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Solar energy conversion van der Waals heterostructures

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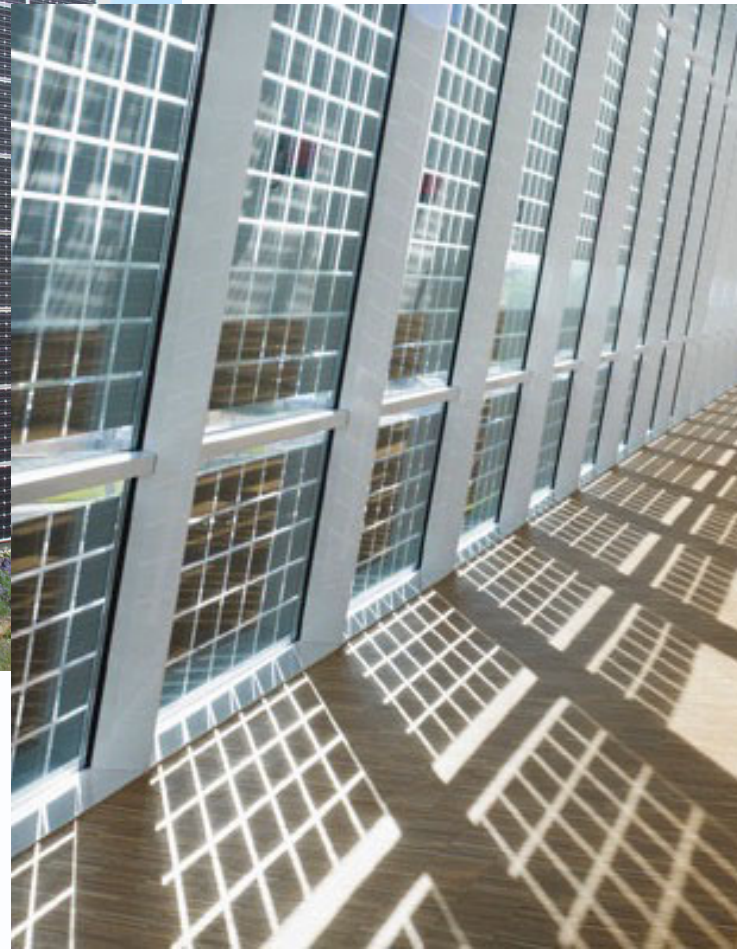
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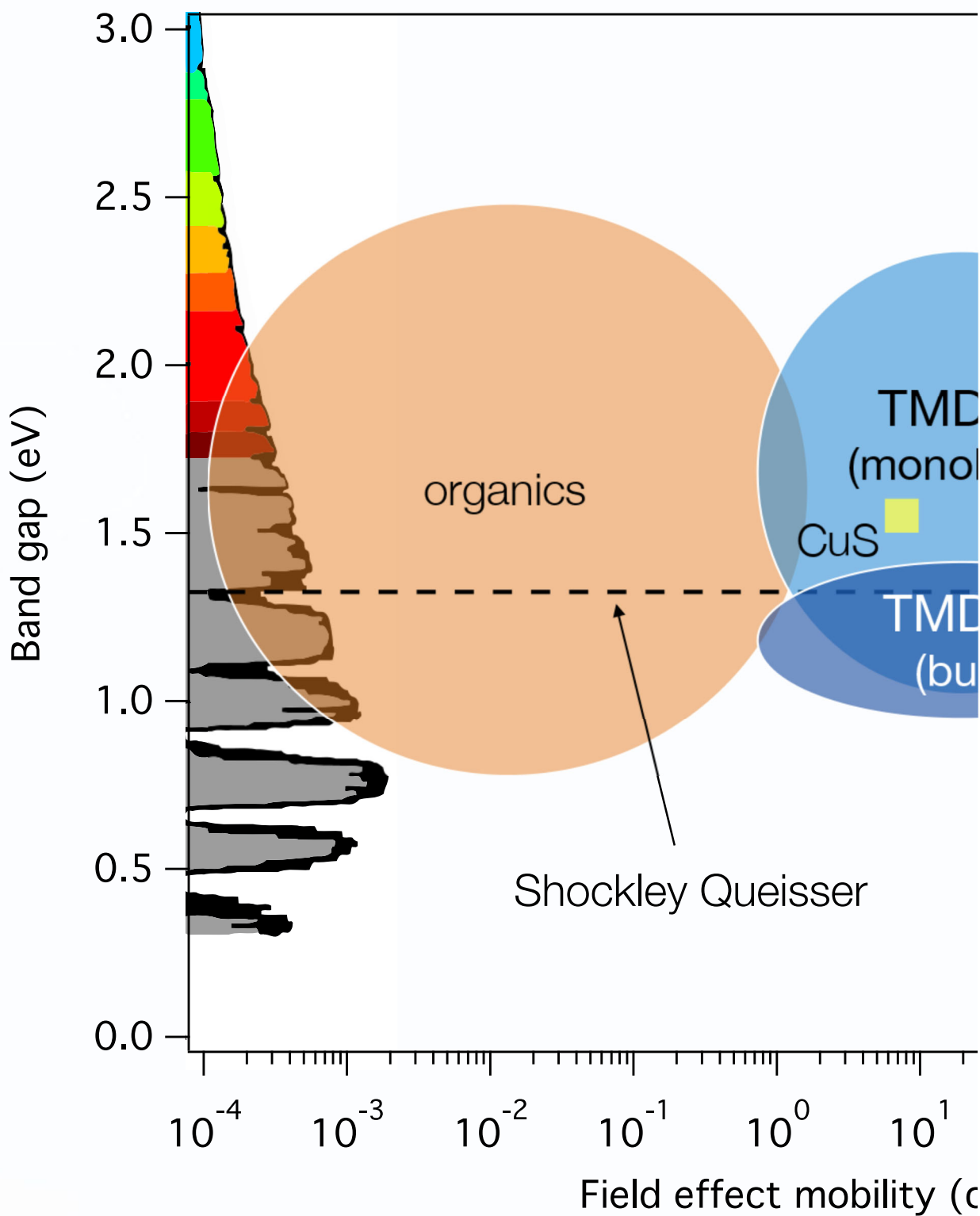


