

Surface characterization and cathodoluminescence degradation of ZnO powder and thin films

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ZnO with wide band-gap (3.37 eV at room temperature) and exciton binding energy of 60 meV has been studied extensively in the past 50 years because of its amazing properties which resulted in many applications. ZnO thin films showed highly c-axis orientation along the (002) plane. Therefore, high quality devices are possible to be produced by making ZnO as thin films.

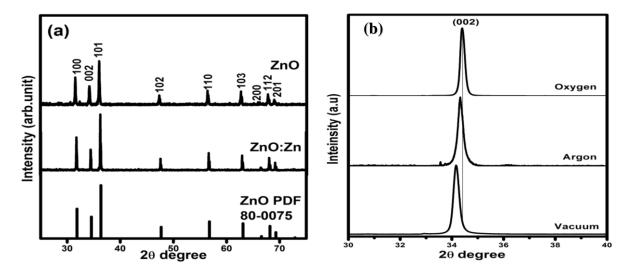


Figure 1. XRD patents of (a) ZnO and ZnO:Zn powders, (b) ZnO:Zn PLD thin films.

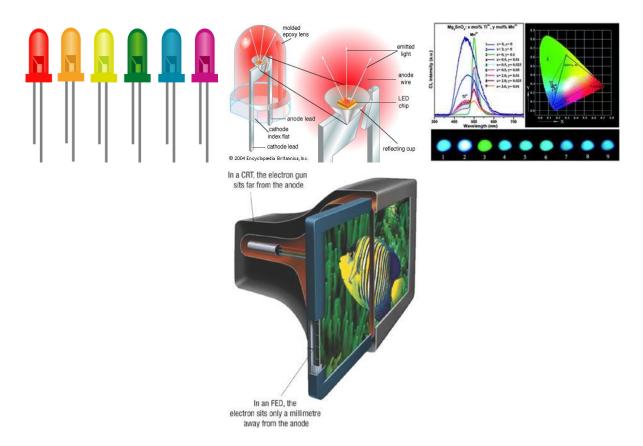


Figure 2. phosphor applications in which ZnO could involved.