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# Direct contacting of 2D MoS<sub>2</sub> nanosheets by metallic nanoprobes

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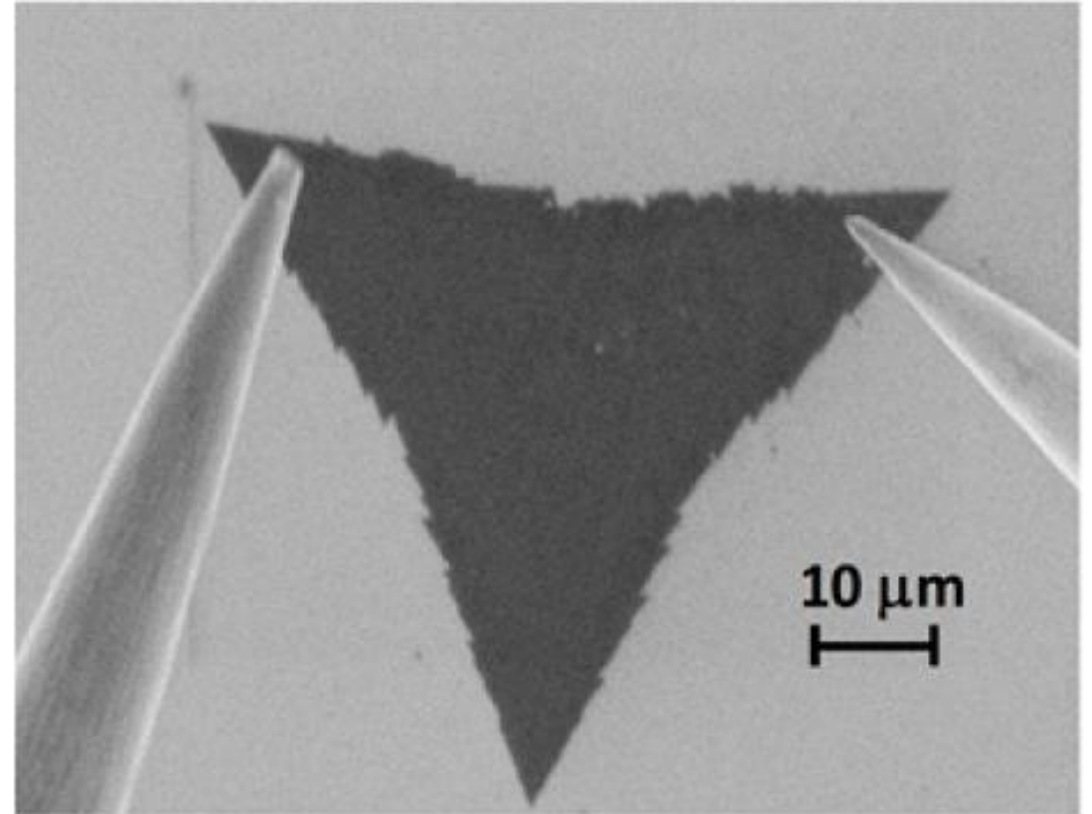
# Collaborations





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- Transition metal dichalcogenides (MoS<sub>2</sub>)
- Direct contacting by metallic nanoprobes
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- Conclusions







# TMDs

H																	He
Li	Be											B	C	N	O	F	Ne
Na	Mg	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Al	Si	P	S	Cl	Ar
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	Zn	Ga	Ge	As	Se	Br	Kr
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	Cd	In	Sn	Sb	Te	I	Xe
Cs	Ba	La-Lu	Hf	Ta	W	Re	Os	Ir	Pt	Au	Hg	Tl	Pb	Bi	Po	At	Rn
Fr	Ra	Ac-Lr	Rf	Db	Sg	Bh	Hs	Mt	Ds	Rg	Cn	Uut	Fl	Uup	Lv	Uus	Uuo

Chhowalla, et al. *Nature Chem* 5, 263–275 (2013)

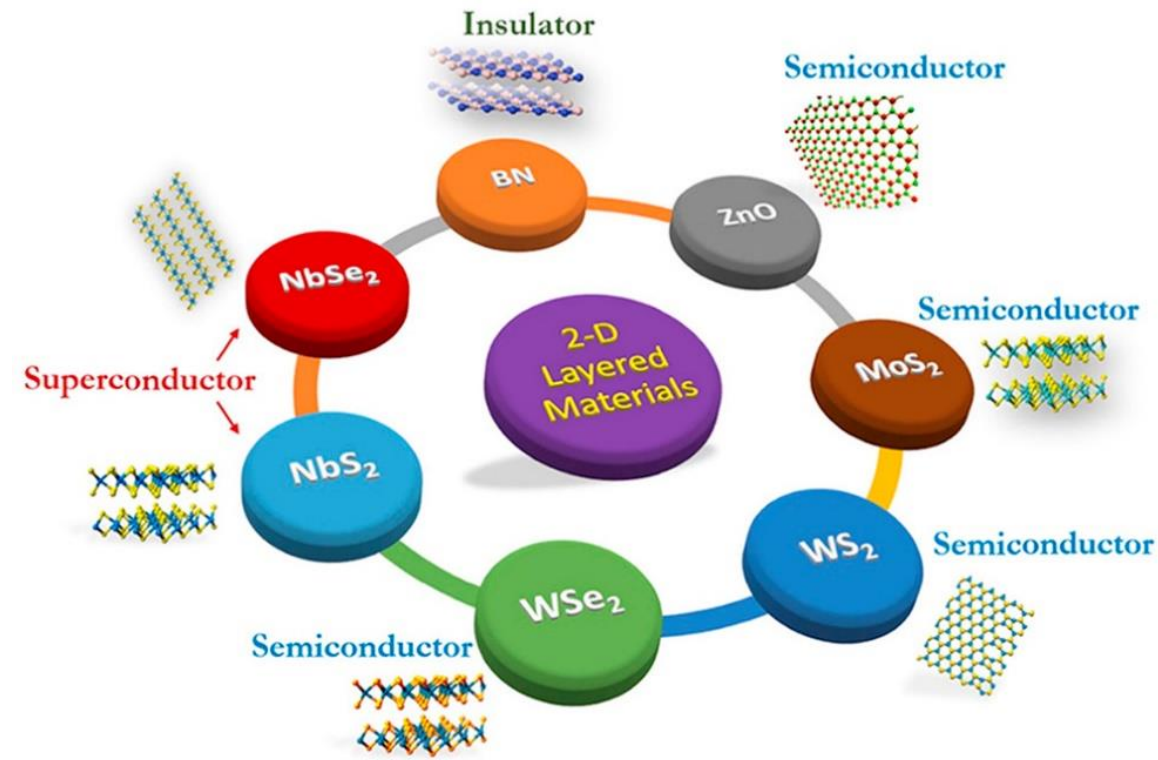
X. Duan et al. *Chem. Soc. Rev.*, 2015, 44, 8859--8876

Bandgap (eV)	Mo	W	Ti	Zr	Hf	V	Nb	Ta	Ni	Pd	Pt	
S	monolayer	1.8-2.1	1.8-2.1	~0.65	~1.2	~1.3	~1.1	metal	metal	~0.6	~1.2	~1.9
	Bulk	1.0-1.3	1.3-1.4	~0.3	~1.6	~1.6	metal	metal	metal	~0.3	~1.1	~1.8
Se	monolayer	1.4-1.7	1.5-1.7	~0.51	~0.7	~0.7	metal	metal	metal	~0.12	~1.1	~1.5
	Bulk	1.1-1.4	1.2-1.5	metal	~0.8	~0.6	metal	metal	metal	metal	~1.3	~1.4
Te	monolayer	1.1-1.3	~1.03	~0.1	~0.4	~0.3	metal	metal	metal	metal	~0.3	~0.8
	Bulk	1.0-1.2	metal	metal	metal	metal	metal	metal	metal	metal	~0.2	~0.8

