



In-situ reflectance and curvature measurements during AlGaInAs MQWs growth on InP/SiO₂/Si substrates

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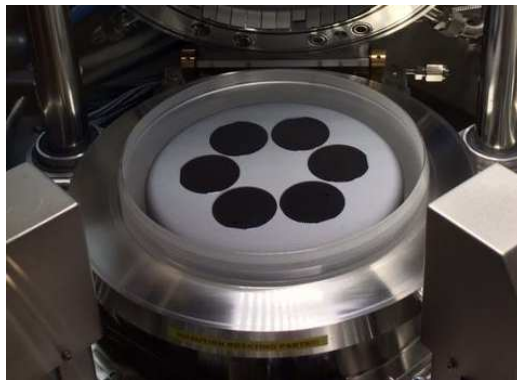
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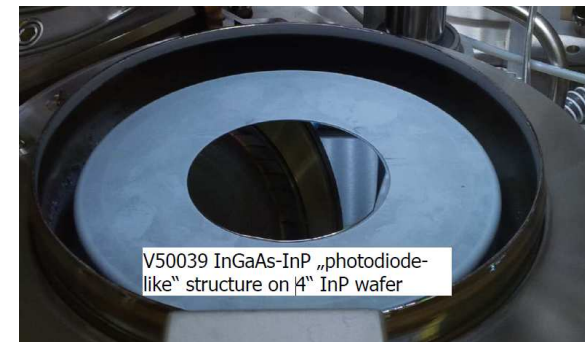
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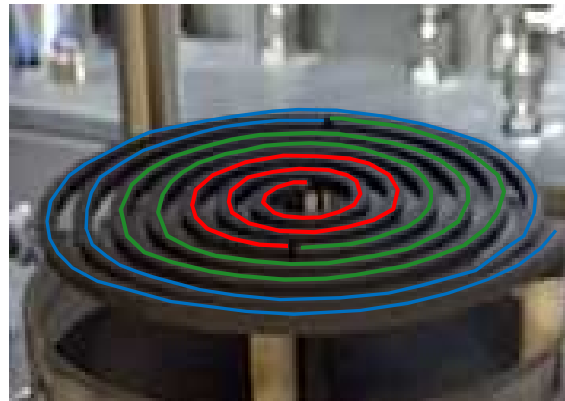
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- Elements available :
 - III elements : TM**In**, TM**Ga**, TM**Al**,
 - V elements : **As**H₃, **P**H₃,
 - Dopants : DE**Zn**, CBr₄, **Si**₂H₆, H₂**S**, Cp**Fe**, DIP**Te**,

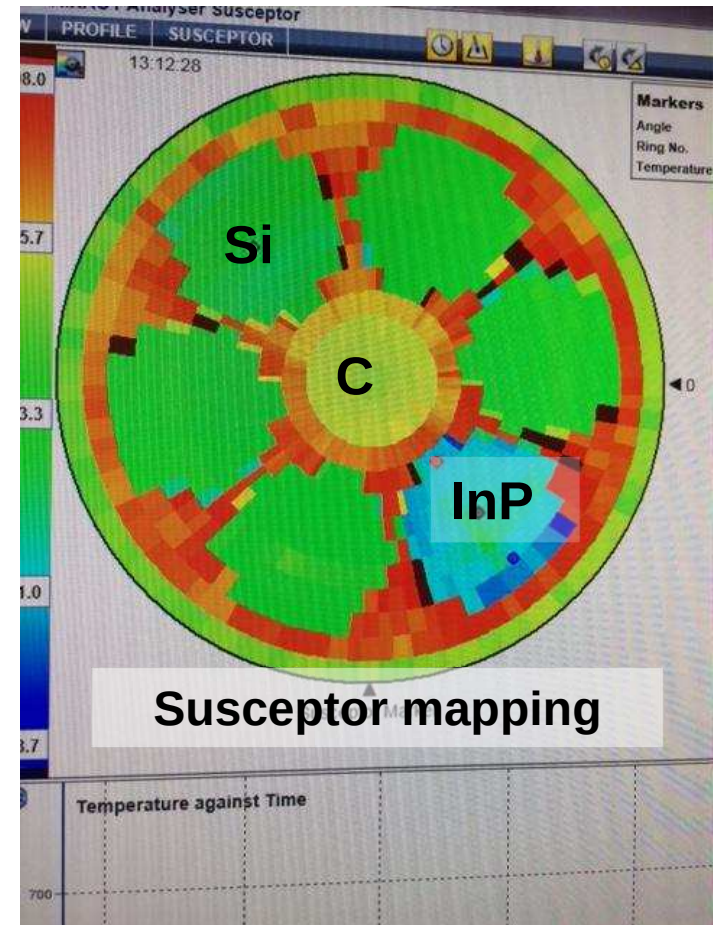
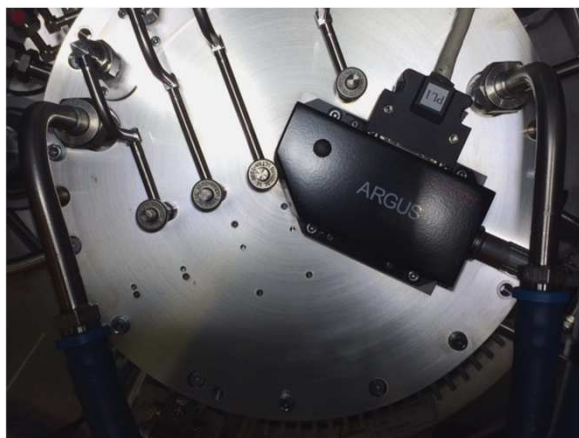
6 H₂S, CpFe, DIPTe,