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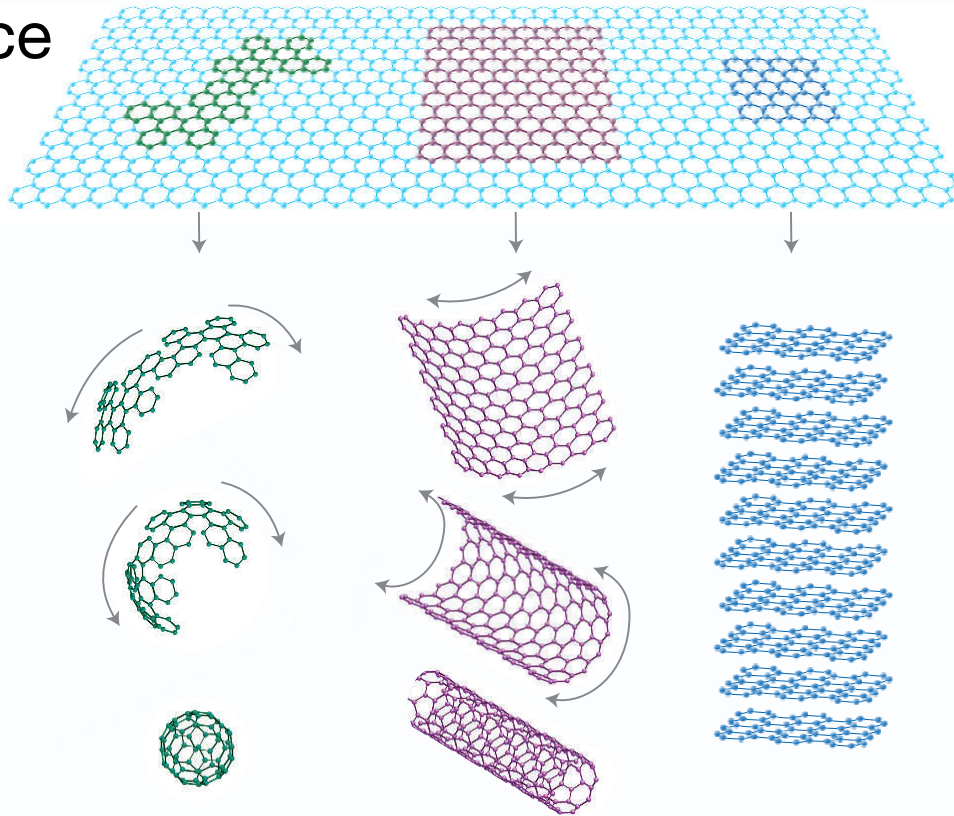
Photovoltaic materials



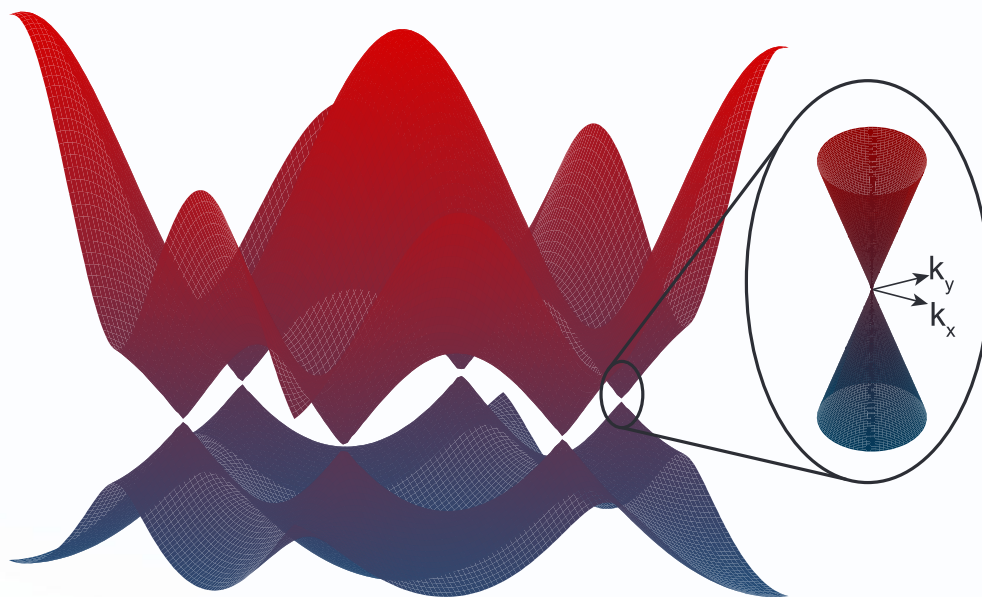
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Graphene

