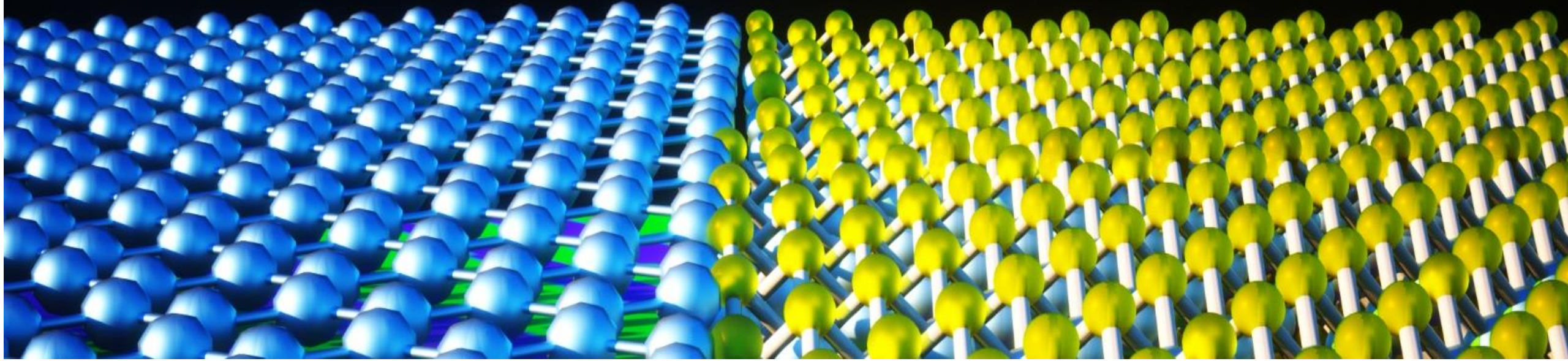
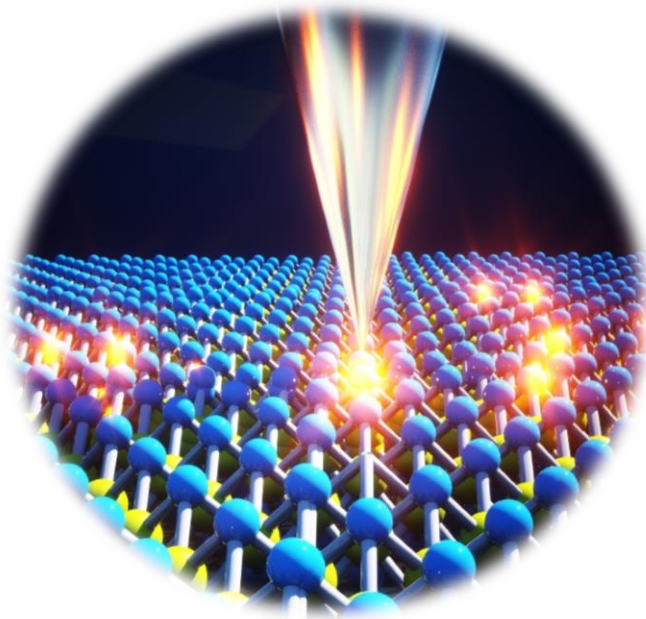


# 2D heterostructures at the atomic scale



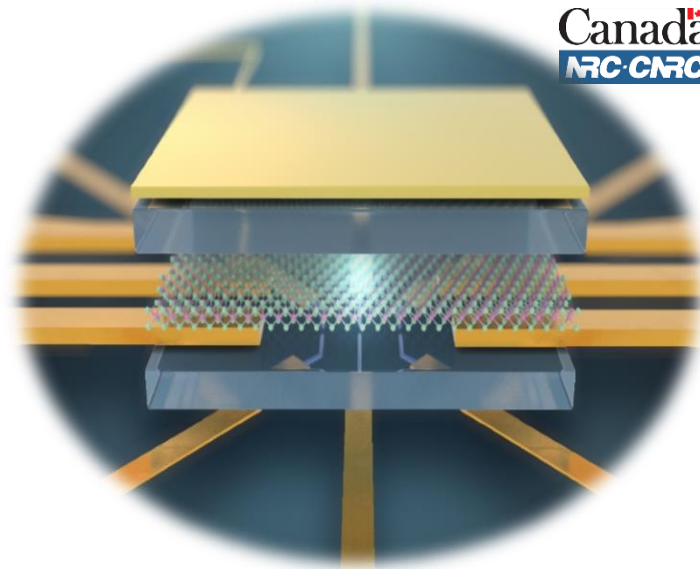
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## Quantum matter at the atomic scale



- Defects
- Moiré patterns
- Magnetic TI
- CDW in 1T-TaS<sub>2</sub>

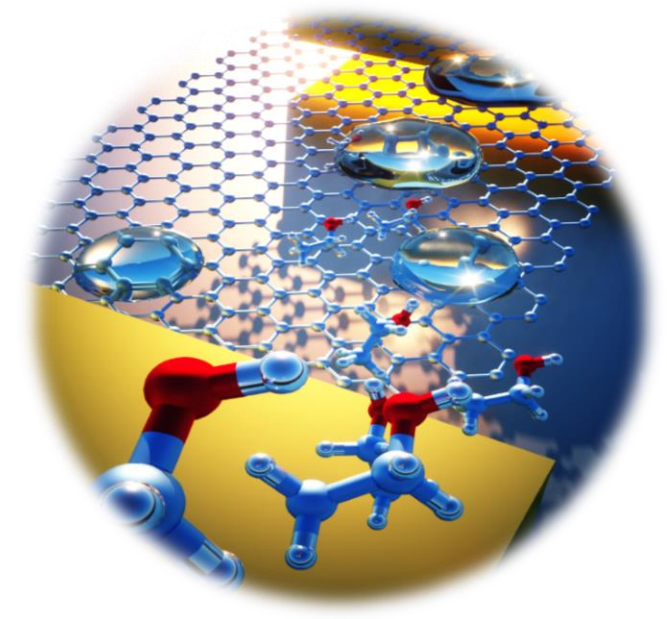
## Quantum circuits in 2D materials



- Quantum confined structures for quantum computing and sensing

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## 2D materials for energy, environment, and security

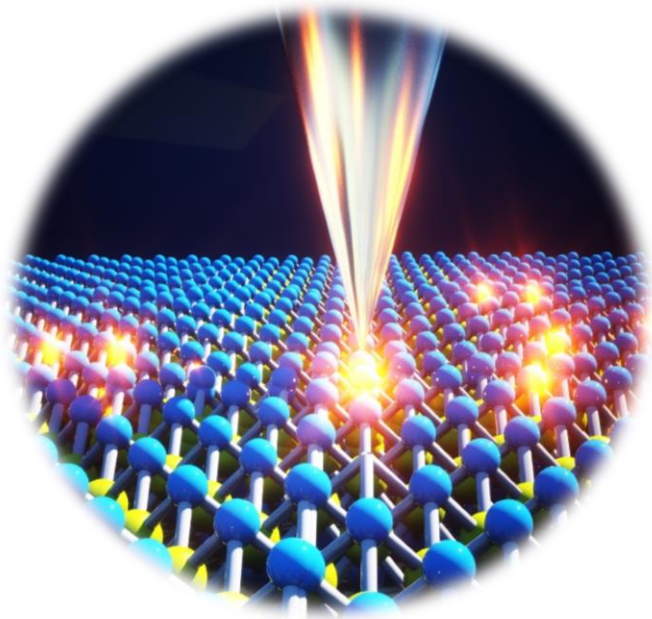


- Development of selective chemical noses
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## Quantum matter at the atomic scale



- Defects
- **Moiré patterns**
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- CDW

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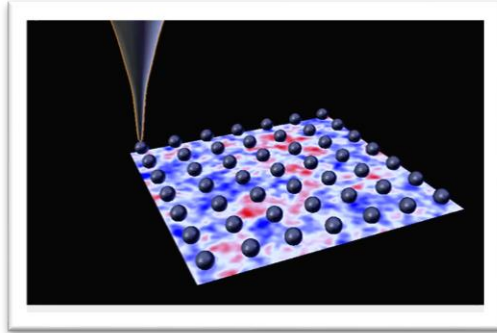
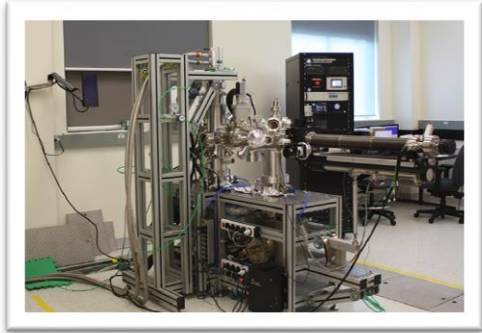
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# Scanning Tunnelling Microscopy/Spectroscopy



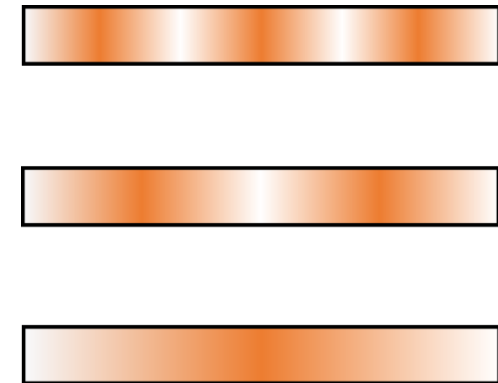
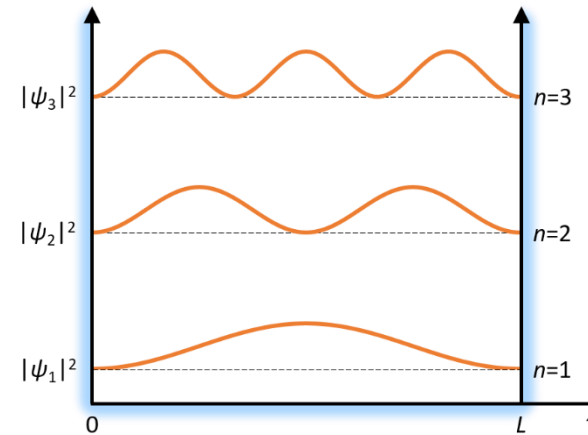
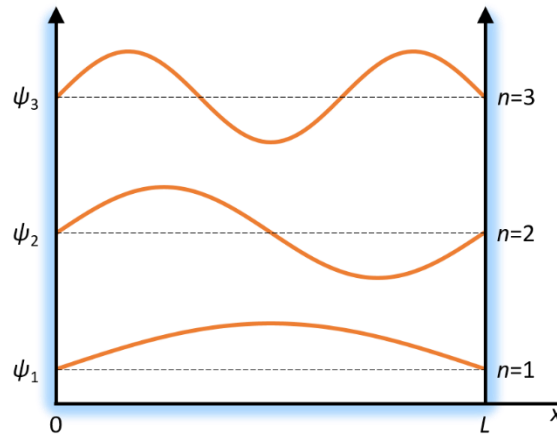
$$I \propto \frac{4\pi e}{\hbar} \int_0^{eV_B} \overbrace{\rho_S(E_F - eV_B + \epsilon)}^{\text{Sample}} \overbrace{\rho_T(E_F + \epsilon)}^{\text{Tip}} \overbrace{|M|^2}^{\text{Tunnel junction}} d\epsilon$$

