

Curriculum vitae

Personal information

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| Nationality | Romanian |
| Birth Date | November 5 th , 1966 |
| Sex | Male |
| Work place | National Institute for Research and Development in Microtechnologies – (IMT-Bucharest), Laboratory for Molecular Nanotechnology |
| Occupation | Senior researcher |

Professional Experience

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| Period | 1994 – 1997 |
| Position | <i>chemical engineer and assistant researcher</i> |
| Employer name and address | Research and Development Institute for Electrical Engineering (ICPE SA), Bucharest. |
| Main activity | Scientific research on bulk synthesis and characterization of high-T _c superconductors |

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| Period | 1998 |
| Position | <i>assistant Professor</i> |
| Employer name and address | University Polytechnic of Bucharest, Faculty of Applied Chemistry and Materials Science, Bucharest |
| Main activities | teaching and research |

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| Period | 01.1999 – 12.2003 |
| Position | <i>Ph.D. and postdoctoral research fellow</i> |
| Employer name and address | University of Twente, Faculty of Applied Physics, Low Temperature Division and MESA+ Research Institute, Enschede, The Netherlands. |
| Main activity | research on thin film growth by pulsed laser ablation (PLD), characterization and applications of copper based oxides |

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| Period | 01.2004 – 12.2011 |
| Position | <i>Postdoctoral research fellow</i> |
| Employer name and address | Universität Tübingen, Physikalisches Institut, Experimentalphysik II Department, Tübingen, Germany |
| Main activities | fabrication and characterization of thin films and superlattices with superconducting, ferromagnetic, dielectric, ferroelectric properties; training of students in thin film growth methods (PLD, sputtering, e-beam evaporation), and characterization tools (X-ray diffraction, Reflection High Energy Electron Diffraction, Atomic Force Microscopy, transport and magnetic measurements at low temperatures), optical lithography. |

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| Period | 06.2006 - present |
| Position | <i>scientific researcher III</i> |
| Main Activities | the fabrication and characterization of thin films of complex oxides. |
| Employer name and address | University "Politehnica" of Bucharest, Faculty of Applied Chemistry and Materials Science, Bucharest |
| Activity | Scientific research |

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| Period | 03.2011 - present |
| Position | <i>scientific researcher II</i> |
| Main Activities | fabrication of complex oxides, their structural characterization, electrical transport and magnetic properties, and applications to devices for renewable energy, medicine, space. |
| Employer name and address | National Institute for Research and Development in Microtechnologies, IMT - Bucharest |
| Activity | Scientific research; development of electronic devices |
| OBS: | <i>Child care break between 15.02.2009-12.07.2010</i> |

Education

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| Period | 1989 - 1994 |
| Qualification/ Diploma | Chemistry engineer/ Bachelors Degree |
| Studied disciplines | Inorganic chemistry, materials science, chemical engineering |
| Institution Name | University "Politehnica" of Bucharest, Faculty of Industrial Chemistry, Materials Science Department, Bucharest |

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| Period | 1995 - 1996 |
| Qualification/ Diploma | Materials science/ Master degree |
| Studied disciplines | Materials science, inorganic chemistry |
| Institution Name | University "Politehnica" of Bucharest, Faculty of Industrial Chemistry, Materials Science Department, Bucharest |

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|---------------------------|---|
| Period | 1999-2003 |
| Qualification/ Diploma | Materials science/ PhD diploma |
| Studied disciplines | pulsed laser ablation (PLD), characterization (structural, morphological, transport properties) and applications of copper based oxides |
| Institution Name | University of Twente, Faculty of Applied Physics, Low Temperature Division and MESA+ Research Institute, Enschede, The Netherlands |

Language competencies

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| Mother tongue | Romanian |
| Known foreign languages | English, Italian, French, German, Dutch |

| Self-evaluation <i>European standard</i> | Understanding | | Speaking | | Writing |
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| | Listening | Reading | Conversation | Oral speech | Writing |
| English | Experienced user | Experienced user | Experienced user | Experienced user | Experienced user |
| Italian | Average user | Average user | Average user | Average user | Average user |
| French | Average user | Average user | Average user | Average user | Average user |
| German | Beginner user | Beginner user | Beginner user | Beginner user | Beginner user |
| Dutch | Beginner user | Beginner user | Beginner user | Beginner user | Beginner user |

