

# **Particle irradiation of 3C**

**Change of electrical and optical properties**

# Defects

- Particle irradiation gives defects
  - Vacancies, interstitials, antisites, complexes
- More massive particles, less uniform distribution of defects

# Electrical properties

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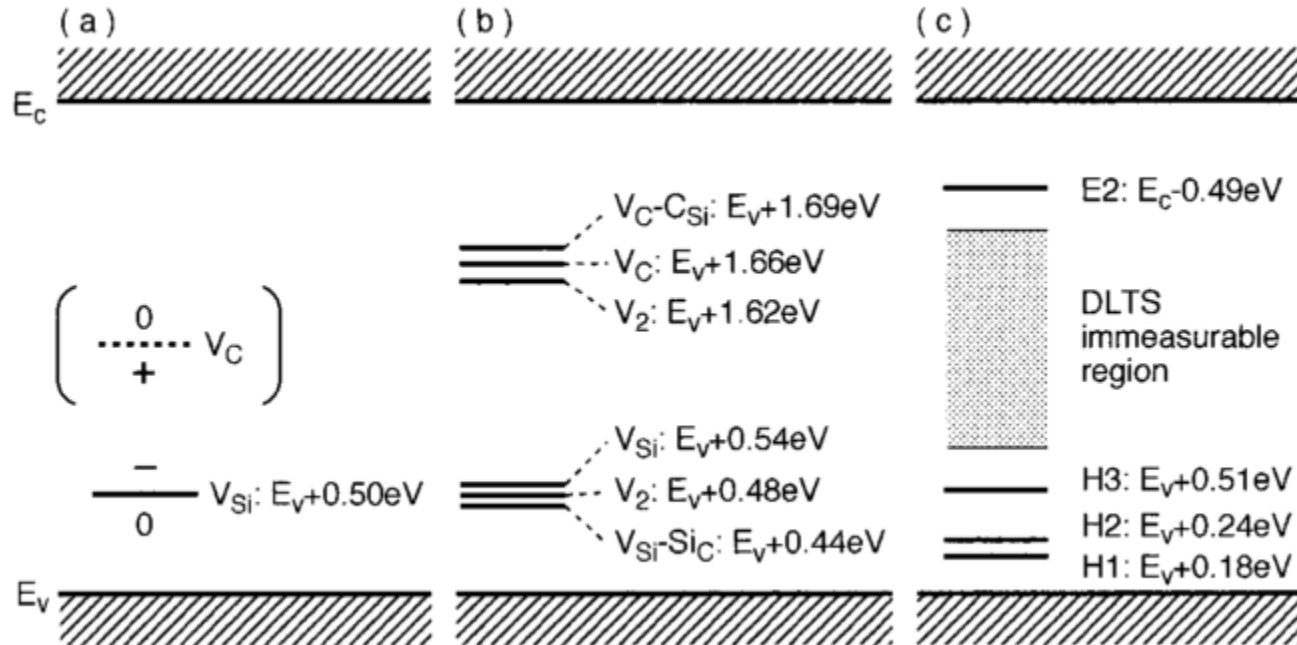