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Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr											
FER	COBALT	NICKEL	CUIVRE	ZINC	GALLIUM	GERMANIUM	ARSENIC	SÉLÉNIUM	BROME	KRYPTON											
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Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe											
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► Susceptor topside thermal mapping: monitor and control (ARGUS)

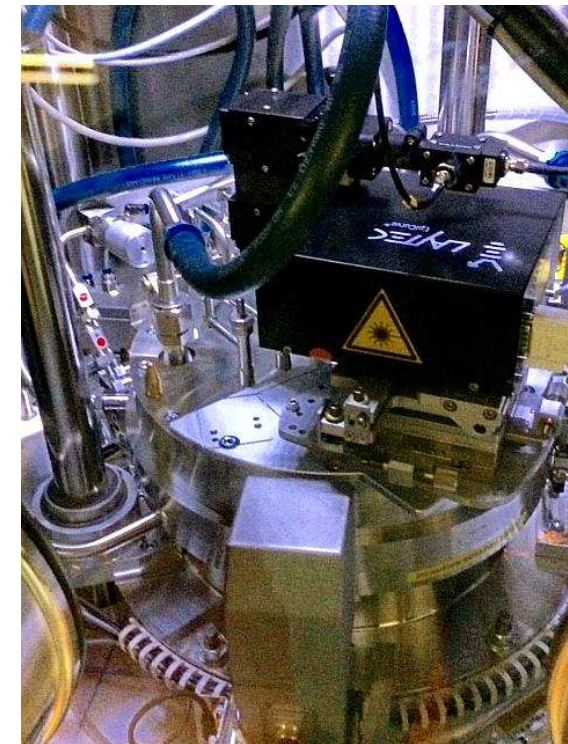


Heating system



Susceptor mapping

- ▶ *Susceptor surface temperature : monitor and control (ARGUS)*
- ▶ *Wafer true surface temperature measurement (Pyrometer 950 nm)*
- ▶ *Reflectometry (at 950, 650 and 405 nm)*
- ▶ *Curvature : related to total strain*



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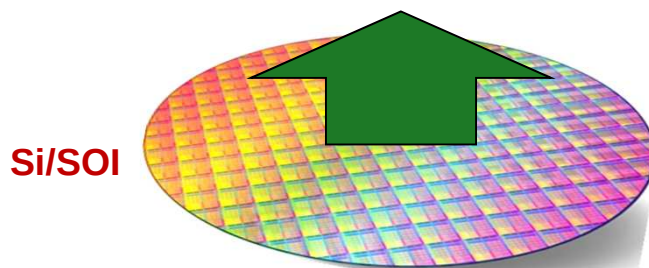
▶ **Conclusion**

- Silicon photonics: **III-V** integration on **Silicon**
 - + Emitting properties
 - + Active functions
 - + Process Maturity
 - Costs
- + Production volume
- + Passive functions
- + Electronic properties
- + Costs
- Emitting properties

- 2 approach families :

Hetero-epitaxy

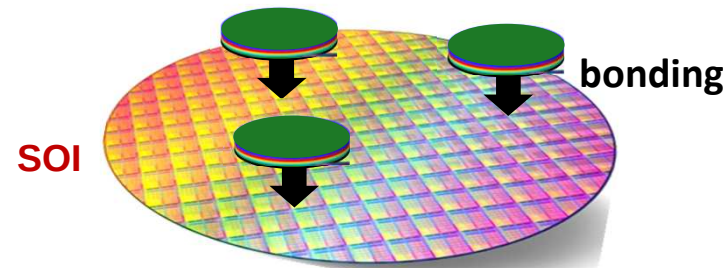
III-V direct-growth



Crystal quality issues

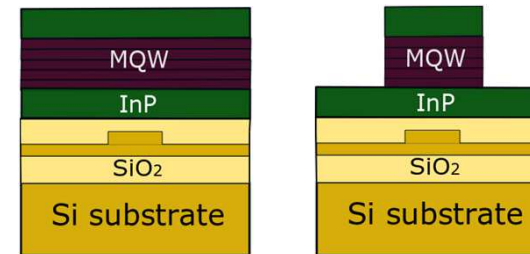
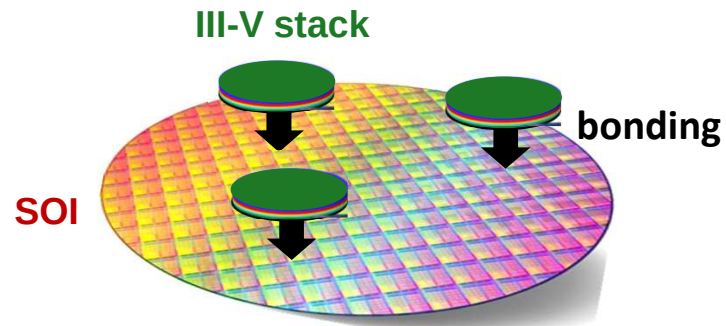
Wafer-bonding

