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Thin Film Substrates from the Raman spectroscopy point of view¹ LEV GASPAROV, Department of Physics, University of North Florida, THEO JEGOREL, University of Technology, Troyes, France, LARS LOETGER-ING, SRIMANTA MIDDEY, Fraunhofer Institute for Laser Technology, Aachen, Germany, JAK CHAKHALIAN, Department of Physics, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Arkansas, USA — We have investigated ten standard single crystal substrates of complex oxides on the account of their applicability in the Raman spectroscopy based thin film research. In this study we suggest a spectra normalization procedure that utilises a comparison of the substrate's Raman spectra to those of well-established Raman reference materials. We demonstrate that MgO, LaGaO₃, (LaAlO₃)_{0.3}(Sr₂AlTaO₆)_{0.7} (LSAT), DyScO₃, YAlO₃, and LaAlO₃ can be of potential use for a Raman based thin film research. At the same time TiO₂ (rutile), NdGaO₃, SrLaAlO₄, and SrTiO₃ single crystals exhibit multiple phonon modes accompanied by strong Raman background that substantially hinder the Raman based thin film experiments.

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