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Capability of FEL TSU in the field of HR GaAs:Cr sensor technology

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R&D activities of FEL TSU

- Superfast GaAs avalanche switches
- Nonlinear crystal growth and terahertz spectroscopy
- Semiconductor sensors of different gases
- HR GaAs:Cr sensors of ionizing radiation

HR GaAs:Cr sensor technology



Charge carrier (CC) mapping. LEC n-GaAs



wafer # 1, seed end

wafer # 132, tail end

4 inches LEC n-GaAs ingot

Technology of HR GaAs:Cr



IR transmission image



Contactless mapping of photoconductivity



3 inches LEC HR GaAs:Cr

Contactless characterization of HR GaAs:Cr wafers



4 inches LEC HR GaAs:Cr

HR GaAs:Cr sensors Pixel sensors: pitch size – down to 35 µm, number of pixels – up to 512x1536 at 55 µm pitch Au (0.1 μm) $SiO_{2}(0.15 \,\mu m)$ Cr-Au (0.15 µm) V (0.05 µm) Ni $(2 \mu m)$ **Cr-Cu** (0.3 μm) $SiO_2(0.15 \ \mu m)$ Ni(0.5 um) GaAs:Cr GaAs:Cr Al $(1 \mu m)$ Ni (1 µm) Pitch -55 µm, UBM-20 µm Pitch -55 µm, UBM-30 µm

HR GaAs:Cr sensors



UBM for PbSn bump bonding @200 °C

UBM for In bump bonding @ RT



HR GaAs:Cr sensors

Strip sensors: pitch size – down to 50 µm, number of channels– up to 1800





Pitch -50 μ m, strip width-25 μ m

Pixelated wafer capacity

Double HEXA pixel sensor on HR GaAs:Cr 4 inch wafer





HR GaAs:Cr sector sensor for β -particle registration

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Technology center

You Are Welcome to FEL!



Clean rooms







Resistivity

Photoconductivity











We check wafer before shipping









Spatial resolution of 256×256 HR GaAs Timepix ASIC pixel detector





Image of a lead 'besom test' pattern

Image of a line pair pattern. The numbers indicate spatial frequencies in mm⁻¹

Procured by E. Hamann (IPS, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany)

X-ray images of test objects



Flatfield corrected X-ray image of an integrated circuit on a PCB¹



Flatfield corrected image of a lead test pattern for spatial resolution tests ¹

1- http://iopscience.iop.org/1742-6596/425/6/062015, E Hamann et al.



MPX3 assembly 25 kV - 200 V TH0 6 keV

Procured by Simon Procz, FMF, Albert-Ludwigs-University, Germany

MTF for all combinations of photon energies and threshold levels*

| Photon energy: | 10 keV | 15 keV | 15 keV | 25 keV | 25 keV | 25 keV |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Threshold: | 8.5 keV | 8.5 keV | 12 keV | 8.5 keV | 12 keV | 15 keV |
| 70% MTF | 9 mm ⁻¹ | 6.8 mm ⁻¹ | 9.5 mm ⁻¹ | 6.2 mm ⁻¹ | 7.5 mm ⁻¹ | 8.7 mm ⁻¹ |
| 30% MTF | 16.5 mm ⁻¹ | 12.5 mm ⁻¹ | 17.5 mm ⁻¹ | 11.4 mm ⁻¹ | 13.8 mm ⁻¹ | 15.9 mm ⁻¹ |
| MTF @ f _{Nyquist} | 69% | 53% | 72% | 46% | 59% | 67% |

*E. Hamann "Characterization of High Resistivity GaAs as Sensor Material for Photon Counting Semiconductor Pixel Detectors", PhD thesis, University of Freiburg, 2013

500 um thick HR GaAs:Cr & Medipix3RX ASIC



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X-ray spectroscopic images of test objects



Bottom capillary: iodine (250 µmol/ml); Left: iodine (50 µmol/ml); Top: gadolinium (250 µmol/ml); Right: gadolinium (50 µmol/ml)

E. Hamann et al. Performance of a Medipix3RX Spectroscopic Pixel Detector With a High-Resistivity Gallium Arsenide Sensor, IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging, Volume 34, Issue 3, 2015, Article number 6797893, Pages 707-715, DOI : 10.1109/TMI.2014.2317314

500 um thick HR GaAs:Cr & HEXITEC ASIC



M.C. Veale et al. "Chromium compensated gallium arsenide detectors for X-ray and γ-ray spectroscopic imaging", Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research, A752 (2014) 6–14

Table 9.1: Energy resolution (absolute and relative FWHM) of the CSM peaks for different photon energies as shown in Figure 9.13 b) and a Cd-109 source.

| Photon energy / keV | 8 | 15 | 22.5 | 25 | 40 |
|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| FWHM / keV | 2.8 | 3.4 | 4.34 | 4.16 | 4.5 |
| FWHM / % | 34.6 | 22.8 | 19.3 | 16.7 | 11.2 |

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1.7GeV proton exposure



Dependence of the pulse height distribution on the absorbed dose.

