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ABSTRACT

In this presentation, I would demonstrate single crystal growth and optical characterization of II-VI oxygen-incorporated ZnS [i.e. $ZnS_{(1-x)}O_x$ series, x=0, 0.06, 0.12] and III-VI Ga_2S_3 compounds by using chemical vapor transport (CVT) method. The $ZnS_{(1-x)}O_x$ compounds are environment friendly wide-band-gap semiconductors available for light-emitting devices and solar cell use. The series materials have considerable potential to be applied in visible to ultraviolet (UV) region with the flexibility of color palette emissions. High resolution transmission electron microscopy (HRTEM), X-ray diffraction (XRD), thermoreflectance (TR) and photoluminescence (PL) measurements are implemented to evaluate their structure and optical property. Through the study the structure of the oxygen-incorporated ZnS is crystallized in majorly zinc-blende phase and a little bit wurtzite structure. The lattice constants of the major cubic phase have been determined to be a = 5.43Å (ZnS), 5.41Å (ZnS_{0.94}O_{0.06}) and 5.39Å (ZnS_{0.88}O_{0.12}), respectively. Three band-edge excitonic transitions from ~3.7 to 3.9 eV are simultaneously detected by TR for the undoped ZnS, ZnS_{0.94}O_{0.06} and ZnS_{0.88}O_{0.12}. With the oxygen content is increased, the band-edge transition energies of the $ZnS_{(1-x)}O_x$ series compounds are decreased. The defect emissions in the $ZnS_{(1-x)}O_x$ series also show higher energy values than those of pure ZnO to show blue and purple colors lights. It amends the drawback of ZnO that only emits the defect emissions with energies lower than green color owing to the lower bandgap. With adjusting the oxygen content, the $ZnS_{(1-x)}O_x$ can be a series of color-palette luminescence matters that applied for fluorescent display or light-emitting device. For the study of the III-VI Ga₂S₃ compound, we demonstrate the experimental band-edge structure and excitonic transitions of monoclinic digallium trisulfide using PL, TR, and optical absorption measurements at low and room temperatures. According to the experimental results, three band-edge transitions of E_A=3.052 eV, E_B=3.240 eV, and E_C=3.328 eV are respectively determined and they are proven to construct the main band-edge structure of Ga₂S₃. Distinctly optical-anisotropic behaviors by orientation- and polarization-dependent TR measurements are clearly observed. The results indicated that the three band-edge transitions are coming from different origins. Low-temperature PL results show defect emissions, bound-exciton and free-exciton luminescences in the radiation spectra of Ga₂S₃. The below-band-edge transitions are respectively characterized. On the basis of experimental analyses, the optical property of near-band-edge structure and excitonic transitions in the monoclinic Ga₂S₃ crystal is hence realized.

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