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Comparison of the effects of annealing on Ni/Au and Ni/Ir/Au Schottky photodiodes

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In this study a comparison of the electrical and optical properties of Ni/Au and Ni/Ir/Au Schottky photodiodes based on Al_{0.35}Ga_{0.65}N were investigated. The photodiodes were characterised as deposited and after annealing at 500 deg;C under an Ar ambient. The electrical and optical properties of these samples improved with annealing temperatures. The Schottky barrier heights for the Ni/Au Schottky diodes were measured as 0.913 and 1.264 eV for as deposited and 500 deg;C annealed diodes respectively. The barrier heights of the Ni/Ir/Au Schottky photodiodes were found to be 2.18 eV for as deposited and 1.90 eV of the 500 deg C annealed for a deposited and 1.90 eV of the Schottky photodiodes were found to be 2.18 eV for as deposited and 1.90 eV of the Schottky characteristics of the schottky character

eV after 500 deg;C annealing. The transmission of UV radiation through the Ni/Au layer was higher than through the Ni/Ir/Au which contributed to the responsivity of the Ni/Au photodiode being higher. In general the Ni/Au photodiode produced better electrical and optical characteristics in comparison to the Ni/Ir/Au photodiode when subjected to similar annealing conditions.

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