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Dependence of 29 Si concentration on deposition temperature in 28 Si epilayers KEVIN DWYER, JOSHUA POMEROY, HYUN SOO KIM, DAVID SIMONS, National Institute of Standards and Technology — In an effort to gain predictive power for the enrichment of 28 Si epilayers deposited at elevated temperatures, we correlate the 29 Si concentration due to natural abundance silane adsorption with measured SIMS values. We have previously shown very high enrichments up to 99.99996% (0.3 ppm 29 Si) using mass filtered ion beam deposition. However, the incorporation at higher deposition temperatures of naturally abundant silane gas from our ion source has the potential to reduce the final film enrichment. Knowledge of the expected reduction in 29 Si concentration is important because removal of the 4.7% 29 Si nuclear spins in natural silicon allows for exceedingly long coherence (T₂) times of qubits, approaching an hour at room temperature for 31 P nuclear spins. This makes incorporation of highly enriched 28 Si into devices critical for solid state quantum information.

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