III-V reverse stack



Bonding process and regrowth issues

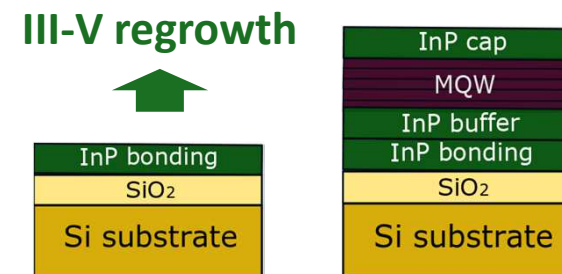
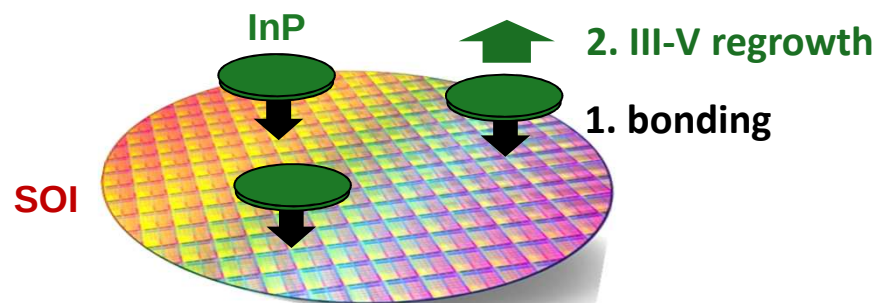
Wafer-bonding : conventional approach



No further regrowth

Wafer-bonding: regrowth after bonding

Goal: extend all the III-V mature know-how into the silicon photonics platform

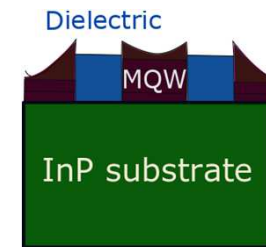


MQW: MultiQuantum Wells

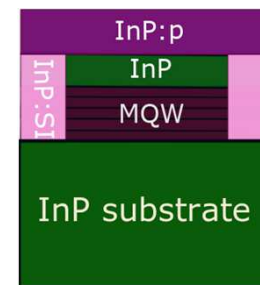
Multi-step growth processes on InP wafers :

Examples of typical mature regrowth steps available at III-V Lab :

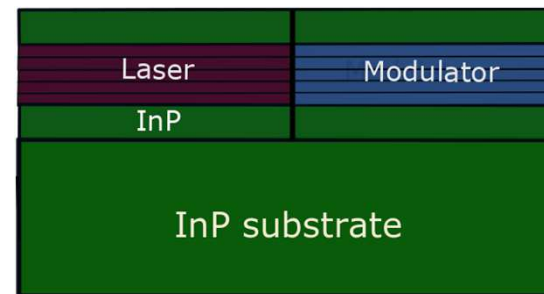
InP classical platform



SAG¹
Selective Area Growth



SIBH²
Semi-Insulated Buried Heterostructure



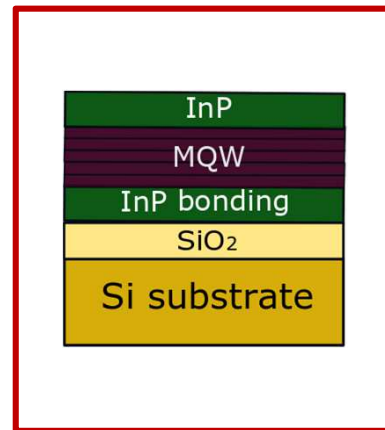
Butt-joint

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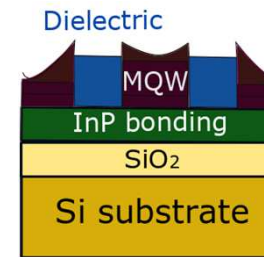
Goal: transfer into the silicon platform

Into the silicon platform ?

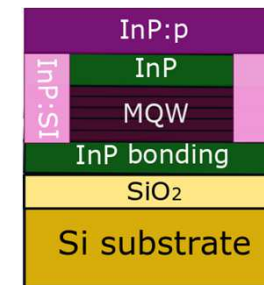
Regrowth onto a bonded seed: critical step



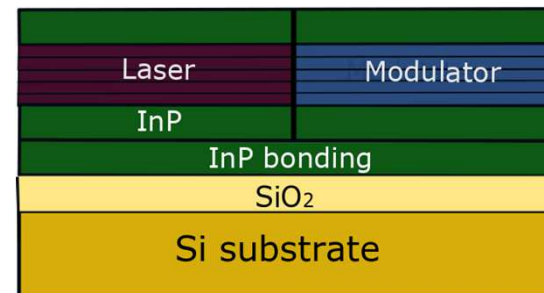
SiO₂/Si: simulation of the SOI
MQW: relevant test structure



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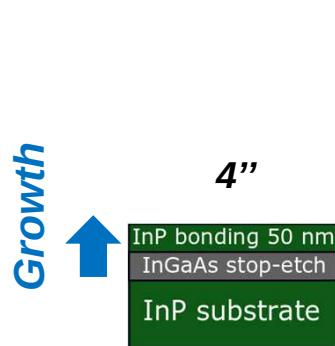