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# Electrical properties

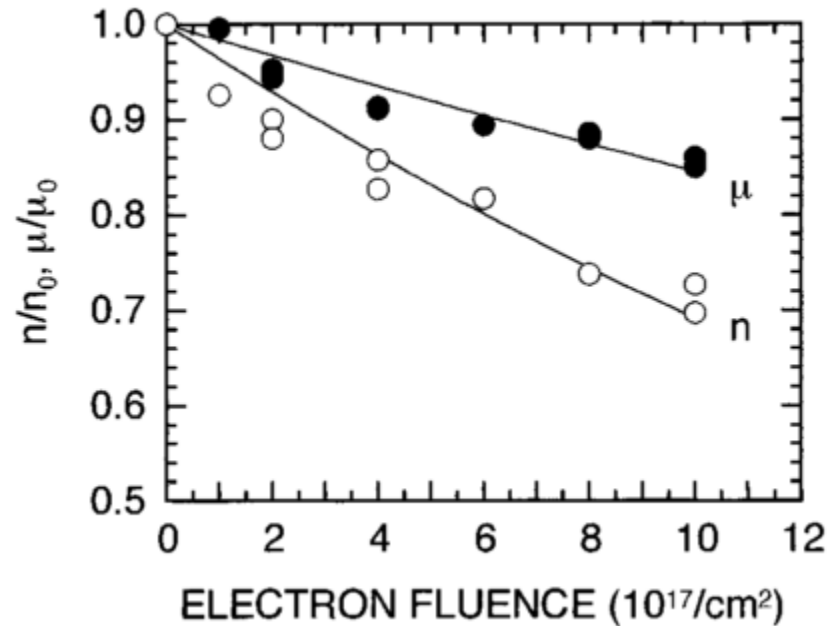
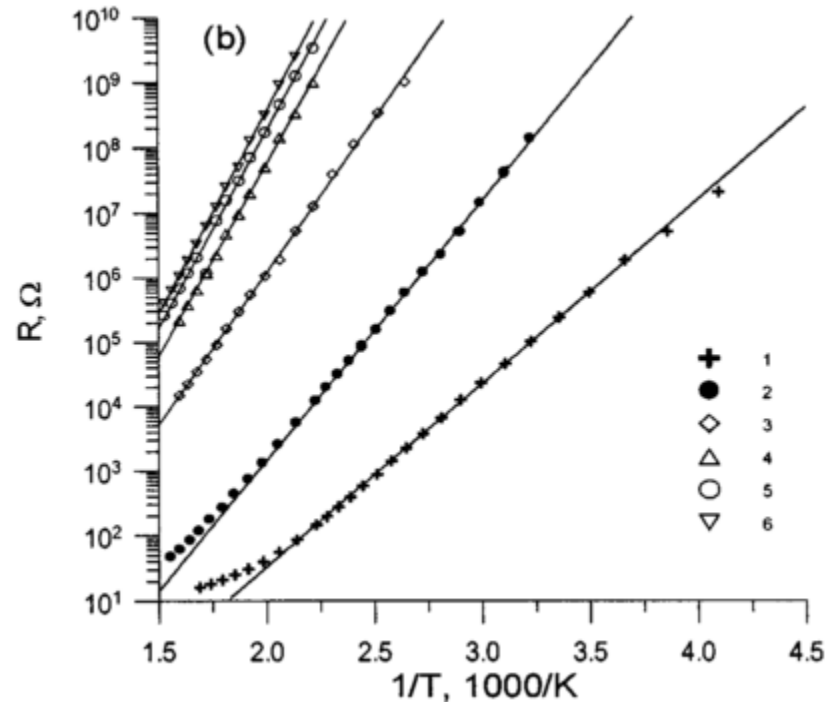


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# Electrical properties



(4H, proton irradiation)

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# Optical properties

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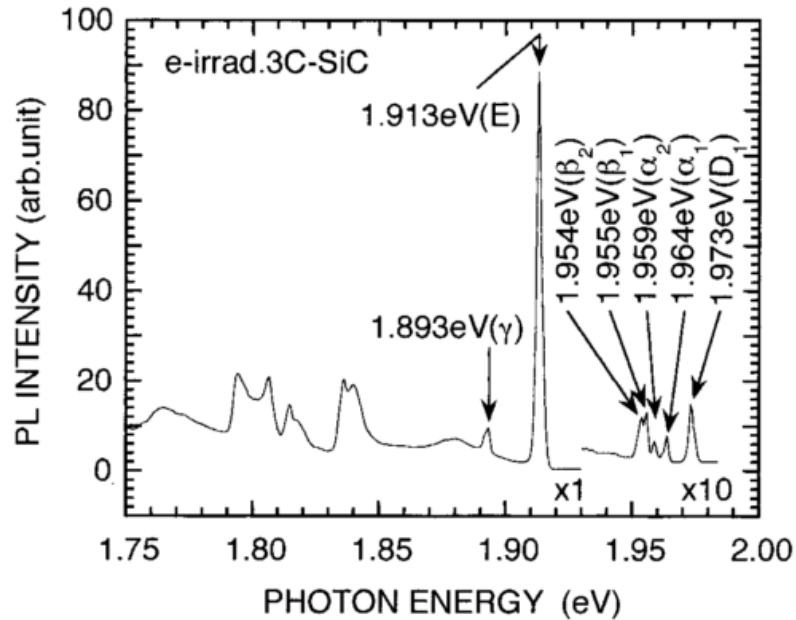
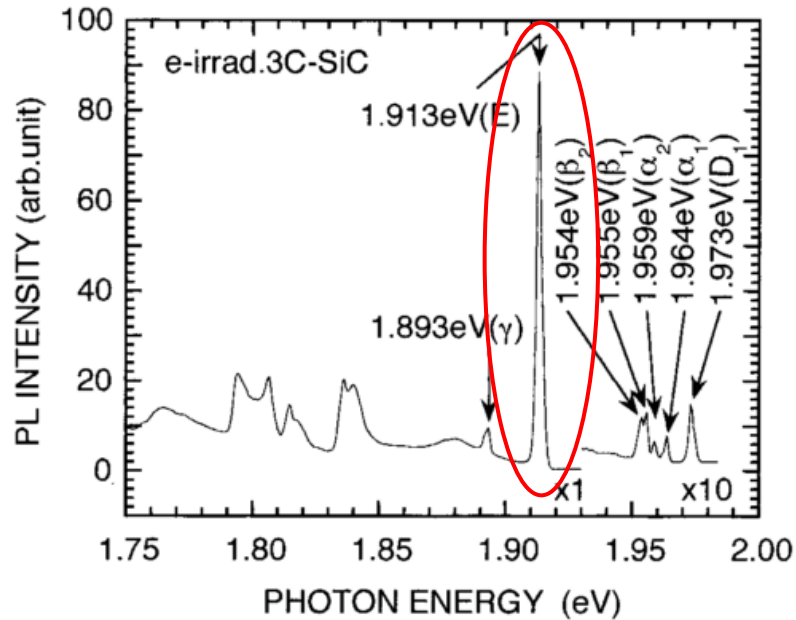


