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i. *Submitted Presentations,*

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d. *Description of Project:*

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e. *Significant results during last year:*

- Fabrication and electrical characterization of the largest parallel diode arrays yet made ( $>10^9$  diodes/cm<sup>2</sup>), via electrodeposition of CdSe into the pores of Anopore alumina membranes.
- Extension of the Sequential Monolayer Deposition technique to the synthesis of CdTe films.
- Fabrication of CdSe/CdTe heterojunction arrays using the above techniques.

*f. Summary of plans for next year's work:*

We will continue our investigation of the electronic properties and morphology of semiconductor films electrodeposited into restricted dimensions. Two curious results that we wish to pursue are: (1) CdSe and CdTe Films deposited in these restricted dimensions do not grow with the fractal-like ("cauliflower") morphology of normally electrodeposited films. This result could enable the synthesis of more uniform thin films for solar energy or optical detector applications. (2) There appears to be a pronounced effect on the properties of these films when deposited under optical irradiation. We will try to exploit this effect to produce more electronically well-behaved materials.

We will try to extend our electrochemical synthesis to the deposition of Si and SiC materials. Because of its refractory nature, SiC is hard to manufacture, although it is the only material currently used commercially to manufacture blue light emitting diodes. The approach will involve non-aqueous deposition onto conductive single-crystal substrates.

We are also investigating the feasibility of depositing ZnS-based phosphor materials into Anopore and other template membranes, for potential high-definition display applications.

*g. Students currently working on the project:*

Corrine Curtis (Graduate student)

Robert Herrick (Undergraduate)

James Gerkin (Undergraduate)

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*PART III*

- a. Introductory vu-graph
- b. Figure representing the highlight
- c. Concluding vu-graph
  
- d. "Synthesis and Electronic Properties of Nanophase Semiconductor Materials"  
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An array of over a billion parallel, 200 nm-diameter wires of CdSe can be synthesized within the pores of an alumina template membrane. These wires show a nonlinear current-voltage response characteristic of rectifying diodes, and hence this work demonstrates the largest diode array ever fabricated. The CdSe rods are made by electrochemically depositing the material onto a Ni electrode that is covered with a porous Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> filtration membrane. Both CdSe and CdTe nanowires can be fabricated from the appropriate deposition bath, and CdSe/CdTe heterojunction arrays can also be made by this technique.



## **Semiconductor Thin Films by Electrodeposition**

### **Motivations**

- **Nanoscale Crystallites-Quantum Effects**

*Electrochemically deposited materials usually deposit as fine nanocrystalline films*

- **Low Temperature Phases**

*Thermodynamic phases obtained from electrodeposition often differ from thermally grown materials*

- **Inexpensive, Large Area - Microelectronics & Solar Cells**

*Electrodeposition provides thickness and morphology control-can fabricate unusual structures*

### **Problems**

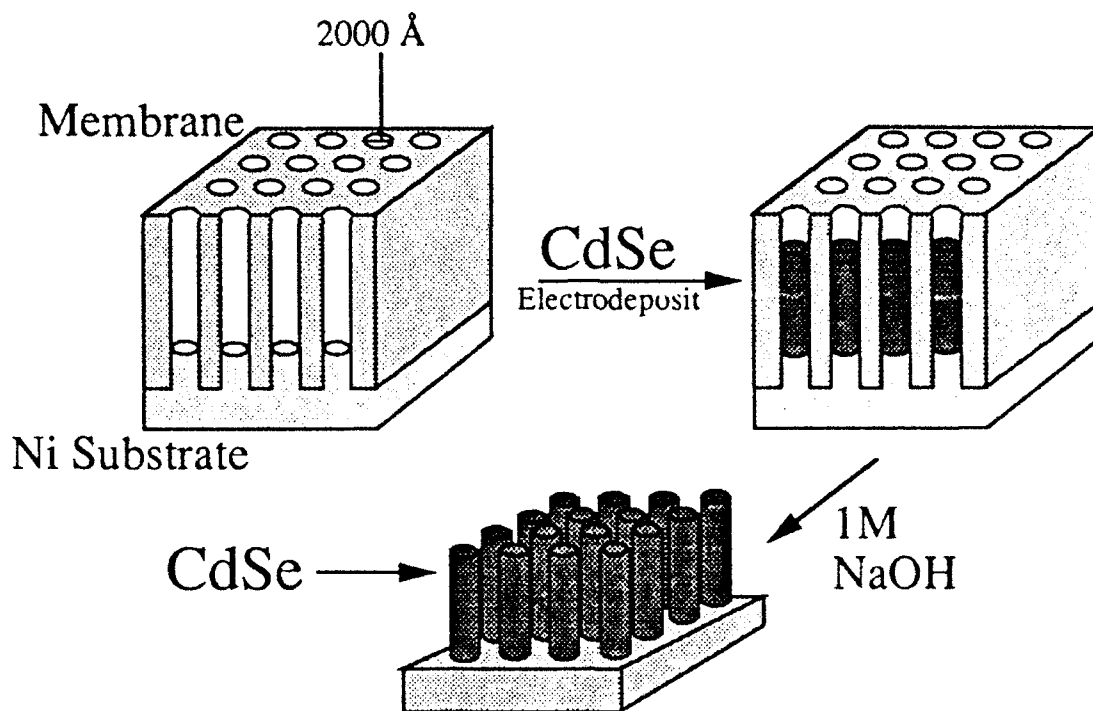
- *Stoichiometry is often nonideal*
- *Morphology is often fractal-like*
- *Electronic properties are inferior*

