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## NEODYMIUM OXIDE THIN FILMS DEPOSITED BY PLD: OPTICAL AND STRUCTURAL EVOLUTION ANALYSIS

Neodymium oxide is a material highly used in different applications fields, such as, optoelectronics and biomedical.

Pulsed laser deposition (PLD) was used as a synthesis method to grow thin films at different pressures, going from  $2 \times 10^{-5}$  Torr to  $1 \times 10^{-2}$  Torr. For the experiments, a 2 inches neodymium disk was used as target. It was ablated with a pulsed Nd:YAG laser emitting at 1064 nm with an energy per pulse of 190 mJ. Experiments were carried out in vacuum and in oxygen/argon background gas. To control the plasma parameters a Langmuir planar probe was used.

The obtained neodymium oxide thin films were analyzed optically and structurally to evaluate the pressure effect in the chemical growth mechanism.

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