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Electric transport in Individual GaAs nanowires ZHUTING SUN, ANDREI KOGAN, University of Cincinnati, TIM BURGESS, CHENUPATI JAGADISH, Australian National University — We report electrical transport measurements on individual GaAs nanowires approximately 50 nm in diameter contacted via lithographically patterned Al/Ti metal films. The nonlinear current-voltage characteristics show a strongly hysteretic behavior sensitive to the device temperature and the biasing history. In hysteresis-free regimes, we compare the data to a model based on two metal-semiconductor barriers in series with the wire, and find a good overall agreement. We also discuss the effects of surface treatments on the metal-wire interface resistance. The work is supported by NSF grant DMR-1206784 and DMR-0804199 and University of Cincinnati.

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