## • Topography

$$I \propto e^{-\frac{2d}{\hbar} \sqrt{2m\Phi}}$$

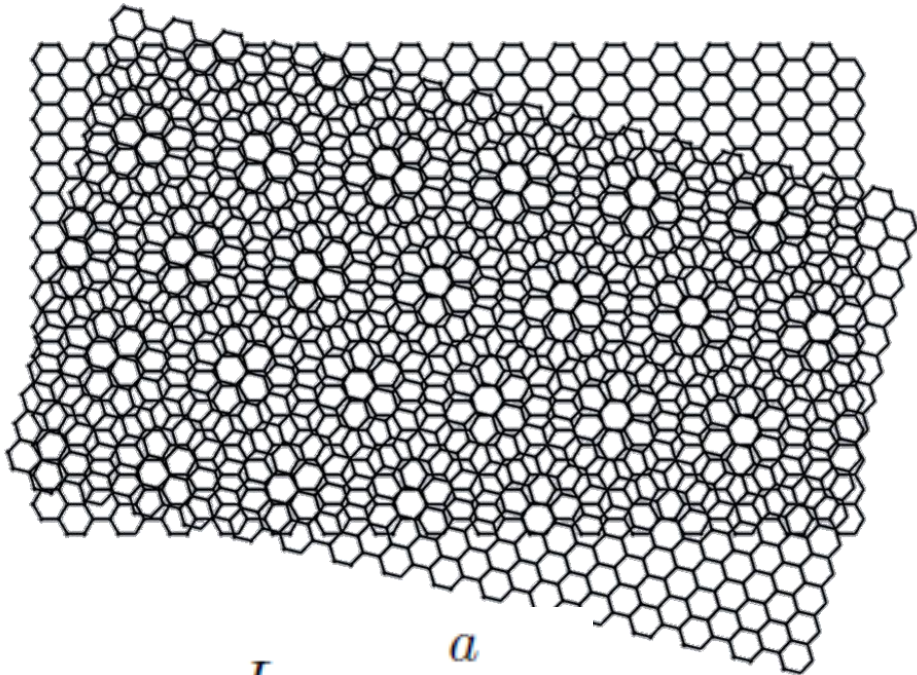
## • Local density of states

$$\frac{dI_t}{dV_{Bias}} \propto \rho_{sample}(eV)$$



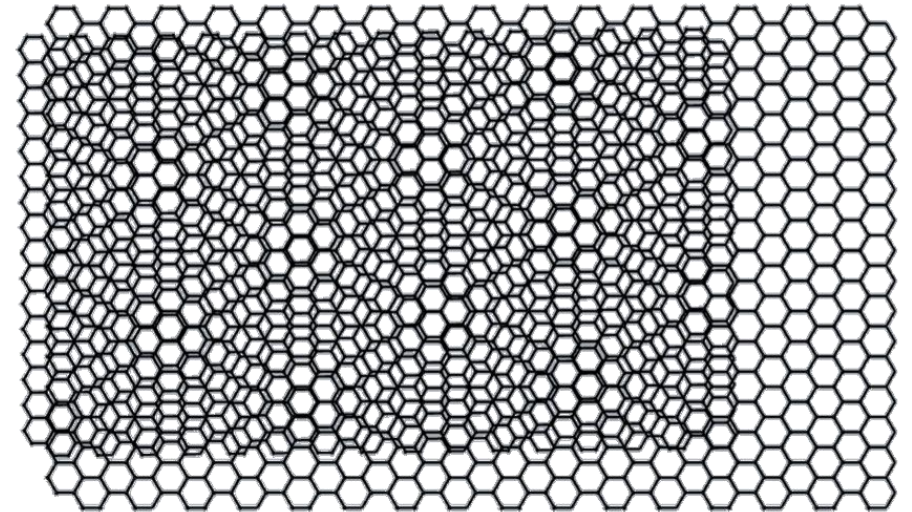
# Moiré patterns in 2D materials

*Twist*



$$L = \frac{a}{2\sin(\frac{\theta}{2})}$$

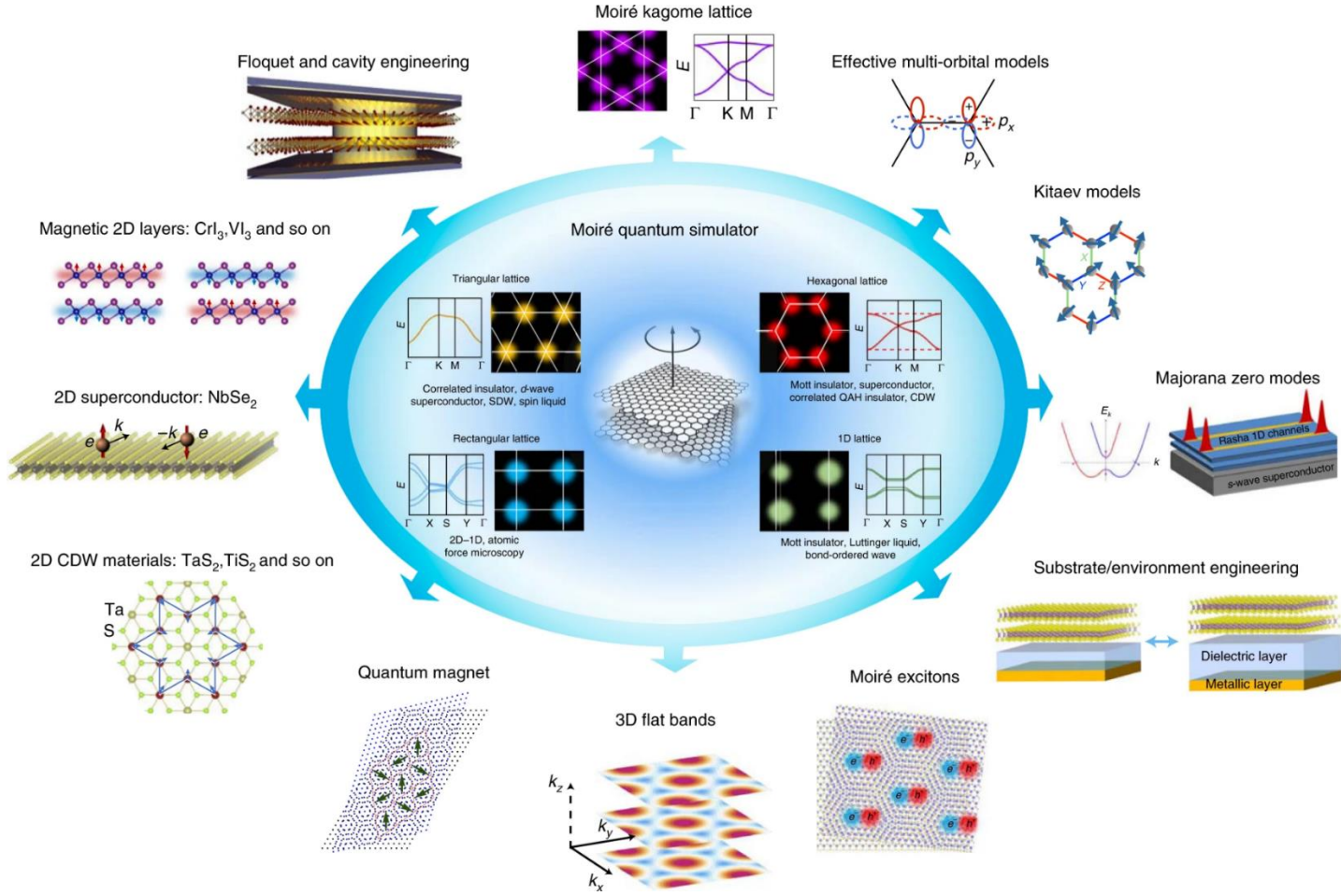
*Lattice mismatch*



$$\lambda = \frac{(1 + \delta)a}{\sqrt{2(1 + \delta)(1 - \cos\theta) + \delta^2}}$$

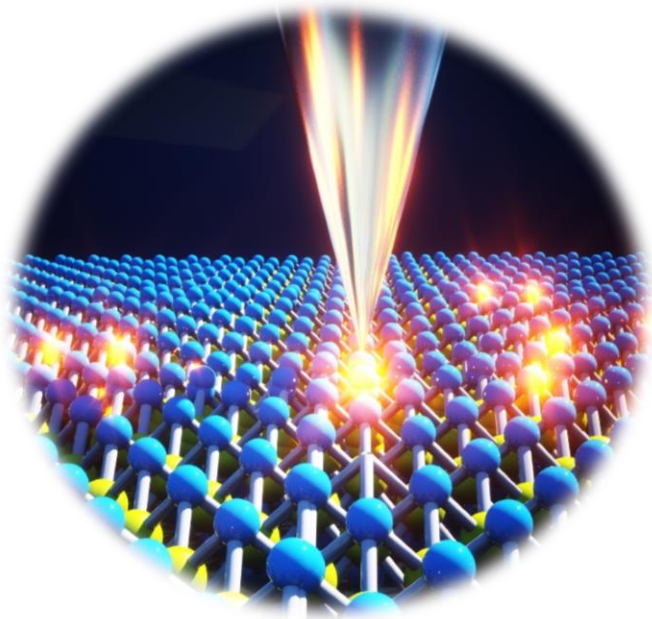


# 2D Moiré platform



Twisted heterostructures of weakly-correlated van-der-Waals monolayers			
Lattice	Model	Possible materials realizations	Correlated phases
honeycomb	two-orbital extended Hubbard model fragile topological insulator [18]	twisted bilayer graphene (BN substrate, with/without twist)	Mott insulation [8] superconductivity [7] correlated QAH insulator [20, 21] ferromagnetic insulator superconductivity [12, 13] triplet pairing [22]
	two-orbital extended Hubbard model	twisted double bilayer graphene	nematic (anti)ferromagnets [23]
	asymmetric $p_x, p_y$ Hubbard model [23, 24] domain wall networks	twisted bilayer MoS <sub>2</sub> , MoSe <sub>2</sub> small-angle twisted bilayer graphene with domain reconstruction [25-28]	correlated insulator [29] superconductivity? Wigner crystals [30]
triangular	Hubbard model (with/without strong SOC)	twisted bilayer WS <sub>2</sub> , WSe <sub>2</sub> [29] twisted WS <sub>2</sub> /WSe <sub>2</sub> heterostructures [30, 31] twisted double bilayers of WSe <sub>2</sub> [32]	Moiré excitons [33-35] spin density wave $d$ -wave superconductivity [36]
	doped multi-orbital Hubbard models	twisted bilayer boron nitride	Luttinger liquid Mott insulator bond density waves [37]
	multi-orbital Kanamori models	twisted bilayer GeSe	quantum spin Hall insulator, fractional Chern/topological insulator
rectangular	1D ionic Hubbard model 1D-2D crossover	twisted bilayer WTe <sub>2</sub>	fractional Chern insulator [38]
	inverted band insulator, strong SOC	twisted bilayer graphene or transition-metal dichalcogenides in strong magnetic fields	$Z_2$ QSL U(1) QSL quantum chiral spin liquid valence bond crystal
any	Hofstadter models	??	??
Kagome	Kagome Heisenberg model	??	??
decorated Kagome	Hubbard model (putative??)	twisted bilayer MoS <sub>2</sub> , MoSe <sub>2</sub>	??
3D	flat-band Hubbard-Kanamori models	twisted multilayer "staircase"	??
Proximity Effects			
Lattice	Model	Possible materials realizations	Correlated phases
honeycomb, triangular	proximity-induced Rashba SOC	twisted bilayer graphene on WS <sub>2</sub> , WSe <sub>2</sub> substrate [39]	correlated QSH insulator
rectangular	proximity-induced superconductivity	superconductor, twisted bilayer GeSe, TMDC "sandwich" heterostructure	1D Kitaev superconductor Majorana bound states
Twisted heterostructures of correlated monolayers			
Lattice	Model	Possible materials realizations	Correlated phases
	Moiré ferromagnet [40]	twisted odd-multilayer CrI <sub>3</sub>	Moiré domain wall ferromagnets
	Moiré Kitaev model	twisted multilayer $\alpha$ -RuCl <sub>3</sub>	Kitaev QSL stripe order Majorana fermions
	??	twisted bilayer TaSe <sub>2</sub>	??
	??	twisted bilayer NbSe <sub>2</sub>	??

## Quantum matter at the atomic scale

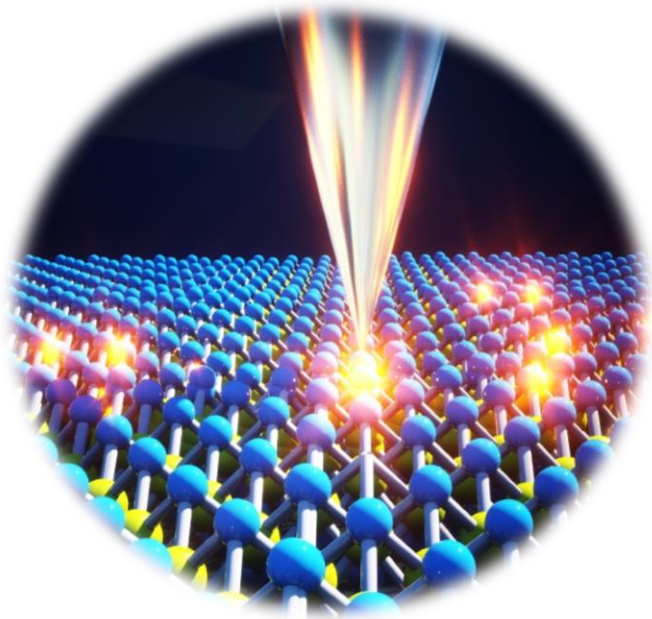


- Defects
- **Moiré patterns**
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1. Realizing mixed symmetry moiré patterns

2. Reversible control of ferroelectric domains in twisted TMDS

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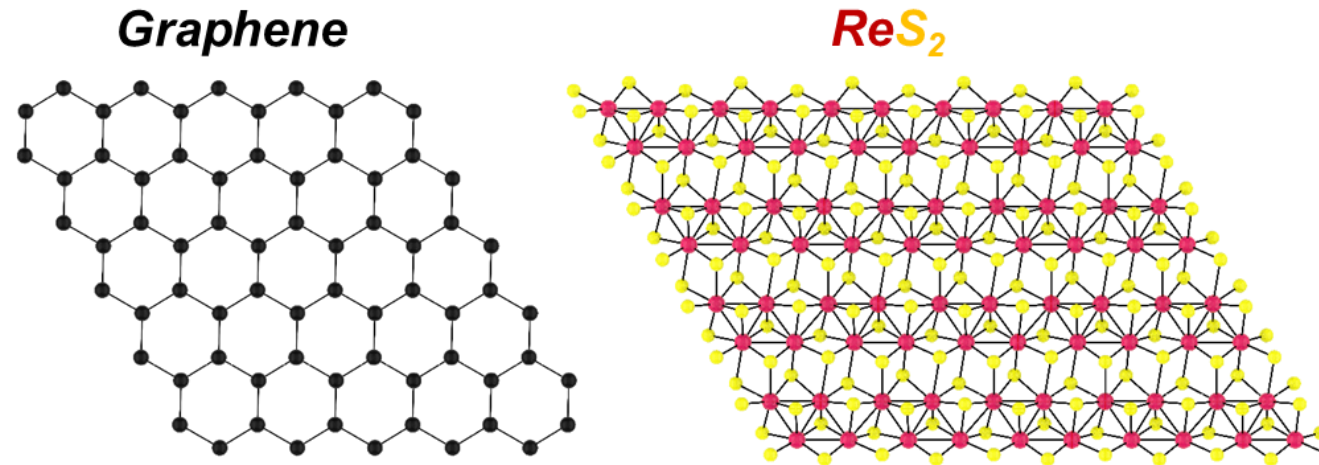
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# Moiré patterns from mixed symmetry systems



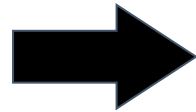
- For two materials with different crystal structures, the moiré patterns emerge due to the interference of extended unit cells

