

Formation of CuInSe₂ from CuSe and InSe binary compounds by wet process

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The chalcopyrite CuInSe₂ (CIS) was used as an absorber layer for CuInSe₂/CdS hetero-junction solar cell performance. CIS have direct band gap (1.04 eV) and high absorption coefficient (10⁵ cm⁻¹) of the order for photons with energies above 1 eV.

In this study, CIS was synthesized from binary compound of CuCl and selenium powder using alcohols as solvent. CIS thin film was prepared by mixing powders of CuSe and InSe binary phase and heat treatment. The binary precursors such as CuSe, InSe and In₂Se₃ were synthesized using facile chemical route from suitable resources at different stoichiometric ratios. And then, high-quality CIS absorption layer was formed by using three binary compounds.

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