Observation of Gamma Irradiation-Induced Suppression of Reverse Annealing in Neutron Irradiated MCZ Si Detectors

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Motivation of mixed radiations

- For the development of radiation-hard Si detectors for the SiD BeamCal program for the ILC
 - In the ILC radiation environment, there will be gamma/e and neutron radiation
- **o** Gamma irradiation is known to induce +SC in MCZ Si [1]



1. Z.Li, et al., IEEE Trans. Nucl. Sci.NS-51 (4)(2004)1901.

Experimental: samples, radiations and measurements

V Samples:

n-type MCZ Si, 390 $\mu m,$ 0.25cm², 1000 $\Omega\text{-cm},$ as-processed p⁺-n-n⁺ structure (processed at BNL)

Sample #:	1480-5	1480-13	1480-15	1480-16
Conditions:				
1 st Radiation: Neutron				
(n _{eq} /cm ²)	1.5x10 ¹⁴	1.5x10 ¹⁴	3x10 ¹⁴	3x10 ¹⁴
2 nd Radiation: Gamma (Mrad)	500	0	0	500

All samples were RT annealed after n-irradiation during the 5.5 month gamma radiation period

Radiations:

Neutrons: 0.8-1 MeV (HF=1.3), 1.5-3x10¹⁴ n_{eq}/cm², Annular Core Research Reactor in Sandia National Lab Gamma: 1.25 MeV ⁶⁰Co, BNL, up to 500 Mrads

✓ Experimental technique: IV, CV, and TCT [2] with red (660 nm) laser (measured at BNL)

2. V. Eremin, N. Strokan, E. Verbitskaya and Z. Li, NIM A 372 (1996) 388-298

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20.0µV

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-220µV



Experimental results of TCT current pulse shapes on3x1014 n_{eq}/cm2samples after 1 MeV neutron irradiation and beneficial
anneal

1480-16, 3x10¹⁴ n/cm² (22d RT anneal), MCZ n-type Si, p⁺/n/n⁺ structure

Laser front, electron current from p⁺ to n⁺ Double junction, and SCSI seen







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Experimental results of TCT current pulse shapes on samples after 1 MeV neutron irradiation and beneficial anneal

3x10¹⁴ n_{eq}/cm²

1480-14, 3x1014 n/cm2 (22d RT anneal), MCZ n-type Si, p+/n/n+ structure

Laser front, electron current from p⁺ to n⁺ Double junction, and SCSI seen



1480-14, 3x10¹⁴ n/cm² (22 d RT anneal), MCZ n-type Si, p⁺/n/n⁺ structure Laser back, hole current from n⁺ to p⁺

Tek Pre∨u 40.0μV -200μV Δ: T @: Δ: 97.8ns @: 82.8ns **Hole transient** Ch1 Area 7.264pVs 740 V D 647 V R 506 V R3 363 V R2 220 V R1 Ch1 1.00mVΩ M4.00ns A Ch1 J 1.20mV 4.00ns 🚺 16.80 % Ref4 1.00mV

Experimental results of TCT current pulse shapes on samples after 1 MeV neutron irradiation and 5.5-month RT reverse anneal: a) no gamma radiation during the anneal (control)





Experimental results of TCT current pulse shapes on samples after 1 MeV neutron irradiation and 5.5-month RT reverse anneal: b) with gamma radiation during the anneal



1480-13, 1.5x10¹⁴ n/cm² (5.5 month RT anneal), MCZ n-type Si, p⁺/n/n⁺ structure 1480-5, 1.5x10¹⁴ n/cm² +500 Mrad gamma (5.5 month RT anneal), MCZ n-type Si, p⁺/n/n⁺ structure



CV data confirms that 500 Mrad gamma radiation suppresses/compensates the RT reverse annealing

Experimental results of TCT current pulse shapes on samples after 1 MeV neutron irradiation and 5.5-month RT reverse anneal: b) with gamma radiation during the anneal



Discussion

Table I Voltage at the equal double peak (V_{DP}), full depletion voltage (V_{fd}), and N_{eff} for n-type MCZ Si detectors after neutron and gamma irradiations and RT anneal. Before any irradiation, $V_{fd0} = 350$ V, $N_{eff0} = 2.88 \times 10^{12}$ /cm³. Negative sign in N_{eff} means negative space charge (-SC).

	Neutron Fluence	Gamma Dose After n irrad., During 5.5 months RT anneal		As Irradiated 6.6 hours							
Sample #	(n _{eq} /cm ²)	(Mrad)		RT Anneal		22 [Days RT An	neal	5.5 m	onths RT A	nneal
_				V _{fd}	N _{eff}		V _{fd}	N _{eff}		V _{fd}	N _{eff}
			(V)	(V)	(cm⁻³)	(V)	(V)	(cm ⁻³)	(V)	(V)	(cm ⁻³)
1480-5	1.5x10 ¹⁴	500	227	276	-2.3x10 ¹²	138	177	-1.5x10 ¹²	130	170	-1.4x10 ¹²
1480-13	1.5x10 ¹⁴	0	227	275	-2.3x10 ¹²	150	187	-1.5x10 ¹²	354	400	-3.3x10 ¹²
1480-15	3x10 ¹⁴	0	-	-	-	412	507	-4.2x10 ¹²	>1000	>1100	-8.9x10 ¹²
1480-16	3x10 ¹⁴	500	612	782	-	417	508	-4.2x10 ¹²	440	508	-4.2x10 ¹²

Red : Reverse anneal

GREEN: Reverse anneal suppression/compensation

The reverse annealing in samples irradiated by gamma at 500 Mrad is completely suppressed, regardless of the neutron fluence!

Discussion

Table II	Changes	in Neff	during	the 5.5	month RT	anneal.
	Changes	•••••	Garma			amoun

Neutron	Gamma	Changes in N _{eff}	Reverse	+SC would have
Fluence	dose after n-	during the 5.5	annealing	been generated
(n_{eq}/cm^2)	rad,, during the	month anneal	suppression	with gamma rad.
	5.5 month	(Mrad)		alone
	anneal (Mrad)	(cm^{-3})		
1.5×10^{14}	500	$+0.1 \times 10^{12}$	Completely	$+1.5 \times 10^{12}$
3.0x10¹⁴	500	~ 0	Completely	$+1.5 \times 10^{12}$
1.5x10 ¹⁴	0	-1.8×10^{12}	No	-
3.0x10 ¹⁴	0	-4.7×10^{12}	No	-

o The positive space charge created by 500 Mrad gamma radiation would approximately compensate the negative space charge in the sample irradiated by $1.5 \times 10^{14} n_{eq}/cm^2$

o But it is too small to do same for the sample irradiated by $3.0 \times 10^{14} n_{eq}/cm^2$ o This points to some interaction between defects generated by gamma and that by reverse annealing in n-irradiated samples 15 **o** SCSI and double peak/double junction in n-irradiated MCZ Si detectors was confirmed

• Subsequent gamma irradiation up to 500 Mrad in a 5.5 month period caused complete suppression of the reverse annealing, which happened in control samples (no gamma radiation)

o This suppression is independent of the neutron fluence (from 1.5- $3.0x10^{14}\,n_{eq}/cm^2)$

• This points to some interaction between defects generated by gamma and that by reverse annealing in n-irradiated samples

o More systematic studies have been planned to confirm the effect