



Functional characterization and functionalization of materials by ion beams.

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Functional characterization of semiconductor materials and devices

Measurement of the their electronic properties and performances





400 µm thick

 $\rho \approx 10^{15} \Omega$ cm; $\varepsilon = 0.5 \text{ pF/cm}$;

Dielectric relaxation time = 500 s.

Charge neutrality not maintained

 $T_{R} \rightarrow$ drift velocity \rightarrow mobility Current decay \rightarrow carrier lifetime





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NIMB 93 (1994) 516

Grain size effects in CVD diamond detectors

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microscope image showing the first 200 µm of thickness of a CVD diamond sample from the !





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Ion Beam Induced Charge IBIC



Nuclear microprobe facility @ Ruđer Bošković Institute (Zagreb, Croatia)

National Legnaro Labs. microbeam line



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NIMB 100 (1995) 133

IBIC investigations on CVD diamond

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DiamRelMat 12 (2003) 662

Blue light sensitization of CVD diamond detectors

C. Manfredotti^{a,b,*}, E. Vittone^{a,b}, C. Paolini^{a,b}, P. Olivero^{a,b}, A. Lo Giudice^b







With respect to OBIC, XBIC, EBIC

- larger analytical depth
- lower scattering through the surface layers
- flexibility due to the possibility of using ions with different mass and energy



Higher spatial resolution in buried layers Depth profiling

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NIMB 158 (1999) 470



NIMB 267 (2009) 2181

IBIC analysis of CdTe/CdS solar cells

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4H-SiC Schottky diode



Starting Material: 360 μm n-type 4H-SiC by CREE (USA) Epitaxial layer from Institute of Crystal Growth (IKZ), Berlin, Germany Devices from Alenia Marconi System









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Frontal ion Irradiation



4H-SiC Schottky diode

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Contribution from the depletion layer

$$\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{Q}_{\mathsf{Depl}} + \mathbf{Q}_{\mathsf{Neutr}} \propto \left[\int_{0}^{\mathsf{w}} \left(\frac{\mathsf{dE}}{\mathsf{dx}} \right) \cdot \mathsf{dx} \right] + \left[\int_{\mathsf{w}}^{\mathsf{d}} \left(\frac{\mathsf{dE}}{\mathsf{dx}} \right) \cdot \mathsf{exp} \left[-\frac{\mathsf{x} - \mathsf{W}}{\mathsf{L}_{\mathsf{p}}} \right] \cdot \mathsf{dx} \right]$$

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Solid lines are fitting curves

Experimental and fitting CCE as function of Tilting angle θ @ different V Parametrized by E







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The fitting procedure provides a trapping level of about 0.163 eV which is close to the value found in similar 4H SiC Schottky diodes by DLTS technique (S1 level).

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Temperature dependent IBIC study of 4H–SiC

Schottky diodes

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NIMB 537 (2023) 14

4H-SiC Schottky diode radiation hardness assessment by IBIC microscopy

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Guard ring

Scan Region

N+ doped

Laboratory for Ion Beam Interactions, Ruder Boškovic Institute, Zagreb, Croatia





- 4 MeV protons
- 2 µm beam spot size (FWHM)
- Charge sensitivity 1800 electrons/channel -> 14 keV in SiC Spectral resolution: 12000 electrons (FWHM) ->94 keV in SiC



IBIC Signal



Longitudinal: 100 µm Lateral: 2.6 µm

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Au/Ni Schottky contact





1 - Pristine diode: Lateral IBIC

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Solid-State Electronics Pergamon Press 1964. Vol. 7, pp. 739-742. Printed in Great Britsin A GENERAL EXPRESSION FOR ELECTROSTATIC INDUCTION AND ITS APPLICATION TO SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICES

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Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research A 428 (1999) 72-80

Theoretical framework for mapping pulse shapes in semiconductor radiation detectors