# Moiré patterns from mixed symmetry systems

Primitive Unit Cells:

$$\{a_1, a_2\}$$

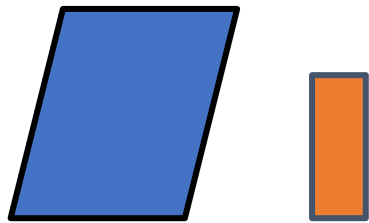
$$\{b_1, b_2\}$$



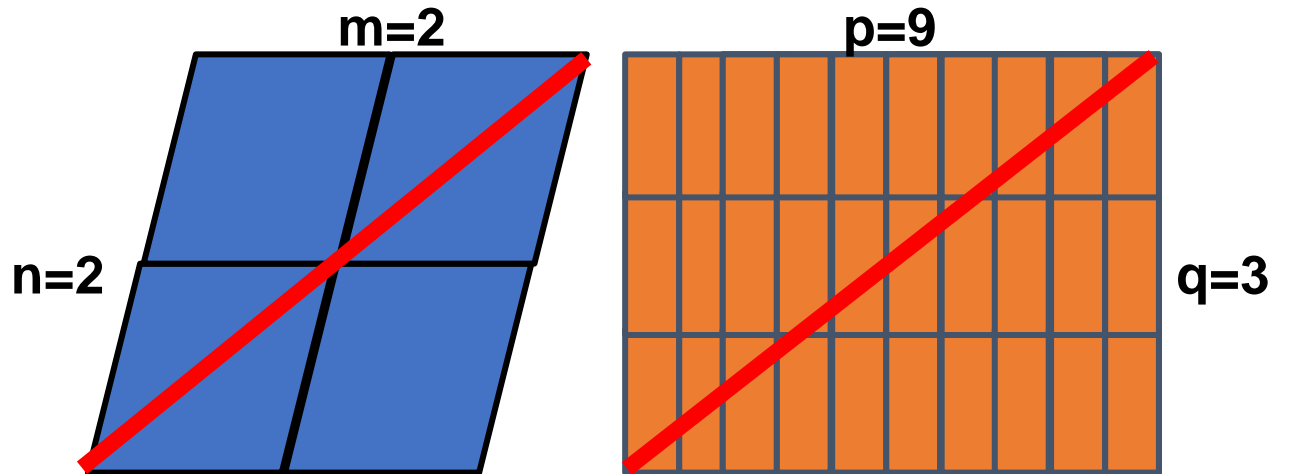
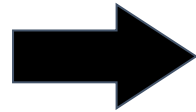
Extended Unit Cells:

$$\{m^*a_1, n^*a_2\}$$

$$\{p^*b_1, q^*b_2\}$$

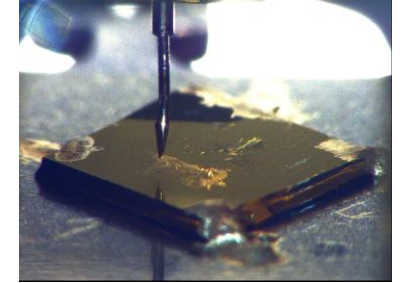
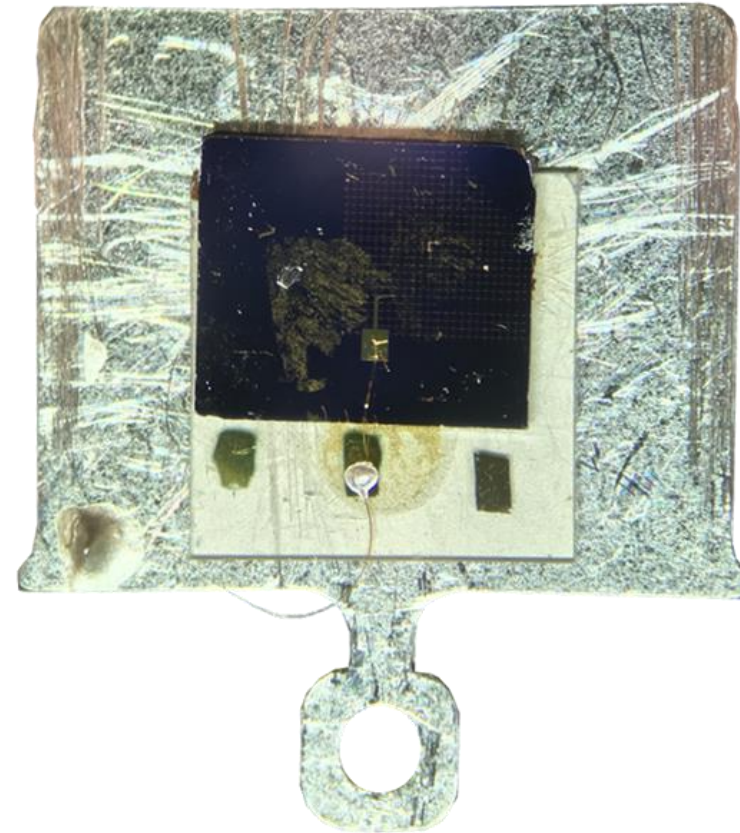
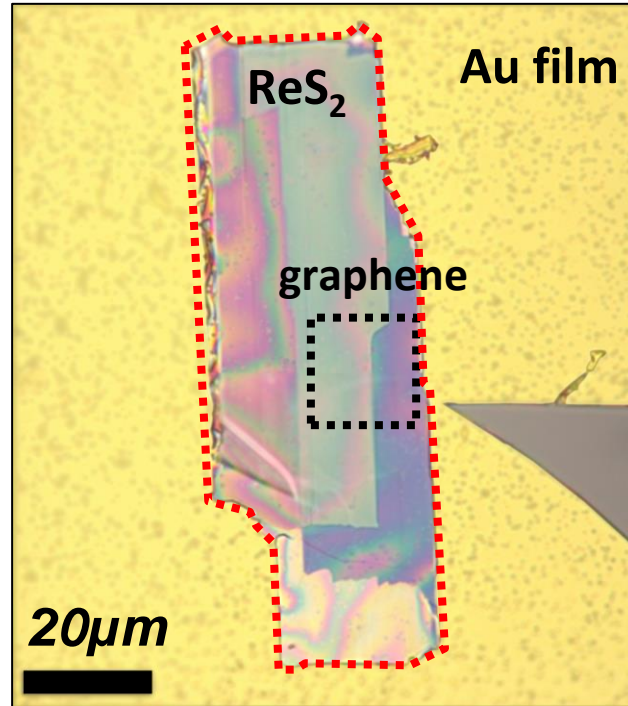
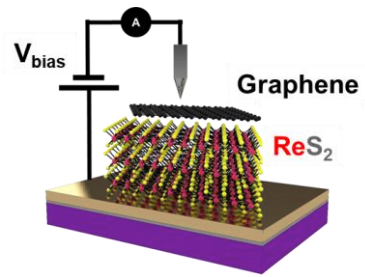


Primitive Unit Cells  
(Mismatched)



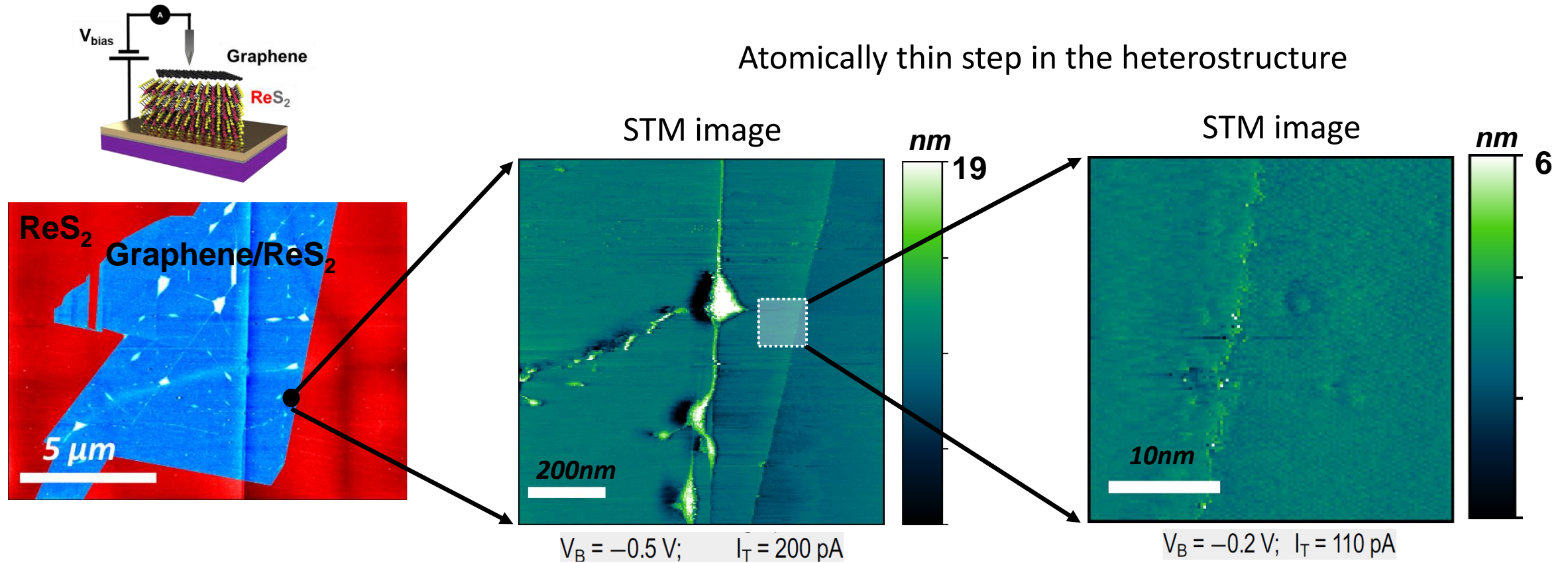
Extended Unit Cells  
(Nearly the same on the **diagonal**)

# Graphene - Rhenium Disulfide vertical heterostructures





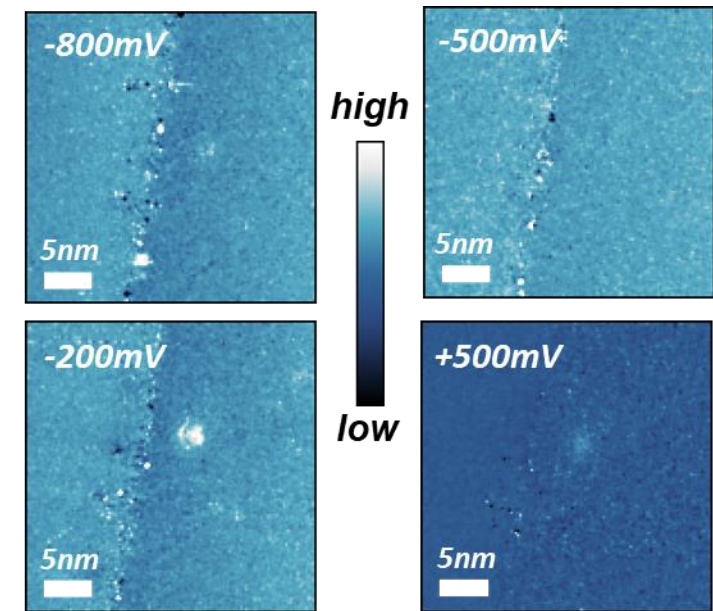
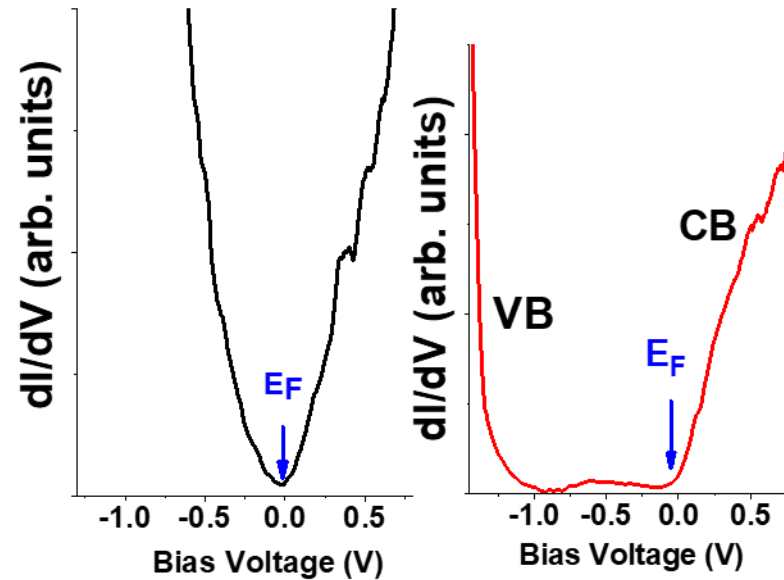
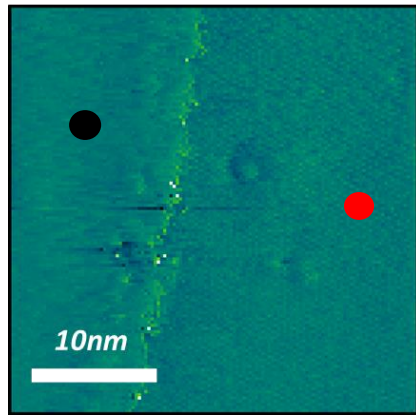
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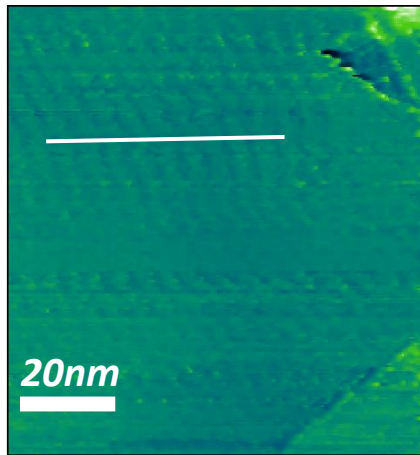
Band alignment at the interface  
Scanning Tunneling Spectroscopy

STM image



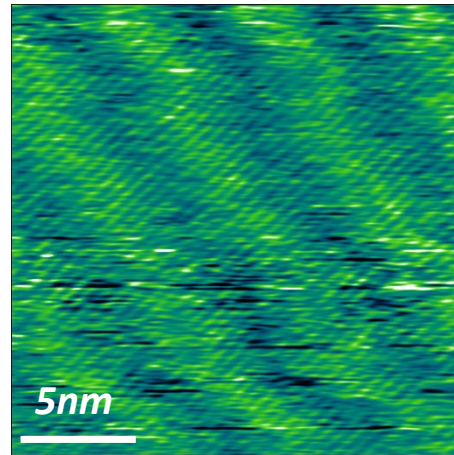
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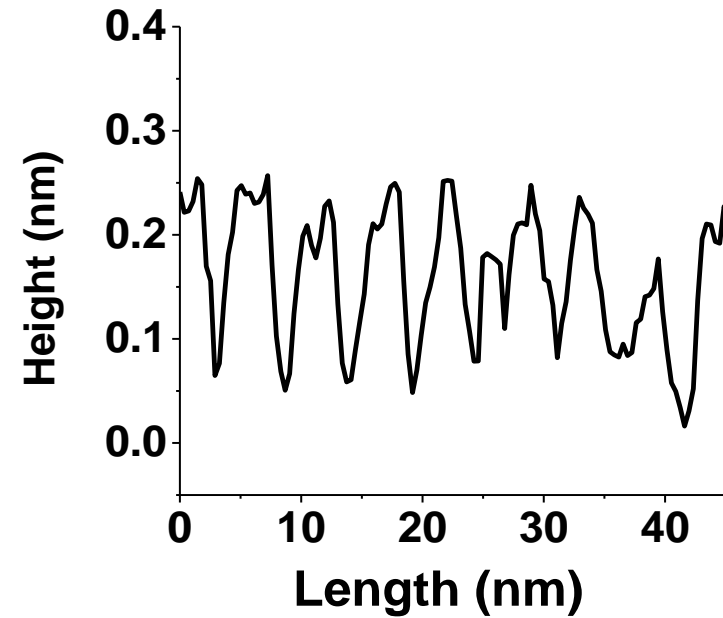