$\text{MX}_2$

M = Transition Metal

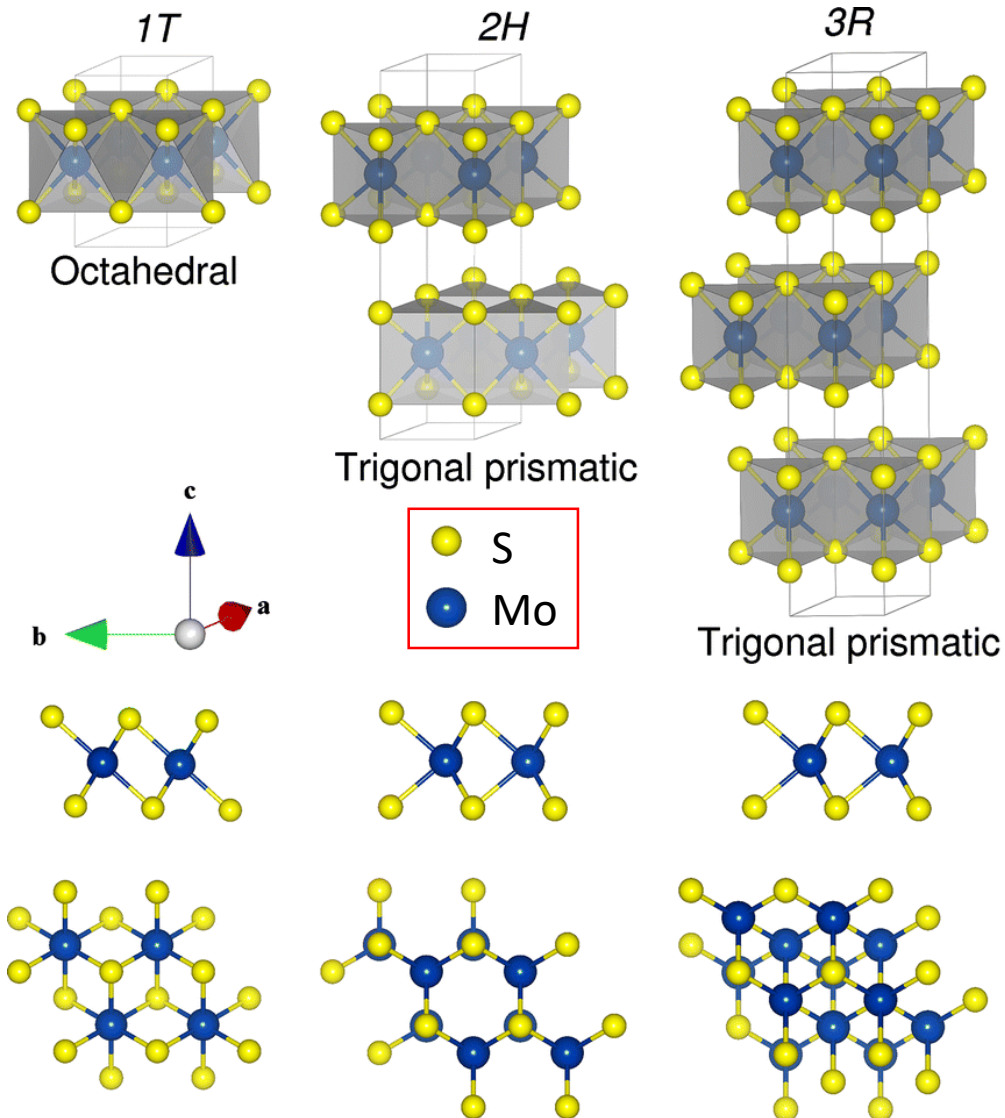
X = Chalcogen



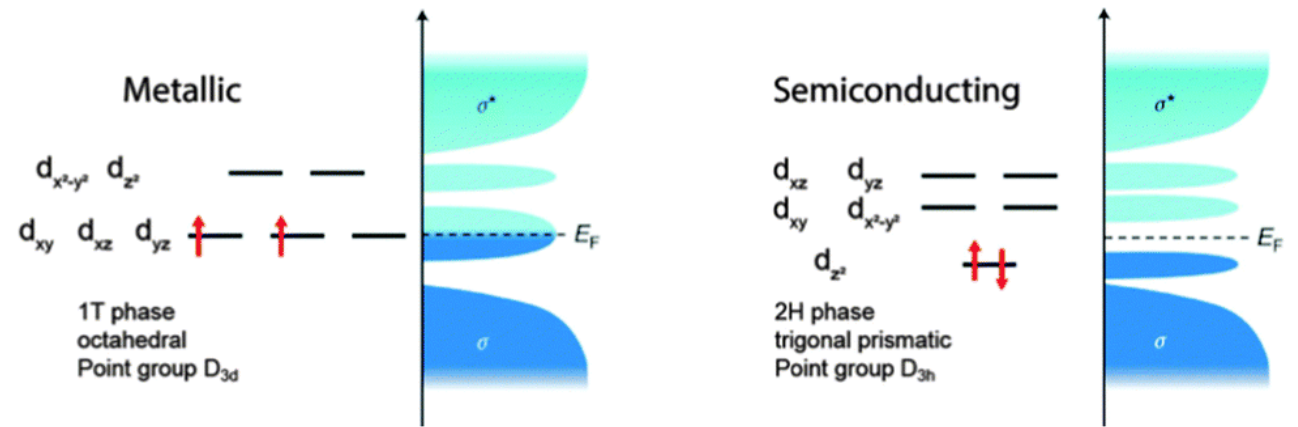
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# MoS<sub>2</sub>



	2H-MoS <sub>2</sub>	1T-MoS <sub>2</sub>	3R-MoS <sub>2</sub>
Layers per unit cell	2	1	3
Symmetry	hexagonal	tetragonal	rhombohedral
Metal coordination	trigonal prismatic (D3h)	octahedral (Oh)	trigonal prismatic (D3h)
Class	semiconducting	metallic	

