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**Structural and Electronic Properties of  $\text{Mn}_x\text{Ga}_{1-x}$  Monolayers on Wurzite GaN(0001) Surface** KANGKANG WANG, ABHIJIT CHINCHORE, MENG SHI, ARTHUR SMITH, Ohio University — Ferromagnetic (FM) metal/semiconductor bilayers are of great interest due to their importance in novel spintronics applications, such as spin injection and spin light-emitting diodes<sup>[1]</sup>. It has been reported<sup>[2]</sup> that  $\delta$ -MnGa, a FM alloy with  $T_C$  higher than room temperature (RT), can be grown epitaxial on top of w-GaN(0001) with sharp interface and controllable magnetism. Using molecular beam epitaxy, we deposit up to 3 monolayers (ML's) of Mn onto w-GaN(0001) "1x1" surface, which forms  $\text{Mn}_x\text{Ga}_{1-x}$  with  $x$  varying from 0 to  $\sim 0.6$ . Mn-induced surface reconstructions and formation of  $\text{Mn}_x\text{Ga}_{1-x}$  crystalline phases are observed by reflection high-energy electron diffraction (RHEED), Auger electron spectroscopy as well as *in-situ* RT-STM. The data suggests large-period reconstructions upon deposition of  $< 0.25\text{ML}$  Mn and quick formation of  $\delta$ -MnGa at  $\sim 1\text{ ML}$  of Mn. Structural and electronic properties at representative stages will be presented, as well as possible magnetic properties of MnGa ML's. This work has been supported by DOE (Grant No.DE-FG02-06ER46317) and NSF (Grant No.0304314). Equipment support from ONR is also acknowledged. [1] S.A.Wolf *et al*, Science **294**, 1488 (2001) [2] E.Lu *et al*, Phys.Rev.Lett. **97**, 146101 (2006) K.K.Wang *et al*, Mater.Res.Soc.Symp.Proc.1118-K06-06 (2009)

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