ON HYDROGEN-STIMULATED PASSIVATION OF ELECTRICALLY ACTIVE CENTERS IN $\mathrm{Cd}_x~\mathrm{Zn}_{1-x}\mathrm{Te}$

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Summary

An influence of hydrogen on electrical properties of $\mathrm{Cd}_x\mathrm{Zn}_{1-x}\mathrm{Te}$ crystals with several values of x has been studied. Hydrogen has been shown to passivate shallow-level acceptor centers in crystals with conductivity of the p type, which may stimulate a growth of the specific resistance in low-resistance crystals by several to 10^3 times. In high-resistance compensated crystals, penetrated hydrogen results in a substantial reduction of their specific resistance, which may be caused by a variation of the concentration of electrically active centers of one type and, therefore, by a variation of the compensation degree.