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비휘발성 기억소자를 위한 Pt/SrBi₂Nb₂O₉/Al₂O₃/Si 구조의 특정에 미치는 Al₂O₃ 완충층의 효과

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Pt/SrBi₂Nb₂O₉ (SBN)/Al₂O₃/Si (MFIS) ferroelectric gate oxide structure were prepared by rf (radio frequency) magnetron sputtering method for application of non-destructive read out ferroelectric RAM (NDRO-FRAM) devices. An Al₂O₃ intermediate layer between the perovskite SrBi₂Nb₂O₉ film and Si substrate prevent the serious inter-diffusion of SrBi₂Nb₂O₉ (SBN) into Si substrate. Coercive field that decisively affects the memory window was greatly increased by inserting the Al₂O₃ insulator between SBN and Si, and thus the memory window also increased with the increasing of electric field to the SBN. Memory windows of MFIS structure were in the range of 0.7-3.4 V when the gate voltage varied from 3 to 9 V. Memory windows of MFIS structure were found to be dependent on the thickness and stoichiometry of the buffer layer. We obtained the maximum memory window in MFIS with 11.4 nm thickness of an insulator deposited at the deposition condition of 15:5 flow ratio (Ar:O₂) during sputter. High resolution transmission electron microscopy (HRTEM) of SBN/Al₂O₃(11.4 nm)/Si structure showed that the Al₂O₃ thin films as a buffer layer helped to prevent the formation of interfacial layer and interdiffusion between SBN and Si and x-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS) data indicated that composition of Al₂O₃ was dependent on Ar and O₂ flow ratio in the sputtering deposition conditions.