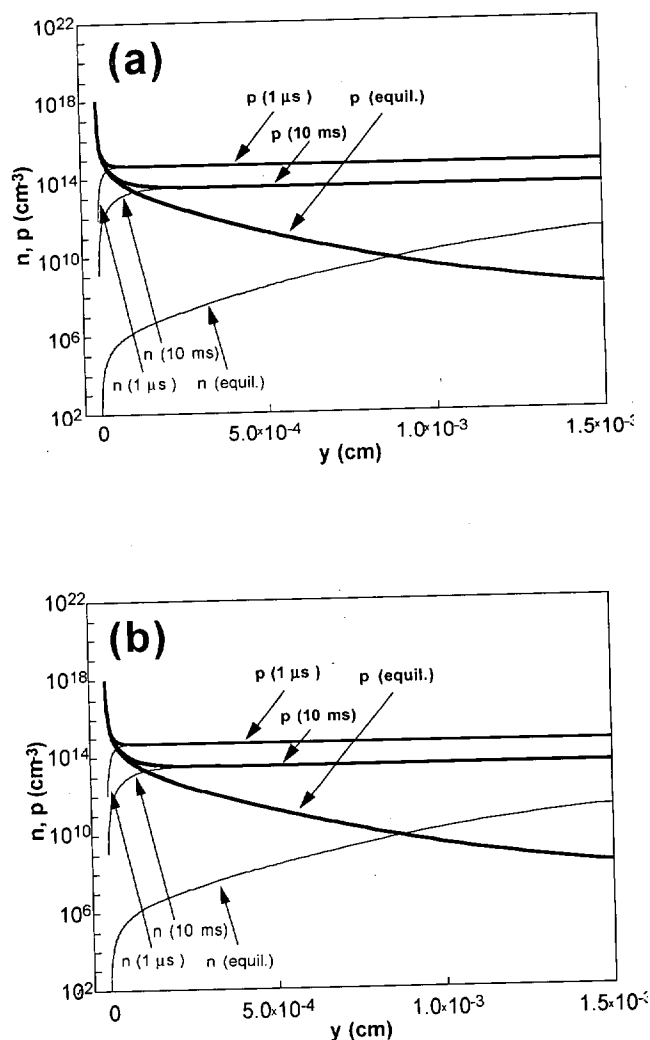


Figure S10. Charge carrier concentration profiles for Si/Me₂Fc^{+/-0} contacts (barrier height $\Phi_B = 1.03$ V) under high-level injection conditions (2.3×10^{14} injected charge carriers cm⁻³ pulse⁻¹). Profiles are depicted at 1 μ s and at 10 ms after optical light excitation and at equilibrium (equil.). For clarity, only the region adjacent to the semiconductor/liquid contact ($y = 0$ cm) is shown. (a) Simulation **XIII**: surface trap density $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^7$ traps cm⁻². Lifetime of holes (p) in the bulk equals 3.7 ms (b) Simulation **XIV**: surface trap density $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^{12}$ traps cm⁻². Lifetime of holes (p) in the bulk equals 3.5 ms.

