

Supplementary Materials to the article

# Transparent Conducting Amorphous IZO Thin Films: An Approach to Improve the Transparent Electrode Quality

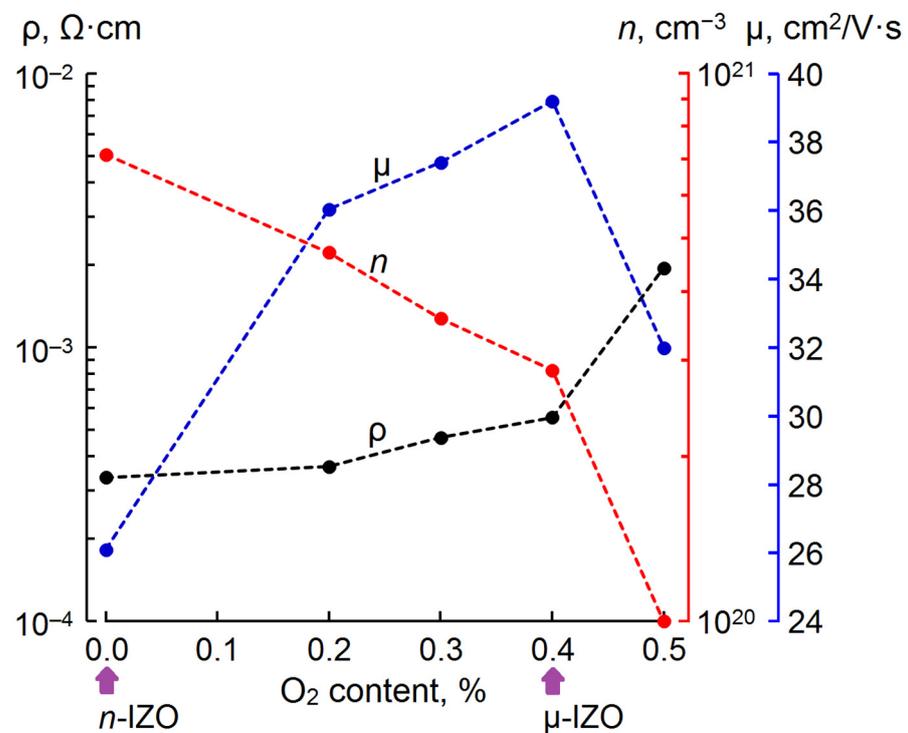
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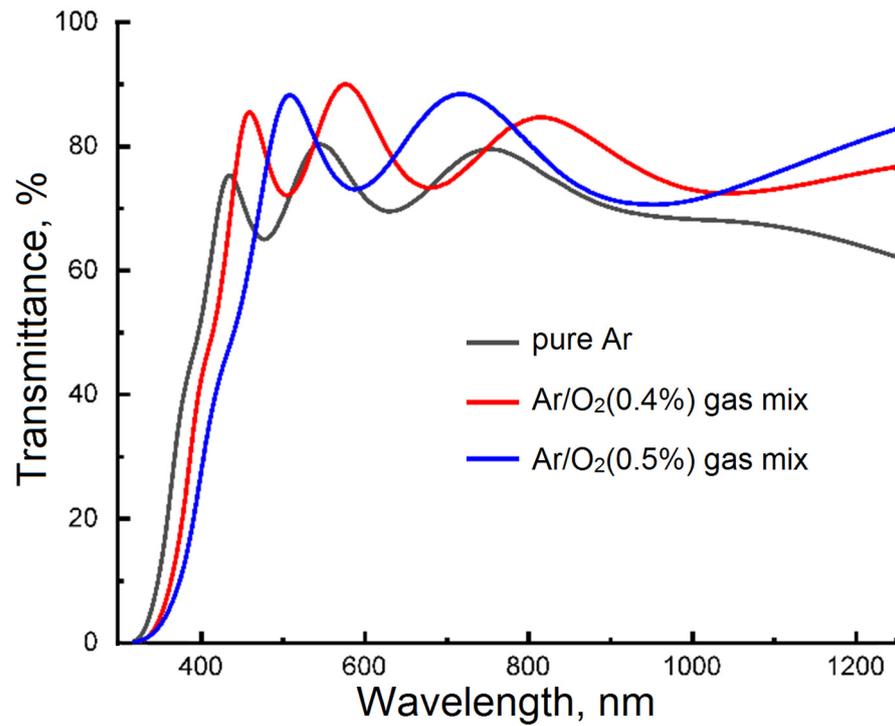
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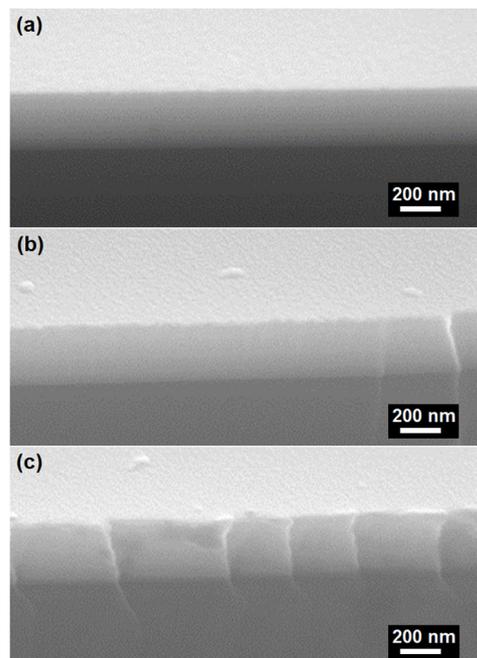
**Figure S1.** Electrical properties of the IZO thin films deposited at 100°C as a function of the O<sub>2</sub> content in the working gas.

