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SIC-FET BASED SO₂ SENSORS FOR POWER PLANT APPLICATIONS

- SO₂ is a poisonous gas produced in power plants especially when burning low quality fuel. A cheap sensor system is required for control.
- SO₂ gives low response in SiC-FET sensors. Instead of hunting for new sensing layers, new sensor operation modes, like temperature cycling, may be used.
- The SiC-FET transducer platform is possible to mass produce with high performance and low price
- The project is related to WG2 and SIG3



The SiC-FET ammonia sensor



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- Diesel engine measurement
- SCR system
- Two MISiCFET sensors and optical reference instrument
 - 40ppm NH3 gives about 500 mV response.

Sensor Characterization – Static Operation



Sensor respons to 40 ppm SO₂: Au, Ir, Cu < 10 mV, Pt < 50 mV



SiC-FET sensor platform processing, mounting and electronics

SiC-FET sensor system

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4" SiC wafer, ~2000 chip

Processing on 4" SiC wafers using standard methods – low cost high quality transducer

SiC-FETs for detection of SO₂ using temperature cycling

Temperature cycle operation and multivariate data analysis, LDA and PLS (in collaboration with Saarland University)



Dynamic operation at 3 different temperatures:

• 200°C, 300°C, and 400°C.

Response during the cycle divided into 6 intervals:

- Steady state intervals:
- 2 (200°C), 4 (300°C), 6 (400°C)
- Transient intervals between operating temperatures (1, 3, 5)

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Influence of oxygen concentration (4 or 10%) Power plant application

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Pilot plant testing at Alstom

- Sensor installed at the outlet of the desulphurization pilot unit
- Other gases: N₂, O₂ (0-22%),
 CO₂ (0-7%), H₂O (0-10%),

 $HCI (0-300 \text{ mg/Nm}^3 \text{ dg})$

- Gas temperature: 60-170°C
- T cycling mode of operation: 200-400°C



Z. Darmastuti, C. Bur, P. Möller, R. Rahlin, N. Lindqvist, M. Andersson, A. Schütze, and A. Lloyd Spetz, SiC-FET based SO₂ sensor for power plant emission applications, Sensors and Actuators B, in press.



Pilot plant testing at Alstom



Day 2 – High concentration







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LDA

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Current research activities

- SiC-FET gas sensors for harsh environment
 - Device layout
 - Sensing layers
 - Ohmic contacts
 - Applications together with industry (FunMat)
- Graphene based gas sensors for ultra low detection
- At University of Oulu in collaboration with Linköping University
 - Particle detector for personal use
 - CMOS based cell clinic for detection of toxic effect of particles



Research Facilities

- Research Facilities:
- Deposition systems for sensing layers, sputtering systems (multiple targets), thermal evaporation
- Sensor mounting facilities, e.g. bonding machine
- Gas mixing systems
- Analysis instruments: Environmental Mass spectrometer, Kelvin probe, (Environmental) AFM, SEM, TEM
- University of Oulu:
 - Particle generator

