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**Index Terms** — amorphous materials, charge carrier lifetime, photovoltaic cells, silicon.

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TABLE I  
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| Section         | Font Specifics<br>(Times Roman unless specified) |      |            | Paragraph Description       |        |       |           |                            |
|-----------------|--|------|------------|-----------------------------|--------|-------|-----------|----------------------------|
|                 | style  | size | special    | spacing (in points)<br>line | before | after | alignment | indent<br>(in inches)      |
| Title           | plain  | 18   | none       | single                      | 6      | 6     | centered  | none                       |
| Author List     | plain  | 12   | none       | single                      | 6      | 6     | centered  | none                       |
| Affiliations    | plain  | 12   | none       | single                      | 6      | 6     | centered  | none                       |
| Abstract        | bold   | 9    | none       | exactly 10                  | 0      | 0     | justified | 0.125 1 <sup>st</sup> line |
| Index Terms     | bold   | 9    | none       | exactly 10                  | 0      | 0     | justified | 0.125 1 <sup>st</sup> line |
| Headings        | plain  | 10   | small caps | exactly 12                  | 18     | 6     | centered  | none                       |
| Subheadings     | italic   | 10   | none       | exactly 12                  | 6      | 6     | left      | none                       |
| Body Paragraphs | plain  | 10   | none       | exactly 12                  | 0      | 0     | justified | 0.125 1 <sup>st</sup> line |
| Equations       | Symbol font for special characters               |      |            | single                      | 6      | 6     | centered  | none                       |
| Figures         | 8 to 10 point sans serif (Helvetica)             |      |            | single                      | 0      | 0     | centered  | none                       |
| Figure Captions | plain  | 9    | none       | 10                          | 0      | 0     | justified | none, tab at 0.5           |
| References      | plain  | 9    | none       | 10                          | 0      | 0     | justified | 0.25 hanging               |

Using 8.5 x 11-inch paper, the top margin is 0.75 inch, the bottom margin is 1 inch, and the left and right margins are 0.625 inch. Except for Title, Authors and Affiliations, use a double column format. The column width is 3.5 inches and the column spacing is 0.25 inch.

Each major section begins with a Heading in 10 point Times font centered within the column and numbered using Roman numerals (except for ACKNOWLEDGEMENT and REFERENCES), followed by a period, a single space, and the title using an initial capital letter for each word. The remaining letters are in SMALL CAPITALS. The paragraph description of the section heading line should be set for 18 points before, 6 points after, and the line spacing should be set to exactly 12 points.

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Further details are provided in the remainder of this paper for specific situations.

#### A. Major Subsections

As shown, denote subsections with left justified 10-point Times Italic. Order them with capitalized alphabetic characters (A, B,...). Follow the letter designation with a period, a single space, and then the subsection title capitalizing the first letter of each word. The paragraph description of the subsection heading is set to "exactly 12-point" line spacing with 6 points before and after.

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Equations should be centered in the column and numbered sequentially. Place the equation number to the right of the equation within a parenthesis, with right justification within its column. An example would be

$$V_{OC} \equiv \frac{1}{\beta} \ln \left( \frac{I_L}{I_S} + 1 \right) \quad (1)$$

*Make sure that any subscripts in your equations are legible and are not too small to read!* When referring to an equation, use the number within parenthesis. For example, you would usually refer to the first equation as (1) rather than equation (1). If possible, use the Symbol font for all special characters, or better yet, use Equation Editor™ or MathType™. The paragraph description of the line containing the equation should be set for 6 points before and 6 points after. The paragraph spacing will need to be set to "single" rather than "exactly 12 point" so that the height will autoscale to fit the equation.

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to a figure, use the abbreviation Fig. followed by its number. Place figure captions directly below each figure. Use 9-point Times with the paragraph spacing set at "exactly 10 points". Set a tab at 0.5 inch. Type "Fig. #" (# is the numeral) then tab over to the 0.5 inch mark before beginning the text of the figure caption. Note that figure captions are always (left and right) justified, rather than centered, even if they are less than a single full line in length. See the captions for Fig. 1.

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If you have difficulties with the titles on your figures, you can always elect to add in the titles as separate text boxes, rather than importing the titles with the graph. This is sometimes helpful in getting a lengthy vertically-oriented title to display correctly.

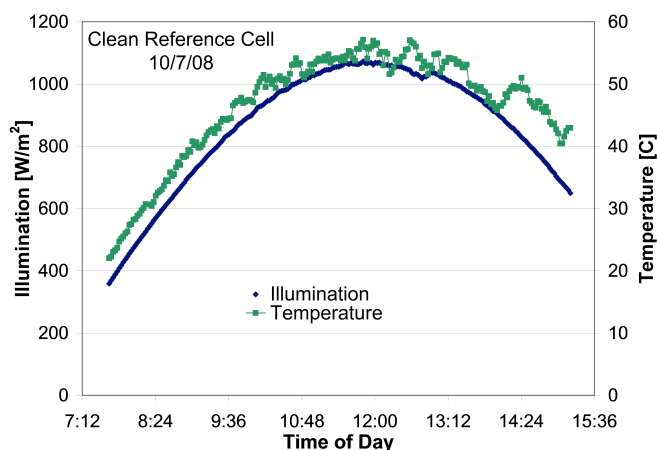


Fig. 1. Example of readable plot using different colors and line styles for clarity.

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