Violet arrows mark the values of O<sub>2</sub> content at which n-IZO and  $\mu$ -IZO unit layers of IZO-based multilayer structures were formed, respectively.

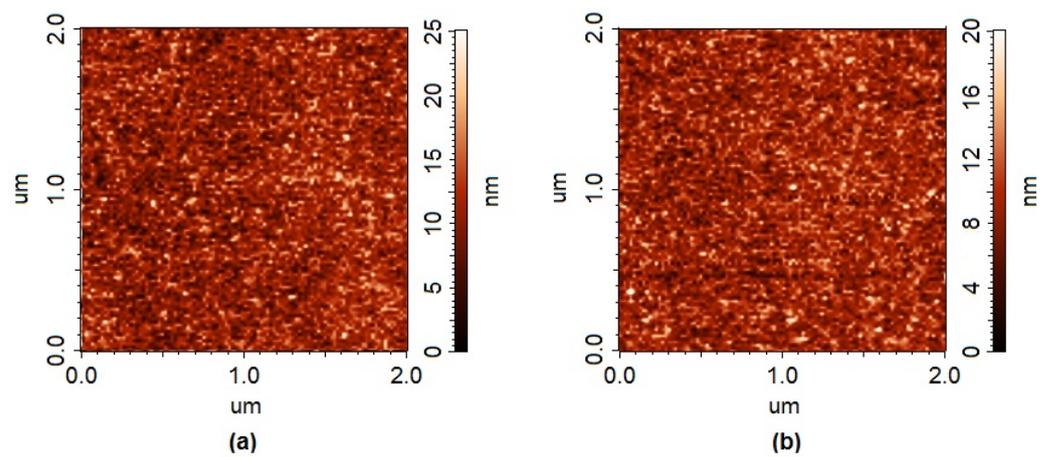


**Figure S2.** Optical transmittance of the IZO films deposited at substrate temperatures of 100 °C with varying O<sub>2</sub> contents.

It can be seen that, as the O<sub>2</sub> content decreases, the absorption edge of IZO/glass samples shifts to shorter wavelengths, but the overall level of optical transmission in the “transparency window” of IZO TCO samples decreases.



**Figure S3.** SEM morphology images of the IZO films deposited under various O<sub>2</sub> content: a – pure Ar; b – Ar/O<sub>2</sub>(0.4%); c - Ar/O<sub>2</sub>(0.5%).



**Figure S4.** 2D AFM images of the surface of the  $N \times [n\text{-IZO}_{2\text{nm}}/\mu\text{-IZO}_{2\text{nm}}]$  ML (a) and  $N \times [n\text{-IZO}_{4\text{nm}}/\mu\text{-IZO}_{2\text{nm}}]$  ML (b).