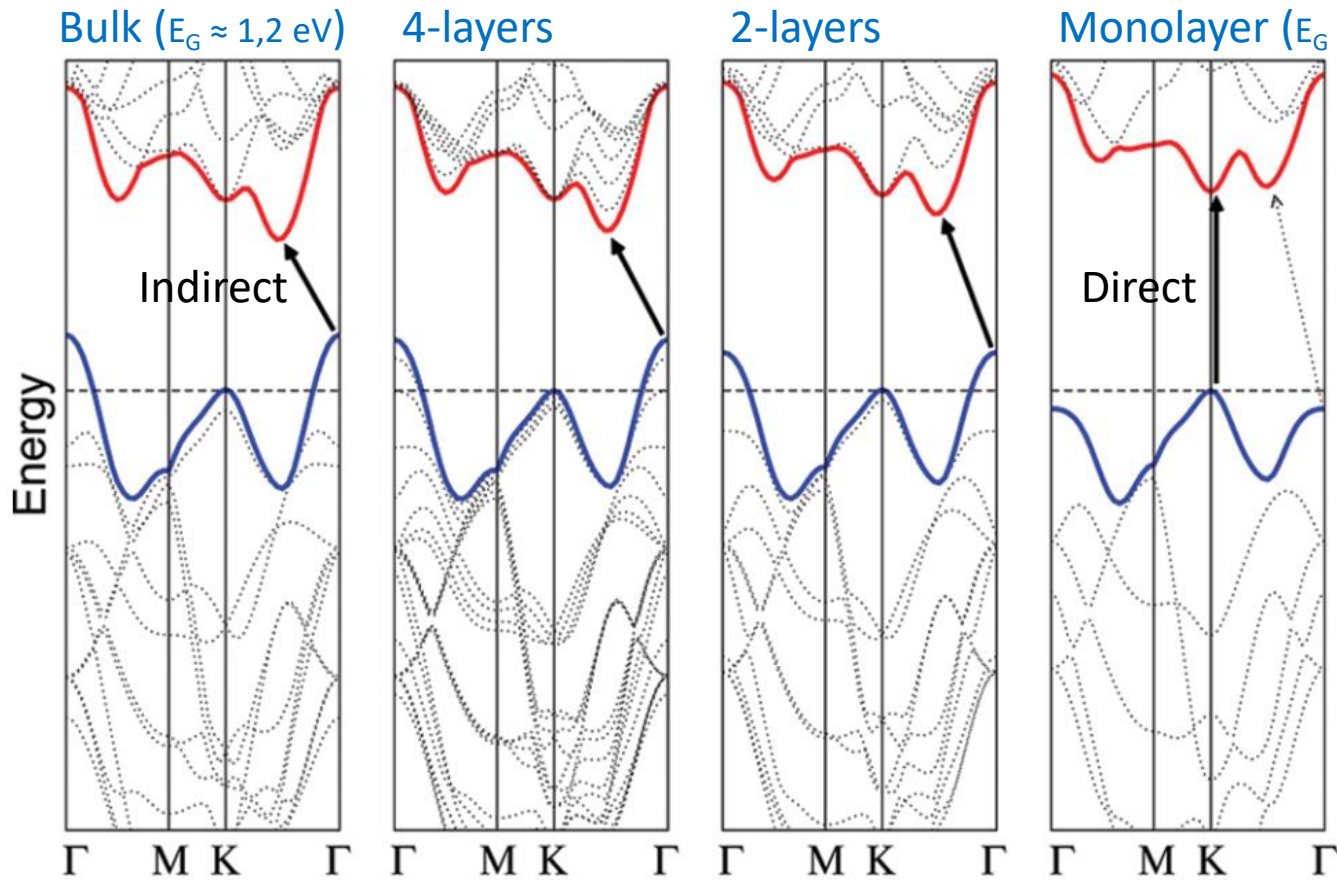


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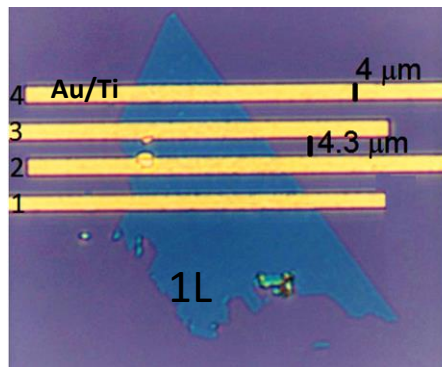
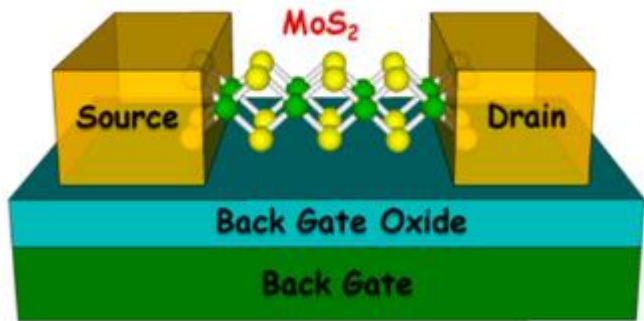
# MoS<sub>2</sub>

- Direct gap at monolayer
- Indirect gap with smaller  $E_G$  at few layers

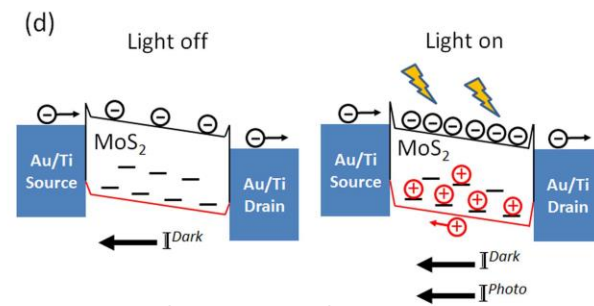
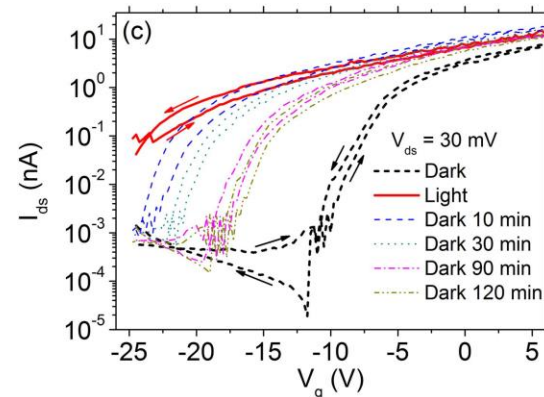
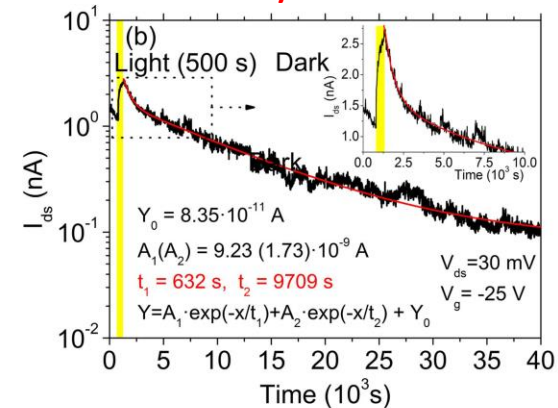
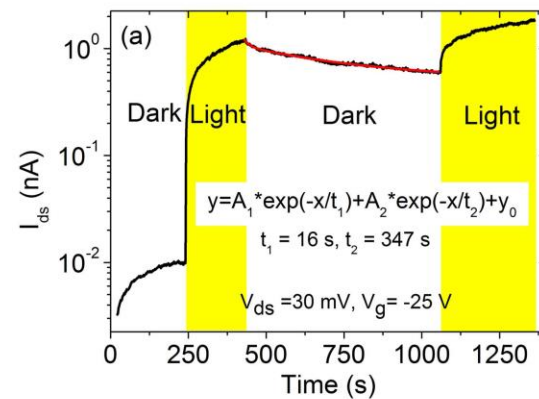




# Back-gated MoS<sub>2</sub> FETs

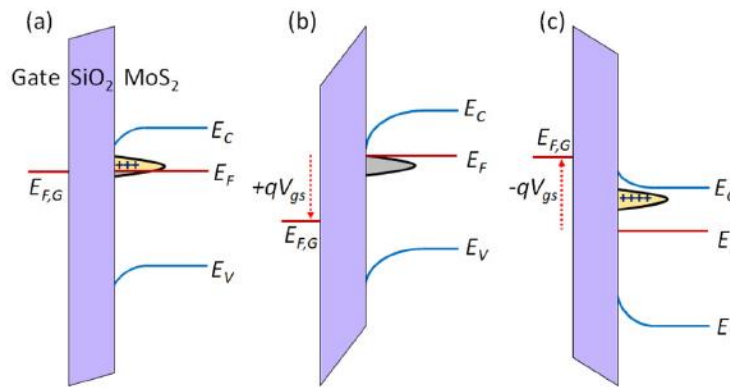
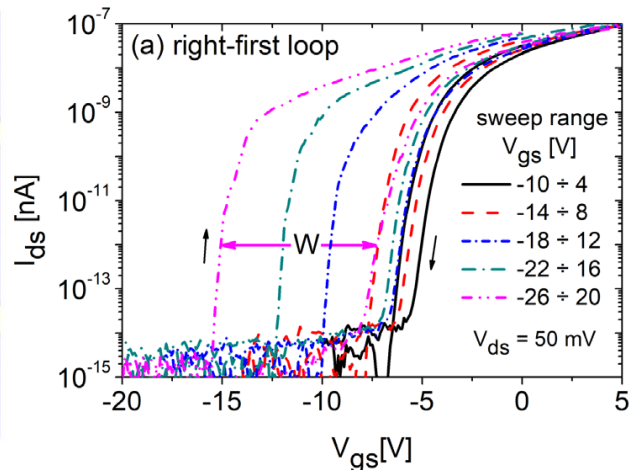
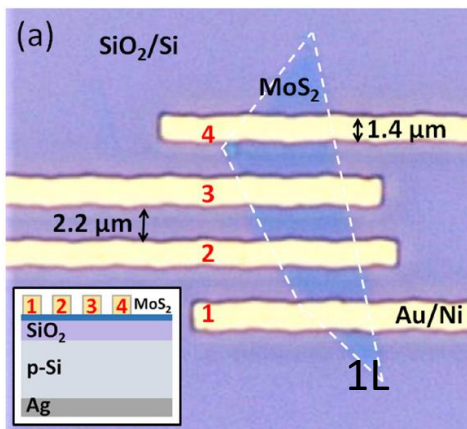


