

Supplementary Information

High-quality SiN_x Thin Film Growth at 300 °C Using Atomic Layer Deposition with Hollow Cathode Plasma

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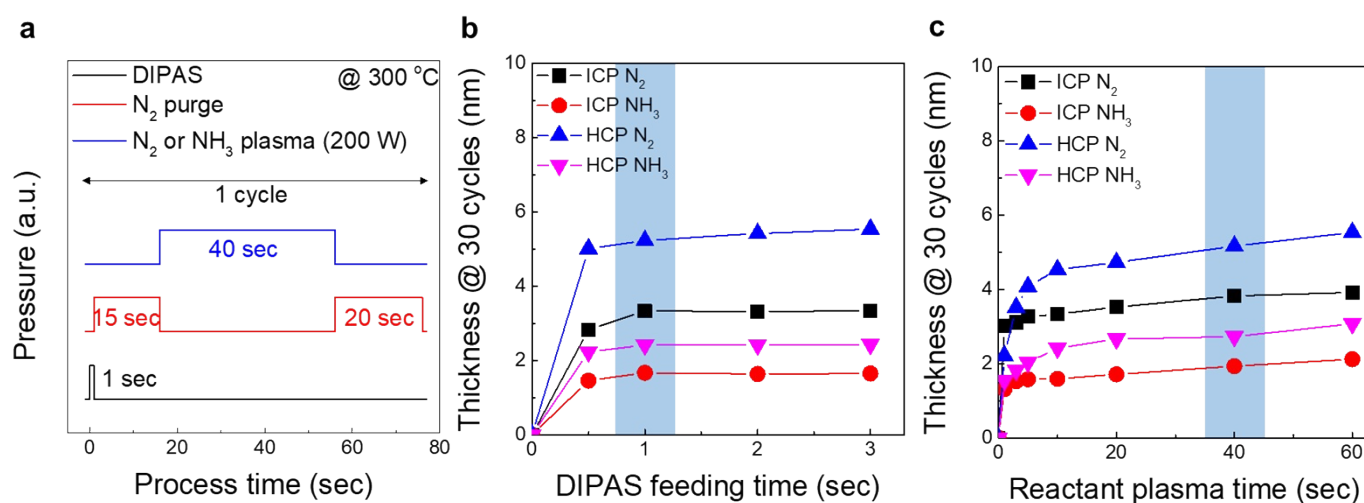


Fig. S1 (a) ALD process recipe for the SiN_x film using DIPAS and N₂ or NH₃ HCP. Growth-saturated condition was obtained with (b) DIPAS precursor feeding time of 1 s and (c) plasma pulse time of 40 s.

