

Curriculum Vitae

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1/2002- present: Ph.D. Student, Department of Materials Science and Engineering, The Pennsylvania State University.
10/2000-1/2002: Visiting Scholar, Department of Physics, The Pennsylvania State University.
1/1997-10/2000: Graduate Student, P.N. Lebedev Physical Institute Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow, Russia.
2/1993-2/1996: M.S. in Physics, Moscow State Engineering Physics Institute, Specialized Department of Physics, Moscow, Russia.
8/1990-2/1993: Undergraduate Student, Yerevan State University, Department of Radio-Physics and Electronics, Yerevan, Armenia.

Experience:

- Assembling and setting up Pulsed Laser Deposition (PLD) and Molecular Beam Epitaxy (MBE) systems from zero.
- Thin film growth by PLD, MBE, thermal evaporation and sputtering of various materials, such as superconductors ($\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_7$, $\text{La}_{2-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{CuO}_4$, $\text{Nd}_{2-x}\text{Ce}_x\text{CuO}_4$, MgB_2), ferroelectrics ($\text{Ba}_x\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{TiO}_3$, BaTiO_3 , $\text{BaTiO}_3/\text{SrTiO}_3$, $\text{BaO}/\text{SrTiO}_3$ and $\text{BaTiO}_3/\text{SrO}$ heterostructures) and other materials (SrRuO_3 , $\text{La}_{0.67}\text{Ba}_{0.33}\text{MnO}_3$, $\text{Cr} + \text{Au}$, CaB_6 , MgO , Al_2O_3).
- Synthesis of ceramic targets by solid-state reaction for pulsed laser deposition and ceramic feeds and seeds for laser pedestal growth of $\text{Ba}_x\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{TiO}_3$ single crystals ($x = 0.05, 0.10, 0.20, 0.35$ and 0.50).
- Characterization of thin films, single crystals and ceramics by:
 - Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM) and Energy Dispersive Spectrometry (EDS)

- Four-circle X-ray Diffraction (XRD) including θ -2 θ scan, ϕ scan and rocking curves, as well as Powder X-ray Diffraction and Laue Diffraction.
- Reflection High Energy Electron Diffraction (RHEED).
- Raman Scattering.
- Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM).
- Temperature dependence electrical measurements (from 4K to room temperature), such as Hall Effect, Polarization, Dielectric Constant and Loss at microwave frequencies, Critical Current, Resistivity, AC Susceptibility and other...
- Superconducting and ferroelectric thin film device preparation by photolithography, wet etching, Ar-ion beam milling and wire bonding.

Publication:

More than 15 technical papers in refereed journals and conference proceedings.

References:

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