## Persistent photoconductivity

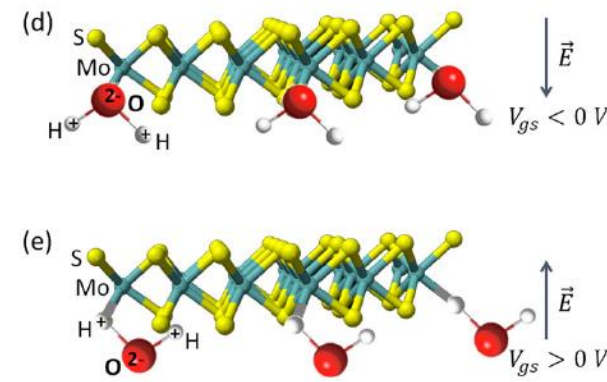


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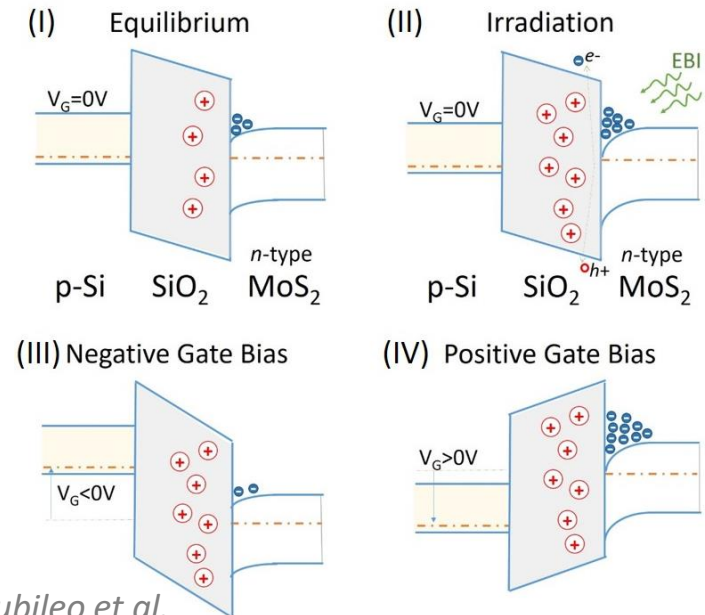
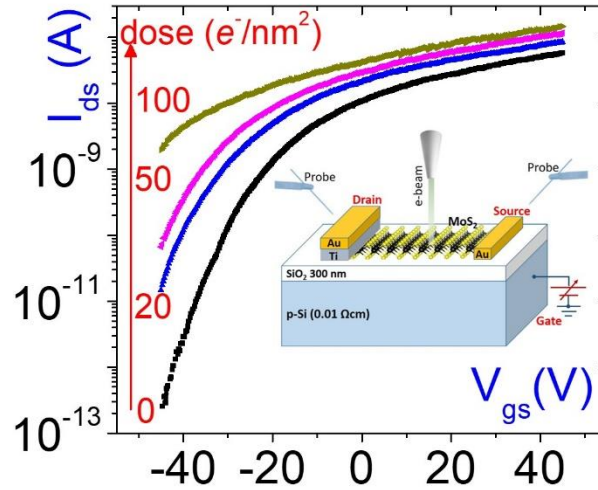
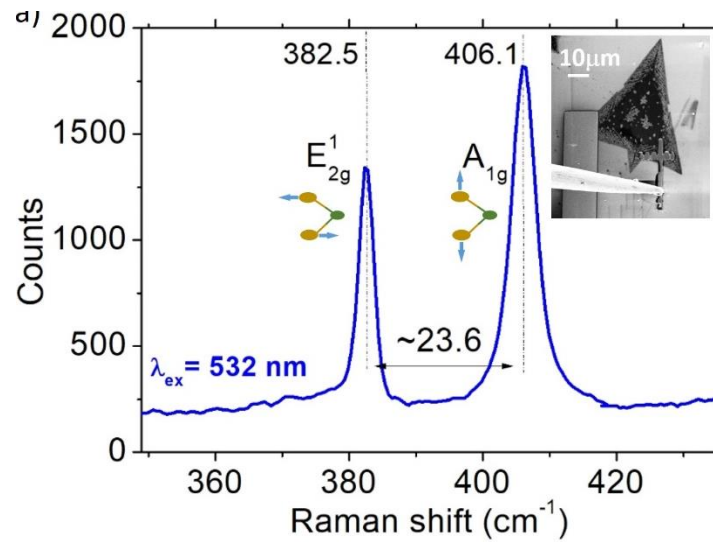
## Hysteresis in the transfer characteristics of MoS<sub>2</sub> transistors



*Di Bartolomeo et al 2018 2D Mater. 5 015014*

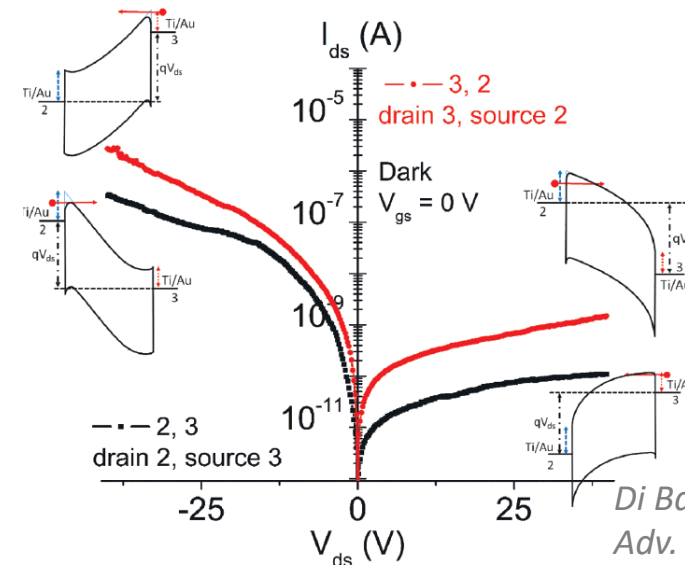
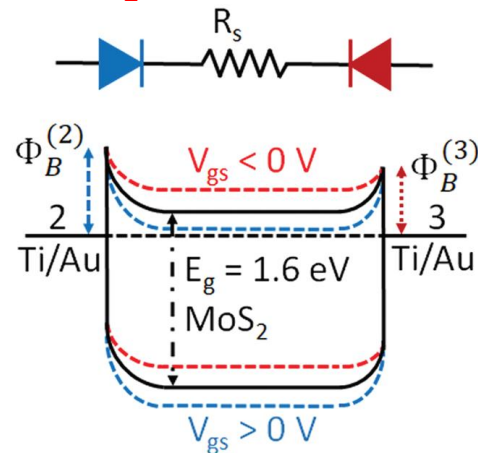
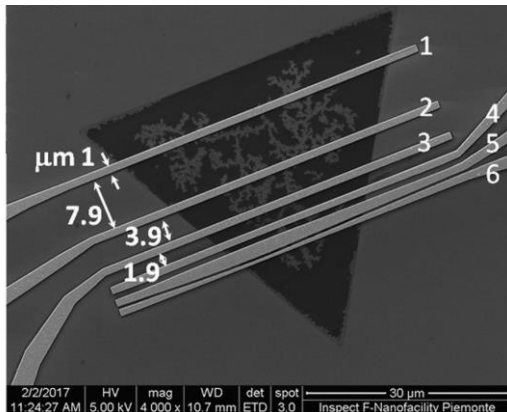


