

Electrical properties of MoS₂ TFTs with different layer thickness

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Molybdenum disulfide(MoS₂) which is one of dichalcogenide materials, indicates semiconducting with a bandgap of 1.2 ~ 1.8 eV and it has unique electrical properties. These materials also appropriate for flexible and transparent electronics and optical devices. Because of this reason, recently, MoS₂ was used for channel materials of TFTs.

In this paper, we fabricated the thin-film transistors with MoS₂ as a channel material on a SiO₂/Si substrate. MoS₂ layers were exfoliated by mechanical exfoliation method, and transferred onto SiO₂/Si substrate. After separating several different thickness of MoS₂, the thickness and numbers of layer of MoS₂ were checked by Atomic Force Microscopy(AFM), Raman spectroscopy and Photoluminescence(PL) measurement.

Thin-film transistors with different number of MoS₂ layer(1-layer, 3-layer, 6-layer, 10-layer) as a channel region were fabricated by photolithography using electron-beam evaporator(E-Beam evaporator), and we measured their electrical properties. In conclusion, the highest electron mobility was obtained at 6-layered MoS₂ TFT, and threshold voltages were decreased as thickness of MoS₂ is higher.

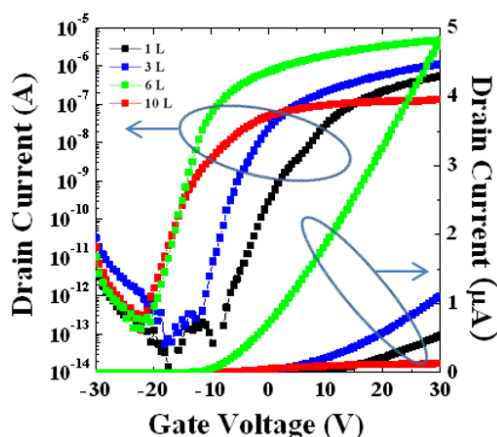


Fig. 1. Transfer characteristics of MoS₂ TFTs at V_{ds} = 0.4 V

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