$V_B = -1.0 \text{ V}; I_T = 100 \text{ pA}$

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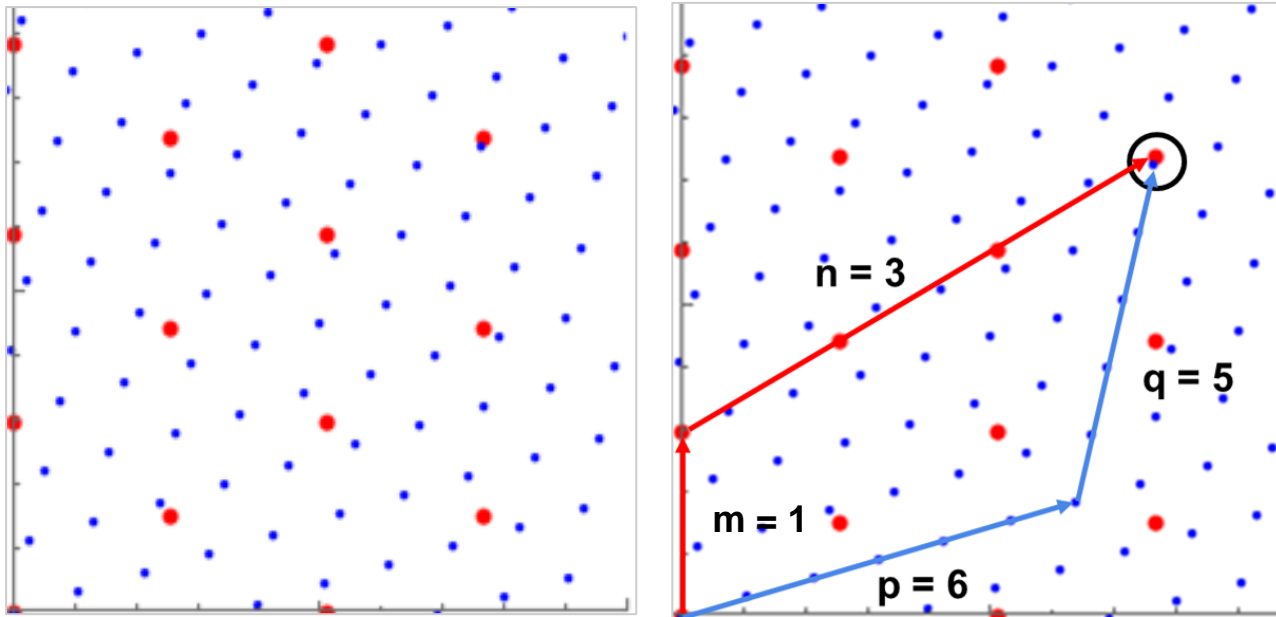
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# Moiré patterns from mixed symmetry systems

Graphene, ReS<sub>2</sub>



Moiré wavelength as a function of angle

$$G_{mn} = m \cdot G_1 + n \cdot G_2$$

$$S_{pq}(\theta) = p \cdot S_1(\theta) + q \cdot S_2(\theta)$$

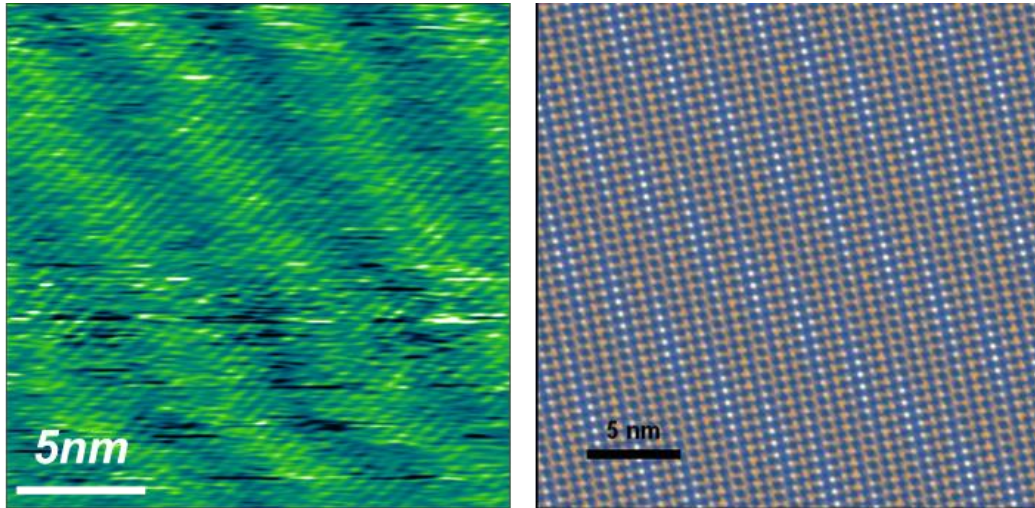
$$\lambda_{mnpq}(\theta) = |G_{mn} - S_{pq}(\theta)|^{-1}$$

Mohammed Ezzi, Shaffique Adam. (National University of Singapore)

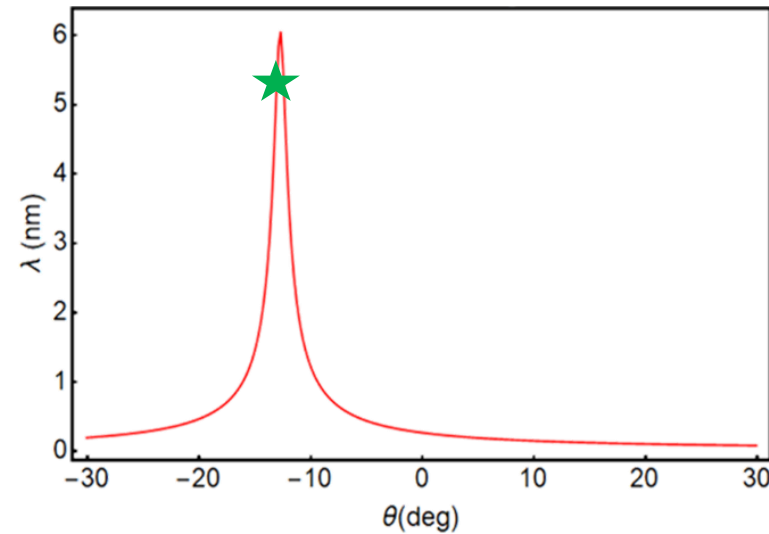
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# Graphene - Rhenium Disulfide vertical heterostructures

12° twist with periodicity 5.2 nm.



$$\lambda_{mnpq} = |K_{mnpq}|^{-1}$$



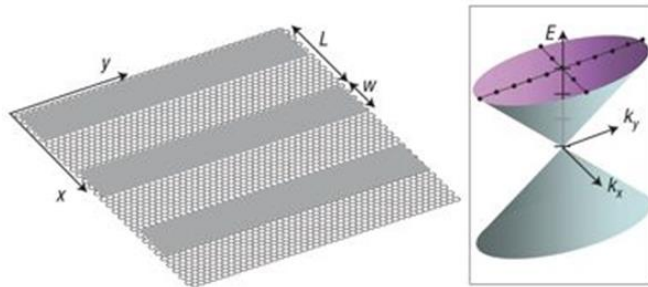
$$(m, n, p, q) = (3, 1, 6, 5)$$

{a1 , a2} , {b1 , b2} Basic unit cells

{m a1, n a2}, {p b1, q b2} Extended unit cells

# Mixed symmetry patterns

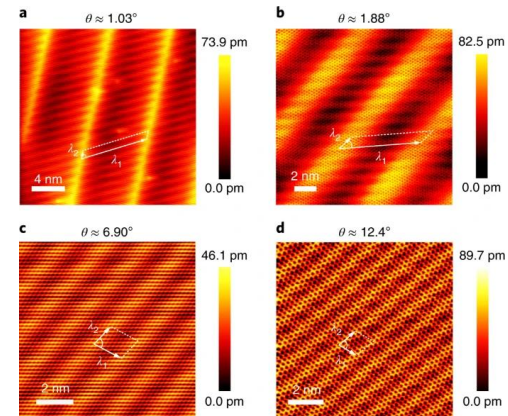
Anisotropic Dirac cone?



*Park et al. Nature Physics* **volume 4**, pages 213–217 (2008)

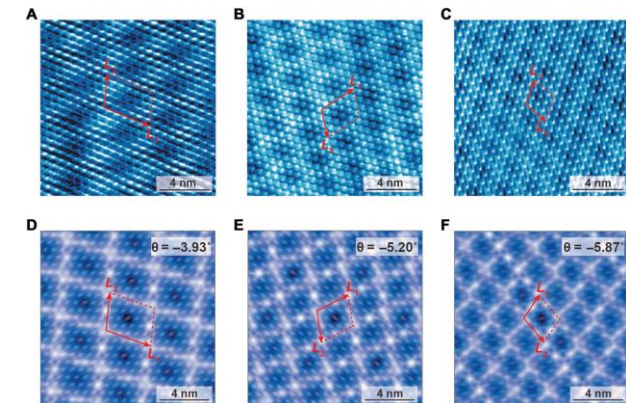
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## Graphene/BP



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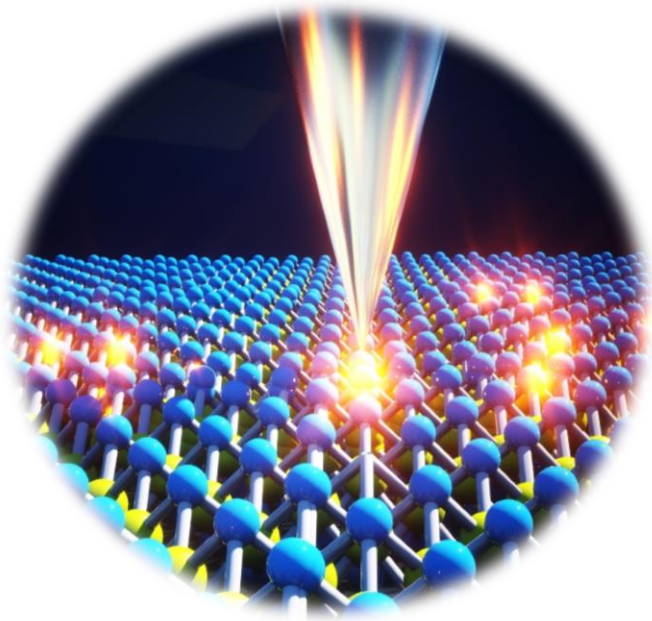
## ReSe<sub>2</sub>/Graphene



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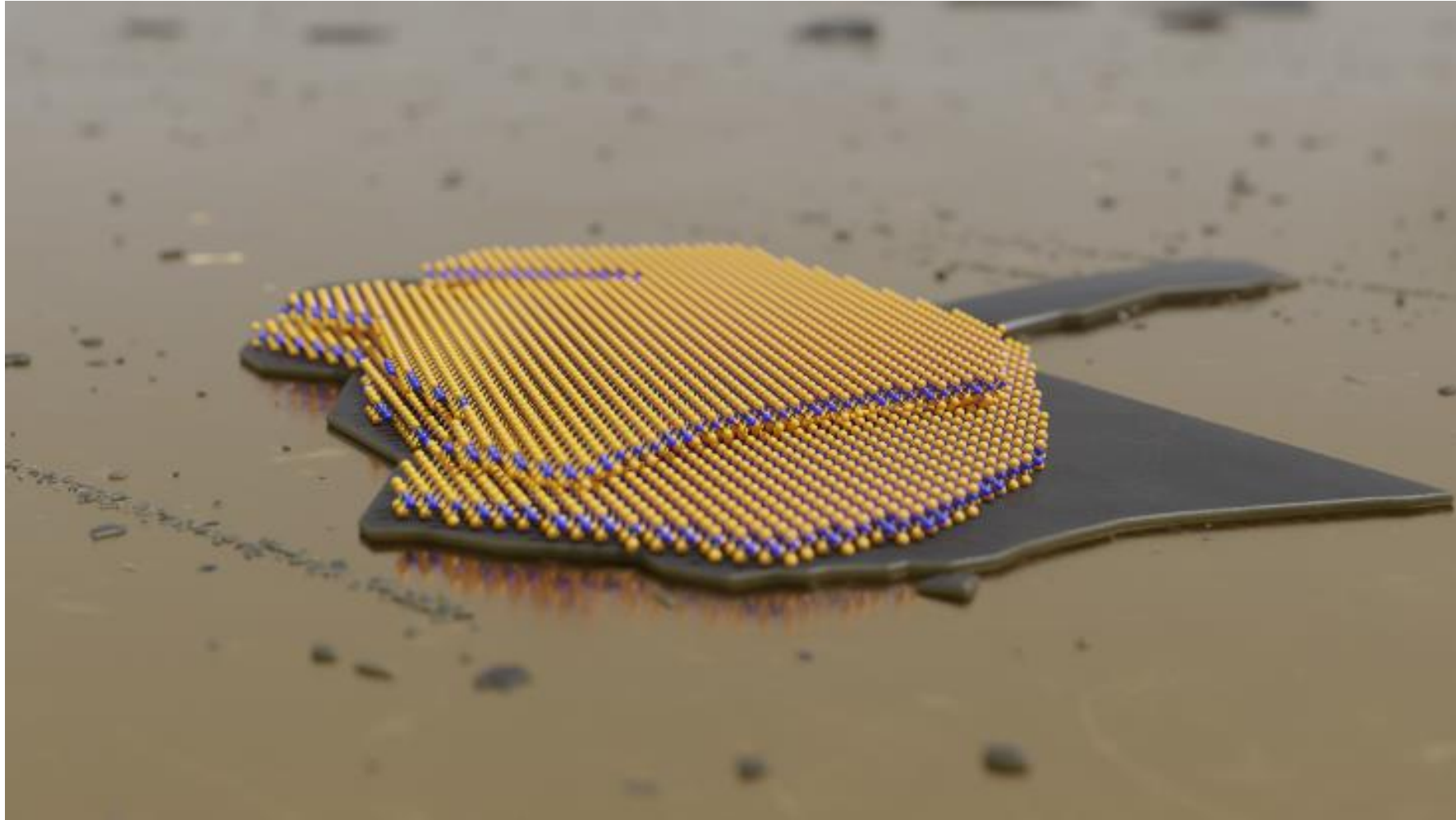


