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# Spectral Ellipsometry and Electron Backscatter Diffraction Analyses of Silicon Surfaces Implanted with Silver Ions

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## Abstract

© 2016, Springer Science+Business Media New York. Amorphous silicon (a-Si) produced on surfaces of single-crystal substrates (c-Si) by low-energy low-dose implantation of silver ions is studied by spectral ellipsometry and electron backscatter diffraction. Implantation was done with an ion energy of 30 keV at a constant ion beam current density of 2  $\mu\text{A}/\text{cm}^2$  and doses of  $6.24 \cdot 10^{12}$ – $1.25 \cdot 10^{16}$  ions/ $\text{cm}^2$  on room temperature substrate targets. Irradiation was carried out with a current density of 0.1–5  $\mu\text{A}/\text{cm}^2$  for implantation doses of  $6.24 \cdot 10^{13}$  and  $1.87 \cdot 10^{14}$  ions/ $\text{cm}^2$ . It was found that spectral ellipsometry is an accurate and reliable method for monitoring low-dose ion implantation processes.

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