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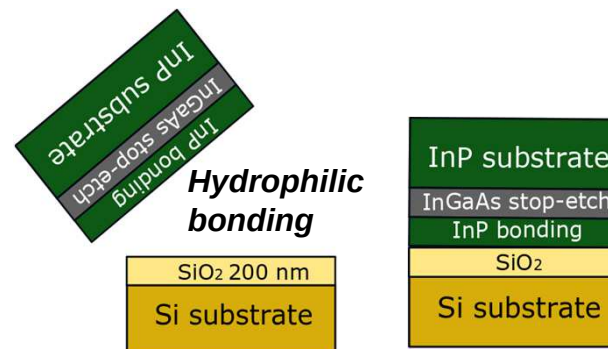


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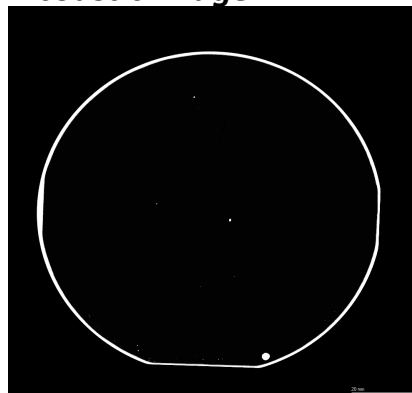
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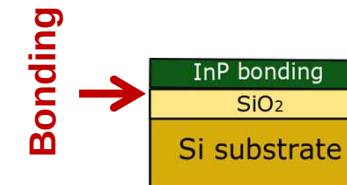
2) Direct-bonding with a thermally-oxidized Si substrate



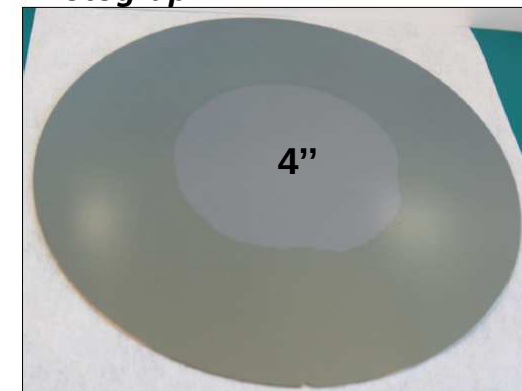
Acoustic image



3) Etching of the InP substrate and the InGaAs sacrificial layer



Photograph



Cleaved into small samples for regrowth tests

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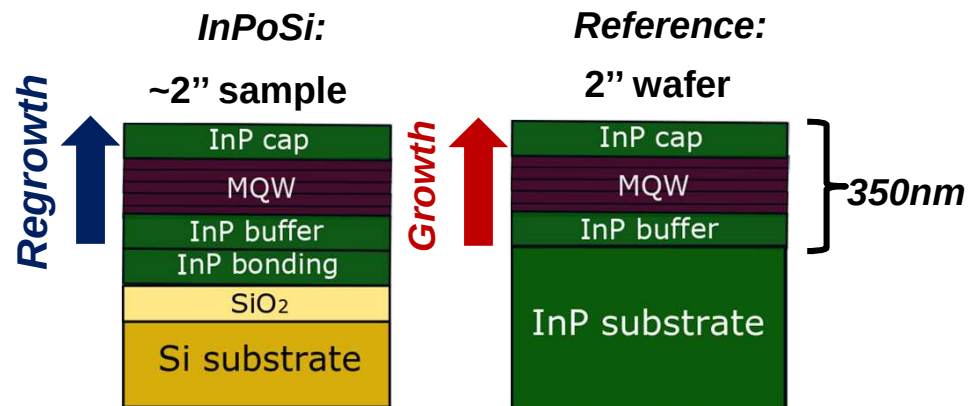
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4) Regrowth of InP based AlGaInAs MQW



In-situ characterizations:

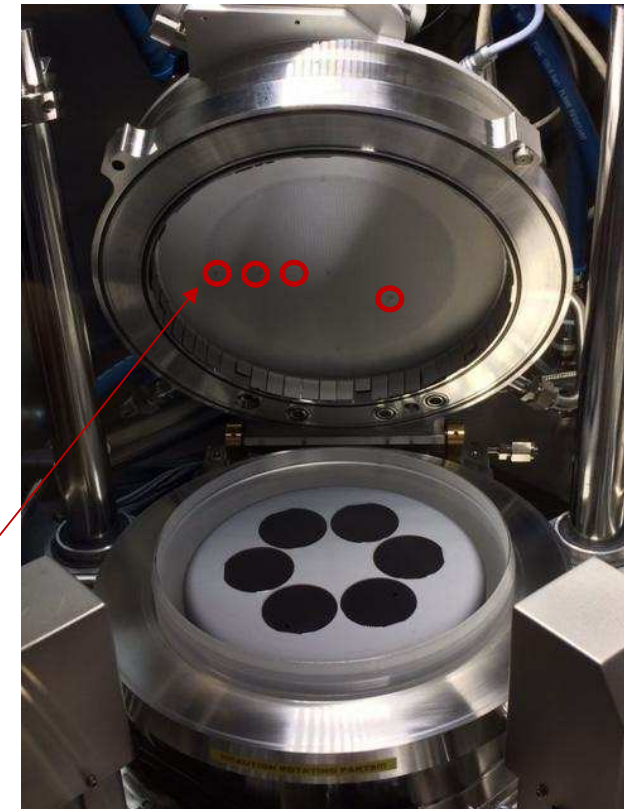
Reflectance
Curvature



Ex-situ characterizations:

Atomic force Microscope
STEM / TEM
X-ray diffraction
Photoluminescence

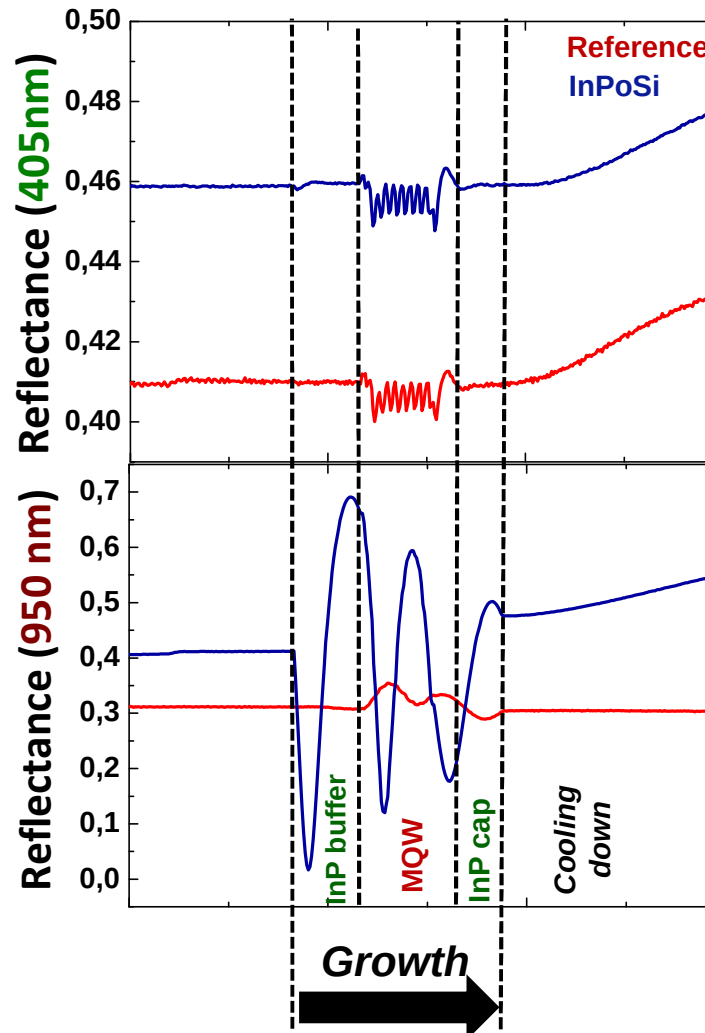
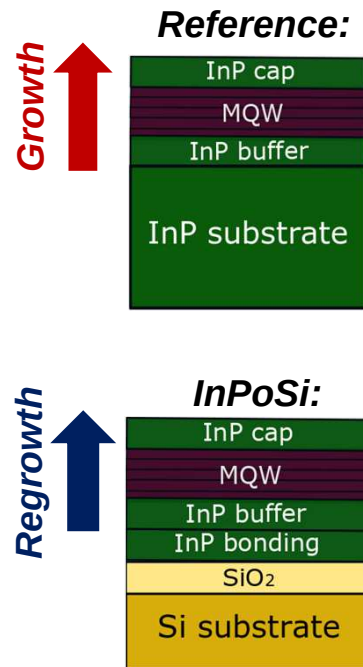
Holes for in-situ measurements



Aixtron CCS reactor
6x2", 3x3" and 1x4" capacity

Reflectance signals:

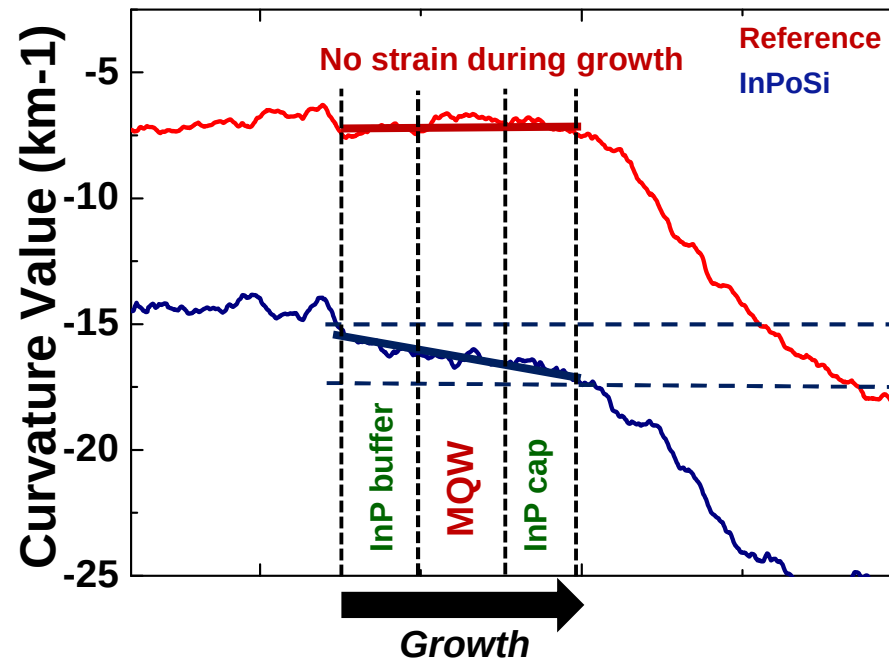
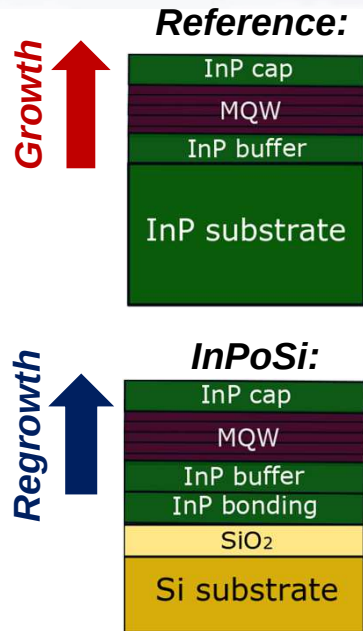
- > **405nm**: surface quality
- > **950nm**: growth rate (GR)