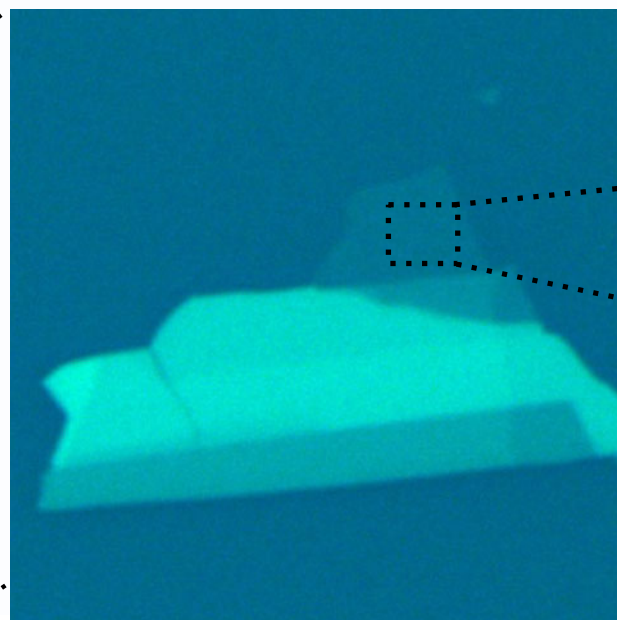
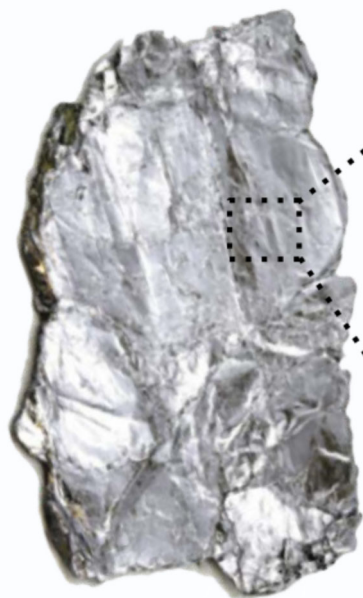
Lattice



Bandstructure



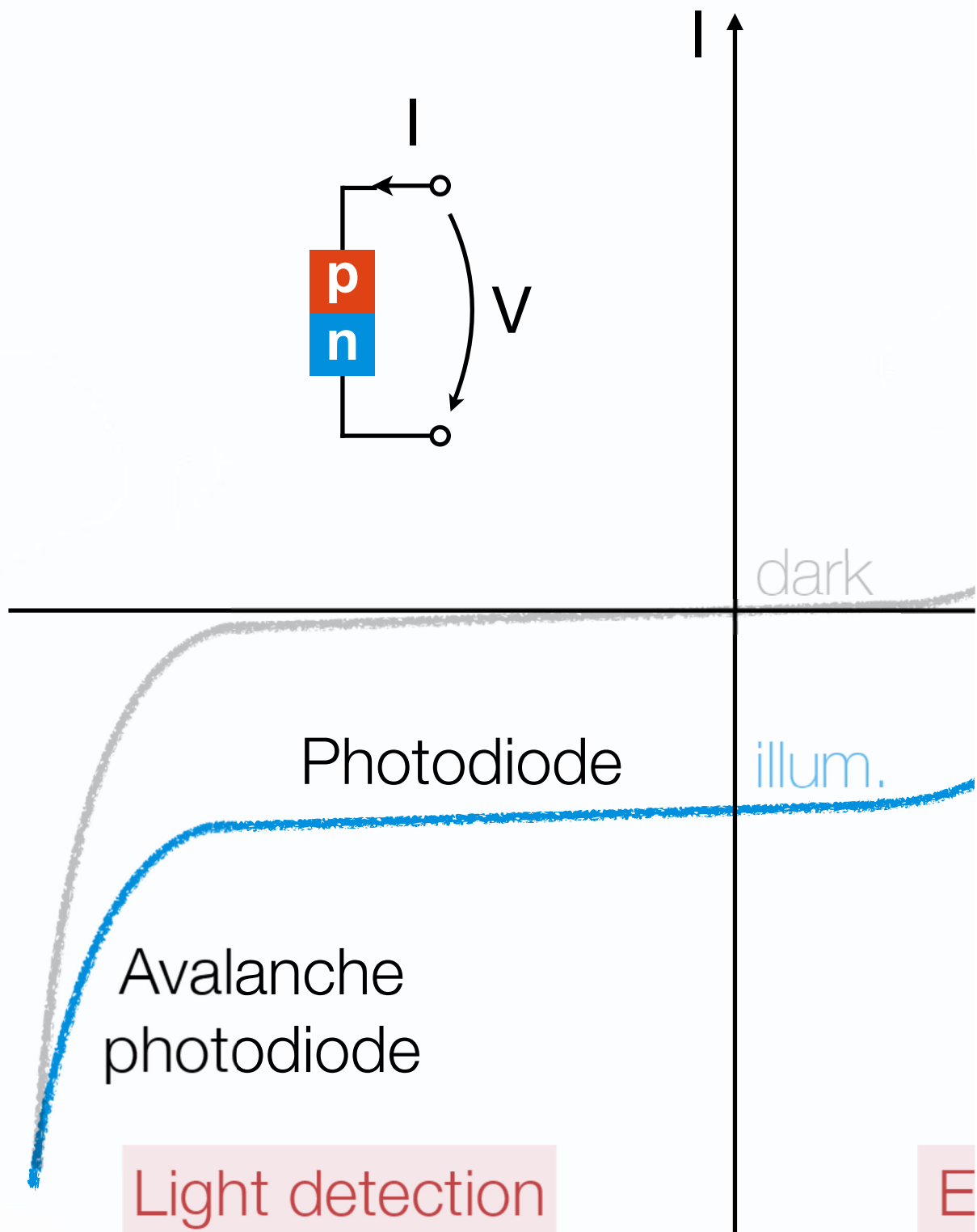
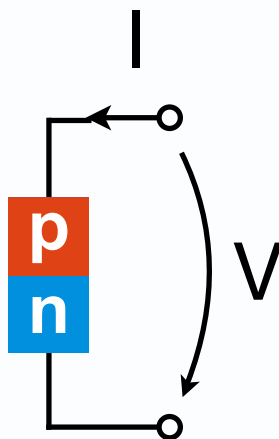
Transition metal dichalcogenide



