

Figure 1. RHEED of elemental uranium films taken during growth. Final two images are at the end of a 60min deposition, rotated by 45°

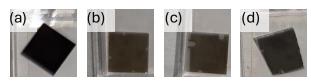


Figure 3. Images of U+N samples after removal from vacuum chamber (a) without (a) and with (b-d) capping layers. Color changes in (b-d) due to the use of various different growth parameters.

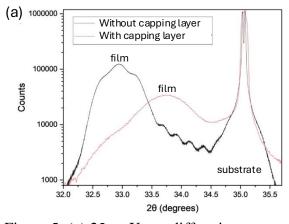


Figure 5. (a)  $2\theta$ - $\omega$  X-ray diffraction scans of U+N depositions with(out) a protective capping layer. (b) Phi scan and (c) pole figures of samples (1) without and (2) with capping layer showing epitaxial registry.

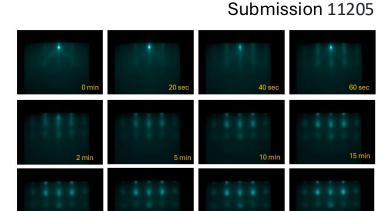


Figure 2. RHEED taken throughout growth with simultaneous exposure of uranium and nitrogen

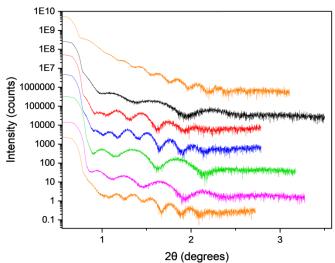


Figure 4. X-ray reflectivity measurements of depositions with equal deposition times but varying growth parameters