Additional information

Scholarships/grants:

- 1994: TEMPUS undergraduate scholarship (3 months), Centre de Recherches de l'Industrie Belge de la Ceramique-CRIBC, Mons, Belgium. *Research topic:* Structural and mechanical properties of Hot-Pressed Si₃N₄.
- 1995: TEMPUS research grant (10 months), Politecnico di Torino, Dipartimento di Scienza dei Materiali e Ingegneria Chimica, Torino, Italy. *Research topic:* Phase diagram of the BaO-Bi₂O₃ binary system: synthesis and characterization of new phases.
- 1998: NUFFIC research grant (3 months) and Romanian Ministry of Education research grant (9 months), University of Twente, Faculty of Applied Physics, Low Temperature Division, Enschede, The Netherlands. *Research topic:* Synthesis, structural and electrical transport properties of new phases in the SnO₂-SrO(BaO)-CuO systems.
- 1999: European Science Foundation (ESF) research grant (1 week), Oxfordshire Neutron Diffraction Laboratory, UK. *Research topic:* Oxygen network in (Ba,Sr)CuO₂-CaCuO₂ thin film superlattices.
- 2004: European Science Foundation (ESF) research grant (2.5 months) within PiShift program, University of Twente, Inorganic Materials Science Group, The Netherlands. *Research topic:* Development of technology for fabrication of Sr_{1-x}La_xCuO₂-based Josephson junctions.
- 2013: German Research Foundation (DFG) research grants (2 grants of two weeks each) at University of Tübingen, Institute of Physics, Tübingen, Germany. *Research topic:* Fabrication and transport properties of Superconducting Quantum Interference Devices (SQUIDS) based on Sr_{1-x}La_xCuO₂ compounds.

SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITY:

- 18 ISI published papers (in Physical Review B, Physical Review Letters, Applied Physics Letters, Journal of Applied Physics, Applied Physics A, etc), 2 proceedings papers
- 1 book
- 1 patent
- 16 oral presentations and 12 posters (one selected as the best poster) at international and national conferences
- more than 10 national or international funded research projects as project manager or member of the research team

TOPICS OF INTEREST:

- Synthesis and physical-chemical characterization of low- or high-critical temperature superconductors, dielectric, ferroelectric, and ferromagnetic materials, in bulk or thin films;
- development of new synthesis methods for obtaining thin films of complex oxides with controllable morphological, structural and electrical transport properties suitable for their application to fabrication of planar heterostructures by pulsed laser ablation (YBa₂Cu₃O₇, Sr_{1-x}La_xCuO₂, MgB₂, SrRuO₃, BaTiO₃, SrTiO₃, La_{1-x}Ce_xMnO₃, La_{1-x}Ca_xMnO₃) or sputtering (Nb) or devices based on these materials;
- development of surface chemical and physical etching methods for single crystal substrates (e.g., SrTiO₃, NdGaO₃, LSAT, KTaO₃, SrLaAlO₃, etc.) in order to control the surface terminating layer and for yielding atomically flat surfaces;
- development or improvement of the technology for the fabrication of grain boundary or ramp-type Josephson junctions based on YBa₂Cu₃O₇ or Sr_{1-x}La_xCuO₂;
- characterization tools: X-ray diffraction, X-ray fluorescence, Reflection High Energy Electron Diffraction, neutron diffraction, Scanning Electron Microscopy, Transmission Electron Microscopy, Atomic Force Microscopy, Energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopy, Differential thermal analysis;
- electrical transport and magnetic properties measurements;
- optical lithography.

