

## Solar Cell Using Chemical Bath Deposited PbS:Bi<sup>3+</sup> Films as Electron Collecting Layer

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**Abstract :** Chemical bath deposited PbS:Bi<sup>3+</sup> as an electron collection layer is introduced between the silicon wafer and the Ag electrode the performance of the PbS heterojunction thin film solar thin film solar cells with 1 cm<sup>2</sup> active area. We employed Bi-doping to transform it into an n-type semiconductor. The experimental results reveal that the cell response parameters depend critically on the deposition procedures in terms of bath temperature, deposition time. The device achieves an open-circuit voltage of 0.4 V. The simple and low-cost deposition method of PbS:Bi<sup>3+</sup> films is promising for the fabrication.

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