

**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISATION OF PN JUNCTIONS  
OF PPV AND SILICON**

P. Stallinga<sup>1</sup>, A. Charas<sup>2</sup>, J. Morgado<sup>2</sup>, H. L. Gomes<sup>1</sup> and L.  
Alcácer<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Universidade do Algarve, UCEH, Faro, Portugal

<sup>2</sup> Instituto Superior Técnico, Lisboa, Portugal

The electrical characteristics of pn junctions between n<sup>+</sup>-silicon and PPV prepared by the precursor route are presented. The devices can compete with commercial diodes, with current densities of 50 mA/cm<sup>2</sup> at +1V, rectification ratios of 60,000 at |1V|, and cut-off frequencies well above 1 MHz.

The C-V and I-V characteristics show evidence for minority carrier injection into the PPV, as reported for similar MEH-PPV devices.

Preliminary DLTS measurements show evidence for the presence of at least one shallow minority-carrier trap. Thermal stimulated currents (TSC) corroborate these results.