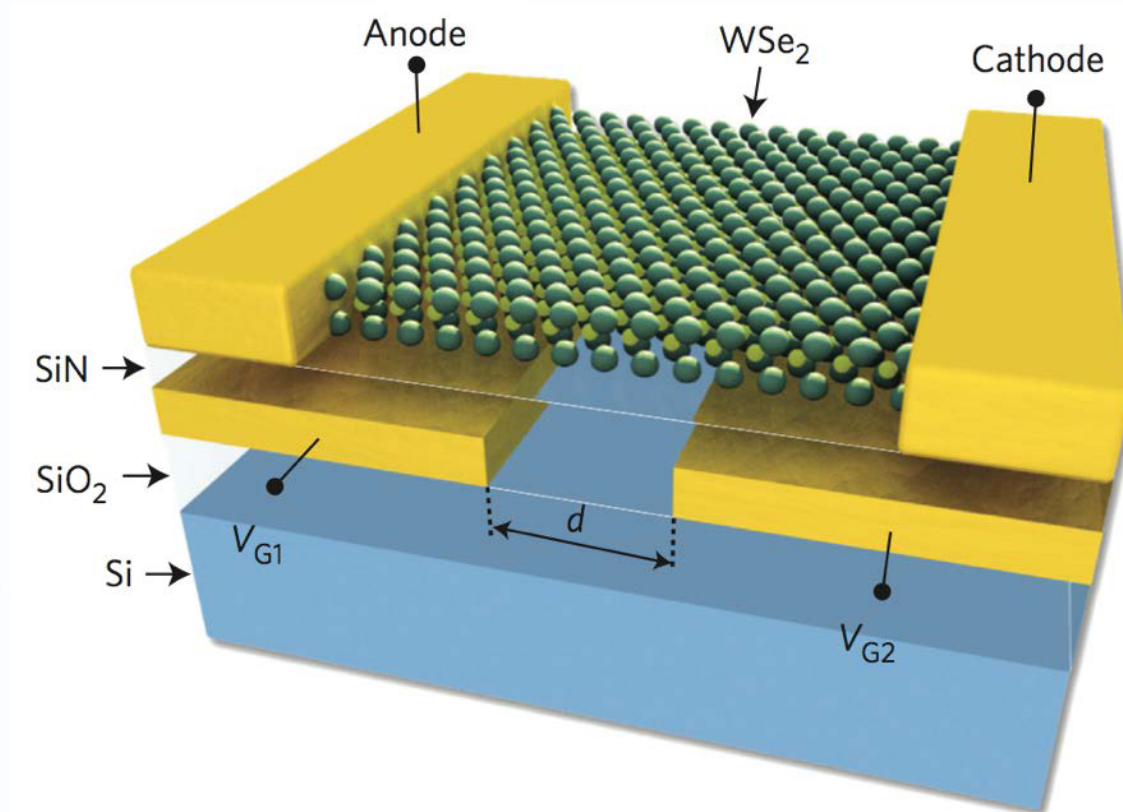
MX_2
M = Transition metal
X = Chalcogen

H											
Li	Be										
Na	Mg	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
K	Ca	Sc	Ti	V	Cr	Mn	Fe	Co	Ni	Cu	
Rb	Sr	Y	Zr	Nb	Mo	Tc	Ru	Rh	Pd	Ag	
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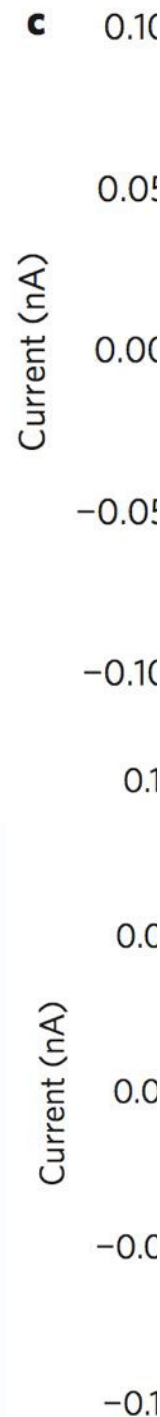
p-n junctions