# Back-gated MoS<sub>2</sub> FETs



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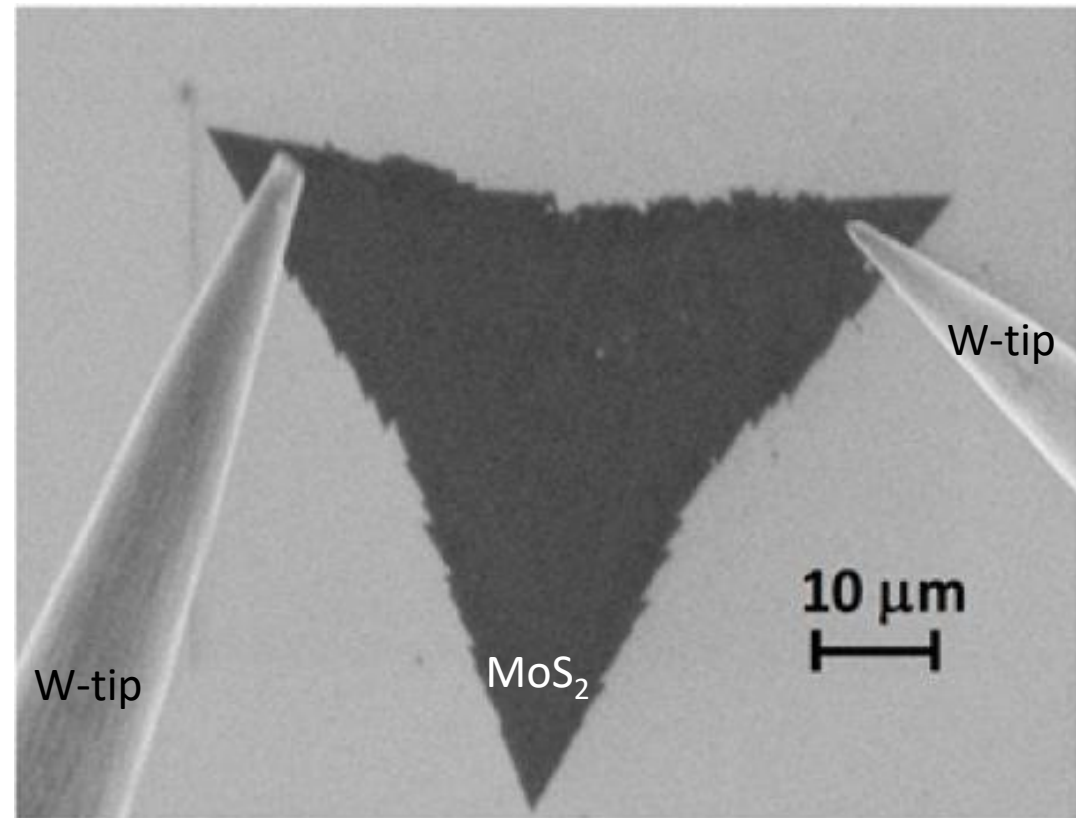
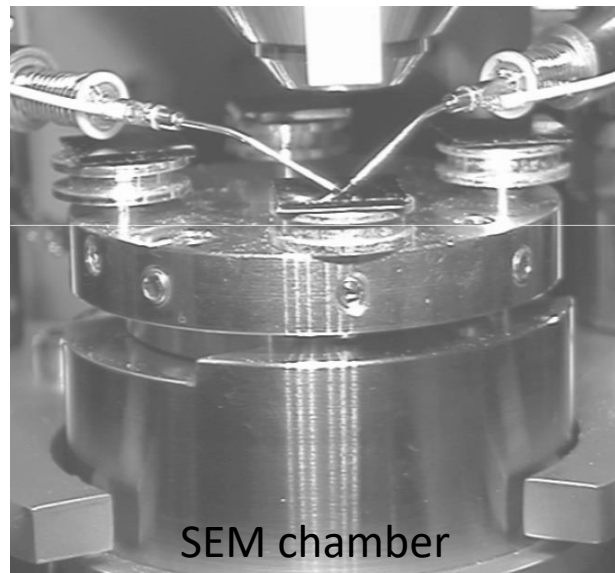
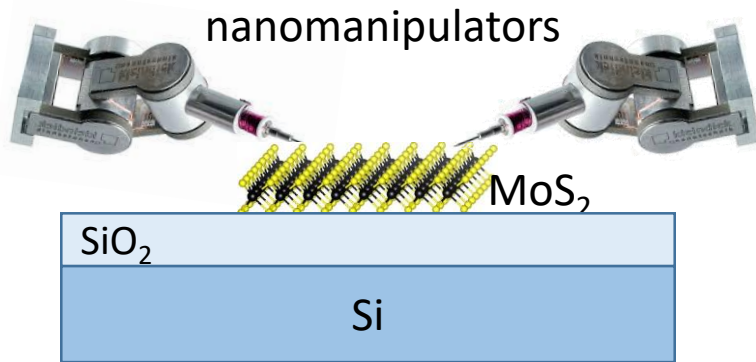
## Asymmetric Schottky Contacts in Bilayer MoS<sub>2</sub> FETs



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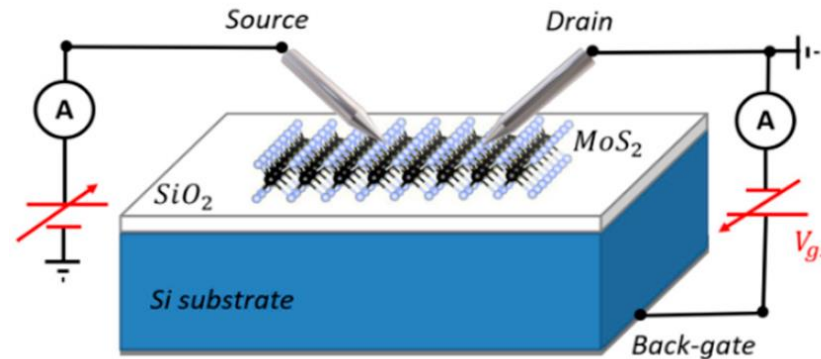


