

The Characterization of Mg Implanted GaN Material

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Abstract

The recent advances in the III-nitride have led to demonstration of high-brightness LEDs, blue LDs, and high-frequency transistors. However, the devices have relatively high p-type ohmic contact resistance due to the difficulty of achieving heavily doping in p-type GaN film by epitaxial growth. In this study, we reported the characteristics of Mg shallow implanted to p-type GaN films. The undoped GaN layer $\sim 1.3 \mu\text{m}$ thick followed Mg-doped GaN layer $\sim 1.3 \mu\text{m}$ thick were grown at 1050°C by metalorganic chemical vapor deposition (MOCVD) using trimethylgallium and ammonia. The hole concentration of the thermal annealing wafer was measured by the Hall effect to be $1 \times 10^{17} \text{cm}^{-3}$. Mg^+ was implanted to a dose of $5 \times 10^{15} \text{cm}^{-2}$, 30 KeV, resulting in a maximum Mg concentration of $\sim 1 \times 10^{21} \text{cm}^{-3}$ at a depth of $\sim 27 \text{nm}$. The implanted sample was activation annealing at 1000°C for 20 min under N_2 flowing ambience.

We examined the crystal quality by X-ray diffraction. The FWHM of diffraction spectra are 0.53, 0.87 and 0.79 degree for non-implanted, Mg-implanted before activated annealing and Mg-implanted after activated annealing samples, respectively. The broader diffraction spectra in Mg-implanted sample was due to the ion implanted damage. Fig. 2 showed the Raman spectra of Mg implanted samples compared to that of non-implanted samples. The spectrum of non-implanted samples was similar to that of the Mg-implanted samples after activation anneal, as shown in Fig. 2. The result suggested that the ion implanted damage was recover by post-thermal anneal. The spectrum of the Mg-implanted sample before activation anneal appeared forbidden mode in addition to allowed E_2 mode at near 570cm^{-1} .

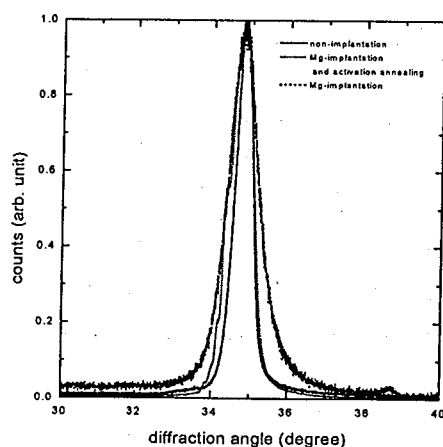


Fig. 1

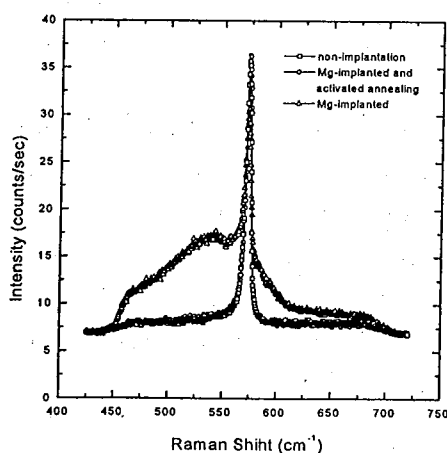


Fig. 2