

# Crystal structural change of Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> film evaluated by in-situ heating TEM

Gallium oxide (Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>) is attracting much attention as a candidate material for next-generation power devices. Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> has several polymorphs and the crystal structural changes with the film formation temperature. In-situ heating TEM is a powerful tool for understanding such structure change. An example of the structural analysis of a Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> film using in-situ heating TEM is shown below.

## 1. in-situ heating TEM

### Dynamic TEM observation during heating.

ex.) Clarifying structural change during annealing process.

- Temperature range: 23(R.T.)~1300°C
- Rapid heating with high stability
- nm-level dynamic observation
- Energy-dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (EDX) and energy loss spectroscopy (EELS) are also available.

Several samples for film temperatures are not necessary.

## 2. In-situ heating TEM observation of Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> film structural change

### Gallium Oxide (Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>)

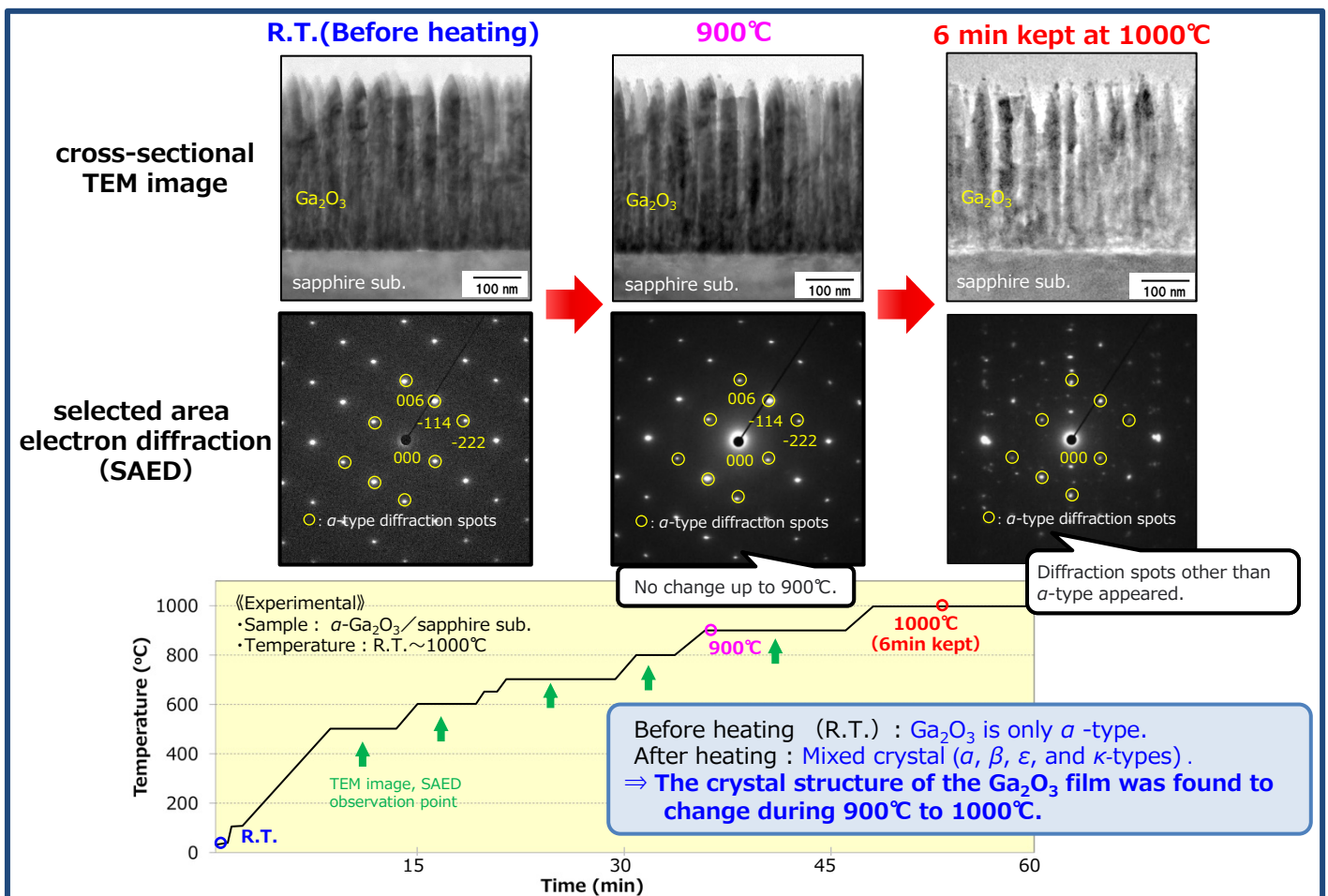
- Wide bandgap(~5eV)
- Low cost and high-quality substrates.

⇒ Development of high-quality Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> film is important

Crystal structure changes with film formation temperature

Evaluation of crystal structure change by in-situ heating TEM

Type	Structure
$\alpha$	corundum
$\beta$	monoclinic
$\gamma$	spinel
$\delta$	cubic
$\epsilon$	hexagonal
$\kappa$	orthorhombic



Toray Research Center's elaborate sample preparation technique and in-situ heating TEM yield nanometer-scale direct observation of structural phase transition of Ga<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> film.