

# Transparent conductive film for solar cells

Can indium-based transparent conductive oxide films be used in SHJ solar cells?

Learn more. Indium-based transparent conductive oxide (TCO) films are widely used in various photoelectric devices including silicon heterojunction (SHJ) solar cells. However, high cost of indium-based TCO films is not conducive to mass production of the SHJ solar cells.

What is a transparent conducting film?

Cross-section of thin film polycrystalline solar cell. The transparent conducting coating contacts the n-type semiconductor to draw current. Transparent conducting films (TCFs) are thin films of optically transparent and electrically conductive material.

Are crystalline silicon heterojunction solar cells transparent conductive?

Here, we report crystalline silicon heterojunction solar cells with reactive plasma deposition (RPD) grown ZnO:Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (GZO) at room temperature as a transparent conductive oxide (TCO) layer. Meanwhile, SHJ solar cells with magnetron sputtered indium tin oxide (ITO) transparent conductive layers are compared as reference.

Can zinc oxide be used in thin film solar cells?

Zinc oxide (ZnO) belongs to the class of transparent conducting oxides which can be used as transparent electrodes in electronic devices or heated windows. In this book the material properties of, the deposition technologies for, and applications of zinc oxide in thin film solar cells are described in a comprehensive manner.

What are transparent conductive oxide (TCO) films?

Two transparent conductive oxide (TCO) films of interest in the solar cell field are highlighted: high-mobility In<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-based TCOs currently in production lines and the indium-free, highly conductive amorphous SnO<sub>2</sub> films discovered recently in the laboratory. © 2024 The Author (s) Jun Usagawa, Shyam. S. Pandey, Yuhei Ogomi, and Shuzi Hayase

Can TCO films be used in SHJ solar cells?

Summary and perspective Herein, we presented a comprehensive review covering all the aspects of TCO films in the application of SHJ solar cells, from basic functions to materials, as well as their application in mass production. SHJ solar cells are a fundamental approach for accomplishing high-efficiency PV devices.

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We evaluated the fill factor (FF) degradation mechanism in silicon heterojunction (SHJ) solar cells with high mobility In<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> film as a high carrier mobility transparent conductive oxide (TCO) film.

A silicon heterojunction solar cell features uniquely indispensable transparent conducting oxide (TCO) layers integrating a low-temperature annealing metal paste. Its unique ...

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The low fabrication cost, solution processability, and easy scalability of perovskite solar cells (PSCs), coupled with the rapid increase in their power conversion efficiency (PCE) from an ...

We report a development of a highly transparent conductive film (TCF) which is the first embedded metal grid of fine lines on a flexible substrate. The TCF reveals excellent ...

ZnO and Its Applications.- Electrical Properties.- Optical Properties of ZnO and Related Compounds.- Surfaces and Interfaces of Sputter-Deposited ZnO Films.- Magnetron Sputtering of ZnO Films.- Zinc Oxide Grown by CVD Process as Transparent Contact for Thin Film Solar Cell Applications.- Pulsed Laser Deposition of ZnO-Based Thin Films.- Texture Etched ZnO:Al for ...

Transparent conducting materials (TCMs) are essential components for a variety of optoelectronic devices, such as photovoltaics, displays and touch screens. In recent years, ...

Transparent thin film solar cells mostly depend upon the thickness of the film, the material used, the process of fabrication and the deposition method. ... Thus, it is suggested to combine a transparent polymer solar cell with a transparent conducting material, such as silver nanowires (AgNWs) combined with a transparent polymeric PV cell, ...

Transparent conductive oxide (TCO) films for silicon based thin film solar cells are introduced. The required properties of TCOs, and the features of three types of common TCOs for solar cells, tin doped indium oxide (ITO), zinc oxide (ZnO), and tin oxide (SnO<sub>2</sub>), are discussed.

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A special class of transparent conducting oxides (TCO) with high mobility of  $> 65 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  allows film resistivity in the low  $10^{-4} \text{ } \Omega \text{ cm}$  range and a high transparency of  $> 80\%$  over a wide spectrum, from 300 nm to beyond 1500 nm. This exceptional coincidence of desirable optical and electrical properties provides opportunities to improve the performance of ...

Nevertheless, many excellent products, such as photoelectric and electronic devices including flatpanel displays and solar cells, which need transparent conductive oxide (TCO) thin film as the ...

We use a combination of fundamental physics and material studies, conventional thin film deposition, combinatorial growth and characterization techniques, to develop TCO films that will match the specific application requirements in solar ...

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