

## DS 21: Layer Deposition (ALD, MBE, Sputtering, ...)

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DS 21.1 Thu 9:30 H14

**Surface-Diffusion Control Enables Tailored-Aspect-Ratio Nanostructures in Area-Selective Atomic Layer Deposition** —

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Area-selective atomic layer deposition is a key technology for modern microelectronics as it enables material deposition only in specific areas. Typically, the selectivity originates from surface modifications of the substrate that allow or block precursor adsorption. The control of the deposition process currently remains a major challenge as the selectivity of the no-growth areas is lost quickly. Here, we show that surface modifications of the substrate strongly manipulate the surface diffusion. The selective deposition of TiO<sub>2</sub> on poly (methyl methacrylate) and SiO<sub>2</sub> yields localized nanostructures with tailored aspect ratios. Controlling the surface diffusion allows to tune such nanostructures as it boosts the growth rate at the interface of the growth and no-growth areas. Kinetic Monte-Carlo calculations reveal that species move from high to low diffusion areas.

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**Molecular-beam epitaxy of Cd- and Nb-containing Bi<sub>x</sub>Se<sub>y</sub>-based compounds for novel topological materials** —

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Topological insulators (TIs) have gained a lot of interest in recent years because of their unique topologically protected surface states. Prominent examples of 3-dimensional topological insulators are Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub>, Sb<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub>, and Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> and alloys thereof. The combination of TI with superconductors and using the proximity effect to induce superconductivity in the TI is of fundamental interest in physics and may direct a possible avenue towards novel applications in the field of quantum computation. Here the successful deposition of Cd- and Nb-containing Bi<sub>x</sub>Se<sub>y</sub> films by molecular beam epitaxy is reported. Carefully adjusting the growth parameter, single-crystal CdBi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>4</sub> and (BiSe)<sub>1.10</sub>NbSe<sub>2</sub> thin films have been grown on sapphire substrates. For both materials, transmission electron microscopy images reveal the expected stacking sequences of atomic layers within the deposited films, indicating the presence of the anticipated stoichiometry. First data of the electrical transport of (BiSe)<sub>1.10</sub>NbSe<sub>2</sub> films show superconducting behavior with a transition temperature of 0.4 K.

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**Growth and Characterization of Epitaxial (Cr<sub>1-x</sub>Mnx)<sub>2</sub>GaC MAX Phase Thin Films by Pulsed Laser Deposition** —

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Due to their nanolaminated structure, tunable chemistry, and high oxidation resistance, MAX phases (where M is an early transition metal, A is a main group element, and X is carbon or nitrogen) are interesting materials for a wide variety of applications. The partial substitution of M atoms is one of the ways to tailor their properties to specific applications. In this study, we grow (Cr<sub>1-x</sub>Mnx)<sub>2</sub>GaC MAX phase films to fine-tune their magnetic response by stoichiometry variations for x = 0-1. High-quality epitaxial (Cr<sub>1-x</sub>Mnx)<sub>2</sub>GaC MAX phase films (thickness 30 \* 100 nm) are synthesized by pulsed laser deposition on MgO (111) substrates using (Mn<sub>50</sub>Cr<sub>50</sub>)<sub>66</sub>Ga<sub>34</sub>, Mn<sub>0.66</sub>Ga<sub>0.34</sub>, Cr<sub>66</sub>Ga<sub>34</sub> and C targets. The combination of structural and morphological characterization reveals a strong competition between the (Cr<sub>1-x</sub>Mnx)<sub>2</sub>GaC MAX phase and (Cr<sub>1-x</sub>Mnx)<sub>3</sub>GaC, (Cr<sub>1-x</sub>Mnx)<sub>3</sub>Ga phases. We suppress the formation of side phases by variation of the growth temperature and the formation of seed layers. Vibrating sample magnetometry of the MAX phase reveals increasing magnetization and ordering temperature with increasing Mn content. Funding by the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) within CRC/TRR 270, project B02 (Project-ID 405553726) is gratefully acknowledged.

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**Optical Quantizing Structures in Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/TiO<sub>2</sub> Heterostructures by Plasma Enhanced Atomic Layer Deposition (PEALD)** —

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Atomically thin heterostructures are promising candidates for various optoelectronic and photonic applications. Here we present on the properties of Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>/TiO<sub>2</sub> nano-composites grown by PEALD. The growth, dispersion relation, optical bandgap and composition of such structures are systematically studied by means of UV/VIS spectrophotometry, ellipsometry, XRR, STEM, and XPS techniques. The refractive index and the indirect bandgap of the heterostructures depend on the ratio of the two oxides, while the bandgap is very sensitive to the thicknesses of the barrier and quantum well layers. A large blue shift of the absorption edge from 400 nm to 320 nm is obtained by changing the TiO<sub>2</sub> (quantum well) thickness from 2 nm to 0.1 nm. PEALD unfolds the possibility of achieving optical quantizing effects within complex heterostructures enabling control of their structures down to atomic scale. Selected compositions are identified for applications in antireflection coatings at 355 nm wavelength. Interference multilayers of TiO<sub>2</sub>/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> composites as high refractive index material and SiO<sub>2</sub> as the low refractive index show very low reflectance and optical losses at 355 nm wavelength with transmittance values of approximately 99%. Such heterostructures overcome the limitations of the low bandgap dielectric TiO<sub>2</sub> for optical applications in the UV spectral range.