

Effect of oxalic acid solution to optimize texturing of the front layer of thin film solar cells

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In this work, we deposited Al₂O₃doped ZnO (AZO) thin films by direct current (DC) magnetron sputtering method with a 40° tilted target, for application in the front layer of thin film solar cell. Wet chemical etching behavior of AZO films was also investigated. In order to optimize textured AZO films, oxalic acid (C₂ H₂ O₄) has been used as wet etchant of AZO film. In this experiment we used 0.001% concentration of oxalic acid various etching time, that showed an anisotropy in etching texture of AZO films. Electrical resistivity, Hall mobility and carrier concentration measurements are performed by using the Hall measurement, that are $6 \times 10^{-4} \Omega \text{ cm}$, $20 \sim 25 \text{ cm}^2/\text{V-s}$ and $4 \sim 6 \times 10^{20}$, respectively.

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