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Institute for Functional Materials and Devices (I-FMD)

What our lab does:

- We grow ultra-wide band gap semiconductors for use in optoelectronic and electronic devices.
- We develop **new equipment technologies** to access new synthesis capabilities for both bulk and thin film growth

How we do this:

- We use a variety of techniques to grow nitrides, including the **ammonothermal method** and novel **flux-based** approaches
- We grow thin films using traditional and a novel *high* pressure MOCVD system

Why we are investigating this area:

- The sustainable electrification of the USA demands efficient. electric power conversion. Materials we are developing will eliminate waste heat production and enhance performance.
- **Disinfection of water and surfaces** is critical to our health. High power UV emitters offer a solution but require better materials and synthesis approaches for widespread use.