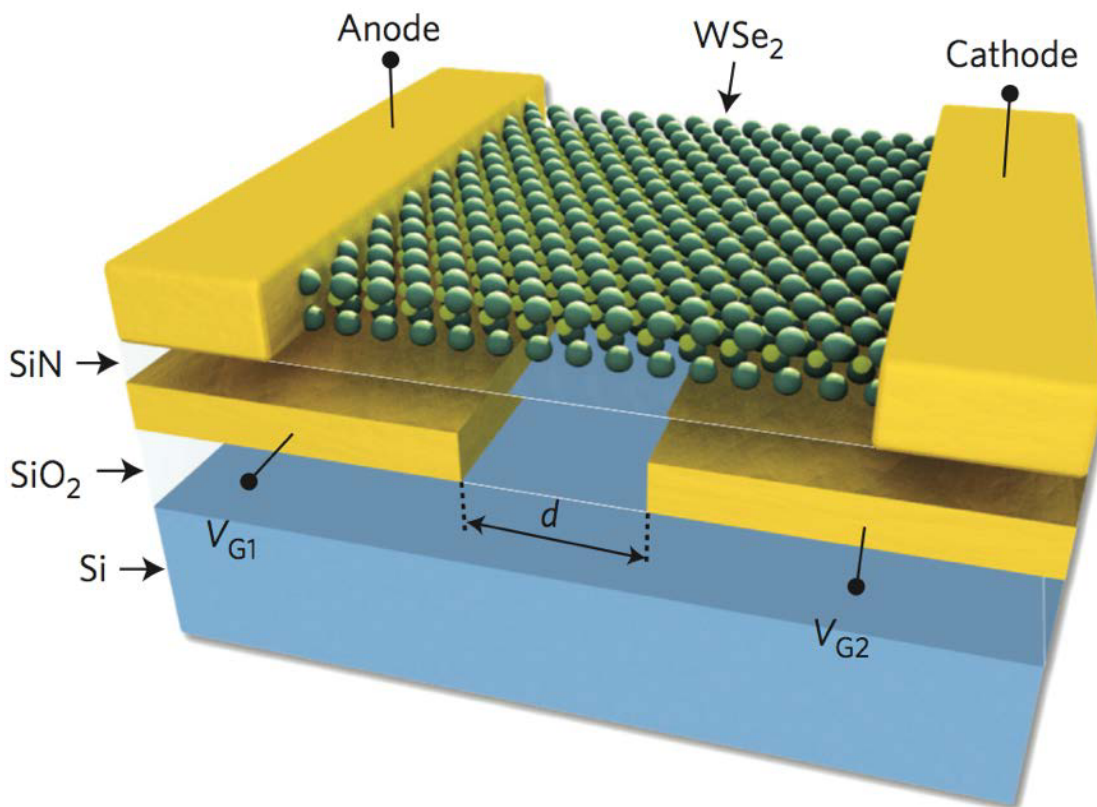
WSe₂ lateral p-n junction



- p-n junction diode
- photodetector
- solar cell
- light emission

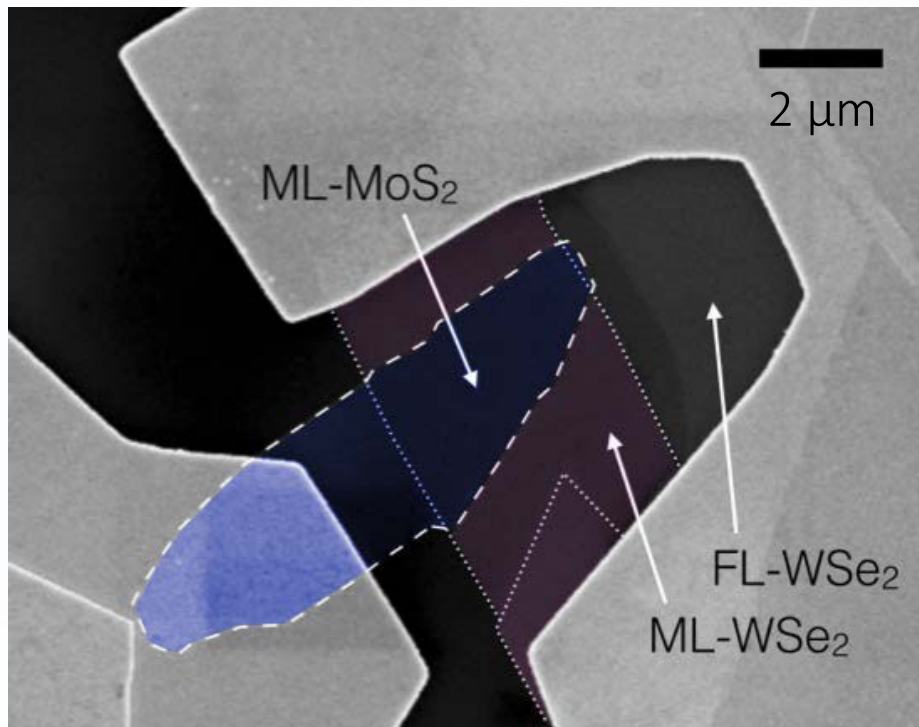
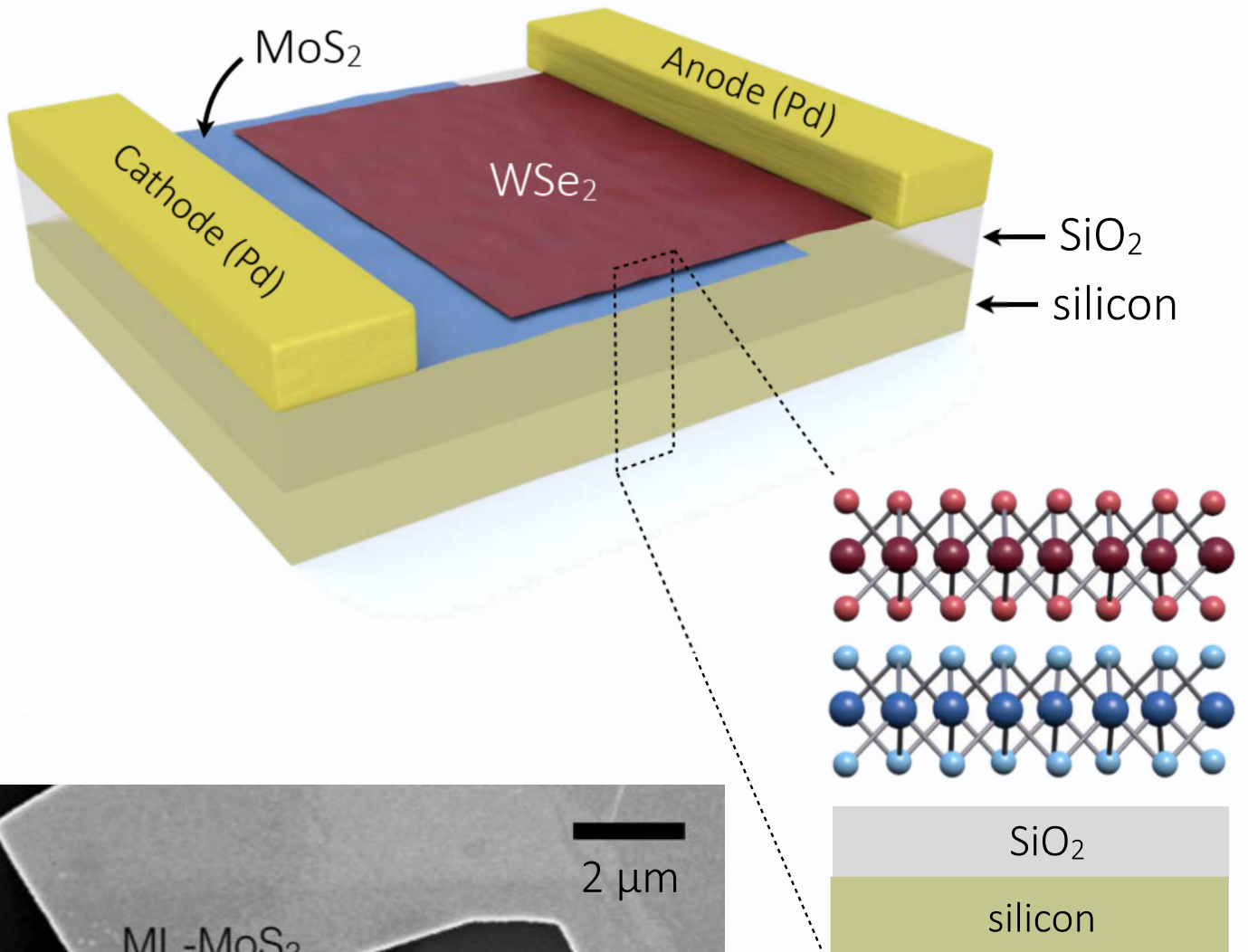