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$$\nabla_r Q_t = -q\{\partial E/\partial V_t\}_{\mathcal{V}}.$$
 (7)

$$\frac{\partial n^+}{\mathrm{d}t} = \mu_n \nabla \varphi \cdot \nabla n^+ + \nabla \cdot (D_n \nabla n^+) - n^+ / \tau_n + G_n^+ \quad (6)$$

where n^+ is the adjoint electron concentration. If

$$n^+(\mathbf{r},t) = \eta_{nk}(\mathbf{r},t). \tag{7}$$

In other words, all of the charge pulses that can be produced by a detector for impulses of charge at discrete locations can be determined by solving a single, time-dependent problem.



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Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research B 161-163 (2000) 446-451

Theory of ion beam induced charge collection in detectors based on the extended Shockley–Ramo theorem

E. Vittone ^{a,b,*}, F. Fizzotti ^a, A. Lo Giudice ^{a,b}, C. Paolini ^a, C. Manfredotti ^{a,b}

Materials Science and Engineering B102 (2003) 193-197

I ime-resolved ion beam-induced charge collection measurement of minority carrier lifetime in semiconductor power devices by using Gunn's theorem

C. Manfredotti^{a,*}, F. Fizzotti^a, A. Lo Giudice^a, M. Jaksic^b, Z. Pastuovic^b, C. Paolini^a, P. Olivero^a, E. Vittone^a

Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research B 219-220 (2004) 1043-1050

Theory of ion beam induced charge measurement in semiconductor devices based on the Gunn's theorem

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Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research B 264 (2007) 345-360

A review of ion beam induced charge microscopy

M.B.H. Breese ^{a,*}, E. Vittone ^b, G. Vizkelethy ^c, P.J. Sellin ^d

Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research B 332 (2014) 257–260 A Monte Carlo software for the 1-dimensional simulation of IBIC experiments

J. Forneris ^{a,*}, M. Jakšić ^b, Ž. Pastuović ^c, E. Vittone ^a





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Electrode edges.





Functionalization of semiconductor materials



MatResForum 483-485 (2005) 389

Study of ion induced damage in 4H-SiC

Lo Giudice A, Olivero P, Fizzotti F, Manfredotti C, Vittone E, Bianco S, Bertuccio G, Casiraghi R, Jaksic M See fewer















CCE map of a silicon photodiode with selected regions damaged with a) protons

IAEA – CRP, RBI Report







CCE degradation induced by ion irradiation

Depends on the damaging ion fluence

Depends on the polarization state





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CCE degradation induced by ion irradiation







CCE degradation induced by ion irradiation

Depends on the material and/or device



4H-SiC Schottky diode







From fit : effective damage factor $K^* = k_e \cdot \sigma_e = (8.4 \pm 0.3) \cdot 10^{16} \text{ cm}^2$.

From DLTS: $\sigma_e = 5 \cdot 10^{-15} \text{ cm}^2$ $k_e \approx 0.17$ active traps/vacancy

APL 98 092101 (2011)

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Probability of divacancy trap production in silicon diodes exposed to focused ion beam irradiation

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IAEA Coordinate Research Programme (CRP) F11016 "Utilization of ion accelerators for studying and modeling of radiation induced defects in semiconductors and insulators" JNIVERSITÀ **DI TORINO COOPERATION AND MUTUAL** UNDERSTANDING LEAD TO GROWTH AND **GLOBAL ENRICHMENT** NUS (*** ** Univ. Delhi Singapore India Univ. Turin CAN Italy Spain **Univ. Surrey Nuclear Agency** UK Malaysa SANDIA **Ruđer Bošković** IAEA **USA** Croatia **ANSTO** Univ. Helsinki Australia Finland **JAEA-Kyoto Univ.** JAPAN



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CCE degradation depends from

- Damaging ion energy and mass
- Probing ion energy and mass
- Polarization

The solid lines are the best fits obtained by means of our model considering Different PIBs Different DIBs (8 MeV, 4 MeV) Different polarizations (10,20,50 V)



Recombination coefficient $\alpha = k \cdot \sigma \cdot v_{th}$

Final measurement of the recombination coefficients; n-type diode: $\alpha_p = (210 \pm 160) \mu m^3/s$; $\alpha_n = (2500 \pm 300) \mu m^3/s$; p-type diode: $\alpha_n = (2200 \pm 300) \mu m^3/s$; $\alpha_p = (1310 \pm 90) \mu m^3/s$; Open marks: dispersion of the combination of the fitting parameters.