# Nanoprobes for direct contacting

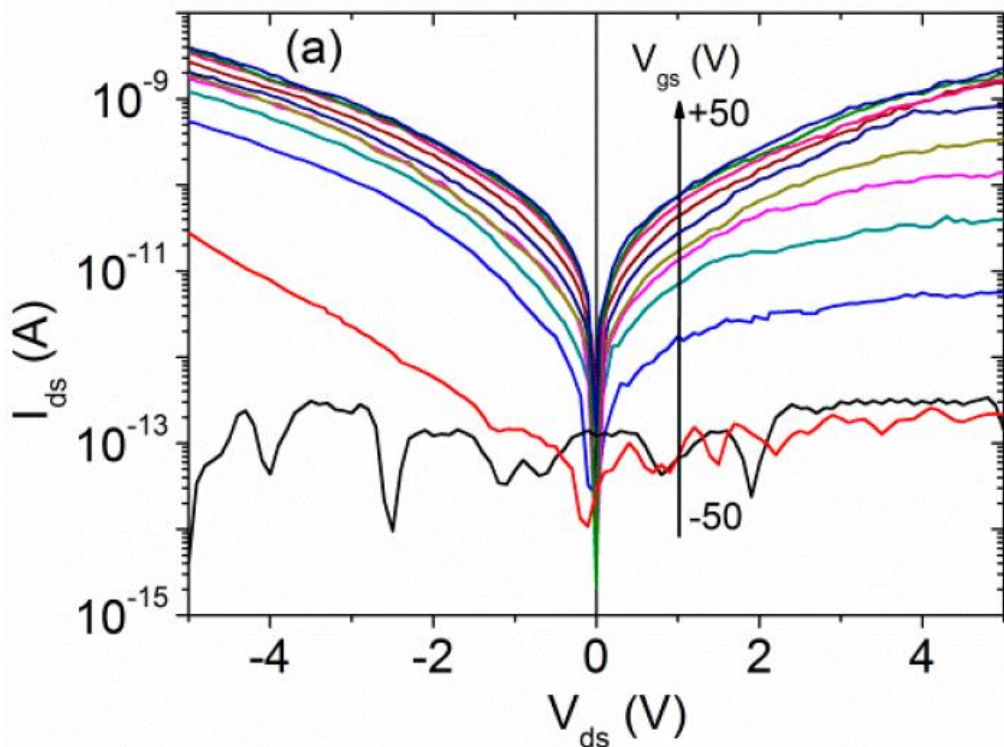


tungsten (W) tip  
curvature radius  $< 100\ \text{nm}$

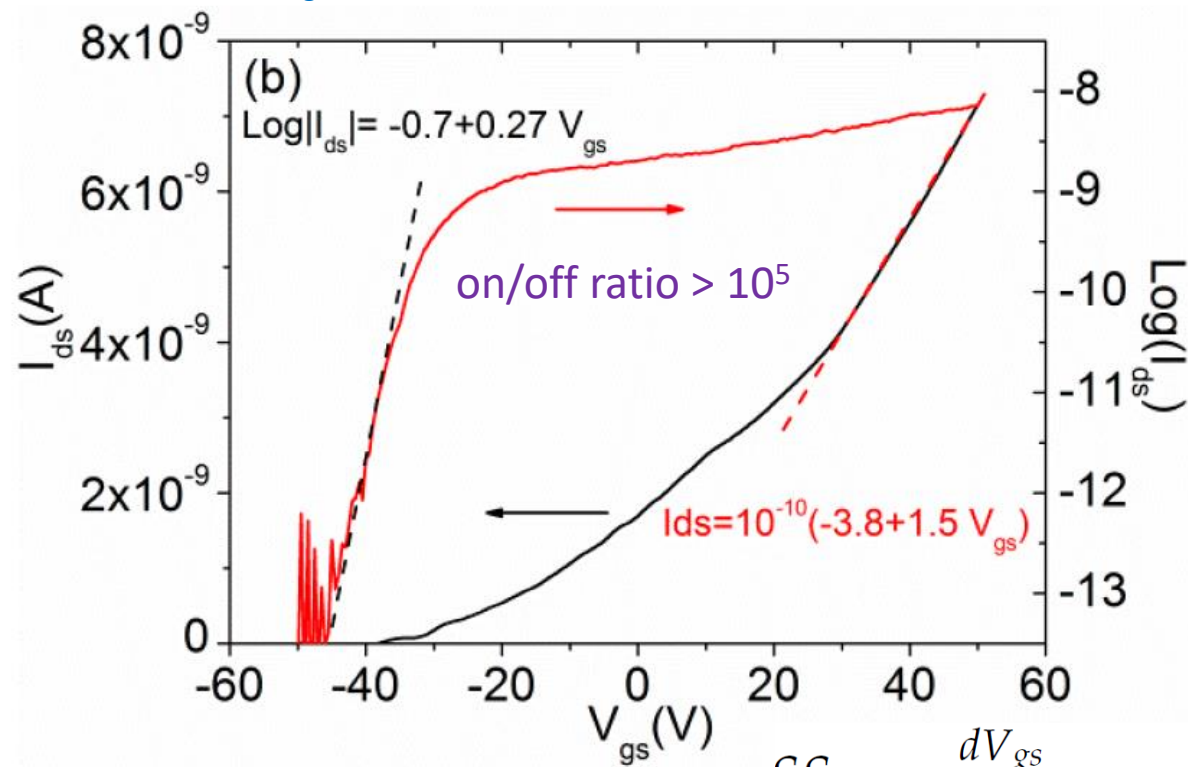
# Transistor characterization



$I_{ds}$ - $V_{ds}$  Output characteristics



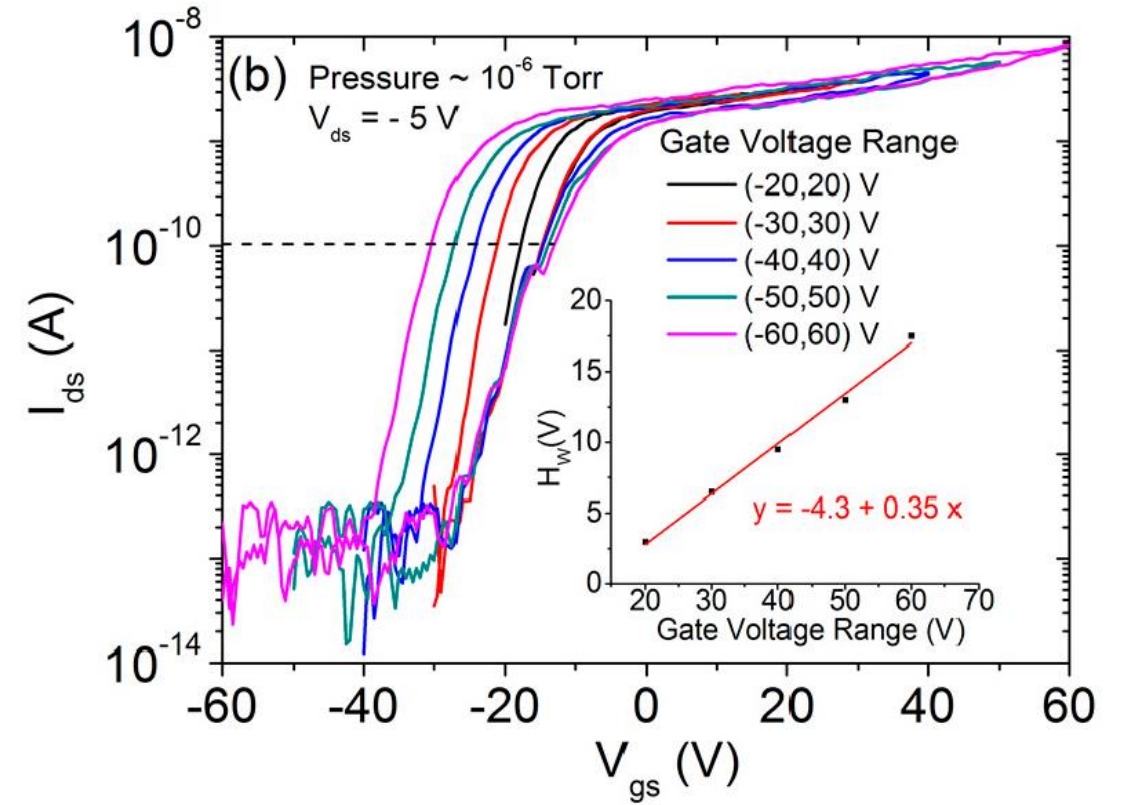
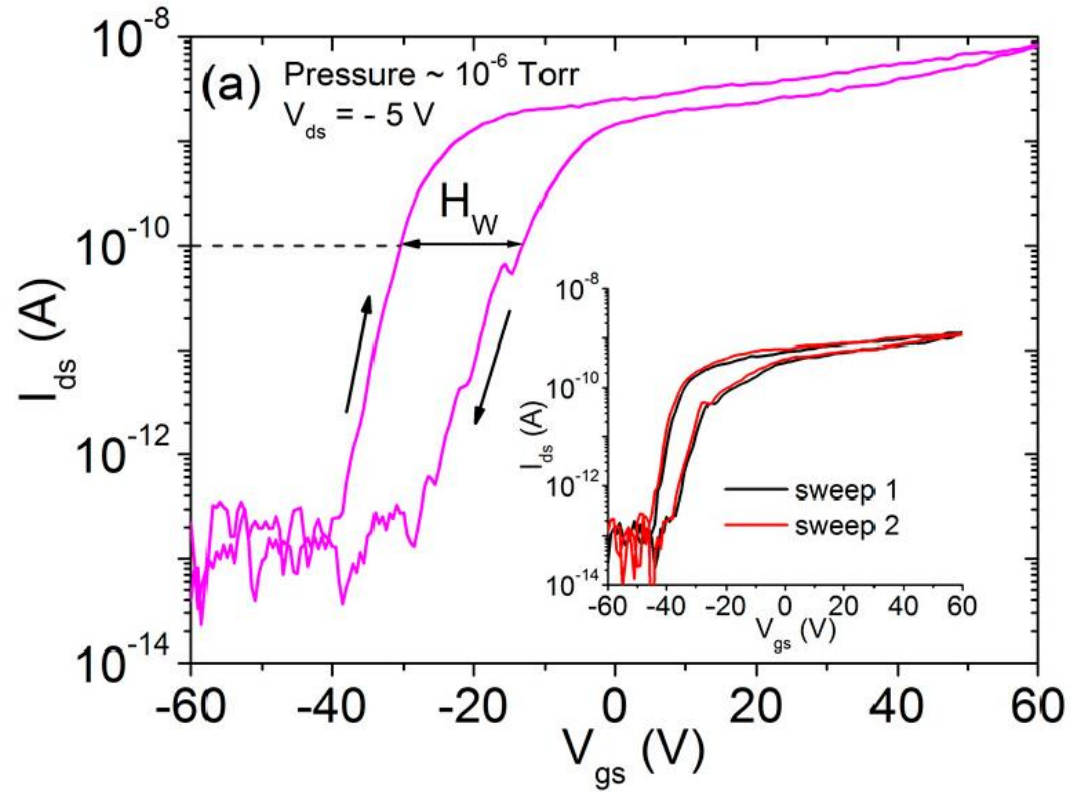
$I_{ds}$ - $V_{gs}$  Transfer characteristic