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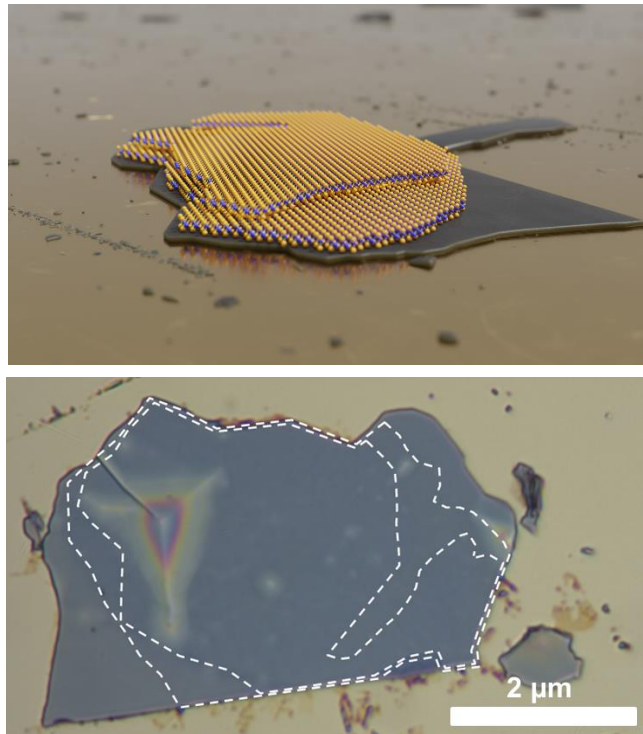
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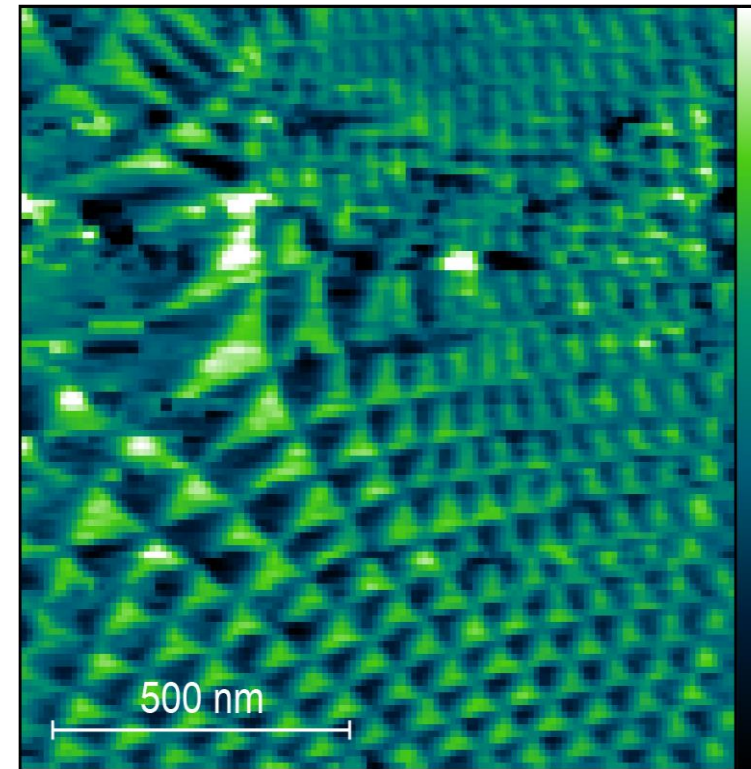
# Twisted transition metal dichalcogenides



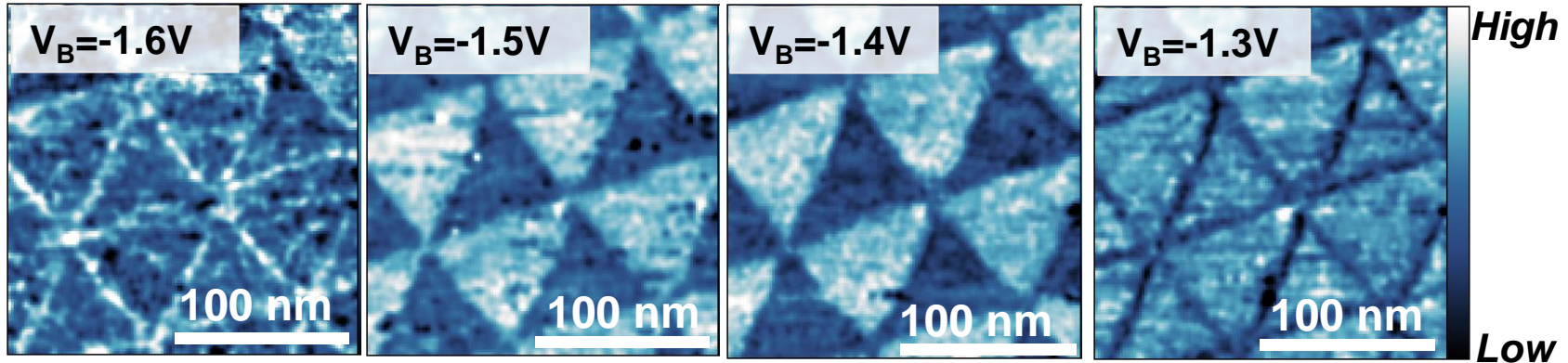
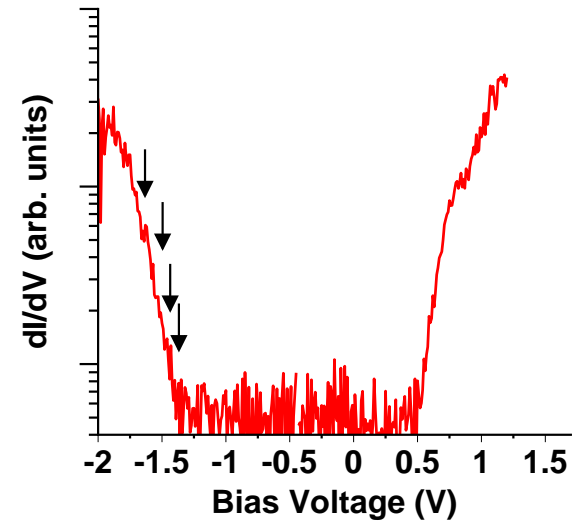
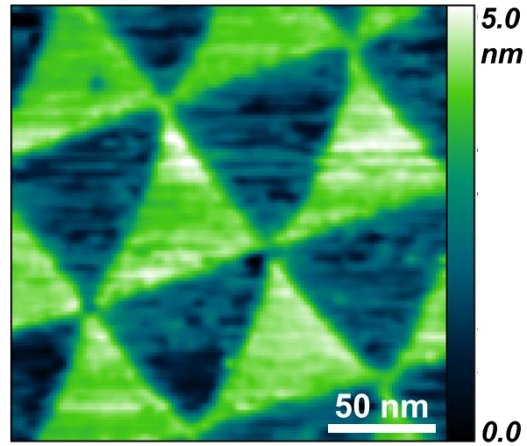
# Twisted transition metal dichalcogenide $WS_2$



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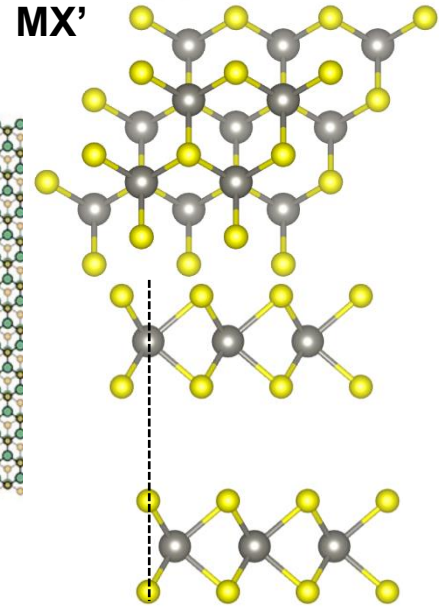
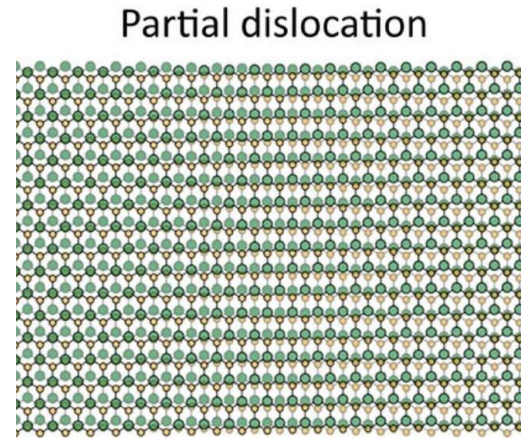
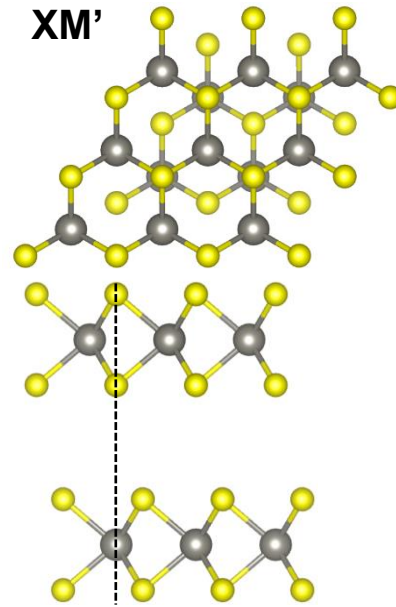
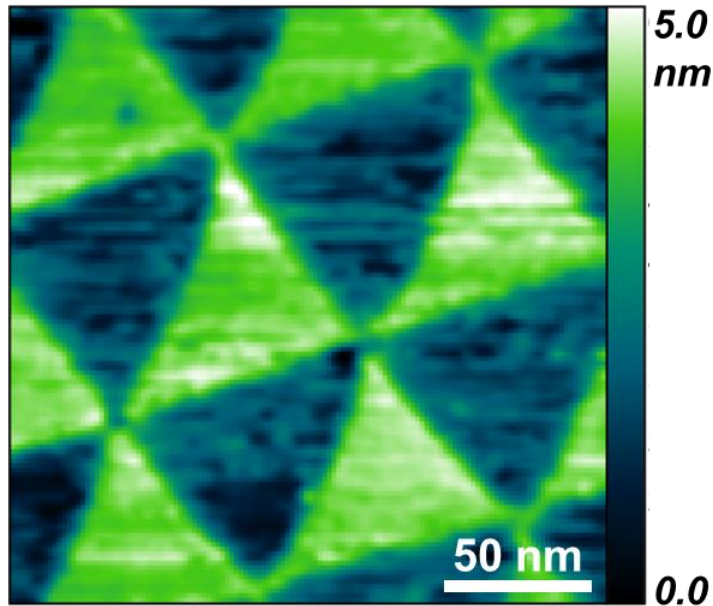


# Twisted transition metal dichalcogenides - WS<sub>2</sub>





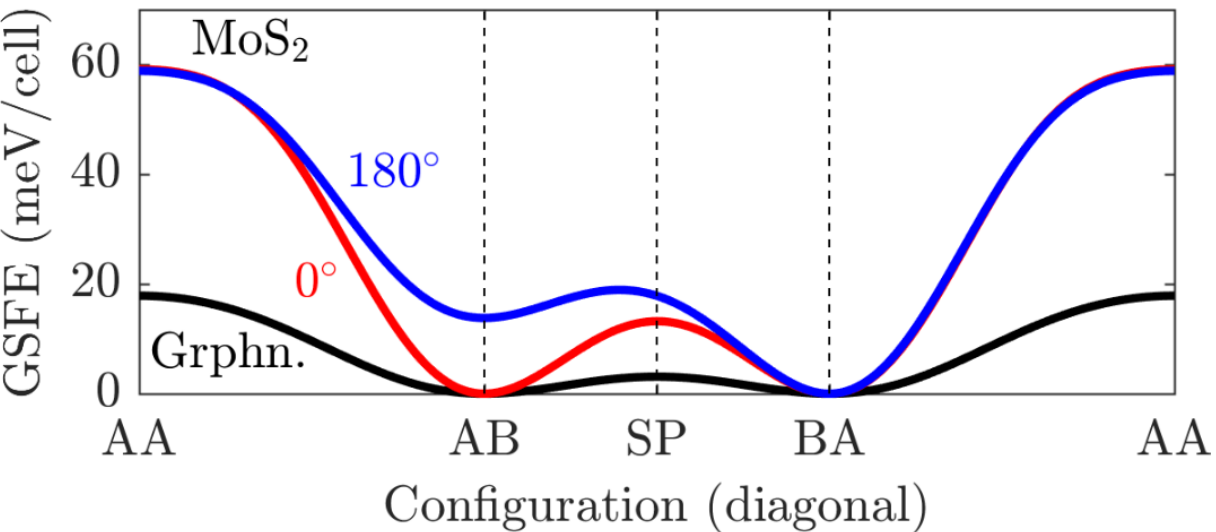
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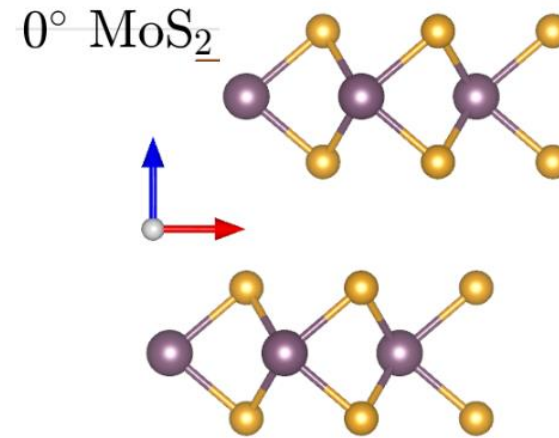
Periodicity 78 nm  $\rightarrow$  twist angle  $0.23^\circ$

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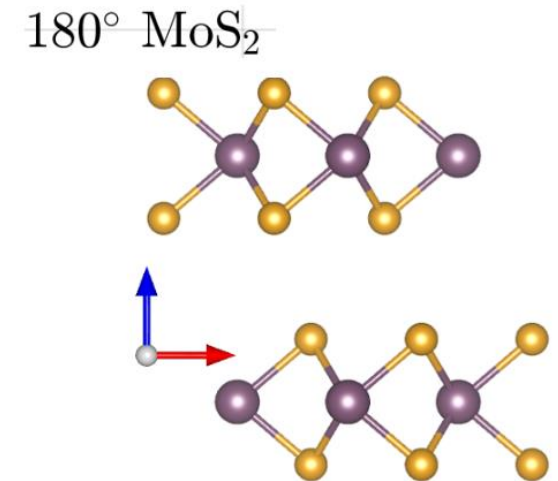
atomic relaxation  $\rightarrow$  minimize the additional energy due to misalignment



parallel (P)