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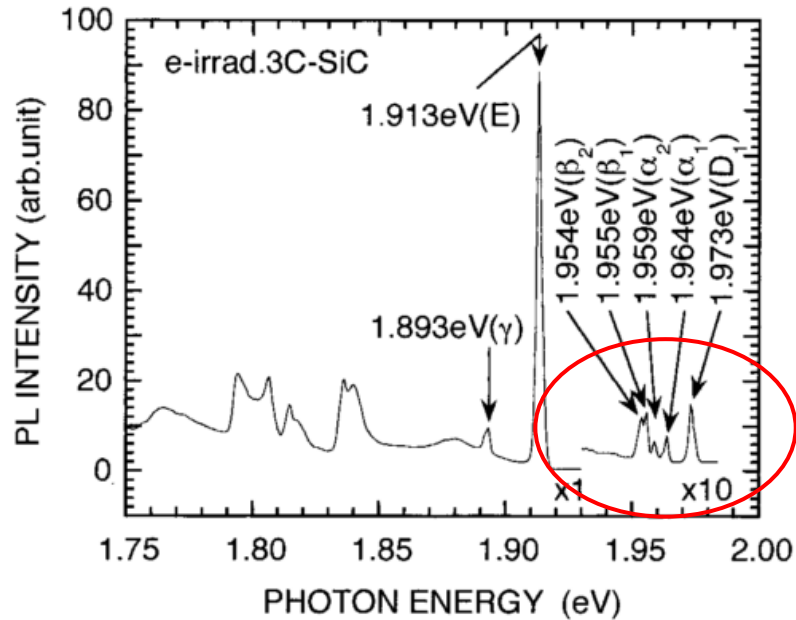
# Optical properties



Si-vacancy.

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# Optical properties



D1 defect and phonon replicas

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# Optical properties

The D1-defect in  
annealed sample

PL at 80 K

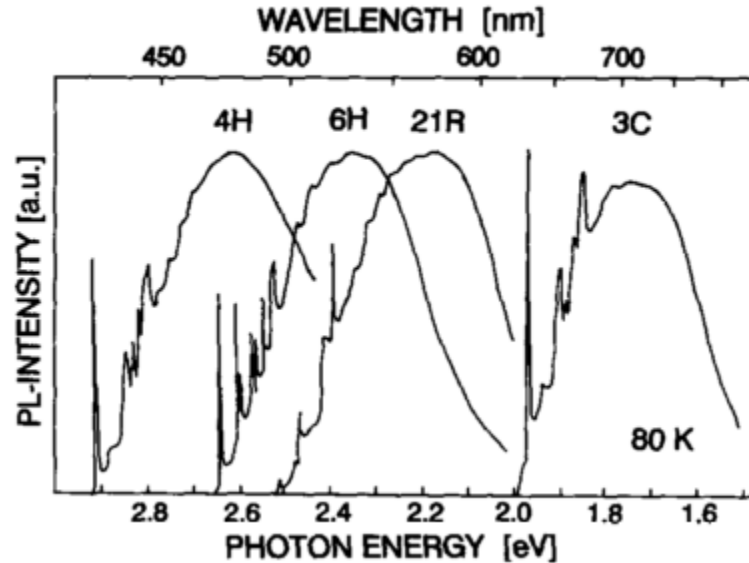
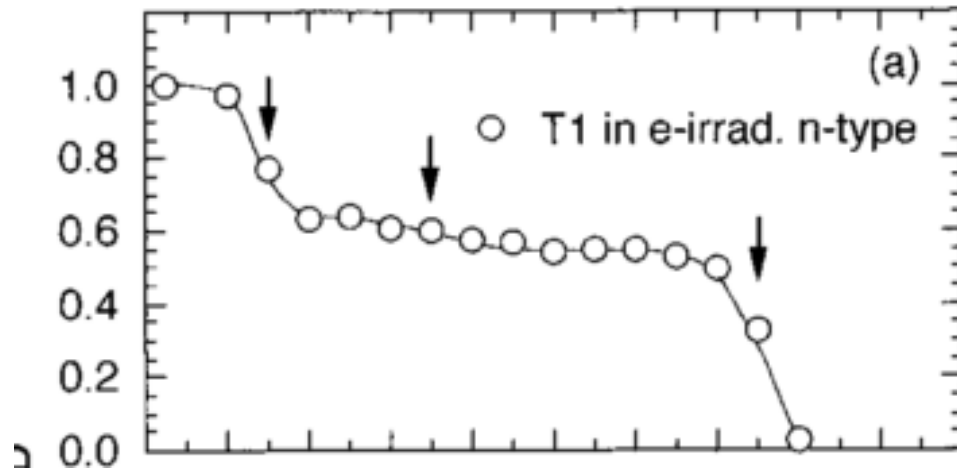