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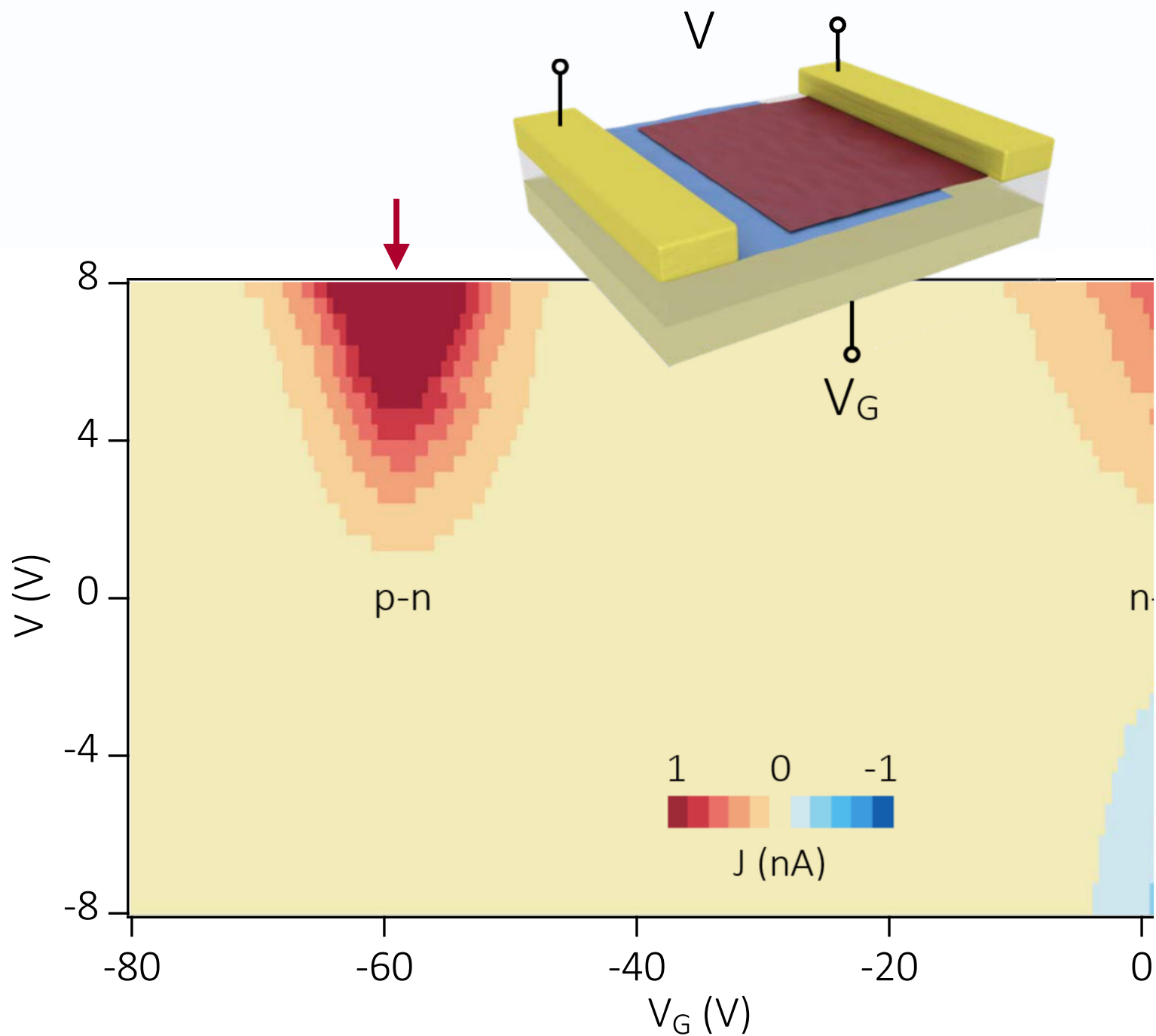
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Van der Waals p-n heterojunction