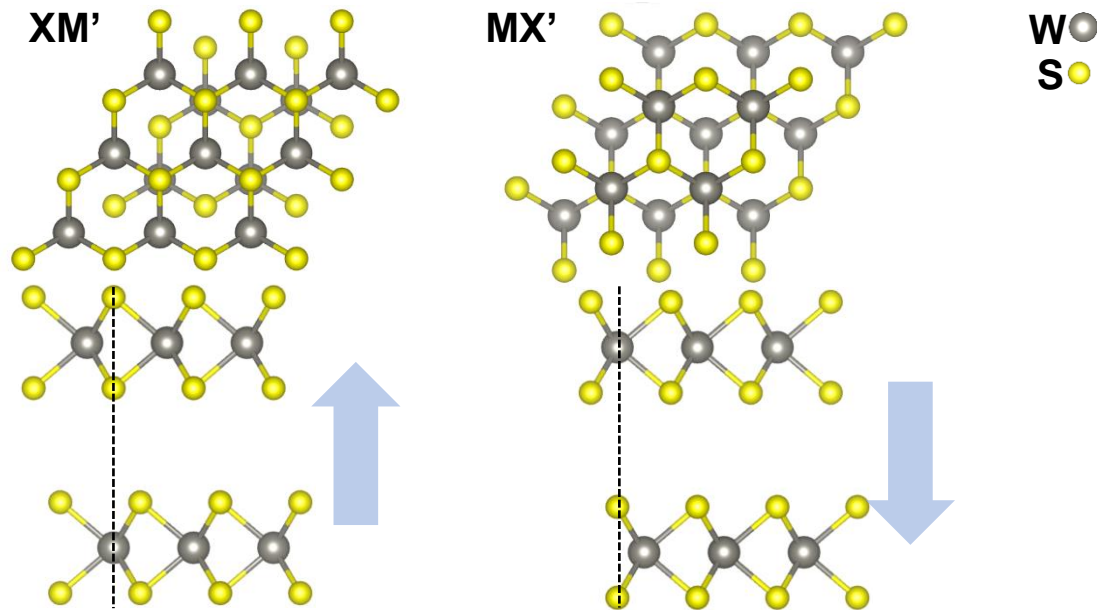
antiparallel (AP)



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# Twisted transition metal dichalcogenides – polarization domains



Spontaneous interlayer charge transfer →  
**out-of-plane ferroelectric polarisation**

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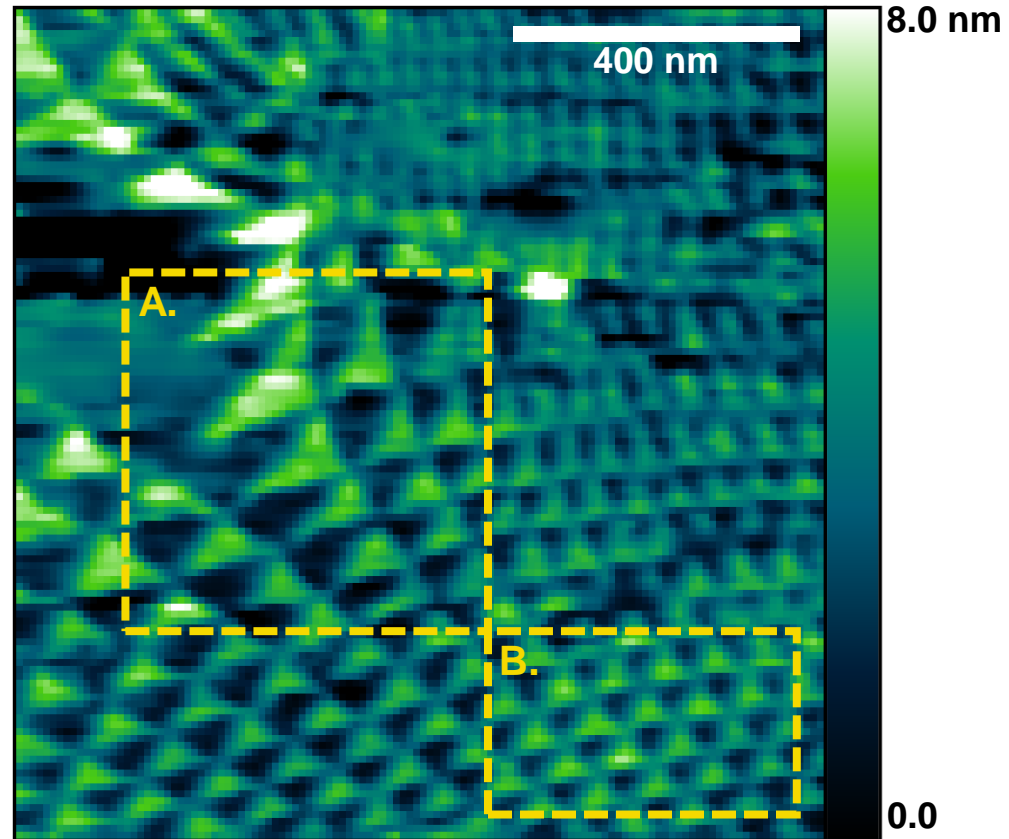
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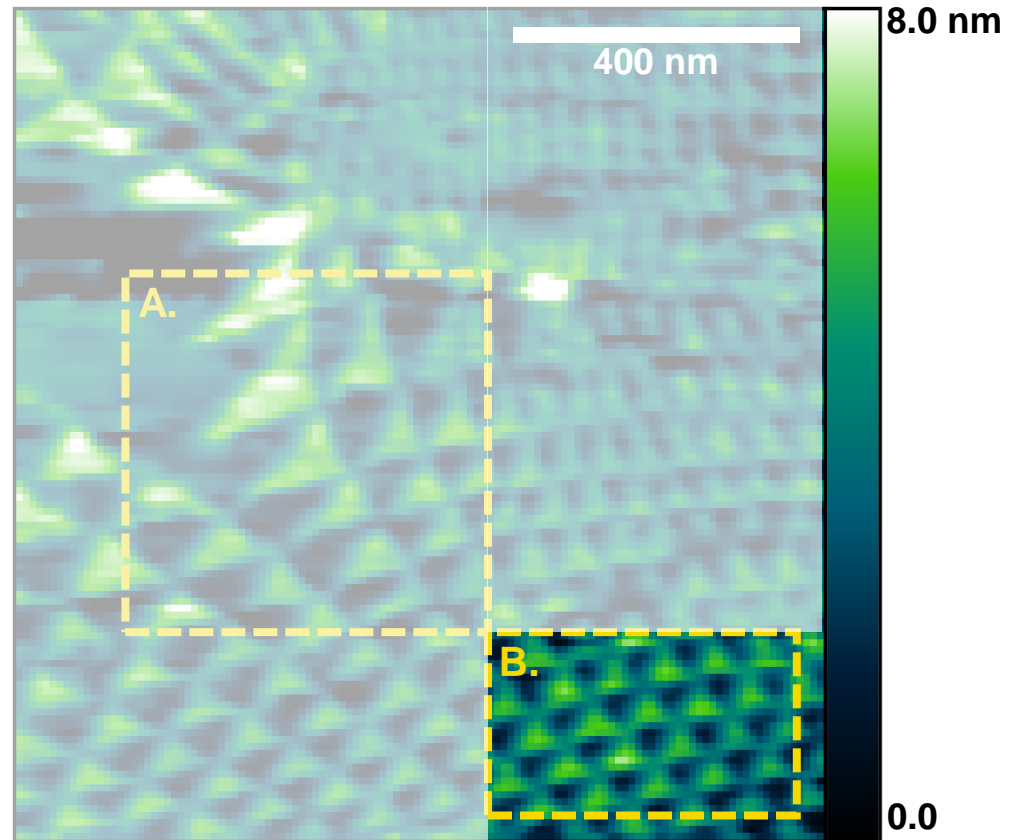
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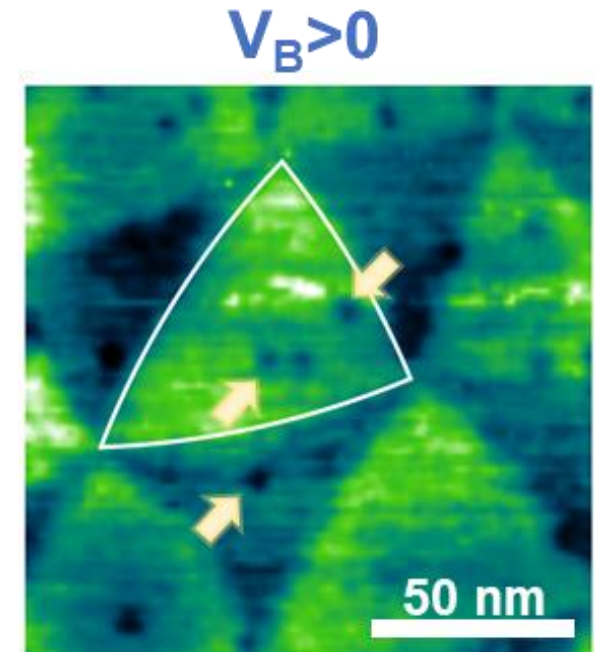
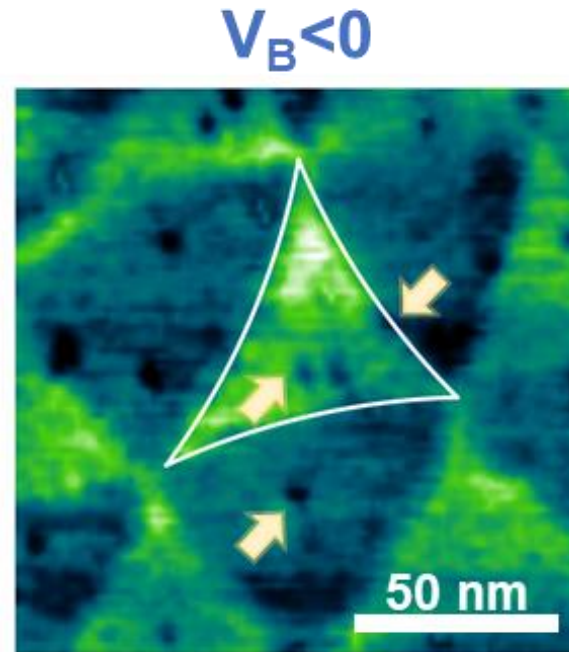
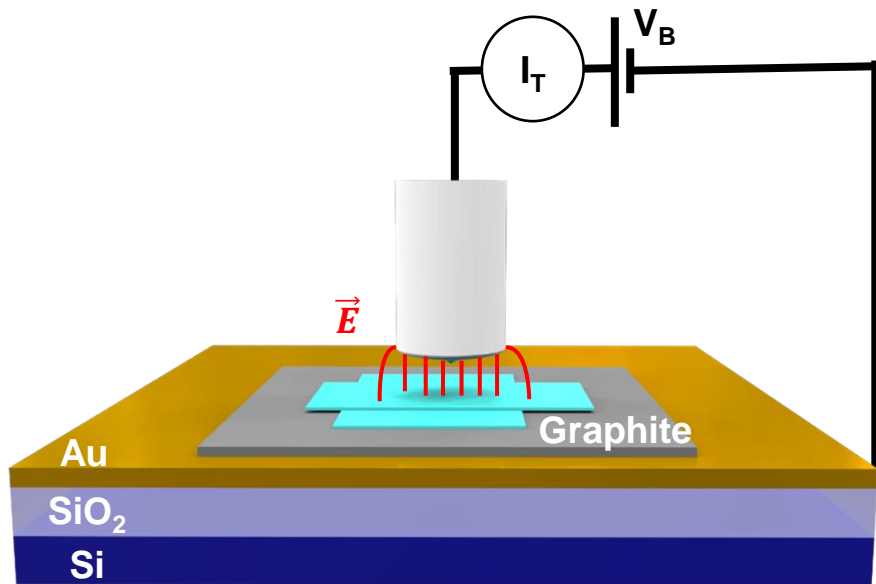




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# Electric field control over the ferroelectric domains

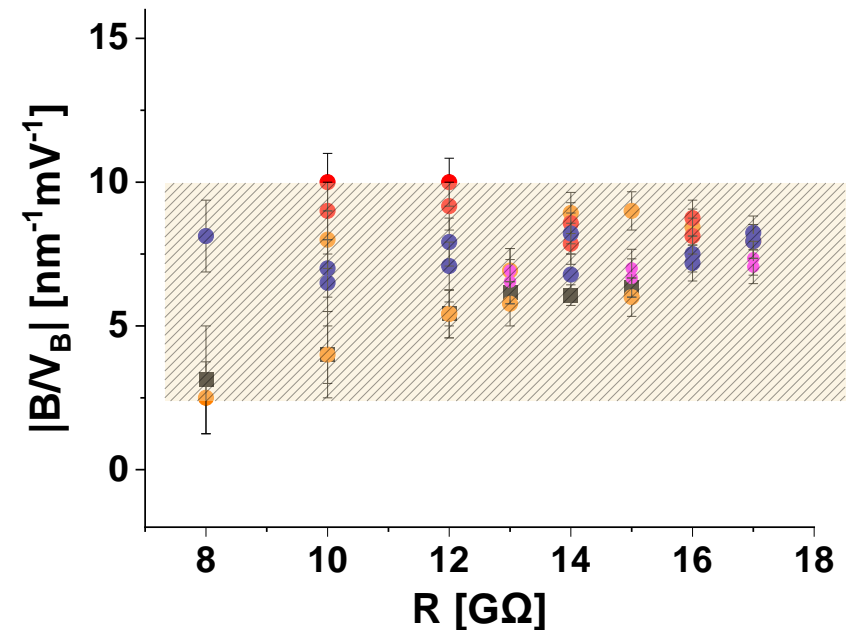
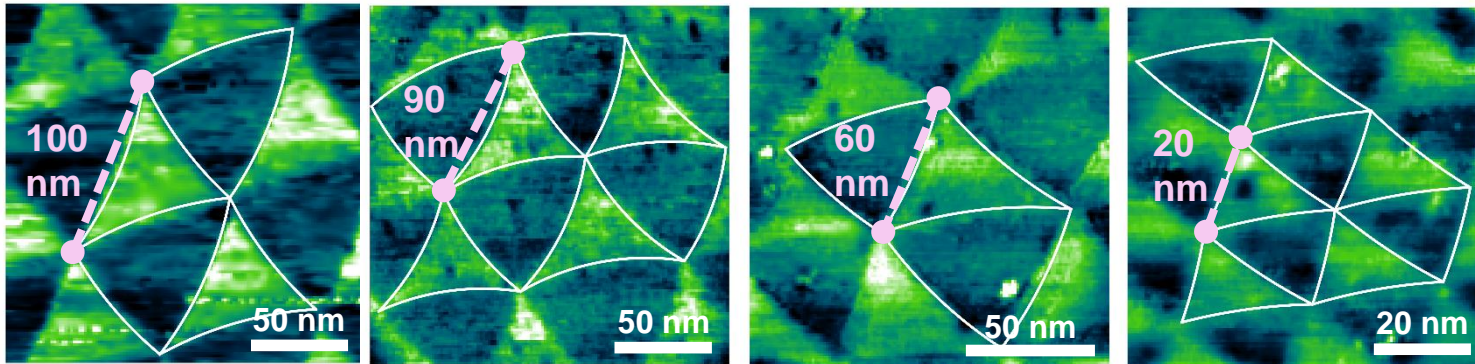


