

Single photon emitters in sc-TMD (WSe_2) structures (and in hexagonal boron nitride)

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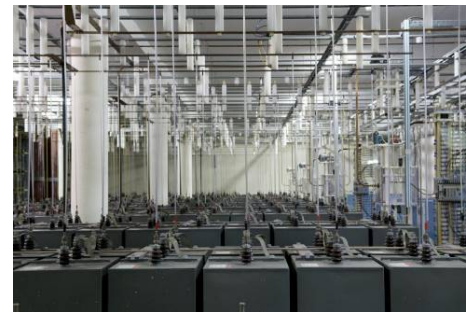
- Development of high magnetic field installations & instrumentation
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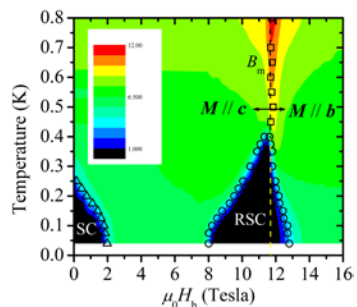
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37 T / 43 T in project



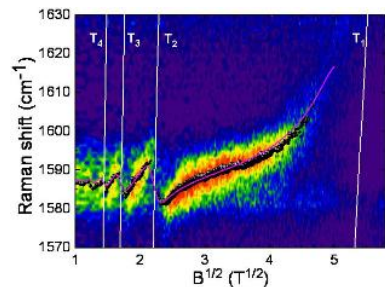
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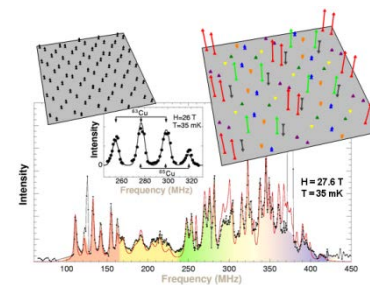
Correlated fermions, superconductivity



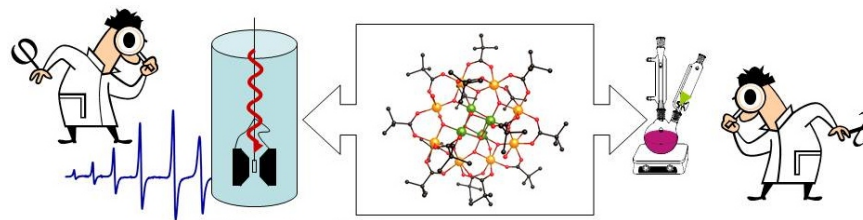
Semiconductors and nanophysics
 atomically thin 2D systems (graphene, TMDs)
 Dirac matter, topological insulators
 quantum dots
 optics and transport



