

Nitride Epitaxy Products

Cree produces GaN, Al_xGa_{1-x}N and In_yGa_{1-y}N epitaxial layers on up to 100 mm diameter SiC and sapphire substrates. Unless noted otherwise on the product quotation, the epitaxial layer structure will meet or exceed the following specifications (1). Additional comments, terms and conditions may be found at the end of this document.

Nitride Epitaxial Layer Specifications – Structural

Property	Value or Range	Precision	Measurement Technique
Substrate	SiC (n-type or Semi-Insulating) Al ₂ O ₃	—	—
Composition	Al _x In _y Ga _{1-x-y} N, 0 ≤ x ≤ 0.4, 0 ≤ y ≤ 0.2, certain restrictions apply	Δ x = ± 0.015, Δ y = ± 0.02	XRD peak splitting and PL – mid-radius
Thickness (2)	0.001 μm to 10.0 μm GaN 0.2 nm to 1.0 μm AlN 0.001 μm to 3.0 μm AlIn _y Ga _{1-x-y} N 10.0 nm to 250.0 nm SiN (Cap Layer)	Average thickness within ± 15% of target thickness and uniformity < 10%. (3)	X-ray or white light interferometry
GaN Crystallinity	< 300 arcsec (3 μm layer on Al ₂ O ₃ substrate) < 250 arcsec (3 μm layer on SiC substrate (5))	—	XRD (0006) FWHM (center point)
Al _{0.25} Ga _{0.75} N	< 700 arcsec (3 μm layer on Al ₂ O ₃ substrate) < 500 arcsec (3 μm layer on SiC substrate (5))	—	XRD (0006) FWHM (center point) (4)
Visible Defects	< 50 / cm ²	—	Differential interference microscopy at 50x in cross pattern with 5 mm edge exclusion
Dislocation Density	< 1E9 / cm ² , total	—	X-ray / AFM
Wafer Shape	Warp ≤ 45 microns for 3", ≤ 55 microns for 100 mm	< 2 microns	Non-contact optical inspection

Nitride Epitaxial Layer Specifications – Electrical

Property	Value or Range	Precision	Measurement Technique
Dopant type	n-type (Si) p-type (Mg)	—	—
Carrier concentration (undoped, substrate dependent)	< 1E16 cm ⁻³ , n-type	—	Hg probe CV
Carrier concentration (n-type, Si doped)	1E16 to 2E19 cm ⁻³	± 50%	Hg probe CV (wafer center, room temperature)
Carrier concentration (p-type, Mg doped)	5E16 to 5E17 cm ⁻³ (activated)	± 50%	Hg probe CV (wafer center, room temperature)
Carrier Concentration of HEMT structure	> 8E12 cm ⁻² (25% Al / 25 nm AlGaIn)	—	Contactless non-destructive carrier concentration
Mobility of HEMT structure	μ _{AlGaIn} ≥ 1600 cm ² V ⁻¹ s ⁻¹ (25.0% Al / 25.0 nm AlGaIn)	—	Contactless non-destructive mobility
Sheet resistivity	< 5% uniformity	—	Contactless non-destructive sheet resistivity



1. Certain additional restrictions may apply and will be presented on the product quotation.
2. Range given for undoped layers. Maximum achievable thickness for doped layers or heterostructures will be reduced.
3. Precision specification applies only to layers $\geq 0.01 \mu\text{m}$ thick. Uniformity = $(100 \times \text{standard deviation} / \text{mean})$.

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