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# Annealing after irradiation

- Some types of defects disappear after annealing at characteristic temperatures
- Si vacancy disappears at 750 C.

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Temperatures 0-1000 C.

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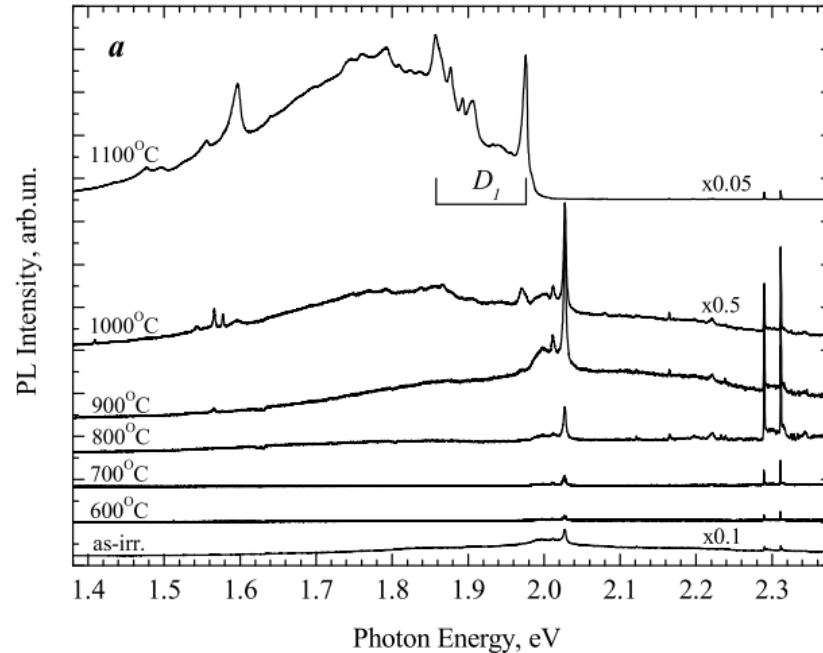


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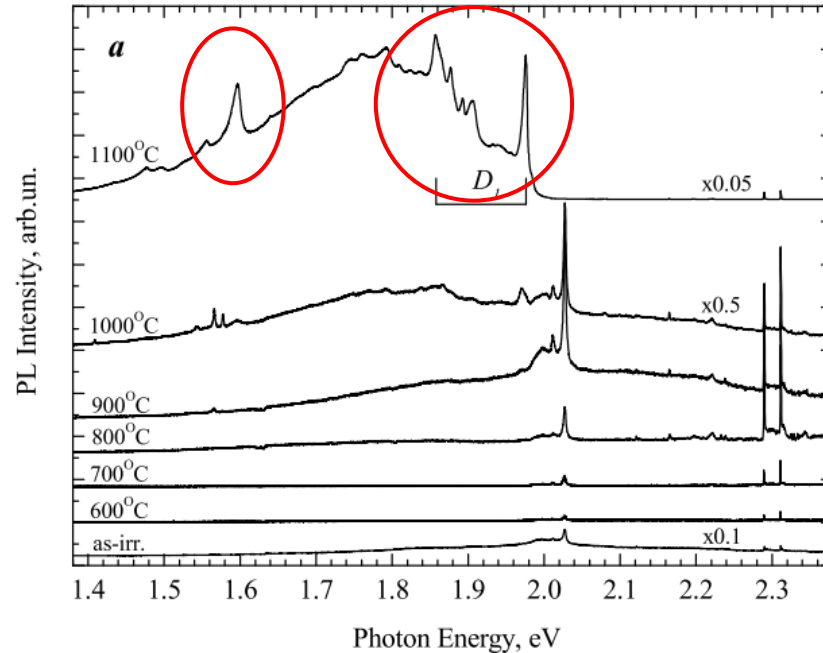


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# Conclusions

- Irradiation can **increase resistivity** in n-doped SiC.
- **Si vacancy** is the strongest defect PL signal before annealing ( $E=1.91$  eV).
- Annealing **removes** several types of **defects**.
- Annealing **amplifies D1** band ( $E=1.97$  eV).
- No studies have shown irradiation of **p-type** 3C.



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