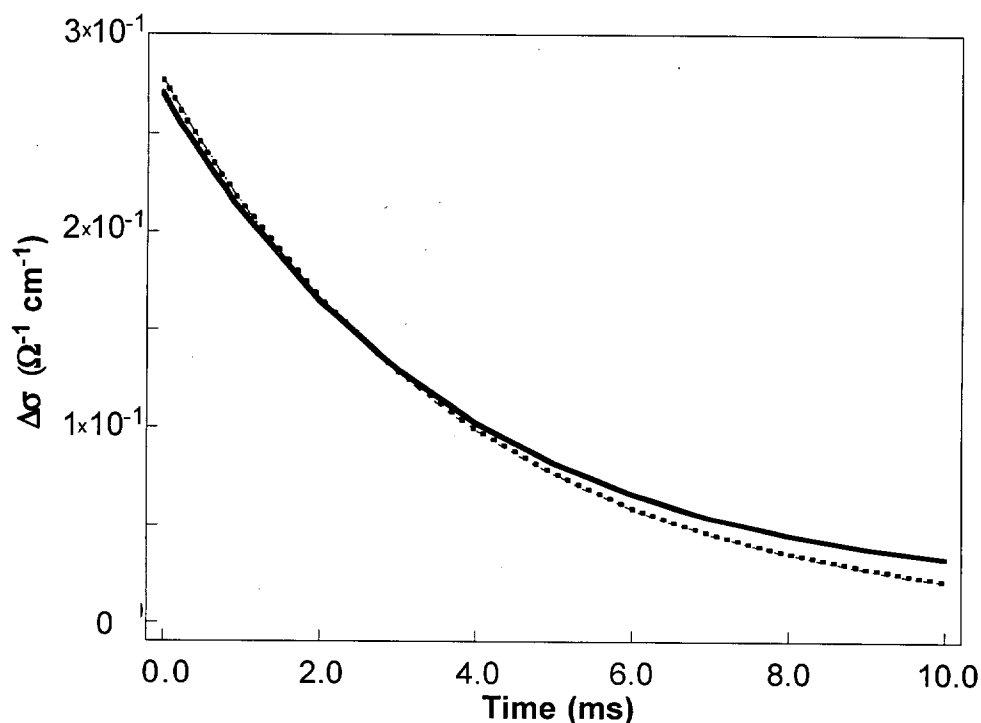


Figure S11. Plot of photoconductivity, $\Delta\sigma$, vs. time, t , for Si/Me₂Fc⁺⁰ contacts under high-level injection conditions (2.3×10^{14} injected charge carriers cm⁻³ pulse⁻¹). Photoconductivities were calculated using eq 2. Results are shown for: $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^7$ traps cm⁻² (dotted line, **XIII**), $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^{12}$ traps cm⁻² (solid line, **XIV**), and $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^7$ traps cm⁻² and a surface acceptor concentration $[A] = 3 \times 10^{10}$ acceptor species cm⁻² (dash-dot line, **XIIIa**). Photoconductivity decays are single exponentials and have decay times of 3.9 ms (**XIII**), 3.7 ms (**XIV**), and 3.9 ms (**XIIIa**), respectively.

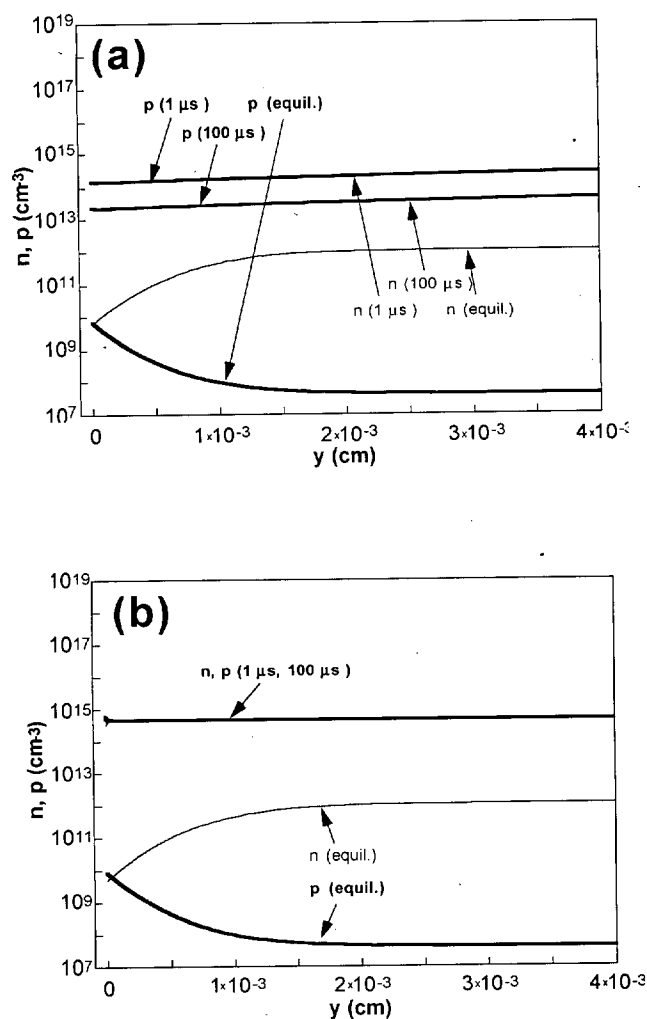


Figure S12. Charge carrier concentration profiles for Si/Me₁₀Fc^{+ / 0} contacts (barrier height $\Phi_B = 0.56$ V) under high-level injection conditions (2.3×10^{14} injected charge carriers $\text{cm}^{-3} \text{ pulse}^{-1}$). Profiles are depicted at $1 \mu\text{s}$ and at $100 \mu\text{s}$ after optical light excitation and at equilibrium (equil.). For clarity, only the region adjacent to the semiconductor/liquid contact ($y = 0$ cm) is shown. (a) Simulation XV: surface trap density $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^{12} \text{ traps cm}^{-2}$. Decay of holes did not follow a single exponential. (b) Simulation XVI: surface trap density $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^7 \text{ traps cm}^{-2}$. Lifetime of holes (p) in the bulk equals 3.7 ms.

