

Characteristics of CuInSe₂ thin films annealed at different temperatures

CuInSe₂ This films were prepared on ITO coated glass substrates by lectrodeposition from aqueous solution containing 0.0005 M CuCl₂, 0.005M InCl₃ & 0.01M SeO₂. Deposition was carried out under potentiostatic condition of -0.50V vs SCE at room

temperature for a period of 10-15 minutes. To obtain better quality films, samples were annealed at different temperatures (200C°,350C°,400C°&500C°)in Ar.

XRD & optical absorption measurements were performed to characterize the films. According to the results, CuInSe₂ is a p- type semiconductor. CuInSe₂ shows better improvement when it is annealed at 200C°, eventhough the earlier reported values in literature for optimum temperature was found to be around 350C°. For the sample annealed at 200C°, XRD shows three sharp peaks of (112), (220) & (116) reflections. Light absorption shows1.1 eV direct band gap.