Relevant scientific activity

A. Participation in funded research projects (selection)

| Name of the project and time scale | Funding organization | Role |
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| Bolometers for space applications in middle and long IR, 2012-2014 | Romanian Space Agency | MRT |
| Immunoassay Lab-on-a-chip for cellular apoptosis study, 2012-2015 | Romanian Ministry of Education and Research | MRT |
| Experimental studies on the order parameter symmetry of Sr _{1-x} La _x CuO ₂ (x=0.15-0.175) thin films using SQUIDS, 2011-2014 | Romanian Ministry of Education and Research | PL |
| High- <i>T_c</i> ramp-type Josephson junctions and SQIFS, 2008-2011 | Germany Science Foundation (DFG) | MRT |
| Order parameter symmetry in electron-doped high temperature superconductors, 2007-2011 | Germany Science Foundation (DFG) | MRT |
| Development of the superconducting quantum interference device (SQUID) technology for magnetocardiography, 2007-2010 | Romanian Ministry of Education and Research | PL |
| Sr _{1-x} La _x CuO ₂ - based (x=0-0.20) planar Josephson junctions, 2006-2008 | Romanian Ministry of Education and Research | PL |
| Superconducting Microtraps (TRR21/Project C2), 2005-2010 | Germany Science Foundation (DFG) | MRT |
| Nano-engineering of oxide heterostructures by PLD, 2004-2005 | Baden Württemberg Government, Germany. | PL |
| KATO-Micro antenna (20K0302K), 2004-2005 | Federal Ministry of Economics and Labor (BMWA), Germany | MRT |

Abbreviations: MRT - member of the research team, PL - project leader

B. Articles published in ISI indexed international journals:

1. S. Scharinger, M. Turad, A. Stöhr, V. Leca, E. Goldobin, R. G. Mints, D. Koelle, and R. Kleiner, Magnetic field dependence of the critical current in YBa₂Cu₃O_{7-x}/Au/Nb ramp-zigzag Josephson junctions, *Physical Review B* **86**, 144531 (2012)
2. J. Tomaschko, S. Scharinger, V. Leca, J. Nagel, M. Kemmler, T. Selistrovski, S. Diebold, J. Jochum, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Phase-sensitive evidence for d_{x²-y²}-pairing symmetry in the parent-structure high-T_c cuprate superconductor Sr_{1-x}La_xCuO₂, *Physical Review B* **86**, 094509 (2012)
3. J. Tomaschko, V. Leca, T. Selistrovski, S. Diebold, J. Jochum, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Properties of the electron-doped infinite-layer superconductor Sr_{1-x}La_xCuO₂ epitaxially grown by pulsed laser deposition, *Physical Review B* **85**, 024519 (2012)
4. J. Tomaschko, V. Leca, T. Selistrovski, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Importance of grain- boundary Josephson junctions in the electron-doped infinite layer cuprate superconductor Sr_{1-x}La_xCuO₂, *Physical Review B* **84**, 214507 (2011)
5. J. Tomaschko, C. Raisch, V. Leca, T. Chassé, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Electric transport across Sr_{1-x}La_xCuO₂/Au/Nb planar tunnel junctions and x-ray photoelectron and Auger-electron spectroscopy on Sr_{1-x}La_xCuO₂ thin films, *Physical Review B* **84**, 064521 (2011)
