

1876/1873 Departments Wide Bandgap Materials and Devices

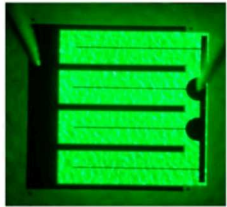
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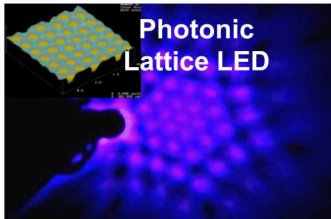
Sandia Wide Bandgap Semiconductor Materials and Device Research (1996-2018)

Visible Optoelectronics (Solid-State Lighting)

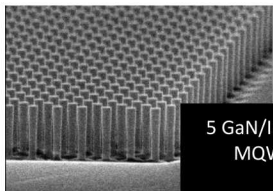
-GC LDRD 2000-2004; DOE EERE
2005-2013, EFRC 2010-2014



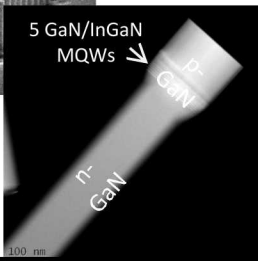
Filling the LED
"green gap" in
LED efficiency



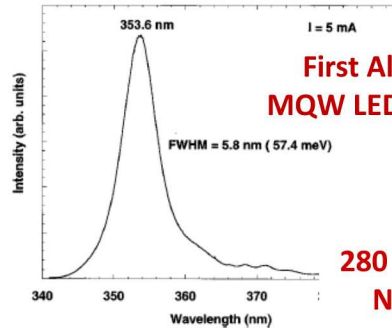
Photonic
Lattice LED



Nanowire LEDs
and lasers



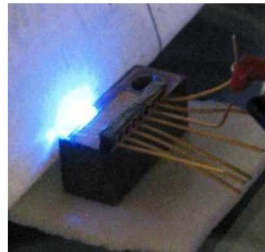
Ultraviolet Optoelectronics



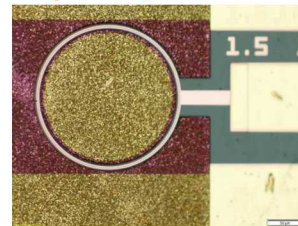
First AlGaIn
MQW LED (1998)

280 nm LED arrays for
NLOS comm. link

Deep UV LDs
~ 350-360 nm

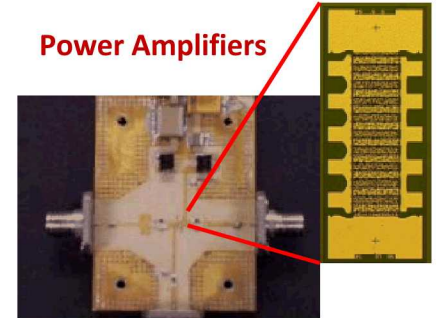


UV Detectors
(visible/solar-blind)

