Fabrication and TEM characterization of new nanostructures

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Objective

This project aims at fabrication of new inorganic nanostructures. Various types of nanostructures have been fabricated by our research group [1-4] using chemical vapor deposition and other growth methods. Ph.D. candidates are expected to fabricate new nanostructures and study their structure, formation mechanism and properties using transmission electron microscopy (TEM), scanning electron microscopy (SEM), and related analysis methods such as EDX and EELS.

Project Outline

The project will pursue the following process.

- (1) Develop new fabrication systems and/or fabrication procedures to find new nanostructures.
- (2) Analyze the structure of new nanostructures.
- (3) Optimize fabrication parameters.
- (4) Measure the properties of new nanostructures.

Expected Performance

In this project, Ph.D. candidates are expected to publish four peer-reviewed journal papers as first author and give presentations at international conferences during the three-year program.

Required Skills and Knowledge

The successful candidate for this project will have the following knowledge and skills: materials science, crystallography, vacuum system, electron microscopy, English speaking and writing, programming and data analysis on Linux, and glass work. Applicants are also required to have at least one publication as first author in a peer-reviewed international journal during his/her master course.

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