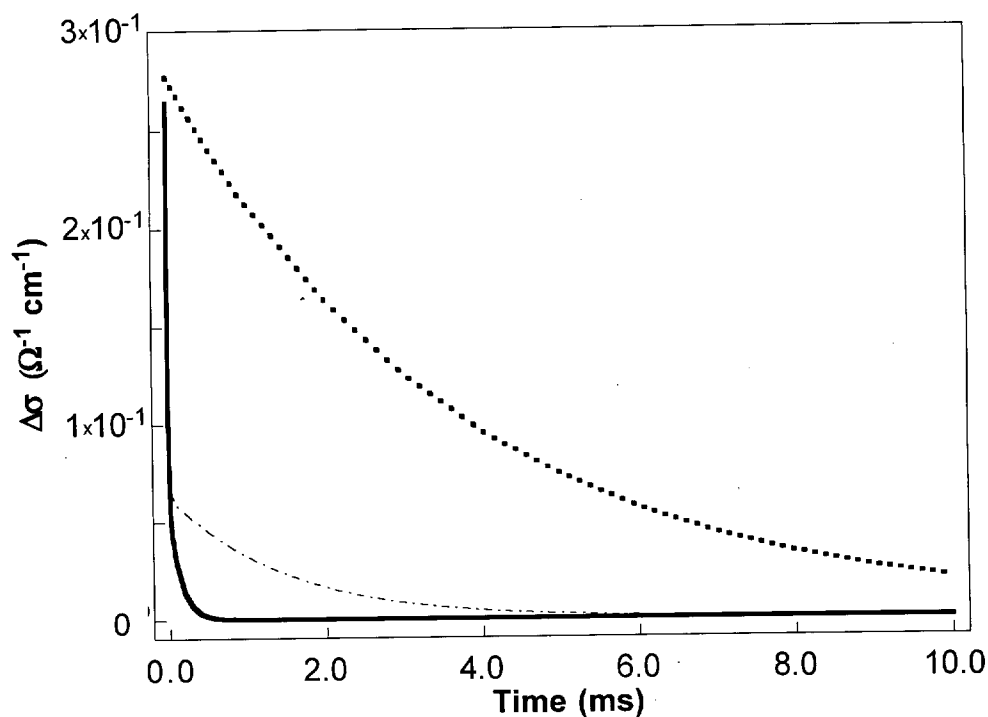


Figure S13. Plot of photoconductivity, $\Delta\sigma$, vs. time, t , for Si/Me₁₀Fc⁺⁰ contacts under high-level injection conditions (2.3×10^{14} injected charge carriers cm⁻³ pulse⁻¹). Photoconductivities were calculated using eq 2. Results are shown for: $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^{12}$ traps cm⁻² (solid line, **XV**), $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^7$ traps cm⁻² (dotted line, **XVI**), and $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^7$ traps cm⁻² and a surface acceptor concentration $[A] = 3 \times 10^{10}$ acceptor species cm⁻² (dash-dot line, **XVIa**). Photoconductivity decay **XVI** is a single exponential with a decay time of 3.8 ms. Photoconductivity decays **XVIa** and **XV** did not follow a single exponential. The dominating decay times for **XVIa** and **XV** are on the order of μ s.

