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Characterization of large area molybdenum disulphide by low energy electron microscopy K.L. MAN, Okinawa Inst of Sci & Tech, H. YAM-AGUCHI, Los Alamos National Laboratory, S. NAJMAEI, S. LEI, P.M. AJAYAN, J. LOU, Rice University, G. GUPTA, A.D. MOHITE, Los Alamos National Laboratory, K.M. DANI, Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology Graduate University - Molybdenum disulphide (MoS₂) is a new 2D direct-bandgap semiconductor material which has recently attracted substantial interest due to its potential applications in electronics, optics and energy storage. One of the challenges that needed to be overcome is in the large scale synthesis of high quality single crystal MoS_2 . Recently, it is shown that chemical vapor deposition (CVD) is a promising way of in the production of single layer MoS_2 . Here we report our study using low energy electron microscopy (LEEM) of large area MoS_2 synthesized by CVD technique. The MoS_2 samples are grown on Si/SiO_2 substrates and then transferred onto n-doped Si substrates. In the LEEM images, we observe large triangular shaped MoS_2 flakes along with irregular shaped flakes. Using low energy electron diffraction (LEED) and dark field imaging technique, we identify the triangularly shaped flakes as MoS_2 single crystal while the irregular ones contain multiple domains orientations. These studies provide insight into the growth of large area single domain MoS_2 crystals using CVD technique and the transfer process onto different substrates for potential device applications.

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