No degradation of the signal:
high-quality material

Large index contrast in
InPoSi: high amplitude
oscillation

$$GR_{InP_InPoSi} = GR_{InP_Reference} = 2.1\mu m/h$$



Tensile
↑
↓
Compressive

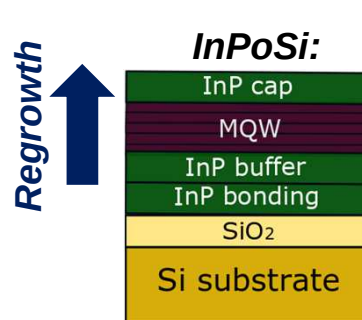
In-situ measurement:

$$\Delta \frac{1}{R} = 2.4 \text{ km}^{-1}$$

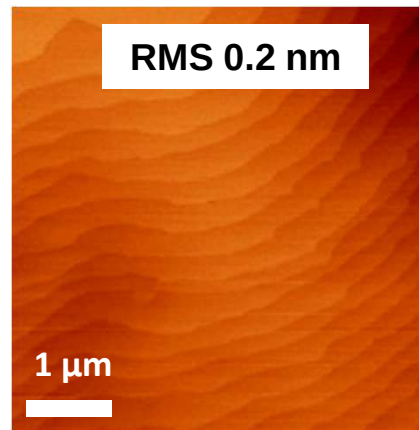
$T_{\text{growth}} = 650^\circ\text{C}$
 $\alpha_{\text{InP}} = 4,56 \text{ ppm/K}$
 $\alpha_{\text{Si}} = 2,62 \text{ ppm/K}$

CTE strain = $(T_{\text{growth}} - T_{\text{bonding}}) \times (\alpha_{\text{InP}} - \alpha_{\text{Si}})$

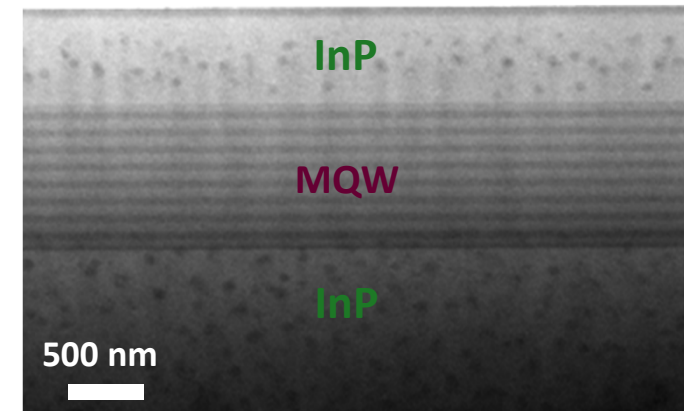
Theoretical CTE strain = 670ppm $\Leftrightarrow \Delta \frac{1}{R} = 2.7 \text{ km}^{-1}$
Stoney law



