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Epitaxial Cd₃As₂ Thin Films Synthesized by Molecular Beam Epitaxy TIMO SCHUMANN, MANIK GOYAL, SUSANNE STEMMER, Univ of California - Santa Barbara — Cd₃As₂ is a three-dimensional (3D) Dirac semimetal, i.e. it possesses Dirac cones in a 3D bulk state where the band dispersion relation is linear near the Fermi energy. Cd₃As₂ has raised considerable interest due to its high electron mobilities in bulk crystals and for novel quantum phenomena, such as chiral anomalies. However, few studies have been performed using thin films of Cd₃As₂. In this presentation, we report on the synthesis of Cd₃As₂ thin films by molecular beam epitaxy (MBE). Single phase, epitaxial films were grown on undoped GaSb(111)B substrates with the (112) facet of Cd₃As₂ parallel to the GaSb(111) surface. We report on the structural quality and orientation variants in the films. Electrical transport properties indicate electron mobilities exceeding 6000 cm²V⁻¹s⁻¹. We discuss the impact of the MBE growth parameters and substrate preparation on the structural and electrical properties of the films.

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