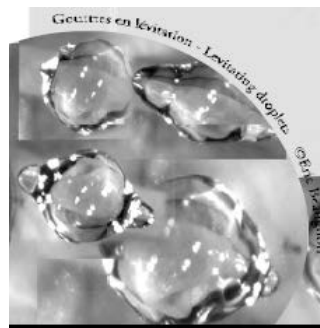
Applied superconductivity



Quantum magnetism

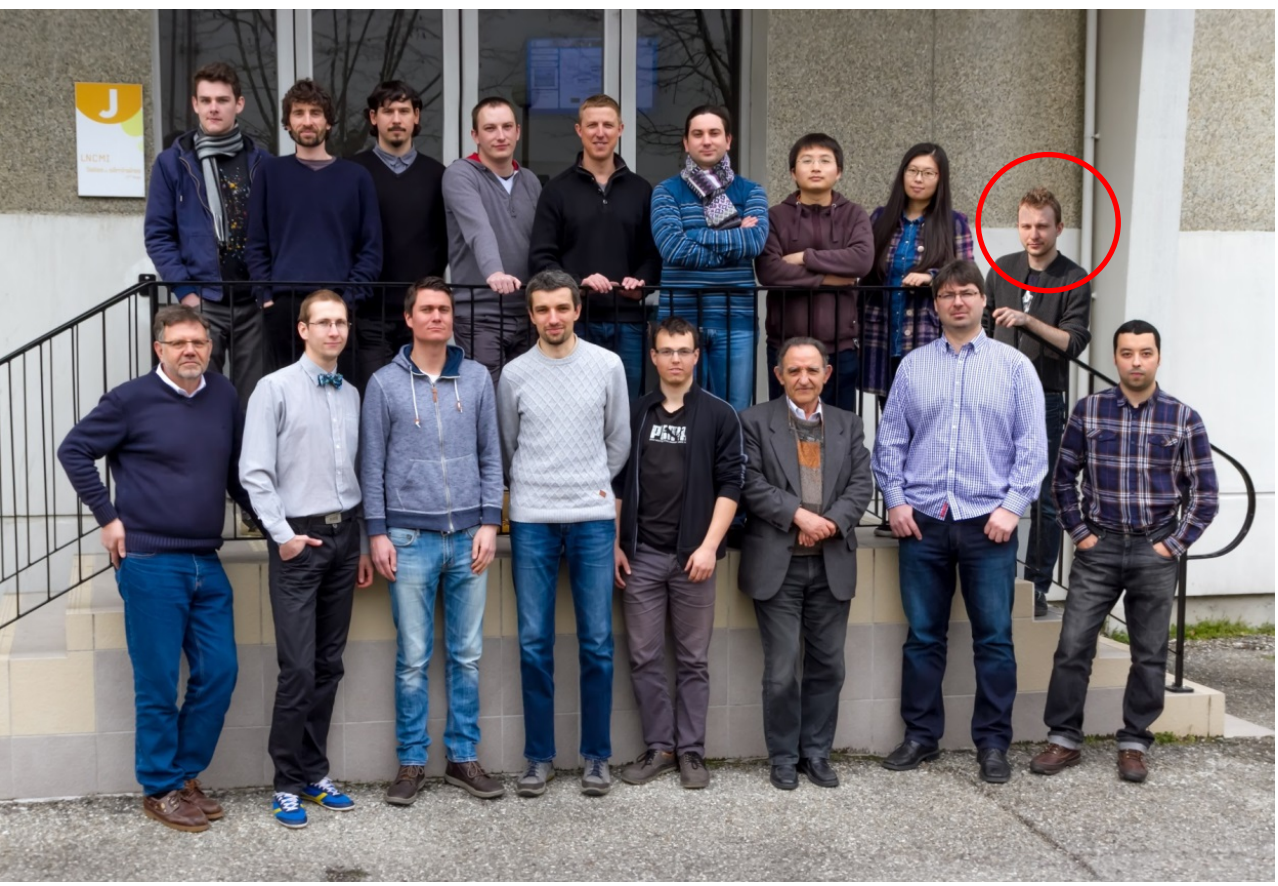


Chemistry



Magnetoscience levitation, elaboration under magnetic field

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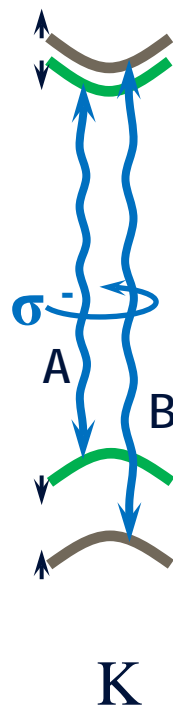
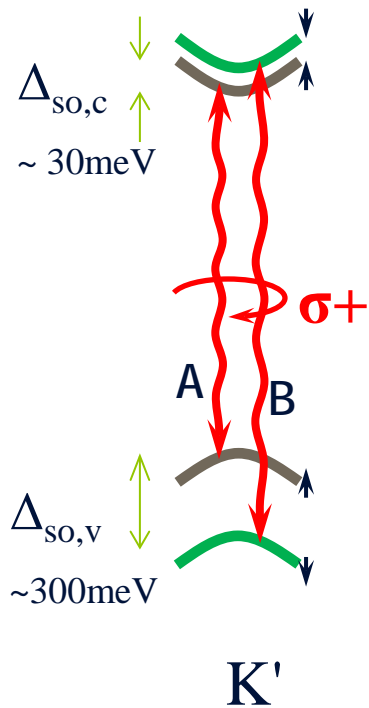
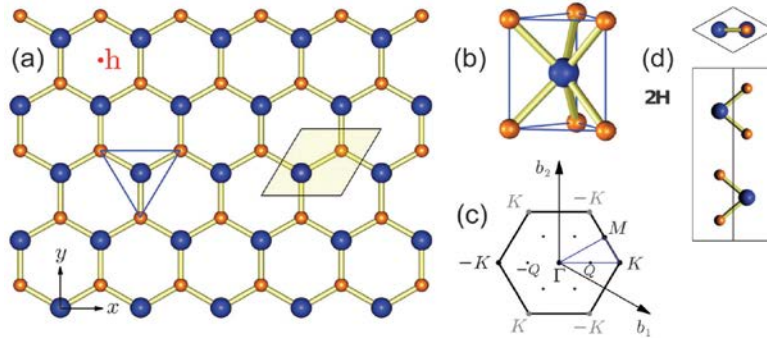
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Atomically thin semiconducting transition metal dichalcogenides

$\text{WSe}_2, \text{MoSe}_2, \text{WS}_2, \text{MoS}_2, \text{MoTe}_2, \dots$ (S-TMDs)



light emitting devices
(optically bright monolayers)
+
opto-valley-tronics
(robust valley pseudospin ?)

