

반응성 CVD를 이용한 다결정 실리콘 기판에서의 CoSi_2 layer의 성장거동과
열적 안정성에 관한 연구
(Growth behavior and thermal stability of CoSi_2 layer on poly-Si
substrate using reactive chemical vapor deposition)

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Uniform polycrystalline CoSi_2 layers have been grown *in situ* on a polycrystalline Si substrate at temperature ranging from 600°C to 650°C by reaction chemical vapor deposition of cyclopentadienyl dicarbonyl cobalt, $(\text{C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{Co}(\text{CO})_2$. The growth behavior and thermal stability of CoSi_2 layer on polycrystalline Si substrates were investigated. A TiN interlayer was introduced between CoSi_2 layer and polycrystalline Si substrates to improve the thermal stability of the CoSi_2 layer.

X-ray diffraction and transmission electron diffraction analysis showed that the plate-like CoSi_2 spikes were initially formed in coherent with either {111}, {220} or {311} interface of polycrystalline Si grain. A uniform epitaxial CoSi_2 layer was grown from the discrete CoSi_2 plate, where the orientation of the CoSi_2 layer is same as the orientation of polycrystalline Si grain. But the interface between CoSi_2 layer and polycrystalline Si substrate was always {111} coherent. The thickness of the uniform CoSi_2 layer had a parabolic relationship with the deposition time.

The growth behavior of CoSi_2 layer on amorphous Si substrate was also investigated. In initial deposition stage, CoSi_2 was nucleated at random sites and grown in spherical shapes. The CoSi_2 layer on amorphous Si substrate has smaller grains size and larger interface roughness than that on polycrystalline Si substrate.

The thermal stability of CoSi_2 layer on small grain-sized polycrystalline Si has been investigated using sheet resistance measurement at temperature from 800°C to 1000°C. The amorphous Si and TiN layer were used to improve the thermal stability of CoSi_2 layer. When the CoSi_2 layer was prepared from the reactive chemical vapor deposition on amorphous Si, the CoSi_2 /poly-Si gate electrode has poor thermal stability. When a TiN layer of 35nm thickness was introduced between these two layers, the sheet resistance of CoSi_2 /TiN/poly-Si was not significantly changed even at 1000°C, indicating that the TiN interlayer improved thermal stability of CoSi_2 layer on polycrystalline Si substrate. The stability improvement is due to minimizing the diffusion of Co by the TiN layer.