$$SS = \frac{dV_{gs}}{d\text{Log}(I_{ds})} \sim 4 \frac{\text{V}}{\text{decade}}$$

$$\mu = \frac{L}{W} \frac{1}{C_{SiO_2}} \frac{1}{V_{ds}} \frac{dI_{ds}}{dV_{gs}} \sim 1 \text{ cm}^2 \text{V}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$$

# Transistor characterization

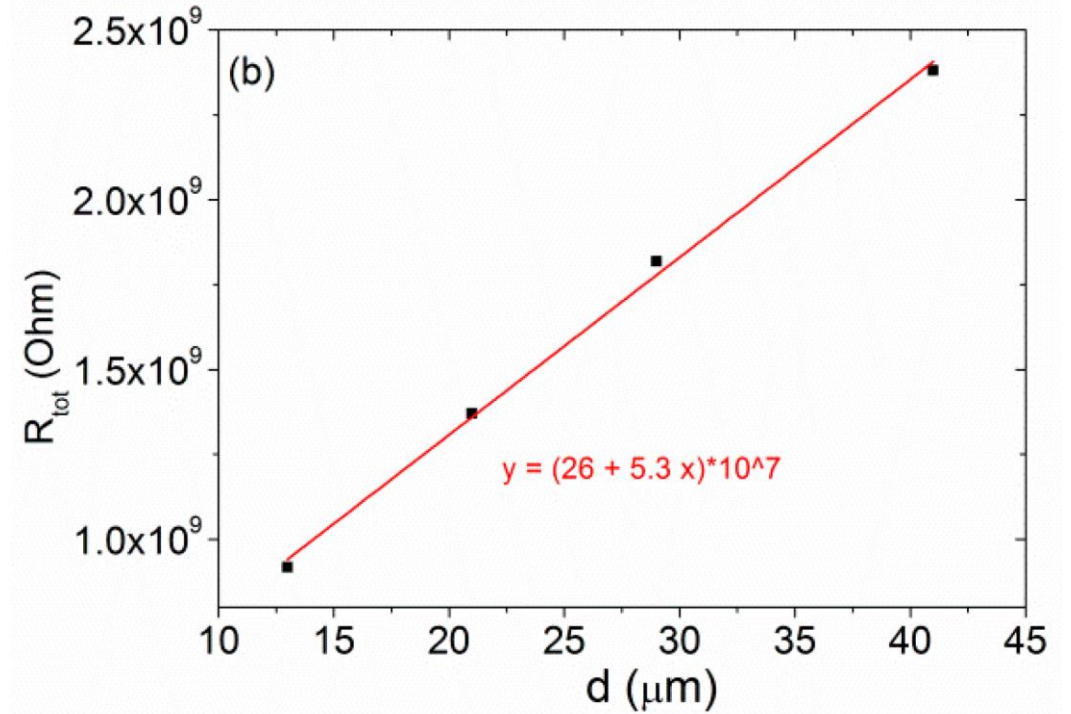
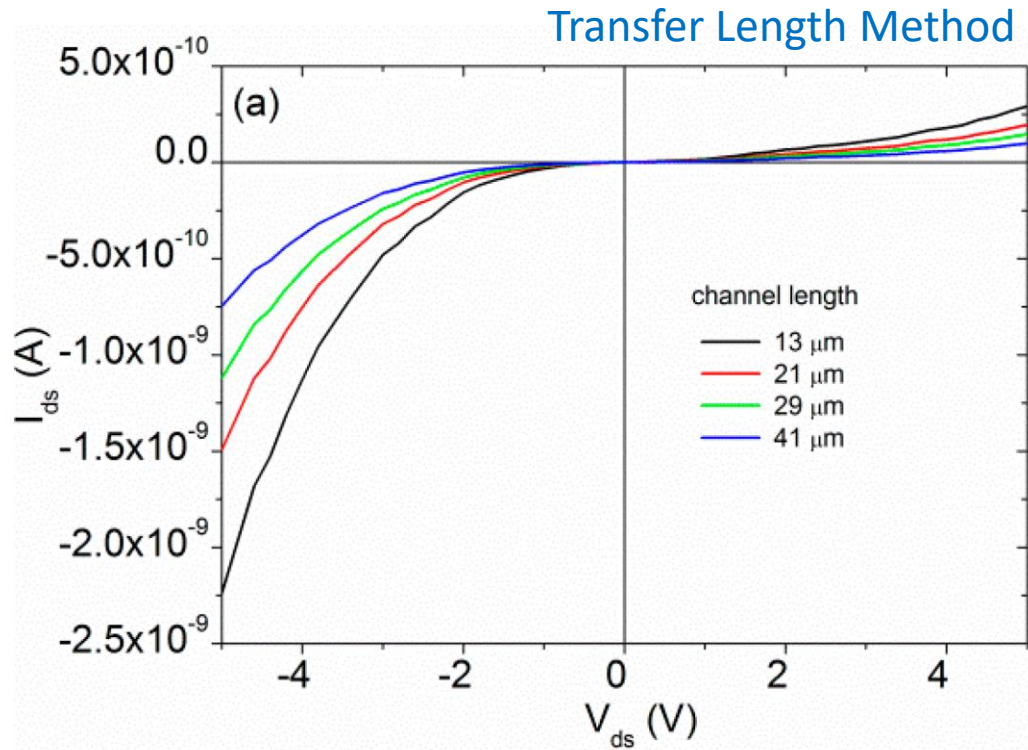




