

Structured Materials Industries, Inc.

SMI LiNbO3 Deposition System and Process Development Services

Structured Material Industries, Inc. (SMI) provides custom demonstration services and/or tool fabrication solutions for thin film Lithium Niobate (LiNbO₃) material growth. LiNbO₃ is a promising material with desirable traits such as high electro-optic coefficient and excellent transparency in the visible and near infrared. LiNbO₃ can be deposited as an amorphous film using low temperatures. Some of the applications for LiNbO₃ films include waveguide-based electro-optical devices and surface acoustic wave devices.

SMI Custom LiNbO3 Deposition Systems



The image shows an SMI built tool for LiNbO₃ growth.

SMI offers advanced design tools for researchers looking to grow LiNbO3 materials within their own laboratory. The LiNbO3 System is offered in a wide array of platter sizes including 3", 5", 7", 9", and 13" to accommodate researchers working with various wafer sizes. Further, the system can reach temperatures up to 900°C through resistive heating or 1100°C through induction heating. Another feature of the LiNbO3 systems are the flash evaporator assembly which is used for quickly vaporizing the metalorganic precursors and providing a uniform vapor flux into the stainless steel reactor.

SMI LiNbO3 Process Development Services

SMI offers Process Development Services for LiNbO₃ films by using an in-house SpinCVD™ Epic™ Series MOCVD system. The in-house SMI MOCVD system features cutting edge components such as a stainless steel high vacuum reactor chamber, SMARTCVD™ control system, and a dual flash evaporator assembly. The standard operation temperature for this process development service is ~900°C in oxidizing environments (with an option for higher temperatures). Demonstration services can also utilize the in-house dry nitrogen purged glove box for the handling of materials. SMI has existing MOCVD processes for LiNbO3 film deposition on a variety of substrates; such as LiNbO3 and Al2O3 (sapphire) single crystal wafers. To date, SMI has demonstrated growth of LiNbO3 films over $3.0 \mu m!$

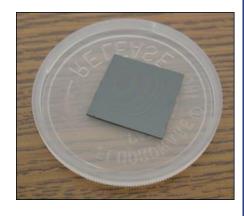


Image above shows an example of a 1" Ti Doped LiNbO3 film on an LiNbO3 crystal substrate coated by MOCVD using the SMI inhouse LiNbO3 Reactor.

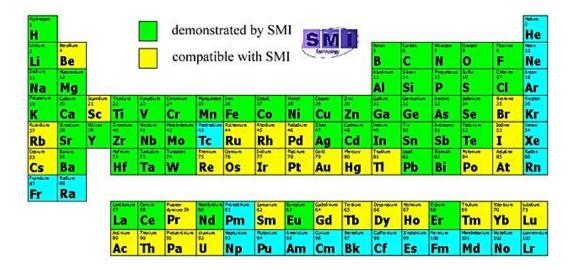
Example of SMI Development Capabilities:LiNbO3Waveguides Devices Cr electrodes 0.5 μm SiO₃ -Ti-doped LiNbO. film LiNbO₃ substrate We have observed light modulation in SEMs of y-branch waveguide this device, demonstrating that the film portion of MZ modulator and is not only crystalline, but also has oriented ferroelectric domains. overlaid electrode pattern. Input fiber photodiode Working devices demonstrated 1.00m5 Ch2 10.0 V M 200us Axt / 1.04

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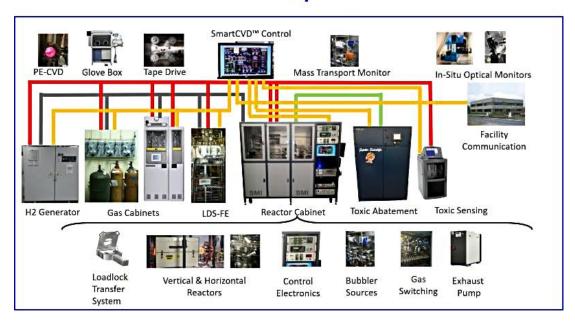
Structured Materials Industries, Inc. (SMI), with over 60 fielded MOCVD tools and over 10 MOCVD, CST, FB-CVD, HVPE, and ALD process demonstration tools in-house, has extensive result oriented experience in providing materials, hardware, and device assistance to other businesses as well as research organizations. SMI is a leading provider of thin film research and development MOCVD, PECVD, and ALD deposition systems for electronic, optical and electro-optic device fabrication, among other applications. We produce systems for research and production, in sizes ranging from stand-alone systems to high volume production tools. SMI also maintains an in-house applications laboratory, with facilities for materials characterization and device fabrication that is used to support our customers material development efforts.

Structured Materials Industries, Inc. has an extensive history in working with customer/partners to deliver results in SBIR/STTR and other awards. We can provide a support infrastructure for writing award winning proposals and provide the physical support infrastructure for carrying out awarded programs through completing customer innovations or calling on collaborators to fullfill innovations. We are always open to confidentially exploring additional partnerships and collaborations. SMI has worked on various projects featuring LiNbO3, ZnO, Gallium Oxide (in addition to other oxides), TMDs, AlGaN, InGaN, BN, Compound Semiconductors, Dielectrics, Ferroelectrics, Phase Change Chalcogenides, Carbides, Diamond, Battery and Fuel Cell Electrodes, Graphene, CNTs, Other Nanowires, Fuel Cell Materials, 2D Materials, Thin Film Batteries, Metals, and so on as well as has grown materials on a diverse set of substrates using in-house tools.

To take advantage of SMI material development or consulting services <u>contact</u> <u>us today</u> to get more information and quoted. SMI is also happy to participate in the development of proposals and budgetary quotations. Sign up today to become an SMI Follower!



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