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Synthesis of ZnO thin films using spray pyrolysis method

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Abstract

Zinc Oxide (ZnO) is a semiconducting multifunctional material that has various applications such

as gas sensors, electrode material etc. and it can be tuned according to our requirement by doping or surface

modification. It also has many advantages over alternate materials. ZnO thin films are well known for the

properties like non-toxicity, good electrical, optical and piezoelectric behavior, great stability in plasma

atmosphere and its low cost production by using spray pyrolysis technique. Therefore, to understand the

effect of temperature on structural properties of ZnO thin films, a series of films were deposited using spray

pyrolysis technique. The films were made at three different temperatures and the films were studied

structurally using x-ray diffraction and morphology was studied using SEM and EDAX.

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