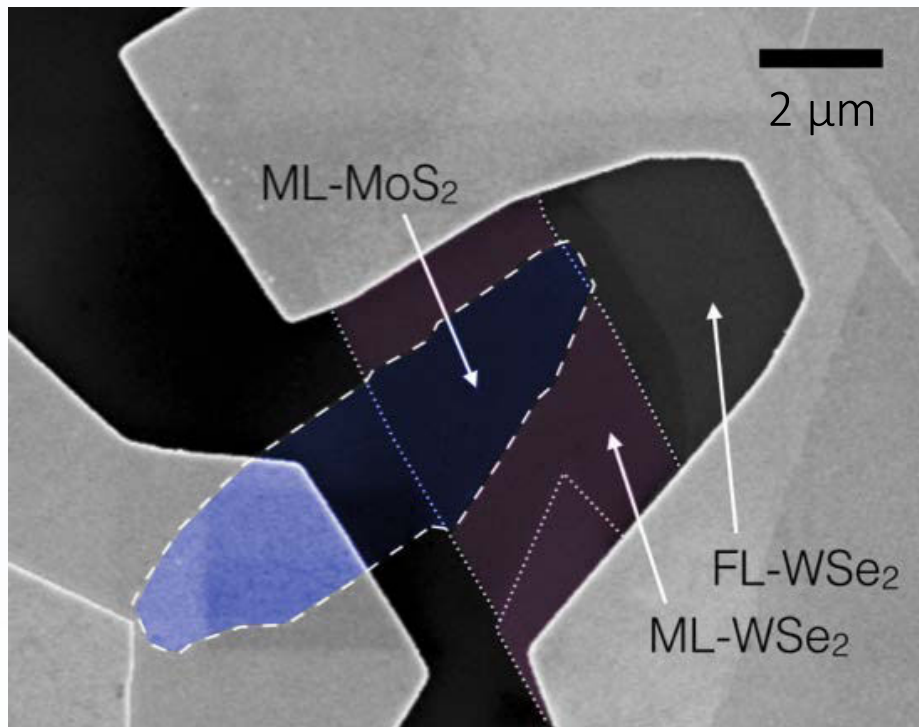
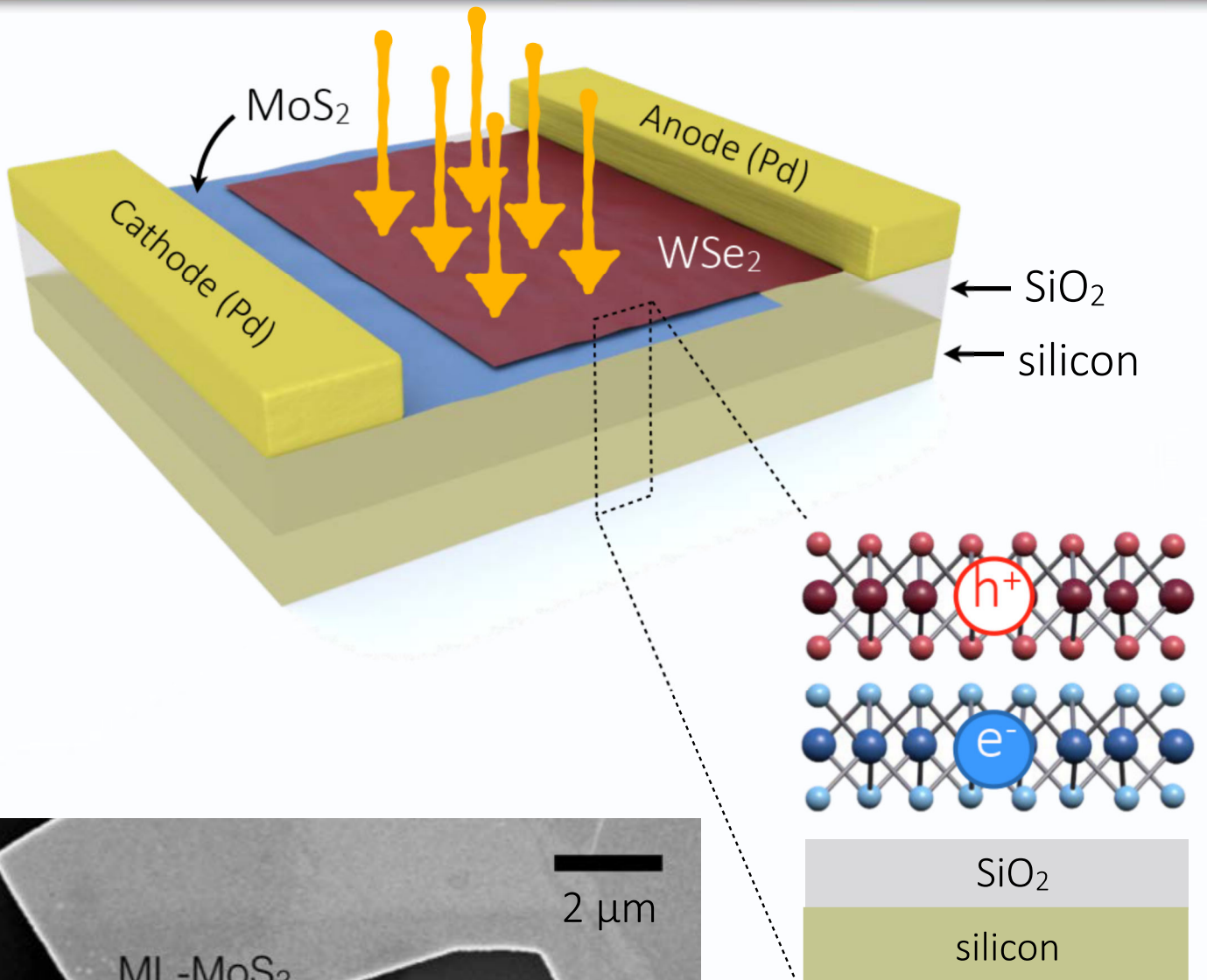


