Superconductive Properties of Sm₁Ba₂Cu₃O₇₋₈ Films

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The transport properties of superconductive $Sm_1Ba_2Cu_3O_{7-\delta}$ (SBCO) films were investigated. The films were grown on various substrates; the bi-axially textured Ni tapes with $CeO_2/YSZ/CeO_2$ buffer layers, the tilted crystalline YSZ substrates with CeO_2 buffer layers, and the bi-crystalline $SrTiO_3$ substrates. The windows of substrate temperature for the c-axis normal growths in 5mTorr of oxygen pressure were much wider than those of YBCO films. The zero field critical currents (J_c) were ~ 6 times smaller than those of YBCO films. The anisotropy of J_c 's on the YSZ substrates, whose crystalline orientations were tilted with respect to the surface by $0^\circ,15^\circ,30^\circ,35^\circ,45^\circ$, was smaller than YBCO films. The inter-granular J_c 's for the bi-crystalline $SrTiO_3$ substrates, whose mis-orientation angles were 30° and 45° , were much larger than those of YBCO films under various fields.

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