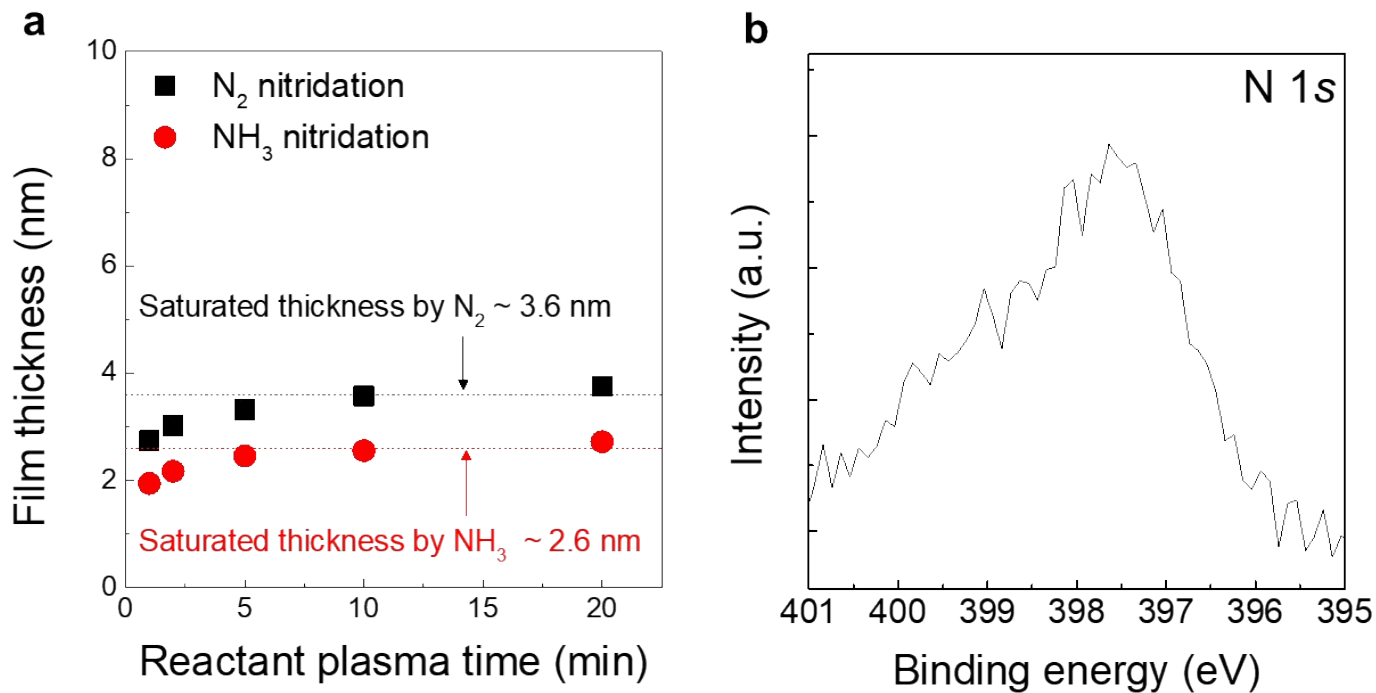


Fig. S2 (a) Change in thickness of the surface nitride layer grown using N₂ or NH₃ HCP on Si substrate as a function of plasma exposure time. (b) N 1s core level XPS spectra of the surface nitride layer.

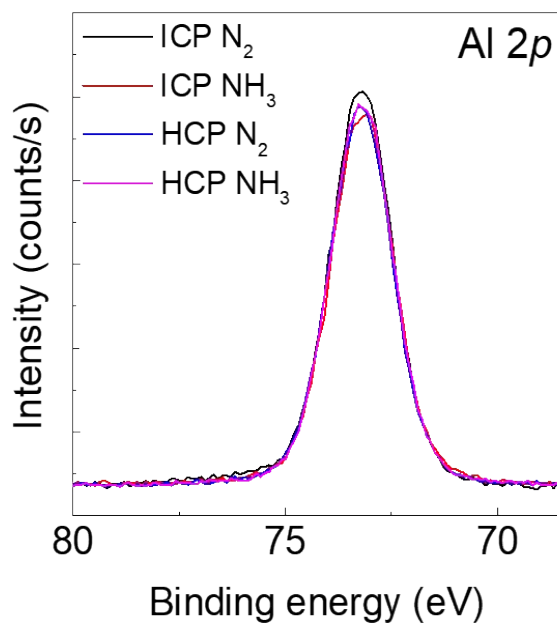


Fig. S3 Al 2p core level XPS spectra of all SiN_x films.

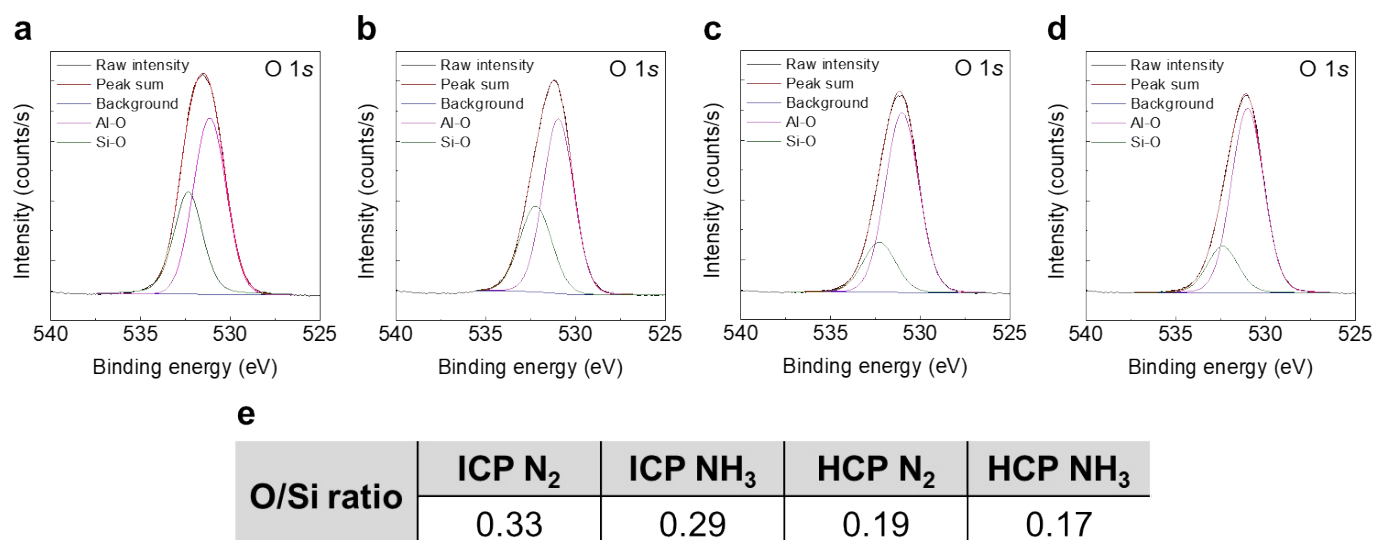


Fig. S4 O 1s core level XPS spectra of the SiN_x films grown using (a) ICP N₂, (b) ICP NH₃, (c) HCP N₂ and (d) HCP NH₃ process, respectively. Each deconvoluted spectrum indicates the Al–O or Si–O bonding. (e) The O/Si ratio of the each SiN_x films calculated using the peak areas.