AFM

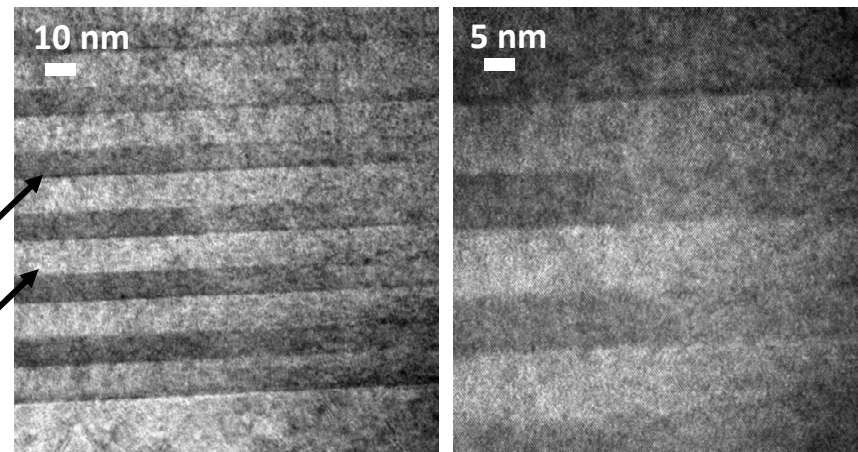


STEM

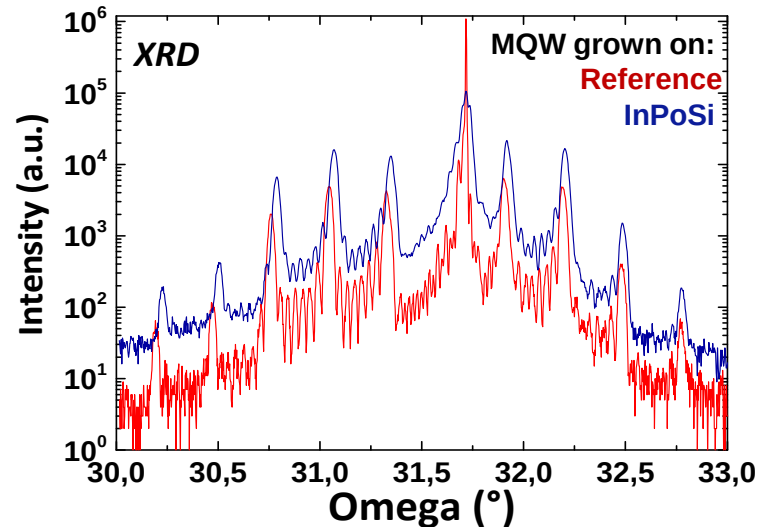
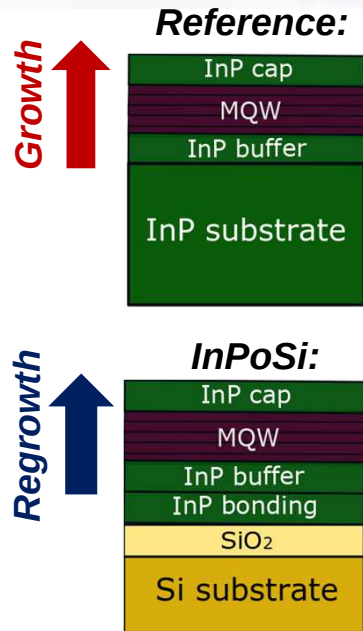


AFM: $\text{RMS}_{\text{InPoSi}} = \text{RMS}_{\text{Reference}}$
TEM: No trace of dislocations,
High-crystal quality

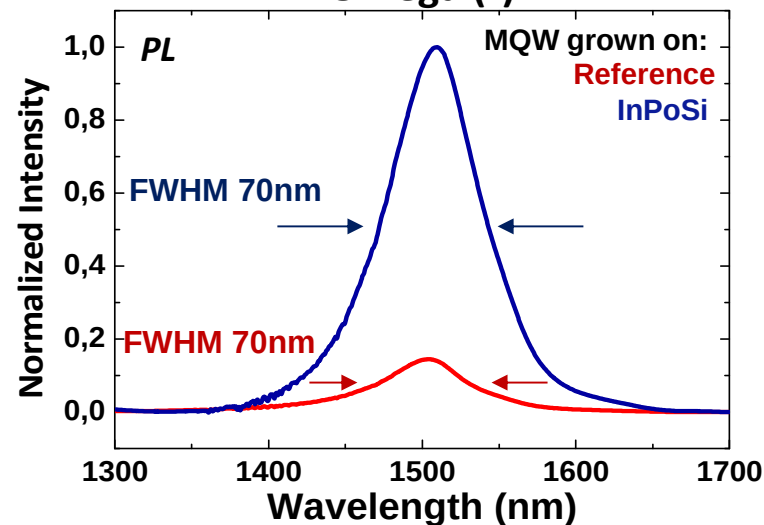
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X-Ray Diffraction - Photoluminescence