### **One Approach-Deposition Within Restricted Dimensions**

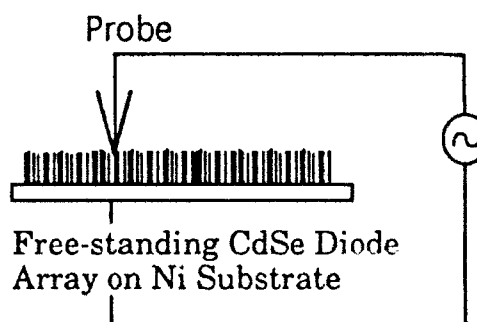
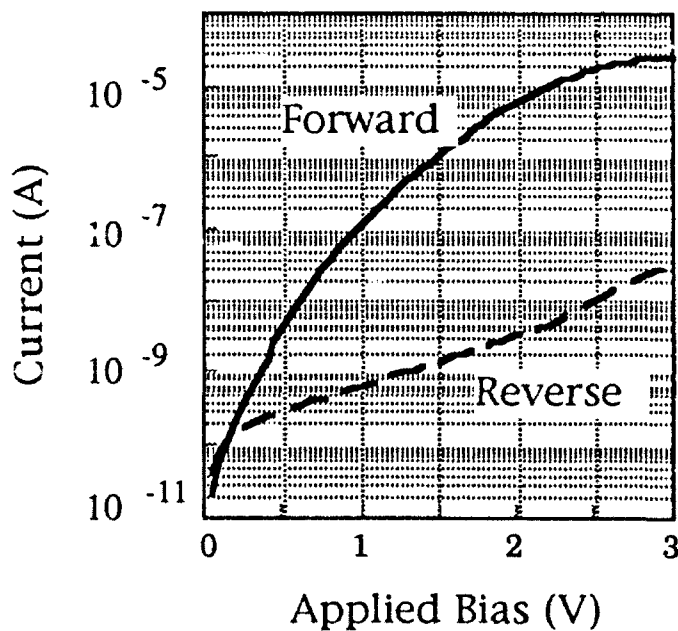
*Electrodeposit CdSe into nanoporous alumina membrane*

- **Growth morphology is restricted to (pseudo) one dimension-provides shape control**
- **Stoichiometry is controlled using a specialized pulse-plating technique**

# Electrochemical Fabrication of Cadmium Chalcogenide Microdiode Arrays.



## Current-Voltage Characteristic:



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## **Electrochemical Fabrication of Cadmium Chalcogenide Microdiode Arrays.**

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### **Conclusions:**

- Arrays containing  $>10^9$  2000Å-diameter CdSe or graded CdSe/CdTe cylinders have been electrochemically synthesized within the pores of Anopore™ membranes. This represents the largest diode array yet produced.
- The alumina template suppresses the 'cauliflower' morphology that is typically observed in electrodeposited CdSe and CdTe films.
- Current-Voltage data show that the Ni/CdSe array is rectifying, with a rectification ratio of 1000 at  $\pm 2$  V.
- These results may be important for the fabrication of high-resolution optical detectors, solar cells, or high-definition displays.