6. V. Leca and E. Andronescu, Improved surface morphology of (110) NdGaO₃ substrates by thermal and chemical treatments, *Romanian Journal of Materials* **41**, 127-131 (2011)
7. V. Leca and E. Andronescu, Properties of BaTiO₃ thin films grown by laser ablation, *Romanian Journal of Materials* **40**, 149-152 (2010)
8. V. Leca, D. Neagu, E. Stefan, and E. Andronescu, Growth mechanism and properties of YBa₂Cu₃O₇ thin films deposited by laser ablation on (001) SrTiO₃, *Romanian Journal of Materials* **40**, 365-369, (2010)
9. R. Werner, C. Raisch, V. Leca, V. Ion, S. Bals, G. Van Tendeloo, T. Chassé, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Transport, magnetic, and structural properties of La_{0.7}Ce_{0.3}MnO₃ thin films: Evidence for hole-doping, *Physical Review B* **79**, 054416 (2009)
10. V. Leca, G. Visanescu, C. Back, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Growth mechanism, microstructure and transport properties of Sr_{1-x}La_xCuO₂ (x=0.10-0.15) thin films, *Applied Physics A* **93**, 779 (2008)
11. V. Leca, S. Bals, G. Van Tendeloo, D. H. A. Blank, and G. Rijnders, Superconducting Sr_{1-x}La_xCuO₂ (x=0.10-0.20) thin films with improved crystallinity grown by pulsed laser ablation, *Applied Physics Letters* **89**, 92504 (2006)
12. Ariando, D. Darminto, H. -J. H. Smilde, V. Leca, D. H. A. Blank, H. Rogalla, and H. Hilgenkamp, Phase-sensitive order parameter symmetry test experiments utilizing Nd_{2-x}Ce_xCuO_{4-y}/Nb zigzag junctions, *Physical Review Letters* **94**, 167001 (2005)
13. S. Bals, G. van Tendeloo, G. Rijnders, M. Huijben, V. Leca, and D. H. A. Blank, Transmission electron microscopy on interface engineered superconducting thin films, *IEEE Transactions on Applied Superconductivity* **13**, 2834 (2003)
14. C. Rusu, S. Sedky, B. Parmentier, A. Verbist, O. Richard, B. Brijs, L. Geenen, A. Witvrouw, F. Lärmer, F. Fischer, S. Kronmüller, V. Leca, and B. Otter, New low-stress PECVD poly-SiGe layers for MEMS, *Journal of Microelectromechanical Systems*, **12**, 816 (2003)
15. A. C. Galca, E. S. Kooij, H. Wormeester, C. Salm, V. Leca, J. H. Rector, and B. Poelsema, Structural and optical characterisation of porous anodic aluminum oxide, *Journal of Applied Physics* **94**, 4296 (2003)
16. S. Bals, G. van Tendeloo, G. Rijnders, D. H. A. Blank, V. Leca, and M. Salluzzo, Optimization of superconducting thin films by TEM, *Physica C* **372-376**, 711 (2002)
17. A. Brinkman, D. Mijatovich, G. Rijnders, V. Leca, H. J. H. Smilde, I. Oomen, A. A. Golubov, F. Roesthuis, S. Harkema, H. Hilgenkamp, D. H. A. Blank, and H. Rogalla, Superconducting thin films of MgB₂ on Si by pulsed laser deposition, *Physica C* **353**, 1 (2001)
18. G. Rijnders, G. Koster, V. Leca, D. H. A. Blank, and H. Rogalla, Imposed layer-by-layer growth with pulsed laser interval deposition, *Applied Surface Science* **168**, 223 (2000)

