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## Thermal stability of hydrochemically deposited Cd<sub>x</sub>Pb<sub>1-x</sub>S supersaturated solid solutions

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## Abstract

It was found that the upper temperature limit of stability of hydrochemical deposited supersaturated solid solutions  $Cd_xPb_{1-x}S$  (0 < x  $\leq$  0.18) is 405-410 K. At higher temperatures, heating decomposes these compounds in two phases: a solid solution with the equilibrium at a given temperature sulfide content cadmium and X-ray amorphous CdS. The greatest changes in the photovoltaic properties of the films of supersaturated solid solutions Cd<sub>x</sub>Pb<sub>1-x</sub>S during the first two years of storage at room conditions were observed in the first 2-3 months. Dark resistance varied by 20-40% during this period, the maximum change in voltage sensitivity was 20-25% of the original value.