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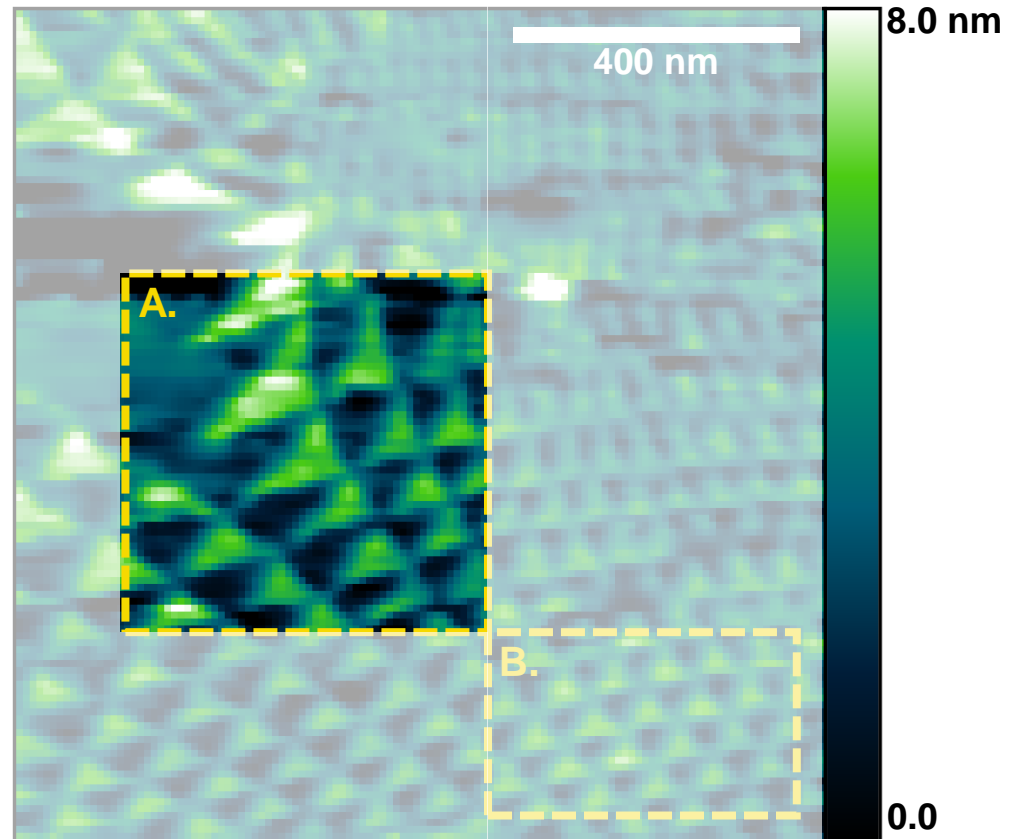
$$F(x) = \int_0^x \frac{f(x')}{\sqrt{1 - f^2(x')}} dx'$$

$$f^3 - Af - B \left( x - \frac{\ell}{2} \right) = 0$$

$$A = \frac{\omega}{\tilde{\omega}} + 2, B = \frac{2D\Delta}{\tilde{\omega}}$$

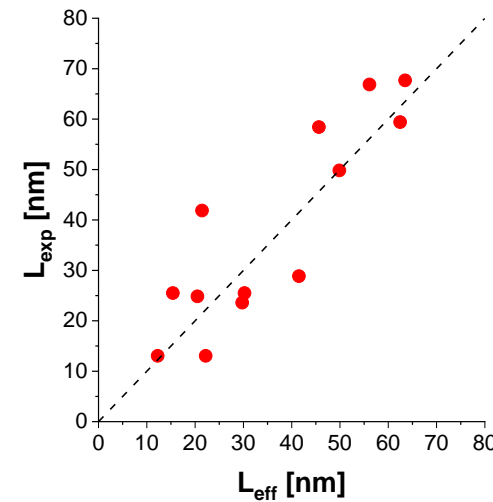
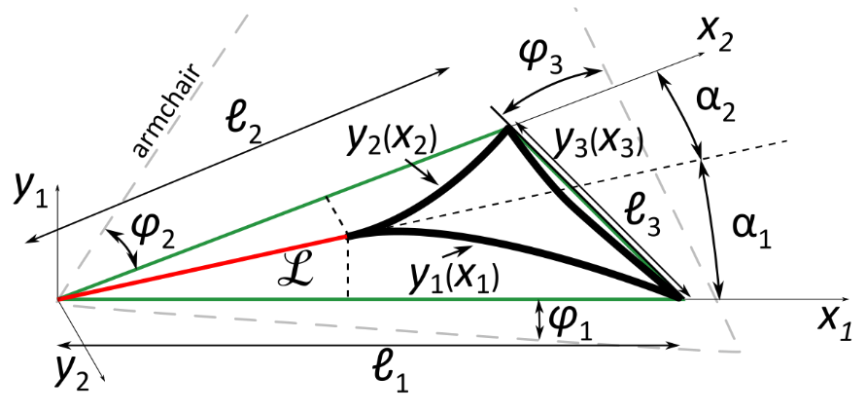
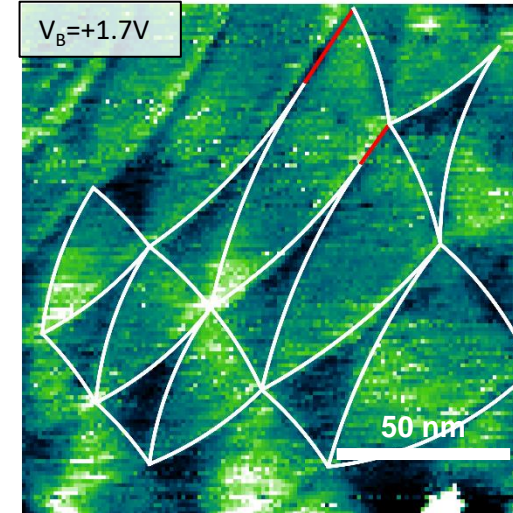
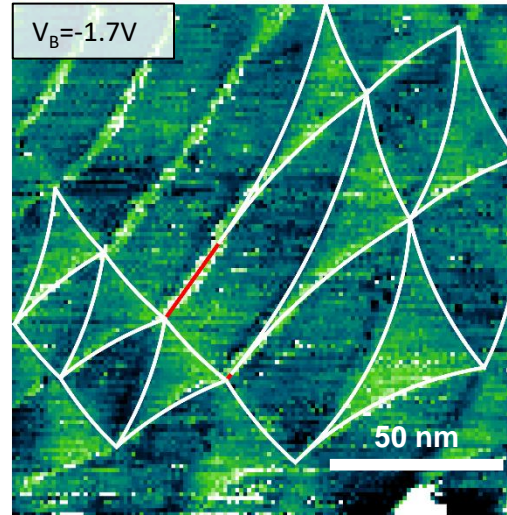
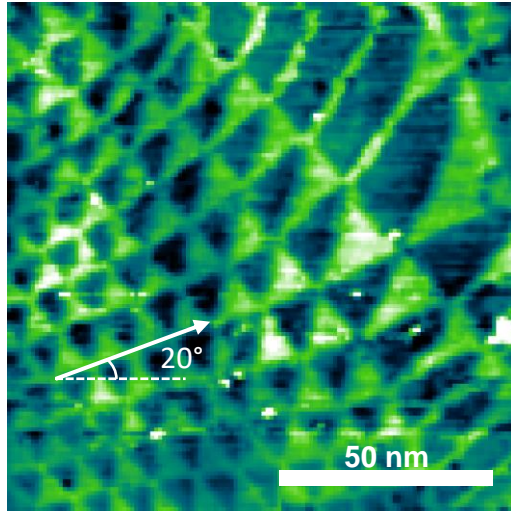


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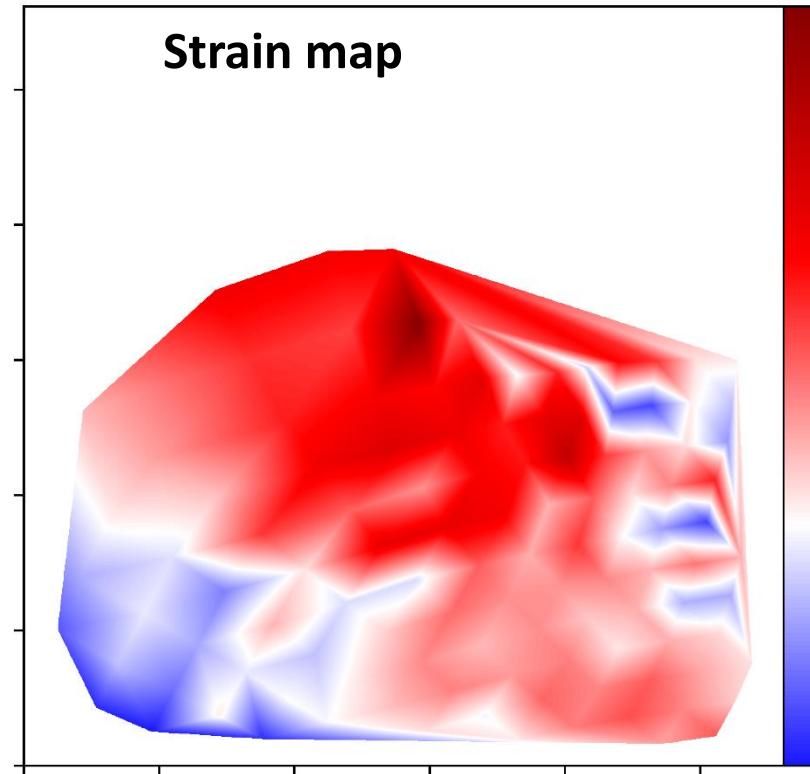
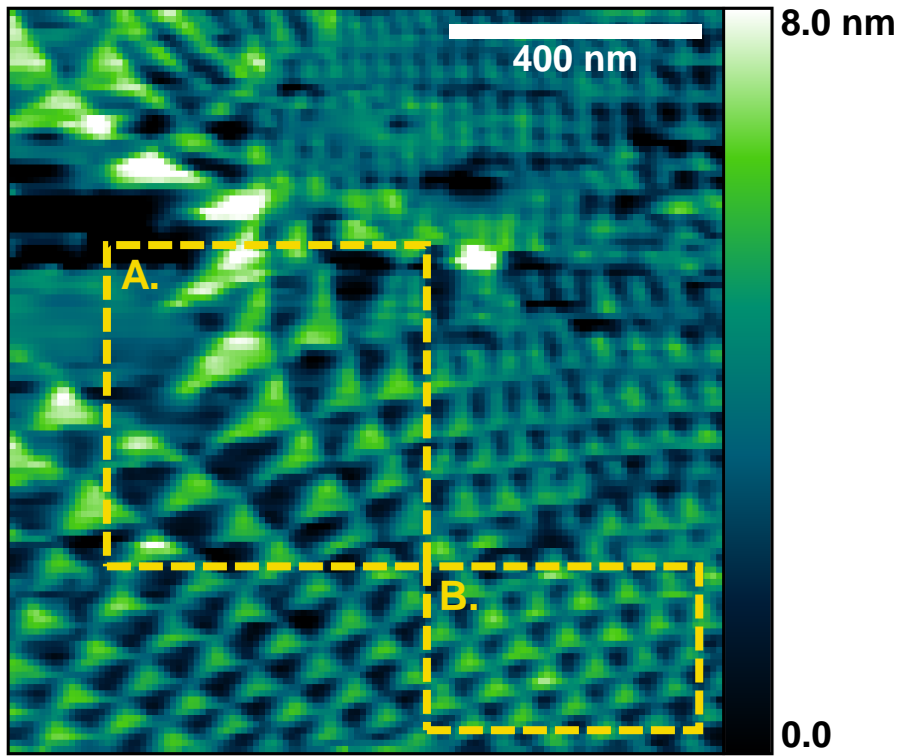




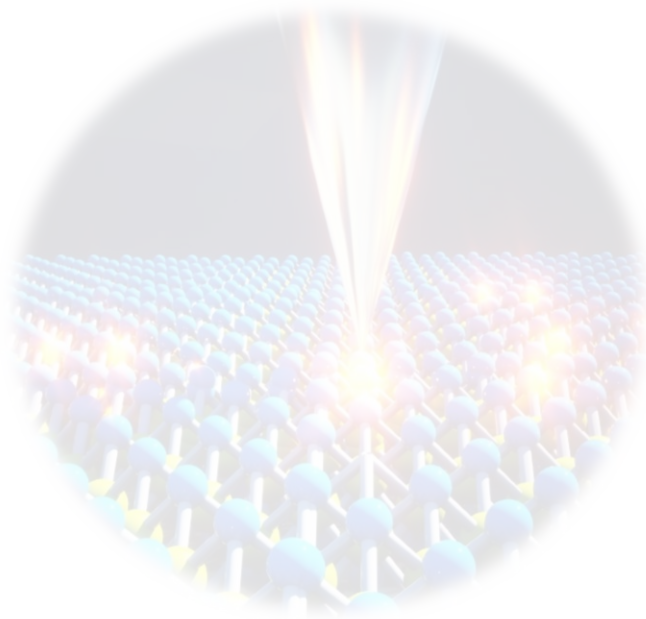
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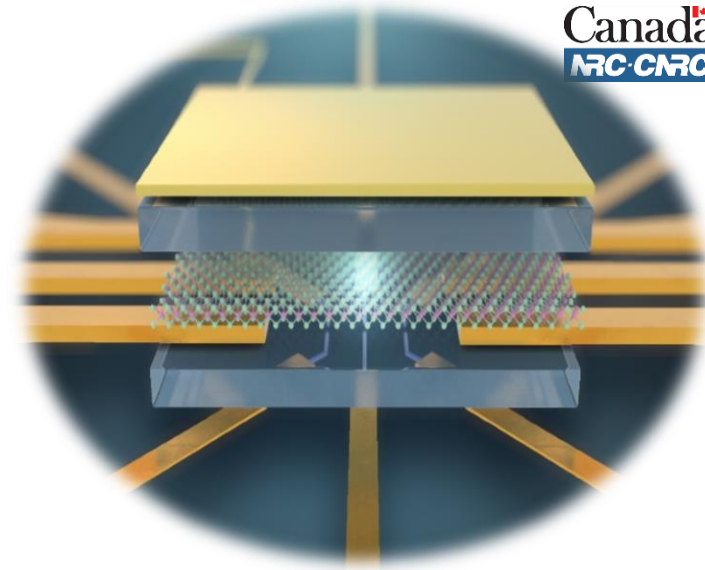
## Quantum matter at the atomic scale