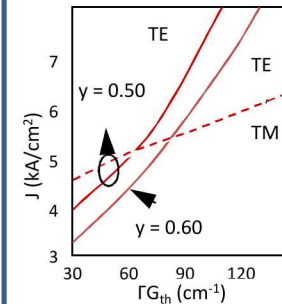


Power Electronics

Power Amplifiers

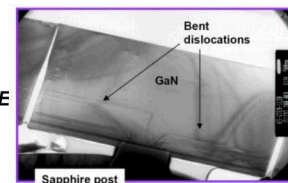


Advanced Modeling and Characterization

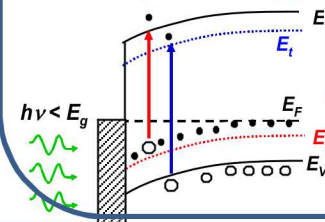


Gain modeling/many-
body physics of
of nitride lasers

Transmission
electron microscopy



Defect Spectroscopy



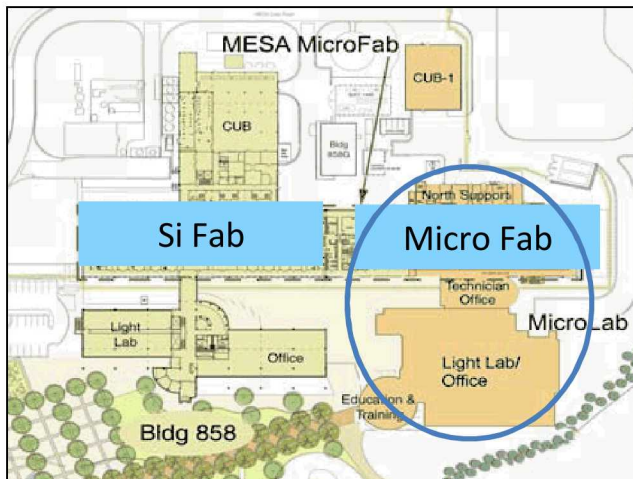
Sandia History and Capabilities

Sandia History in Electronics, Optoelectronics, Photonics, MEMS, and Microsystems

- 60+ years as DOE/NNSA mission lead in electronics
- 35+ years of compound semiconductor research
- 20+ years of wide-bandgap materials & device R&D



- Application-Specific Integrated Circuits (Si) and Heterojunction Bipolar Transistors (GaAs) produced for insertion into NNSA systems

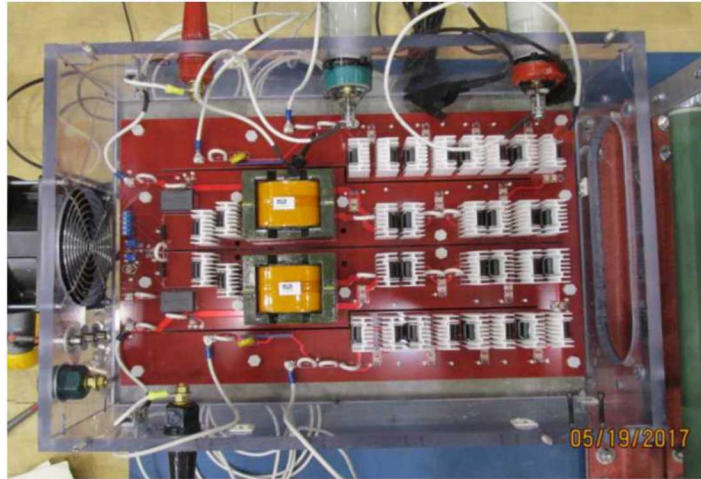


MESA Microfab (858EF):

- 9,400 ft² cleanroom space
- Epitaxial growth
- Device processing
- Associated light labs (858EL)

Trusted
Foundry:
TRL 1-9

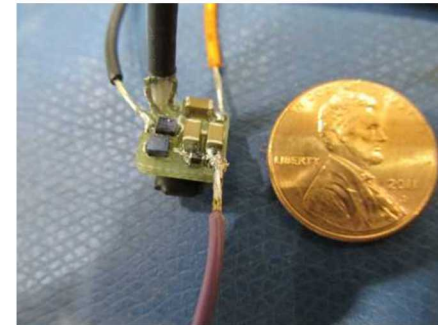
Wide Band Gap and Ultra WBG Power Electronics



SNL SiC hybrid switched-capacitor boost converter (ARPA-E)

- First prototype: 0.5 kV \rightarrow 10.1 kV (gain = 16.8) at 2.6 kW, 95.3% efficient, 410 in³
- Second prototype: +2% efficiency, 55% volume

Over an order of magnitude improvement in power density is enabled by WBG and UWBG semiconductors compared to Si



SNL GaN HEMT "Coin Converter"
90 V, 90 mA \rightarrow 215 W/in³



SNL GaN HEMT micro-inverter
400 W in 2.4 in³ \rightarrow 167 W/in³

SOA commercial micro-inverter
250 W in 59 in³ \rightarrow 4.2 W/in³