Ion beam characterization by functionalized devices (by ion beams)





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Position sensitivity - proof of concept: three-electrodes test device L.M. Jong et al., Nuclear Instr. Meth. B 269 (2011) 2336













Modeling of ion beam induced charge sharing experiments for the design of high resolution position sensitive detectors

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A two-dimensional position sensitive diamond detector based on the multi-electrode charge sharing effect



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The proposed triangulation approach has demonstrated the potential to retrieve the 2-dimensional position of impact of each ion by a with a spatial uncertainty of $0.9 \ \mu m$ on each spatial coordinate over a region denoted by $12 \ \mu m$ length scale.



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1.00

0.50

0.00







RGB HSB











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- 1.000 - 0.9723 - 0.9446 - 0.9169 - 0.8893 - 0.8616 - 0.8339

- 0.8339 - 0.8062 - 0.7785 - 0.7508 - 0.7231 - 0.6954 - 0.6678 - 0.6401 - 0.6124

0.5847 0.5570 0.5293 0.5016 0.4739 0.4463 0.30909 0.3632 0.3058 0.2801 0.2524 0.2254 0.2254 0.2254 0.21694 0.1971 0.1694 0.1140

- 0.001965 - 0.001934 - 0.001903 - 0.001873 - 0.001842 - 0.001811 0.001780

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What next

F Tuesday, 16 January 2018

C The Italian Agency for Research Evaluation published the list of 180 University Departments funded for excellence.

The Department of Physics of the University of Torino was ranked third best in Italy in its field and first among those whose project was submitted to peer review evaluation of the proposal.

Innovative sensors and detectors
Dark universe and cosmic messengers
Physics of Complex Systems

WP1a is oriented towards the development of devices and sensors based on innovative materials, which will enable the implementation of advanced methodologies in quantum technologies, biophysics, cultural heritage and (opto)electronics.

In the field of <u>quantum technologies</u>, <u>a state-of-the-art multi-elemental ion implanter</u> is going to be installed at the <u>Solid State Physics</u> laboratory, which will allow the multi-parametric defect engineering of wide-bandgap semiconductors (diamond, SiC, GaN, etc.) for the development of innovative single photon sources and quantum sensors. The ion implanter will operate in synergy with the recently established <u>class 10'000 cleanroom</u>

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January-June 2018

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Ref no. 195976 dated 29/05/2019

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Leipzig,

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Design Document

16 December 2019

Prepared by University Leipzig

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14 July 2021







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UNIVERSITÀ DI TORINO Max terminal potential: 100 kV Ion source: NEC – SNICS II 2 beamlines (one currently operational) Typical ion beam current range: 1 pA – 1 μ A Irradiation chamber localized within the cleanroom facility







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The multi-elemental ion implanter Solid State Physics Laboratory Physics Department, University of Torino



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Periodic Table of the Elements





From 27/10/2022 to 11/05/2023 370 operating hours

Targets: diamond, Si, SiC, Ti, Metal Oxides

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Conclusions



The Solid State Physics group of the Physics Department of the University of Torino has been committed since 90's in IBT

Main contributions

To the development of the IBIC technique for the electronic characterization of semiconductor materials and devices.

To formulate an experimental protocol, supported by a theoretical model, for the assessment of the radiation hardness of semiconductors.

To the development of new position sensitive detectors based on the sharing of the induced charge in multiple electrode systems.

To the functionalization of materials by ion beams



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