C. Articles published in international journals, indexed in international databases and/or articles published in conference proceedings:

1. V. Leca, G. Koster, G. Rijnders, K. Verbiest, G. van Tendeloo, D. H. A. Blank, and H. Rogalla, Deposition, structure and characterization of superlattices from Ba-Sr-Ca-Cu-O systems, *Proceedings to the 10th CONSILOX Conference, Romania*, 198 (2000)

- V. Leca, G. Rijnders, G. Koster, D. H. A. Blank, and H. Rogalla, Wet etching methods for perovskite substrates, *MRS Symposium* **587**, O3.6.1 (2000)
- V. Leca, Sintering behavior of Si_3N_4 , *ICPE Journal* **3-4**, 15 (1997)

D. Conference contributions:

D1. Oral presentations

- V. Leca, J. Tomaschko, D. Wang, M. Danila, W. A. Bik, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Superconducting $\text{Sr}_{0.85}\text{La}_{0.15}\text{CuO}_2$ bicrystal grain boundary Josephson junctions, 11th European Conference on Applied Superconductivity - EUCAS, Genova, Italy (2013)
- V. Leca, J. Tomaschko, M. Danila, W. A. Bik, A. Oprisa, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Structural and electrical properties in superconducting $\text{Sr}_{0.85}\text{La}_{0.15}\text{CuO}_2$ -based nanostructures, International Conference on Superconductivity and Magnetism-ICSM 2012, Istanbul, Turkey (2012)
- V. Leca, G. Visanescu, S. Bals, Ch. Back, G. Van Tendeloo, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Growth mechanism, microstructure, and electrical transport properties of $\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{La}_x\text{CuO}_2$ thin films grown by PLD, 9th International Conference on Laser Ablation - COLA 2007, Tenerife, Spain (2007)
- V. Leca, G. Rijnders, S. Bals, G. van Tendeloo, and D. H. A. Blank, Modified doping range for the superconducting phase in $\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{La}_x\text{CuO}_2$ ($x=0.1-0.2$) thin films, Interfaces in Oxide Thin film Structures – 2nd THIOX Conference, Santa Margherita Ligure, Italy (2005)
- V. Leca, G. Rijnders, D. H. A. Blank, H. Rogalla, S. Bals, and G. van Tendeloo, Growth and properties of $\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{La}_x\text{CuO}_2$ ($x=0.1-0.2$) thin films, E-MRS Conference, Strasbourg, France (2002)
- V. Leca, G. Rijnders, D. H. A. Blank, H. Rogalla, S. Bals, and G. van Tendeloo, Properties of $\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{La}_x\text{CuO}_2$ thin films grown by PLD, 3rd European Conference on Advanced Materials and Technologies, Bucuresti, Romania (2002)
- V. Leca, G. Rijnders, M. Huijben, D. H. A. Blank, H. Rogalla, S. Bals, and G. van Tendeloo, Imposed layer-by-layer growth of epitaxial $\text{ReBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-x}$ thin films with pulsed laser interval deposition, 2nd European Conference on Advanced Materials and Technologies, Bucuresti, Romania (2001)
- D. H. A. Blank, G. Rijnders, G. Koster, V. Leca, and H. Rogalla, Imposed layer-by-layer growth of high temperature superconductors with pulsed laser interval deposition, Superconductivity Group Annual Conference, Birmingham, UK (2001)
- V. Leca, D. H. A. Blank, G. Rijnders, and H. Rogalla, Deposition, structure and electrical properties of superlattices from Ba-Sr-Ca-Cu-O system, 10th CONSILOX Conference, Alba Iulia, Romania (2000)
- V. Leca, D. H. A. Blank, G. Rijnders, and H. Rogalla, Etching methods for perovskite substrates, 10th CONSILOX Conference, Alba Iulia, Romania (2000)
- G. Rijnders, D. H. A. Blank, G. Koster, V. Leca, and H. Rogalla, Imposed layer-by-layer growth with pulsed laser interval deposition, E-MRS Conference, Strasbourg, France (2000)
- V. Leca, D. H. A. Blank, G. Rijnders, and H. Rogalla, Structure and properties of $(\text{Sr,Ca})\text{CuO}_2$ - BaCuO_2 superlattices grown by PLD, E-MRS Conference, Strasbourg, France (2000)
- G. Rijnders, D. H. A. Blank, G. Koster, V. Leca, and H. Rogalla, Initial growth of SrRuO_3 on vicinal SrTiO_3 substrates using pulsed laser deposition, 7th International Workshop on Oxide Electronics, Les Diablerets, Switzerland (2000)
- G. Rijnders, D. H. A. Blank, G. Koster, V. Leca, and H. Rogalla, Manipulating the nucleation and growth of ReBaCuO , MRS Fall Meeting, Boston, USA (2000)
- D. H. A. Blank, V. Leca, G. Rijnders, and H. Rogalla, Wet etching methods for perovskite substrates, 12th American Conference on Crystal Growth and Epitaxy, Colorado, USA (2000)
- M. Chirculescu and V. Leca, Electrical properties of $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-x}$ doped with Na, Nd, and Ta, National Conference of Electrical and Magnetic Materials, Cluj Napoca, Romania (1993)

D2. Posters

- J. Tomaschko, V. Leca, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Superconducting $\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{La}_x\text{CuO}_2$ ($x=0.125$) thin films and junctions, Applied Superconductivity Conference, Washington DC, USA (2010)
- A. Blank, M. Turad, Ch. Maurer, V. Leca, Ch. Back, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Ramp-type Josephson junctions with $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_7$ and Nb electrodes, Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft (DFG) Conference on Condensed Matter, Dresden, Germany (2009)

