

## OPTICAL PROPERTIES OF CdS FILMS OBTAINED BY HOT-WALL TECHNIQUE

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### S u m m a r y

The structure of CdS films deposited with the use of the hot-wall technique has been studied. The growth of a film thickness was found to result in a reduction of mechanical stresses in the films, with compressive and tensile macrostresses being observed in thin and thick films, respectively. The increase of a CdS film thickness was found to be accompanied by an increase in the energy gap width  $E_g$ , which is associated with an extension of the coherent scattering region. It is established that CdS films about 0.3  $\mu\text{m}$  in thickness annealed in air are expedient to be used as wide-gap “windows”, while fabricating the efficient solar cells based on CdS/CdTe heterosystems.