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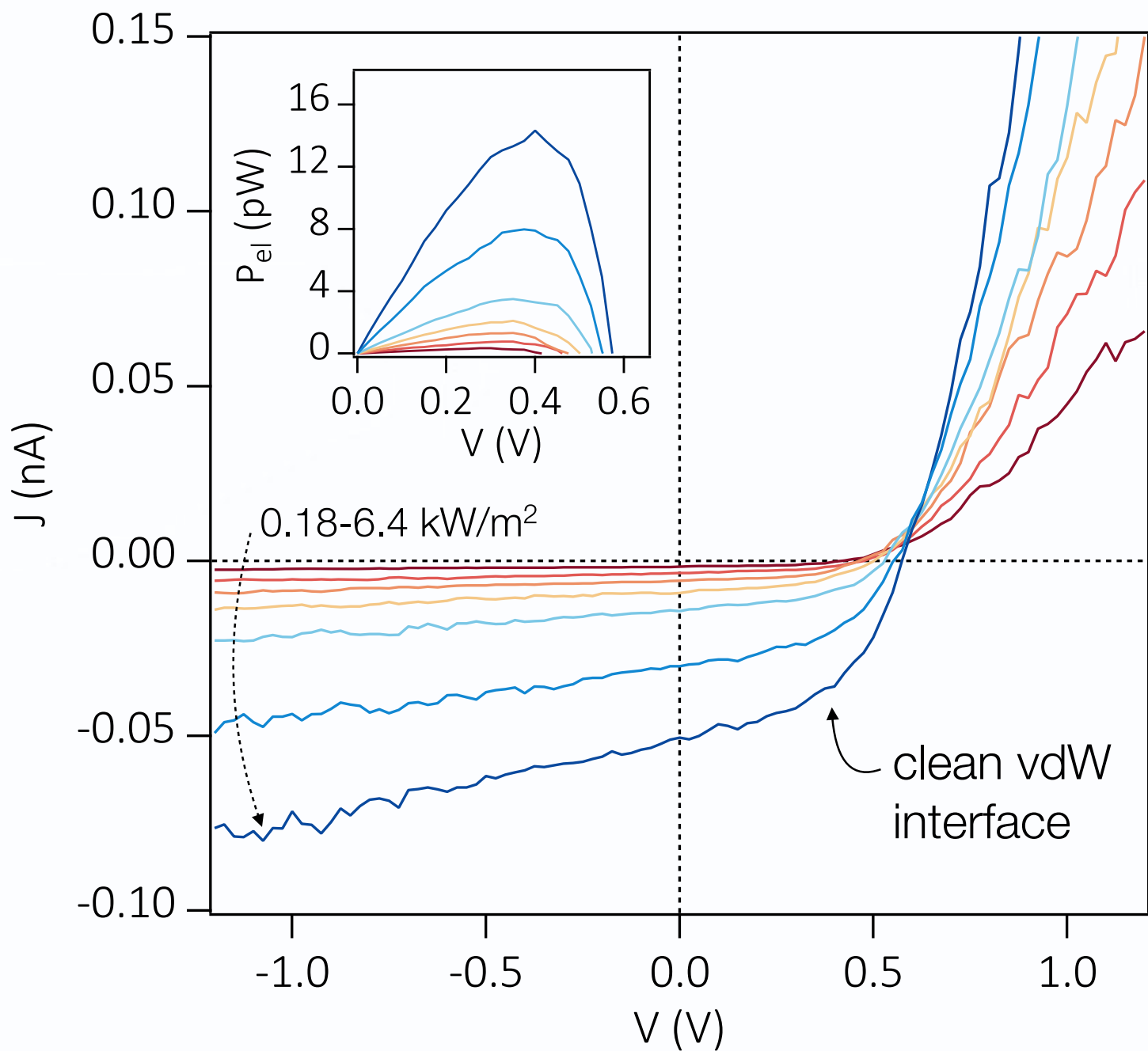
Electrical characteristics



Van der Waals heterojunction



Photovoltaic effect in a vdW h



Summary

- TMDs could be an option for next-generation devices (low-cost, flexibility, transparency, weight)
- Stacks of two (or more) TMDs can be used to form heterostructures
- Our vdW heterostructure devices can be used for diodes, photodiodes and solar cells

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