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Light-matter interaction can be strongly enhanced by confining the electric field in optical cavities. These require a well-suited stacking of reflecting and transparent materials selected for the frequency range of interest. In our study, we target the Terahertz spectrum and have chosen the SrVO3 compound for its high reflectivity in this frequency range. We report results on the growth of SrVO3 thin films by pulsed laser deposition unraveling the complex dependence of resistivity and crystalline quality on the Ar/O2 growth atmosphere as well as laser fluence and target-substrate distance. Optical measurements performed by Fourier Time-domain InfraRed spectroscopy show that the reflectivity window is within the scope of our applications.

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