2. R. Werner, V. Leca, Ch. Back, Ch. Raisch, T. Chasse, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Pulsed laser deposited $\text{La}_{0.7}\text{Ce}_{0.3}\text{MnO}_3$ thin films: dependence of the properties on growth parameters, Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft (DFG) Conference on Condensed Matter, Dresden, Germany (2008)
3. G. Visanescu, V. Leca, S. Bals, G. Rijnders, D. H. A. Blank, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Properties of $\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{La}_x\text{CuO}_2$ thin films grown by pulsed laser ablation, XIII International Workshop on Oxide Electronics, Ischia, Italy (2006)
4. V. Leca, G. Rijnders, D. H. A. Blank, S. Bals, G. Visanescu, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, New method to obtain superconducting $\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{La}_x\text{CuO}_2$ thin films by PLD, Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft (DFG) Conference on Condensed Matter, Dresden, Germany (2006)
5. V. Leca, G. Rijnders, S. Bals, D. H. A. Blank, N. Schopohl, R. Kleiner, and D. Koelle, Single phase infinite-layer type $\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{La}_x\text{CuO}_2$ thin films grown by PLD, 7th European Conference on Applied Superconductivity (EUCAS'05), Vienna, Austria (2005)
6. V. Leca, G. Rijnders, D. H. A. Blank, S. Bals, G. van Tendeloo, and N. Schopohl, Superconductivity in PLD grown $\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{La}_x\text{CuO}_2$ thin films by a new synthesis approach, Spectroscopies of Novel Superconductors Conference, Sitges, Spain (2004)
7. V. Leca, G. Rijnders, D. H. A. Blank, and H. Rogalla, Initial growth modes of ACuO_2 thin films deposited on NdGaO_3 , 5th European Conference on Applied Superconductivity, Copenhagen, Denmark (2001).
8. V. Leca, G. Rijnders, G. Koster, D. H. A. Blank, and H. Rogalla, Wet etching methods for perovskite substrates, MRS Fall Meeting, Boston, USA (2000) poster (selected best poster)
9. V. Leca, I. Pasuk, and S. Cotesu, Influence of sintering history on electrical behaviour of Ca and Sr-doped BaBiO_3 , IVth Ceramic Congress, Eskisehir, Turkey (1998)
10. V. Leca and D. Libert, Sintering behaviour of commercial Si_3N_4 powders, Xth National Conference of Chemistry, Bucharest, Romania (1997)
11. V. Leca and S. Ronchetti, $\text{BaO-Bi}_2\text{O}_3$ system, Xth National Conference of Chemistry, Bucharest, Romania (1997)
12. M. Chirculescu and V. Leca, The influence of Na_2O on the superconducting properties of $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-x}$, National Conference of Physics, Cluj Napoca, Romania (1994)

E. Patents

1. Title: In-situ fabrication method of ramp-type Josephson junctions based on high critical temperature superconducting thin films
Inventors: V. Leca, E. Andronescu. Assignee: University "Politehnica" of Bucharest;

F. Books

1. V. Leca, *Heteroepitaxial growth of copper oxide superconductors by pulsed laser deposition*, ISBN 9036519284, Ed. Printpartners Ipskamp, Olanda (2003)

G. Seminars or invited talks

1. Structural defects in High Temperature Superconductor thin films - University of Twente, 11.2001;
2. Challenges in PLD growth of $\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{La}_x\text{CuO}_2$ ($x=0.1-0.2$), an n-type IL superconductor - University of Twente, 11.2002;
3. Epitaxial growth of p- and n-type HTSc materials by pulsed laser (interval) deposition - University of Tübingen, 12.2003;
4. Growth manipulations by means of Pulsed Laser Deposition - University of Tübingen, 07.2004;
5. Methods of improving the surface morphology for substrates with layered structure - University of Tübingen, 10.2004;
6. Growth modes and growth manipulation of epitaxial thin films - University of Tübingen, 12.2004;
7. Reflection High Energy Electron Diffraction (RHEED): Growth study and manipulation - University of Tübingen, 03.2005;
8. Pulsed Laser Deposition as a tool for growth of complex oxide films - University of Tübingen, 06.2005;
9. Thin film growth and analysis: from growth to devices - University of Tübingen, 08.2005;
10. Experimental studies on the symmetry of the order parameter in $\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{La}_x\text{CuO}_2$ superconducting compounds - National Institute for R&D in Microtechnologies, Bucharest, 03.2012.

