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Growth of Planar Semi-Polar Gallium Nitride

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OTHER INFORMATION

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION

A technique for the growth of planar films of semi-polar nitrides, in which a large area of (AI, In, Ga)N is grown parallel to the substrate surface.

BACKGROUND

Current nitride technology for electronic and optoelectronic devices employs nitride films grown along the polar c-direction. However, conventional c-plane quantum well structures in III-nitride based optoelectronic and electronic devices suffer from the undesirable quantum-confined Stark effect (QCSE), due to the existence of strong piezoelectric effects and spontaneous polarizations. The strong built-in electric fields along the c-direction cause spatial separation of electrons and holes that in turn give rise to restricted carrier recombination efficiency, reduced oscillator strength, and red-shifted emission. The growth of non-polar GaN remains challenging and has not yet been widely adopted in the III-nitride industry.

DESCRIPTION

Researchers at the University of California, Santa Barbara have developed a technique for the growth of planar films of semi-polar nitrides, in which a large area of (Al, In, Ga)N is grown parallel to the substrate surface. For example, samples can be grown on 10 mm x 10 mm or 2 inch diameter substrates. The advantage of semi-polar over c-plane nitride films is the reduction in polarization and the associated increase in internal quantum efficiency for certain devices.

ADVANTAGES

- ▶ Reduction in polarization and the associated increase in internal quantum efficiency for certain devices
- Easier to grow compared to non-polar nitride films

APPLICATIONS

▶ Production of planar semi-polar gallium nitride

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PATENT STATUS

Country	Туре	Number	Dated	Case
United States Of America	Issued Patent	8,524,012	09/03/2013	2005-471
United States Of America	Issued Patent	8,128,756	03/06/2012	2005-471
United States Of America	Issued Patent	7,704,331	04/27/2010	2005-471
United States Of America	Issued Patent	7,220,324	05/22/2007	2005-471

ADDITIONAL TECHNOLOGIES BY THESE INVENTORS

▶ Etching Technique for the Fabrication of Thin (Al, In, Ga)N Layers

- Lateral Growth Method for Defect Reduction of Semipolar Nitride Films
- Vertical Cavity Surface-Emitting Lasers with Continuous Wave Operation
- ▶ Eliminating Misfit Dislocations with In-Situ Compliant Substrate Formation
- ▶ III-Nitride-Based Vertical Cavity Surface Emitting Laser (VCSEL) with a Dielectric P-Side Lens
- ► Aluminum-cladding-free Nonpolar III-Nitride LEDs and LDs
- Low-Cost Zinc Oxide for High-Power-Output, GaN-Based LEDs (UC Case 2010-183)
- Defect Reduction in GaN films using in-situ SiNx Nanomask
- ▶ Enhanced Light Extraction LED with a Tunnel Junction Contact Wafer Bonded to a Conductive Oxide
- ► Implantable Light Irradiation Device For Photodynamic Therapy
- ▶ Low Temperature Deposition of Magnesium Doped Nitride Films
- ► Transparent Mirrorless (TML) LEDs
- Improved GaN Substrates Prepared with Ammonothermal Growth
- ▶ Optimization of Laser Bar Orientation for Nonpolar Laser Diodes
- ▶ Method for Enhancing Growth of Semipolar Nitride Devices
- Ultraviolet Laser Diode on Nano-Porous AlGaN template
- Improved Reliability & Enhanced Performance of III-Nitride Tunnel Junction Optoelectronic Devices
- Growth of Polyhedron-Shaped Gallium Nitride Bulk Crystals
- Nonpolar III-Nitride LEDs With Long Wavelength Emission
- Improved Fabrication of Nonpolar InGaN Thin Films, Heterostructures, and Devices
- Growth of High-Quality, Thick, Non-Polar M-Plane GaN Films
- ► High-Efficiency, Mirrorless Non-Polar and Semi-Polar Light Emitting Devices
- ► Method for Growing High-Quality Group III-Nitride Crystals
- ► Controlled Photoelectrochemical (PEC) Etching by Modification of Local Electrochemical Potential of Semiconductor Structure
- Oxyfluoride Phosphors for Use in White Light LEDs
- ▶ Technique for the Nitride Growth of Semipolar Thin Films, Heterostructures, and Semiconductor Devices
- (In,Ga,Al)N Optoelectronic Devices with Thicker Active Layers for Improved Performance
- ▶ Thermally Stable, Laser-Driven White Lighting Device
- MOCVD Growth of Planar Non-Polar M-Plane Gallium Nitride
- ► Methods for Fabricating III-Nitride Tunnel Junction Devices
- ▶ Low-Droop LED Structure on GaN Semi-polar Substrates
- ► Contact Architectures for Tunnel Junction Devices
- ► Semi-polar LED/LD Devices on Relaxed Template with Misfit Dislocation at Hetero-interface
- ► Semipolar-Based Yellow, Green, Blue LEDs with Improved Performance
- ▶ III-Nitride-Based Devices Grown On Thin Template On Thermally Decomposed Material
- ▶ Growth of Semipolar III-V Nitride Films with Lower Defect Density
- ► III-Nitride Tunnel Junction LED with High Wall Plug Efficiency
- ► Tunable White Light Based on Polarization-Sensitive LEDs
- Cleaved Facet Edge-Emitting Laser Diodes Grown on Semipolar GaN
- Growth of High-Performance M-plane GaN Optical Devices
- ▶ Packaging Technique for the Fabrication of Polarized Light Emitting Diodes
- ▶ Improved Anisotropic Strain Control in Semipolar Nitride Devices
- Novel Multilayer Structure for High-Efficiency UV and Far-UV Light-Emitting Devices
- ► III-V Nitride Device Structures on Patterned Substrates
- ▶ Method for Increasing GaN Substrate Area in Nitride Devices
- ► High-Intensity Solid State White Laser Diode
- ▶ Nitride Based Ultraviolet LED with an Ultraviolet Transparent Contact

- ► GaN-Based Thermoelectric Device for Micro-Power Generation
- ▶ Limiting Strain-Relaxation in III-Nitride Heterostructures by Substrate Patterning
- ▶ LED Device Structures with Minimized Light Re-Absorption
- ▶ High-Efficiency and High-Power III-Nitride Devices Grown on or Above a Strain Relaxed Template
- ▶ UV Optoelectronic Devices Based on Nonpolar and Semi-polar AllnN and AllnGaN Alloys
- ▶ Defect Reduction of Non-Polar and Semi-Polar III-Nitrides
- ► III-Nitride Based VCSEL with Curved Mirror on P-Side of the Aperture
- ► Enhancing Growth of Semipolar (Al,In,Ga,B)N Films via MOCVD

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