CAMT Seminar

"Optical and Electrical Properties of TixSi_(1-x)O₂ Films Prepared by ALD and PECVD"

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Abstract

The mixed TiO₂-SiO₂ oxides have multiple possible optical applications with demonstrated use in waveguides, laser mirrors and rugate filters. They are also considered as an alternative dielectric for high-k applications and they attracted considerable attention in the area of photocatalysis because they are more active than pure TiO₂. Ti_xSi_(1-x)O₂ were deposited on Si substrate by plasma enhanced atomic layer deposition (PEALD) and plasma enhanced chemical vapor deposition (PECVD). The overall stoichiometry of the final ALD film was varied by changing the relative number of TiO₂ and SiO₂ cycles as 1:1, 2:1, 1:2 and 3:1. The stoichiometry of PECVD films was varied by changing the flow rate ratios of the gaseous precursors for Ti and Si. The chemical bonding in the films was confirmed by X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS). Optical properties were determined in the wide spectral range 0.6-10.3 eV. The results on dielectric function and band gap were in good agreement with the density functional theory (DFT) predicted optical properties of amorphous Ti_xSi_(1-x)O₂ solid solutions. The electrical properties of the films were investigated in the MOS capacitor structures.

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