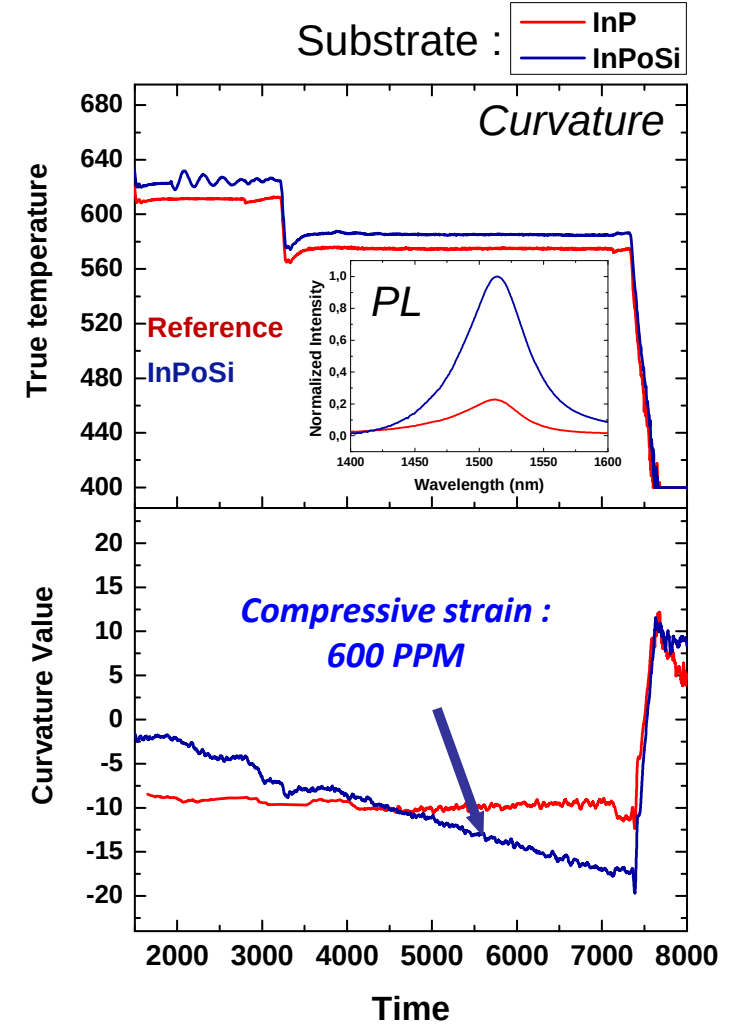
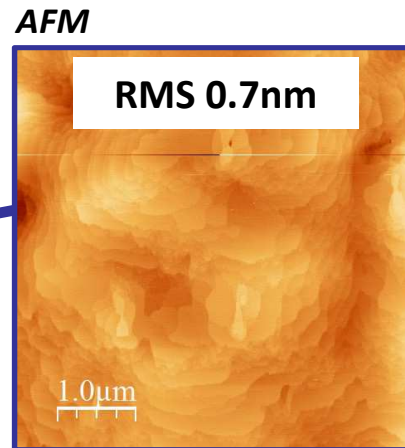
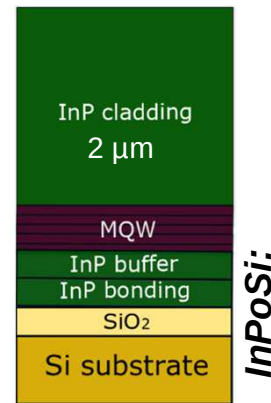
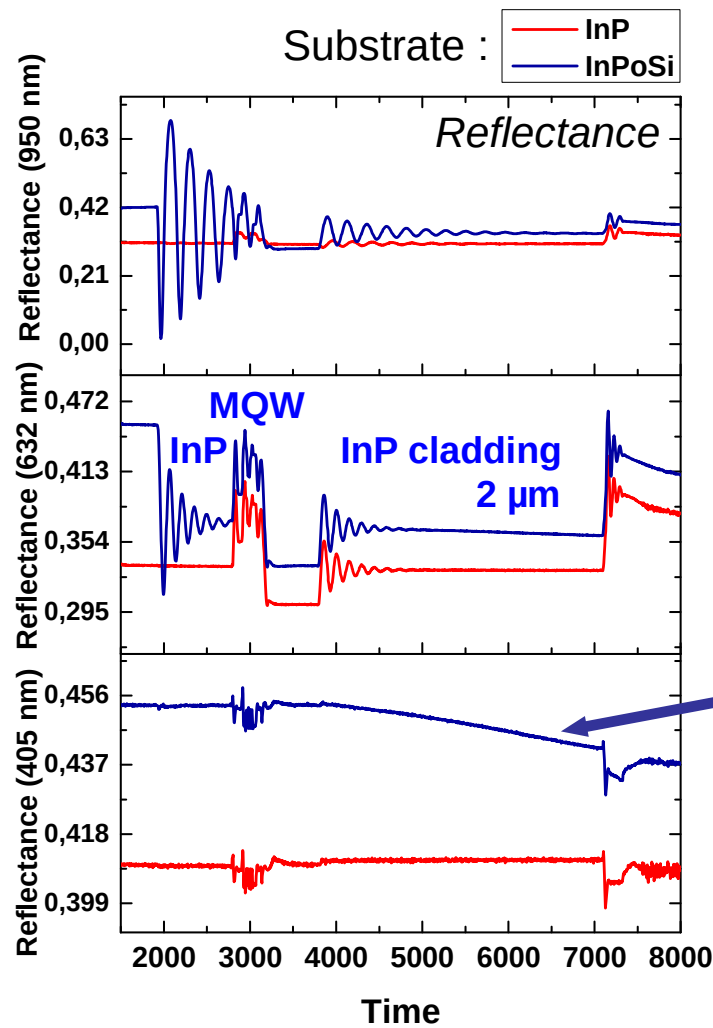
Sharp and intense satellite peaks: high crystal quality



InPoSi PL peak 7 times more intense than that of the reference.
 -> High index contrast in InP/SiO₂/Si
 -> increasing the excitation and collection of the photons

$$FWHM_{InPoSi} = FWHM_{Reference}$$

2.5 μm thick heterostructure on InP and InPoSi substrates



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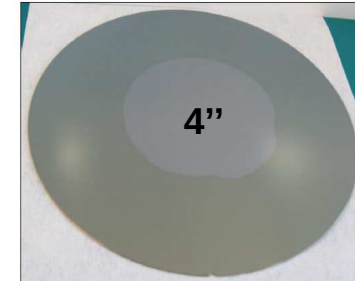
-The fabrication process for a 4" InPoSi (InP-SiO₂/Si) template has been presented

-The regrowth of high-quality AlGaInAs-based MQW has been demonstrated on an InPoSi template compared a reference on an InP substrate

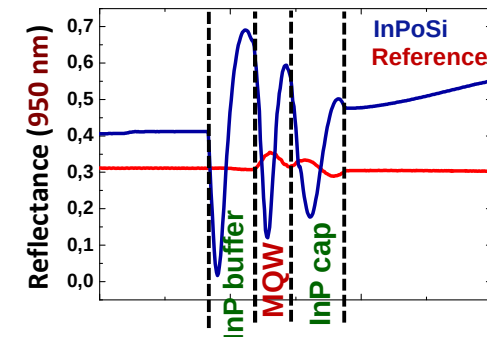
-> *In-situ measurements* have been carried out on a bonded template showing high-quality material (reflectance) and a good correlation with the theoretical thermal strain induced in an InPoSi template (curvature)

-> *Ex-situ measurements* also account for the high-quality of the regrown material

Photograph



In-situ measurements



TEM

