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MBE and ALD grown High k Dielectrics Gate Stacks on GaN Y.C. CHANG, K.Y. LEE, W.C. LEE, T.D. LIN, Y.J. LEE, M.L. HUANG, M. HONG, Dept. of Materials Science and Engineering, National Tsing Hua Univ., Taiwan, J. KWO, Dept. of Physics, National Tsing Hua Univ., Taiwan, Y.H. WANG, Dept. of Electrical Engineering, National Cheng-Kung Univ. , Taiwan — III-nitride compound semiconductors are attractive for high-temperature and high-power MOS-FET applications due to their intrinsic properties of wide band gap, high breakdown field, and high saturation velocity under high fields. In this work GaN-based high k MOS diodes were fabricated using MBE-grown $\text{Ga}_2\text{O}_3(\text{Gd}_2\text{O}_3)$, MBE-grown HfO_2 and ALD-grown HfO_2 as the gate dielectrics with dielectric constants of 14.7, 17.4 and 16.5, respectively. All MOS diodes exhibited low leakage ($<10^{-6}$ A/cm² at $V_{fb}+1$) and well behaved capacitance-voltage curves with a low interfacial density of states of $\sim 10^{11}$ cm⁻²eV⁻¹. Energy-band diagrams of the MOS structures have been determined by extracting valance-band offset (ΔE_V) from HR-XPS and with the bandgaps of the oxides. For example, the ALD-grown HfO_2 -GaN at the interfaces gave approximately ΔE_C and ΔE_V of 1.2 eV and 1.1 eV, respectively.

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