Dependence of the charge collection efficiency on the absorbed dose.

Irradiation with 1.25 MeV γ -quanta



Irradiation with 12 KeV γ-quanta



The spectrum of the 12 keV measured before and after a 1 MGy exposure, HR GaAs:Cr + HEXITEC ASIC detector

*M. C. Veale et all "Investigating the suitability of GaAs:Cr material for high flux X-ray imaging", Journal of Instrumentation. DOI: 10.1088/1748-0221/9/12/C12047

Irradiation with 8-10 MeV β-particles



K. Afanaciev et al., JINST, 2012, Investigation of the radiation hardness of GaAs sensors in an electron beam doi:10.1088/1748-0221/7/11/P11022

Summary & perspectives

- Technologies of 4 inches HR GaAs:Cr wafers and pixel sensors
- Technology of «low Z» metal contact for HR GaAs:Cr sensors (1 um, Al)
- Wire bonding of sensors with sizes of bonding pads of 60×100 um²
- In co-operation with JINR (Dubna, Russia):
- Improvement of HR GaAs:Cr material technology to increase radiation hardness for β - particles
- Investigation of radiation hardness of improved HR GaAs:Cr pad sensors irradiated with β - particles

Thank you for your listening!

Superfast GaAs avalanche switches

Application:

Compact generators of short pulses for ultrawideband and optical rangefinders, ultrawideband radars, and lidars (*LiDAR for 3D Mapping, LiDAR for Non-Automotive Autonomous Vehicle, Laser Scanners, Fiber Optic Integrity Instruments*).



Nonlinear crystal growth and terahertz spectroscopy

1. Growth and study of properties and applications of nonlinear optical materials like GaSe, $CdSiP_2$, Ga_2O_3

2. Terahertz time-domain spectroscopy and components (photomixers, dipole antennas, filters etc.)

3. Terahertz emission spectroscopy of semiconductor surfaces.

4. Designing of element and material science basis for THz range (non-linear crystal growth, dipole antennas, filters and absorbers).

5. Designing of tunable sources of cw and pulsed terahertz and IR radiation.

6. Synthesis and study of of nanolayered (quasi -2D) systems of III-VI semiconductor compounds (GaSe, GaTe, InSe и GaS).







Nonlinear crystal growth and terahertz spectroscopy

Designing and study of photoconductive dipole antennas and terahertz filters









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Emission terahertz spectroscopy of semiconductor structures



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Nonlinear crystal growth and terahertz spectroscopy

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Refractive index

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Nazarov M.M., Sarkisov S.Yu., Shkurinov A.P., Tolbanov O.P.// Appl. Phys. Lett. – 2011. – vol. 99. - P. 081105.

Synthesis and study of nanolayered (quasi -2D) systems of III-VI semiconductor compounds (GaSe, GaTe, InSe и



Thin films semiconductor sensors of different gases



- Sensors of low concentration of nitrogen <u>oxides</u>
- search of sensor material (metal oxides, chalcogenides, plasmonic sensors)



- Development of hydrogen test method for analysis of expired mixture
- diagnosis of lactose intolerance
- Tin dioxide sensors



Laboratory of Functional Electronics Almaev Aleksei Associate research, Ph.D. +7 (923) 437 08 33 almaev_alex@mail.ru 634050, Russia, Tomsk, Lytkina str., 28 g The dependence of the sensor response on the H_2 concentration, T_2 =400 °C, RH=40% 1-Pt/Pd/SnO₂:Sb,Ag,Y 2-Ag/SnO₂:Sb,Ag,Y

Advanced sensor materials for gas analysis

- Oxygen sensors based on thin films of gallium oxide
- DC magnetron sputtering
- $Ga_2O_3:Si, Ga_2O_3:Cr$
- Operating temperature 300 700 °C
- Concentration range 0 100 vol. %



- Research of the spectral characteristics of noise of the metal oxides thin films on exposure to gases
- The measured resistance of the sensors is an integral value; a lot of work need to the development of reliable ways to separate the responses of sensors to different gases using a resistive method of gas detection. It is known that the adsorption desorption processes of gases on the surface of semiconductors are stochastic in nature, which generates the so-called A-D noise. It is proposed to use the analysis of spectral characteristics of noise of thin films of metal oxide semiconductors instead of measuring the resistance of sensors for gas detection.
 - Development of selective gas sensors based on metal oxides

Areas of application



Band gap modification

