Power and temperature dependent photoluminescence investigation of the linear polarization at normal and inverted interface transitions in InP/InAlAs and InGaAsP/InAlAs QW structures

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