

PHYS-747

**Introduction to Metalorganic Vapour Phase Epitaxy of III-V semiconductors**

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Cursus	Sem.	Type	Language of teaching
Physics	Opt.		English
			Credits
			1
			Session
			Exam
			Workload
			Hours
			15
			Courses
			15
			Number of positions
			15

**Frequency**

Every year

**Remark**

Next time: Spring

**Summary**

This course offers an insight into the science of epitaxial growth, a chapter of surface science requiring basic understanding of thermodynamics, crystallography, electronic and optical properties of semiconductors.

**Content**

The course will cover the following chapters:

**1. Overview of the MOVPE process (2h)**

- a. Atomic level growth processes
  - i. Adsorption and desorption
  - ii. Adatom and step motion
  - iii. Surfactant effects
- b. Influence of surface processes
  - i. Growth modes
  - ii. Dopant incorporation
  - iii. Selective growth
  - iv. Non-planar growth

**2. Instrumentation (3h)**

- a. Overall architecture
- b. Source molecules
  - i. Group III
  - ii. Goup V sources
- c. Gas distribution
- d. Growth chambers
- e. Growth parameters
- f. Safety management
- g. Lab visit

**3. Epitaxial layer characterisation (4h)**

- a. Visible light microscopy
- b. Scanning probe microscopy (AFM, STM)
- c. Scanning Electron Microscopy
- d. Transmission Electron Microscopy
- e. X ray diffractometry
- f. Photoluminescence spectroscopy
- g. Chemical profiling

**4. Specific materials (3h)**

- a. GaAs & related alloys
- b. InP & related alloys
- c. III-V nitrides

**5. Examples of GaAs based nanostructures (3h)**

- a. Pyramidal quantum Dots
- b. Selective area growth of nanowires

**Keywords**

Epitaxy, III-V semiconductors, nanostructures

**Resources****Bibliography**

"Organometallic Vapor-Phase Epitaxy: theory and practice", Academic Press, 2nd Ed., 1999 - G.B. Stringfellow

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