# MoS<sub>2</sub>/W-tip interface

$$R_{Tot} = 2R_C + R_{channel}$$

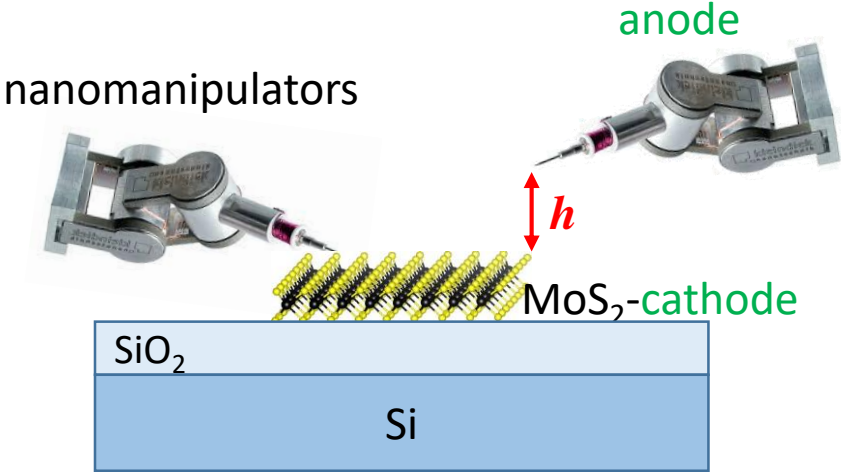
$$R_{channel} = R_{sheet} W d$$



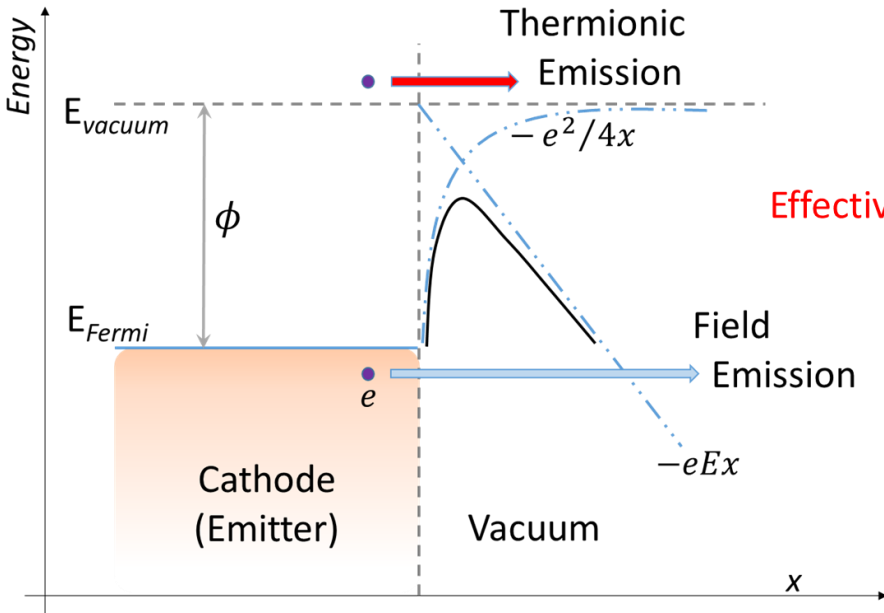
slope  $\Rightarrow R_{sheet} \approx 10^8 \Omega/\square$

intercept  $\Rightarrow \rho_C \approx 4 \times 10^{-2} \Omega\text{cm}^2$

# Field emission characterization



## Field Emission



## Fowler-Nordheim Theory

Field enhancement factor

Effective emitting area

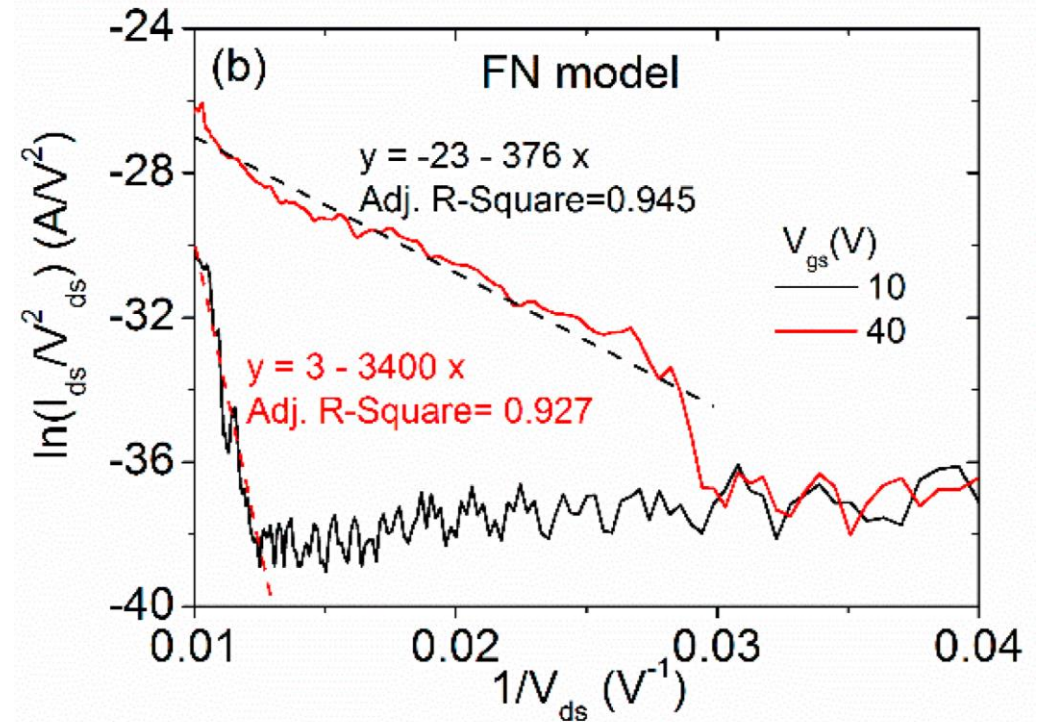
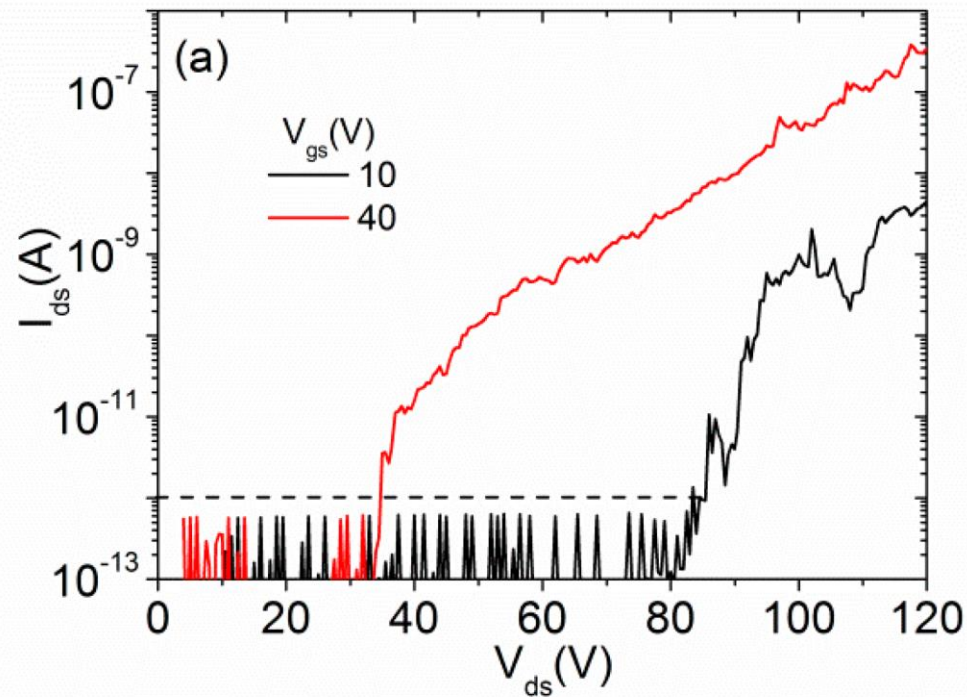
Electric field

Work function

$$I = S \cdot a \frac{\beta^2 E^2}{\phi} \exp\left(-b \frac{\phi^{3/2}}{\beta E}\right)$$

# Field emission characterization

$$\ln\left(\frac{I}{V^2}\right) \sim \frac{1}{V}$$



$E_{Turn-on} \approx 40V/\mu m$     $\beta \approx 200$    for  $h = 900 nm$

*An increased gate voltage enhances the n-doping of the flake and favours field emission*



# Conclusions

- We contacted MoS<sub>2</sub> nanosheets by nanomanipulated W-tips
- We characterized the MoS<sub>2</sub> transistor
  - $\mu \approx 1 \text{ cm}^2 \text{ V}^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$
  - $SS \approx 4 \text{ V/decade}$
  - $R_{sheet} \approx 10^8 \Omega/\square$
  - $\rho_C \approx 4 \times 10^{-2} \Omega \text{ cm}^2$
- We characterized the FE properties of MoS<sub>2</sub> nanosheet
  - $\beta \approx 200$  and  $E_{Turn-on} \approx 40 \text{ V}/\mu\text{m}$  at  $h = 900 \text{ nm}$
- FE current is modulated by the gate