- Defects, edges, boundaries
- **Moiré patterns**

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## Quantum circuits in 2D materials



- Quantum confined structures for quantum computing and sensing

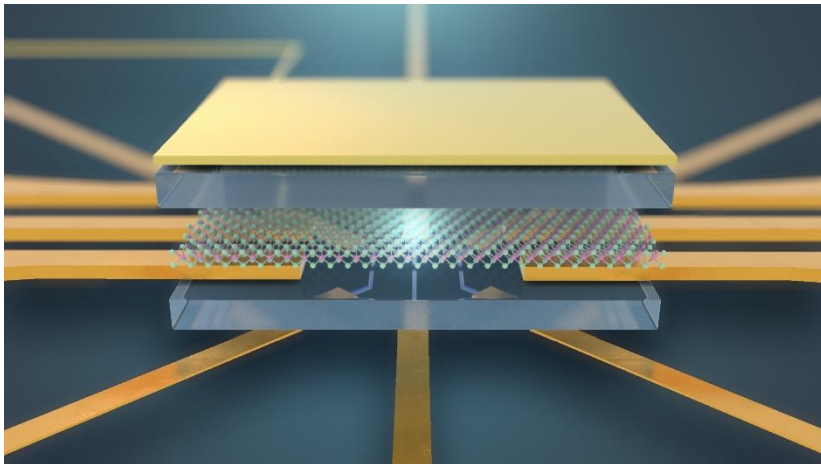
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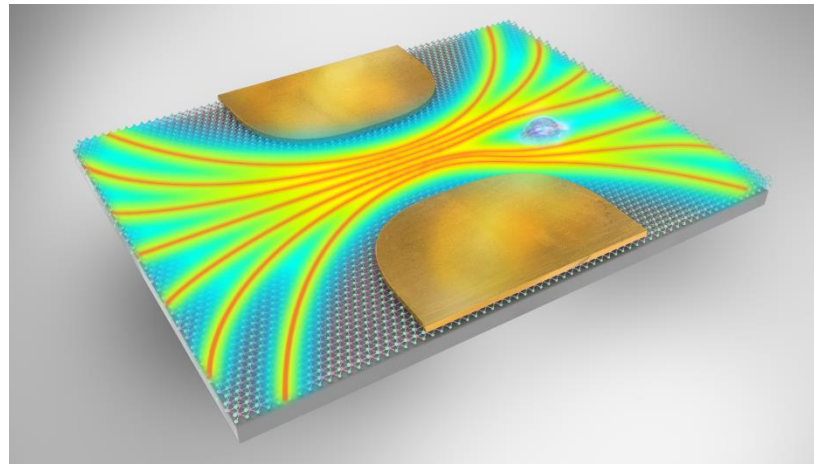
# Tungsten Diselenide ( $WSe_2$ )

## Gated Quantum Dots



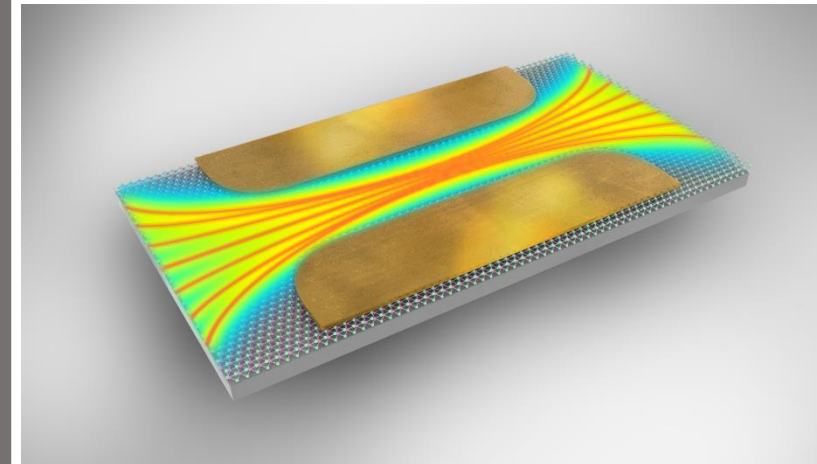
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## Nano-Constriction for Charge Detection



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## Quantized Transport in a 1D Channel



*In preparation*



# Wafer-scale growth

✓ uOttawa instrument capabilities:



## **Graphene on sapphire (c-plane 0001)**

Gases: H<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>, Ar

## **Boron Nitride on sapphire (c-plane 0001)**

Gases: H<sub>2</sub>, Ar

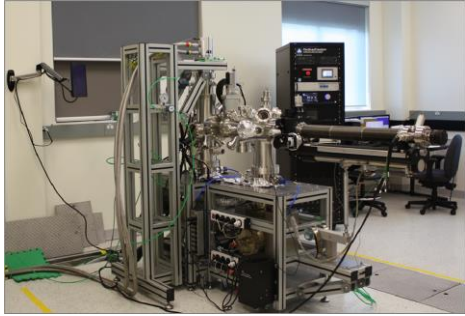
MO: Borazine

## **Tungsten Disulfide on sapphire (c-plane 0001)**

Gases: H<sub>2</sub>, Ar

MO: Tungsten hexacarbonyl,  
Ditertiarybutylsulfide

# Merci! Thank you!



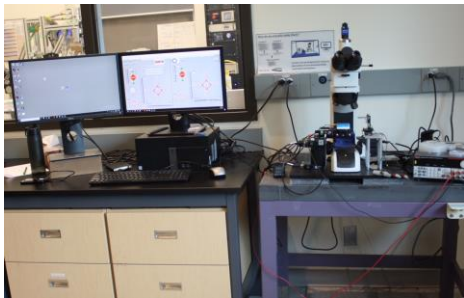
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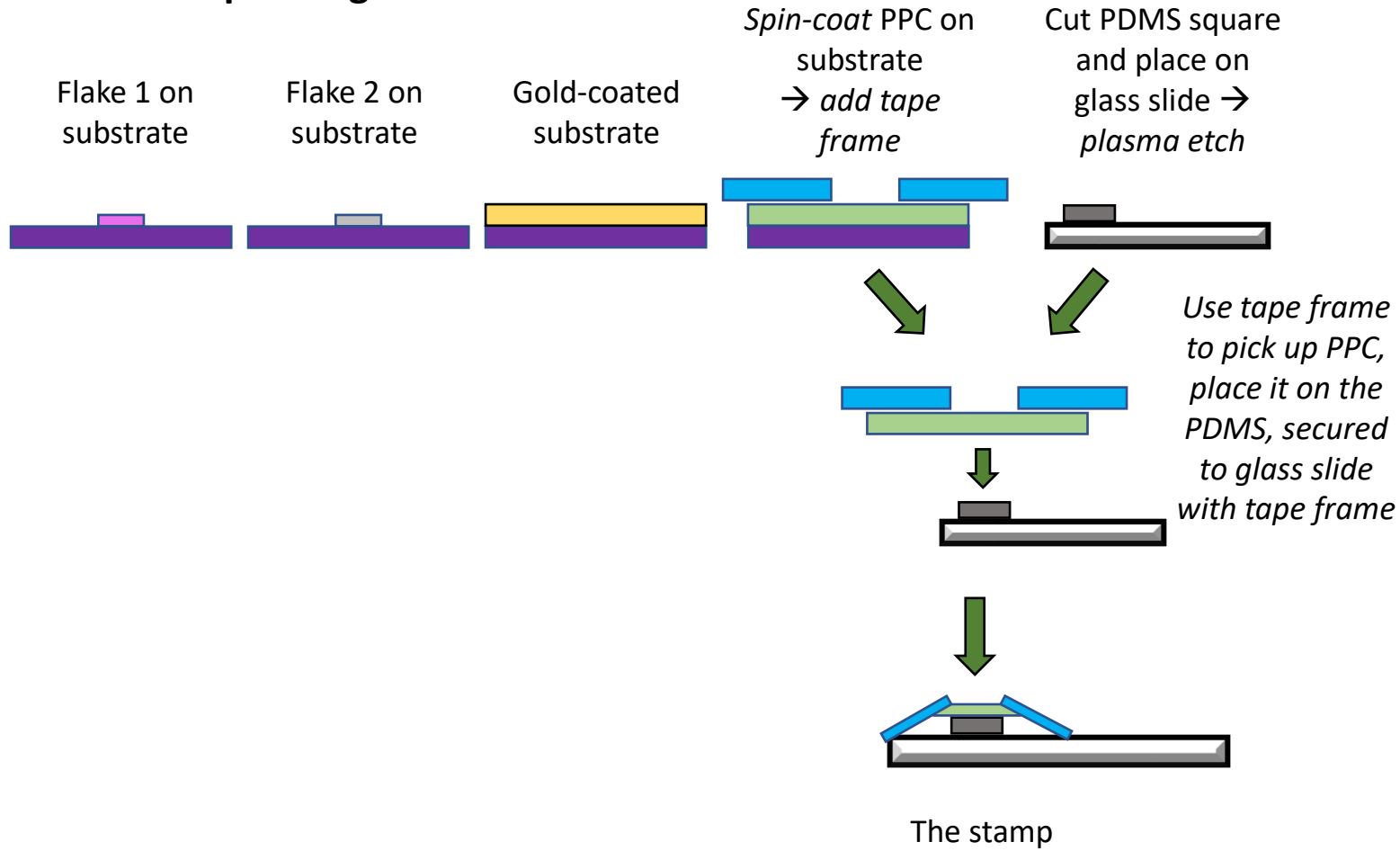
Materials characterization user facility



Access to materials characterization facilities



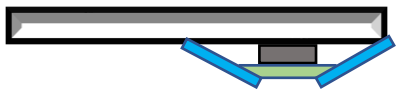
## Part 1: Prepare Ingredients



## Part 2: Assemble the heterostructure

*Pick up flake 1*

Glass slide  
PDMS  
PPC



Flake 1 on  
substrate



*Pick up flake 2*



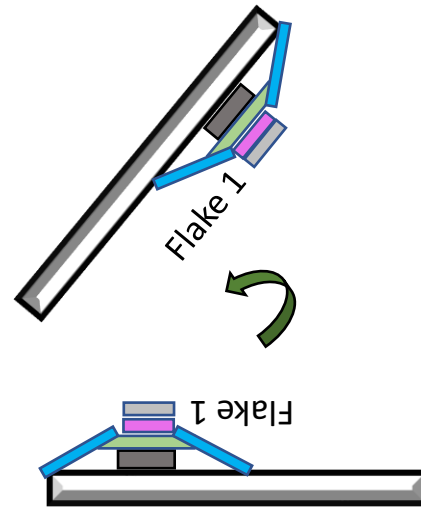
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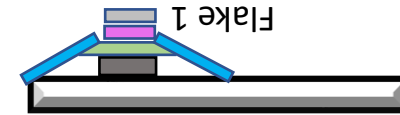
Flake 2 on  
substrate



*Invert, so the  
flakes are on  
top*



*By hand, move the  
PPC+sample onto the  
gold-coated substrate*



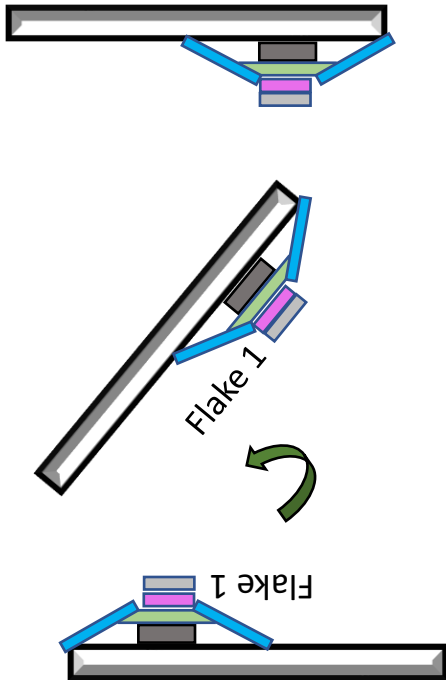
Gold-coated  
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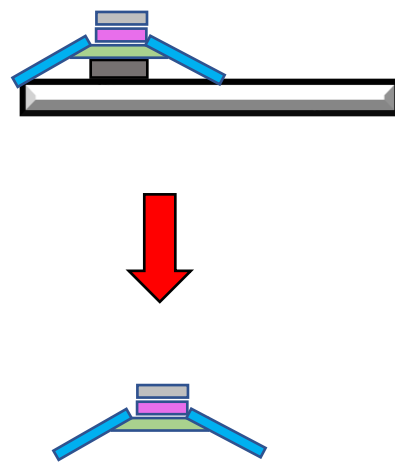
### Part 3: Invert

Glass slide  
PDMS  
PPC  
Flake 1  
Flake 2

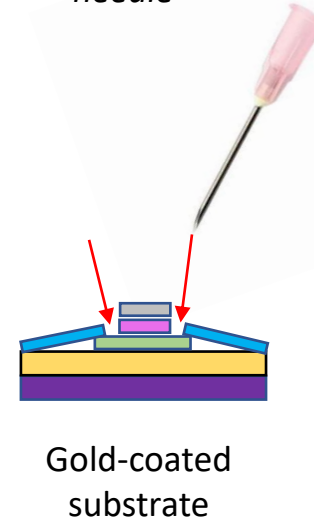
*Invert, so the flakes are on top*



*By hand, remove the PPC+sample using the tape frame*



*Place onto substrate and cut away the tape frame with needle*



### Part 4: Cleaning Steps

*Hot plate (160°C for a few seconds)*  
*Annealing (300°C for 10H in 60sccm H<sub>2</sub>/Ar)*  
*Vacuum furnace (300°C for 30m)*  
*AFM Brooming (~100-300nN)*



STM clean