H. Supervision (in part or full) of the research activity for the following B.Sc. or Master dissertations:

- Pulsed laser deposition and properties of cuprate superconductors; G. Visanescu, University of Tübingen, Institute of Physics, Department of Experimental Physics II, Tübingen, Germany and University of Bucharest, Faculty of Physics (2007) –Master thesis;
- Fabrication of ramp-type Josephson junction from $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_7$ high temperature superconductor; M. Turad, University of Tübingen, Institute of Physics, Department of Experimental Physics II, Tübingen, Germany (2007)–Master thesis;
- Structure-properties correlation for $\text{La}_{0.7}\text{Ca}_{0.3}\text{MnO}_3$ thin films and $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-\delta}/\text{La}_{0.7}\text{Ca}_{0.3}\text{MnO}_3$ bilayers grown by pulsed laser ablation; D. Neagu, University Politehnica of Bucharest, Faculty of Applied Chemistry and Materials Science, Bucharest, Romania (2008)–B.Sc. thesis;
- Preliminary studies for the fabrication of Josephson junctions based on $\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-\delta}$ and $\text{PrBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_{7-\delta}$ thin films grown by pulsed laser ablation; E. Stefan, University Politehnica of Bucharest, Faculty of Applied Chemistry and Materials Science, Bucharest, Romania (2008)–B.Sc. thesis;
- Preparation and characterization of $\text{La}_{0.7}\text{Ce}_{0.3}\text{MnO}_3$ thin films; R. Werner, University of Tübingen, Institute of Physics, Department of Experimental Physics II, Tübingen, Germany (2008)–Master thesis.

I. Supervision (in part) of the research activity for the following Ph.D. dissertations:

- Fabrication of dc-SQUIDS based on all high- T_c superconductor ramp-type Josephson junctions; M. Turad, University of Tübingen, Institute of Physics, Department of Experimental Physics II, Tübingen, Germany (2007-2012);
- Phase-sensitive order parameter symmetry test experiments utilizing $\text{Sr}_{1-x}\text{La}_x\text{CuO}_2$ ($x=0.10-0.15$) based junctions; J. Tomascko, University of Tübingen, Institute of Physics, Department of Experimental Physics II, Tübingen, Germany (2008-2012);
- Preparation and characterization of $\text{La}_{0.7}\text{Ce}_{0.3}\text{MnO}_3/\text{YBa}_2\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_7$ bilayers; R. Werner, University of Tübingen, Institute of Physics, Department of Experimental Physics II, Tübingen, Germany (2008-2012);
- Nanostructures based on oxide superconductors: synthesis and characterisation; G. Stanciu, University Politehnica of Bucharest, Faculty of Applied Chemistry and Materials Science, Bucharest, Romania (2010-2013).

J. Other info

Reviewer for *Physica C* and *Optics Communications* (both Elsevier journals), and for the conferences: 9th International Conference on Laser Ablation–COLA 2007, Tenerife, Spain (2007); 7th European Conference on Applied Superconductivity (EUCAS'05), Vienna, Austria (2005); Interfaces in Oxide Thin film Structures, Santa Margherita Ligure, Italy (2005), and IEEE International Semiconductor Conference (since 2012); expert evaluator for the Romanian Ministry of Education; member of the European Society for Applied Superconductivity (ESAS).

Web of Science info: number of ISI papers: 18; Hirsch index: 8; number of citations: 223.

Abilities:

Analytical and research skills; flexibility and adaptability in managing multiple priorities; communications skills (listening, verbal, written); management skills; problem solving; creativity; team player; multicultural awareness; computer and technical skills.

Date: 05.02.2014

Victor Leca