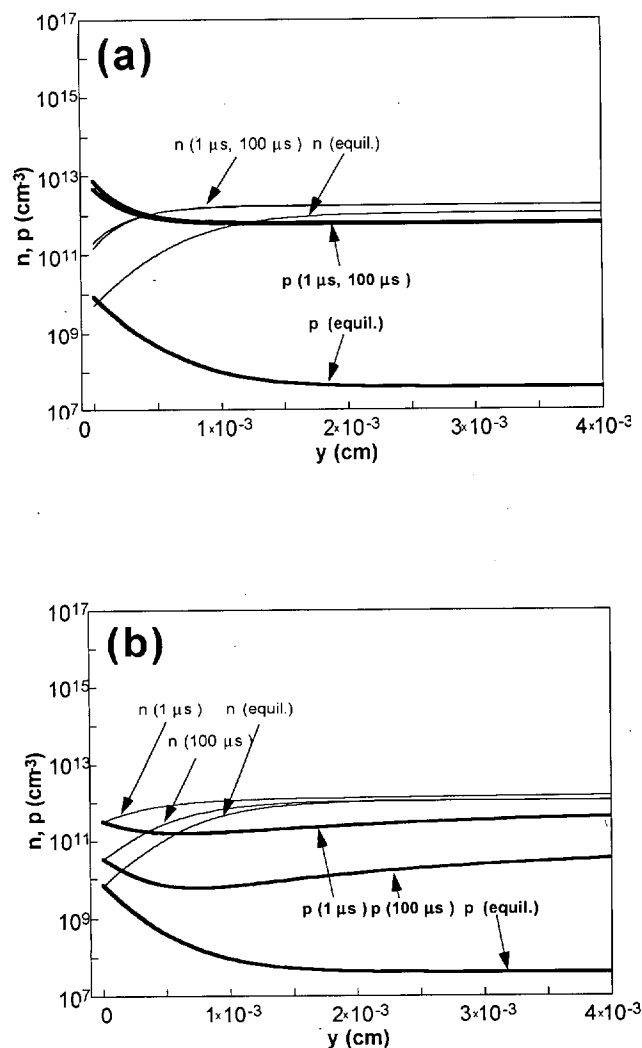


Figure S14. Charge carrier concentration profiles for Si/Me₁₀Fc⁺⁰ contacts (barrier height $\Phi_B = 0.56$ V) under low-level injection conditions (3.3×10^{11} injected charge carriers cm^{-3} pulse⁻¹). Profiles are depicted at 1 μs and at 100 μs after optical light excitation and at equilibrium (equil.). For clarity, only the region adjacent to the semiconductor/liquid contact ($y = 0$ cm) is shown. (a) Simulation XVII: surface trap density $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^7 \text{ traps cm}^{-2}$. Lifetime of holes (p) at $y = 9.5 \times 10^{-3}$ cm (not shown) equals 2.6 ms. (b) Simulation XVIII: surface trap density $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^{12} \text{ traps cm}^{-2}$. The decay of holes did not follow a single exponential. The dominating decay times are on the order of μs .

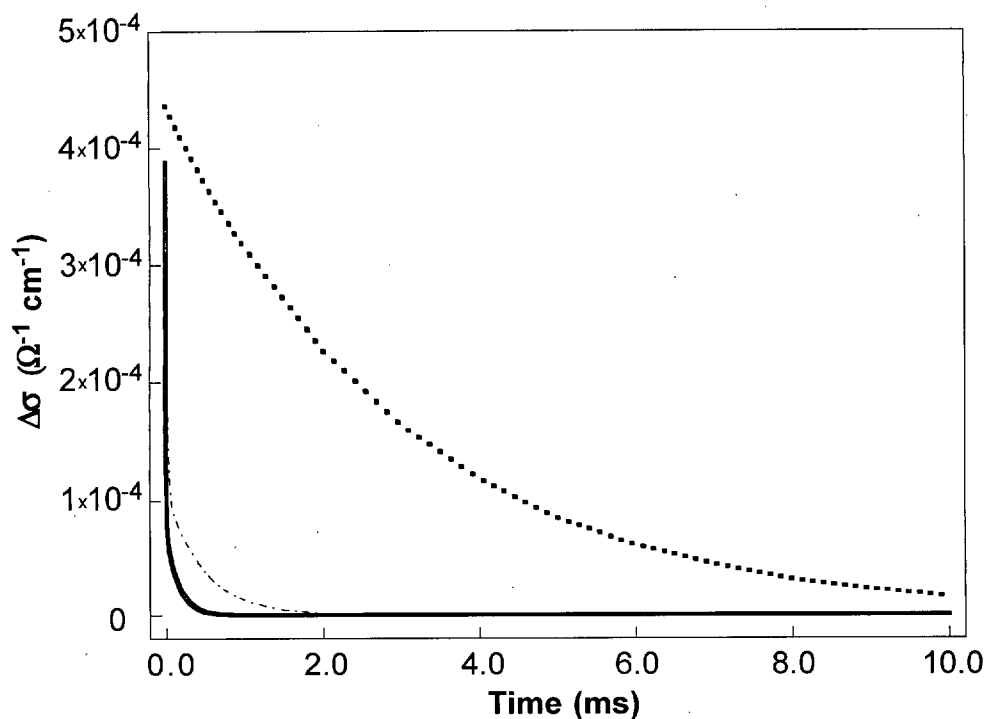


Figure S15. Plot of photoconductivity, $\Delta\sigma$, vs. time, t , for Si/Me₁₀Fc⁺⁰ contacts under low-level injection conditions (2.3×10^{11} injected charge carriers cm⁻³ pulse⁻¹). Photoconductivities were calculated using eq 2. Results are shown for: $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^7$ traps cm⁻² (dotted line, **XVII**), $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^{12}$ traps cm⁻² (solid line, **XVIII**), and $N_{T,s} = 1 \times 10^7$ traps cm⁻² and a surface acceptor concentration $[A] = 3 \times 10^{10}$ acceptor species cm⁻² (dash-dot line, **XVIIa**). Photoconductivity decay **XVII** is a single exponential with a decay time of 3.1 ms. Photoconductivity decays **XVIIa** and **XVIII** could not be fitted by a single exponential decay. The dominating decay times are on the order of μ s.