Photoluminescence of carbon nanotubes grown over trench

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The optical properties of single-walled carbon nanotubes (SWNTs) grown over trench are sensitive to environmental atmosphere [1, 2]. We have compared E < sub > 11 < /sub > and E < sub > 22 < /sub > of the SWNTs over trench with those of SDS-wrapped SWNTs reported by Weisman et al. [3] for 20 chiralities of semiconducting SWNTs with branch index 23-32. The energy difference depends on the chirality, in particular, on the chiral angle. This can be explained by the chiral angle dependence of effective mass. We have also investigated the time evolution of E < sub > 11 < /sub > and E < sub > 22 < /sub > after the growth of SWNTs, which showed step-like shifts after several days.

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