

Diamond MOS capacitor for future diamond transistors



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Diamond has attracted a lot of interest in the last 20 years: it shows the ultimate physical properties which can improve the performances of future power devices in terms of conduction and switching losses. Thus, my thesis dealt with two main objectives: i) the fabrication and electrical characterisation of diamond metal-oxide-semiconductor capacitors (MOSCAP) (Fig. 1), one of the building blocks of the future field effect transistors (FETs), and ii) the development of a simulation plateform to perform TCAD

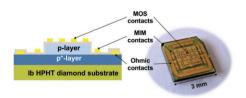


Figure 1: Schematic cross section (left) of the fabricated diamond MOS capacitor and the corresponding actual device (right).

simulations (Technology Computer Aided Design) in order to anticipate the architecture of the future diamond FETs. In order to gain insight into the properties of the diamond MOSCAP, we performed x-ray photoelectron spectroscopy measurements in collaboration with C. Vallée (LTM-Grenoble). The measurements enabled to establish for the first time the interfacial band diagram alignement of the Al₂O₃/Oxygen-terminated diamond heterostructure.

With N. Rouger (G2Elab, now at LAPLACE, Toulouse) we developed a TCAD simulation platform specific to diamond. It allows us to take into account the unique physical properties of diamond for the design of future diamond power devices.

OUTCOMES

- [1] Energy-band diagram configuration of Al2O3/Oxygen-terminated p-diamond metal-oxide-semiconductor, Appl. Phys. Lett. 107, 141601 (2015).
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