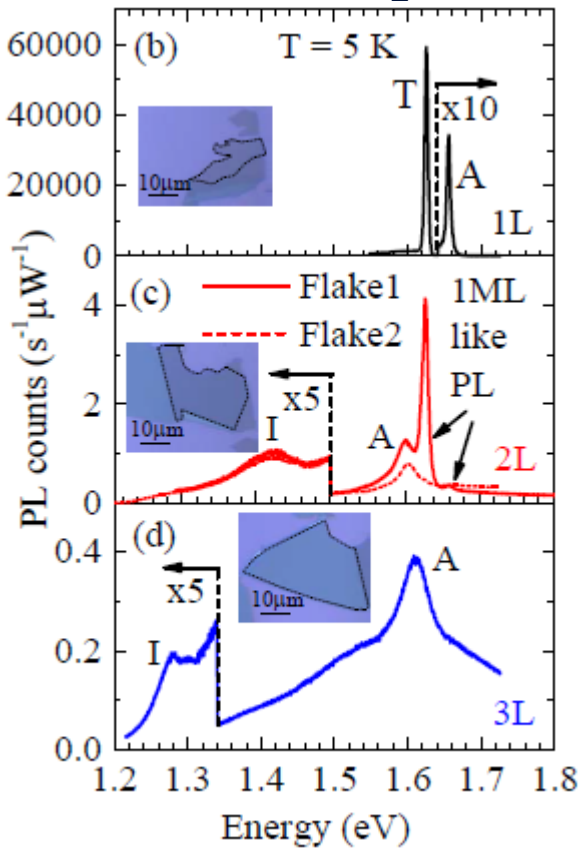
+
..., interesting physics

Direct gap monolayers and indirect gap N-layers

A. Splendiani *et al.*, Nano Lett. 10, 1271 (2010).
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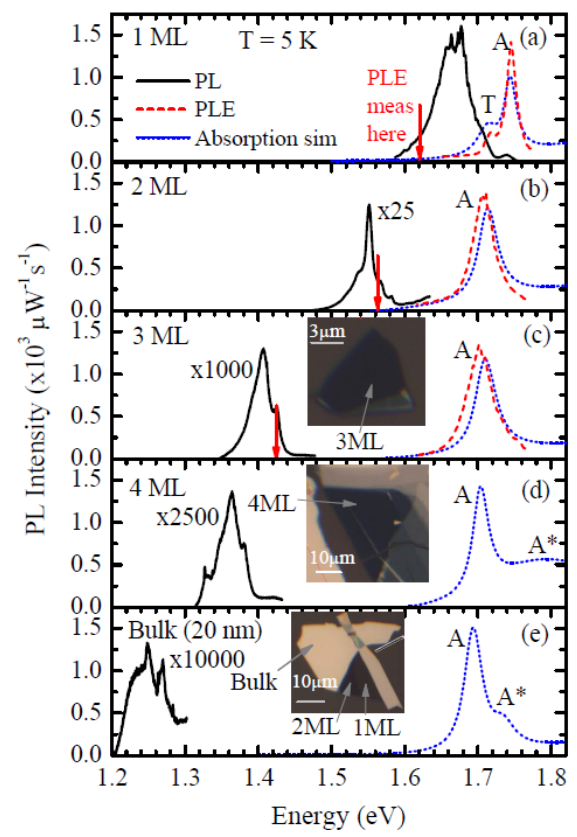
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MoSe₂



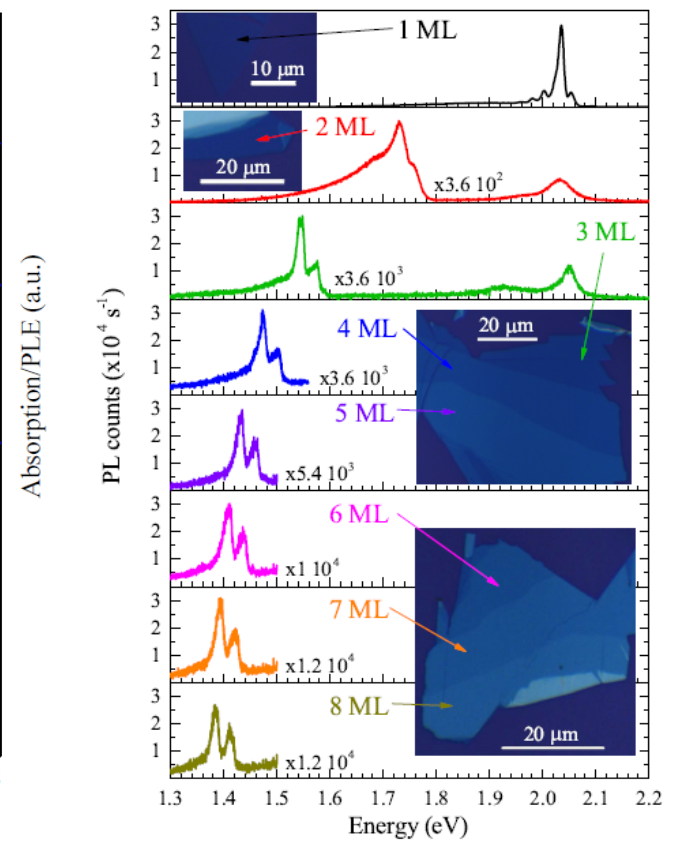
A. Arora *et al.*
 Nanoscale (2015)

WSe₂



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WS₂



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2D materials \rightarrow (1D), 0D materials ?

quantum (single electron) electronics (graphene) \checkmark
nano - lithography (~ 100 nm) + electrostatic gating

quantum (single photon) photonics
single objects (~ 10 nm) ?

making profit of imperfections !

2D \rightarrow 0D (past experience)

semiconductor heterojunctions/quantum wells :
interface imperfections (lattice mismatch)

Effect of Strain on Surface Morphology in Highly Strained InGaAs Films

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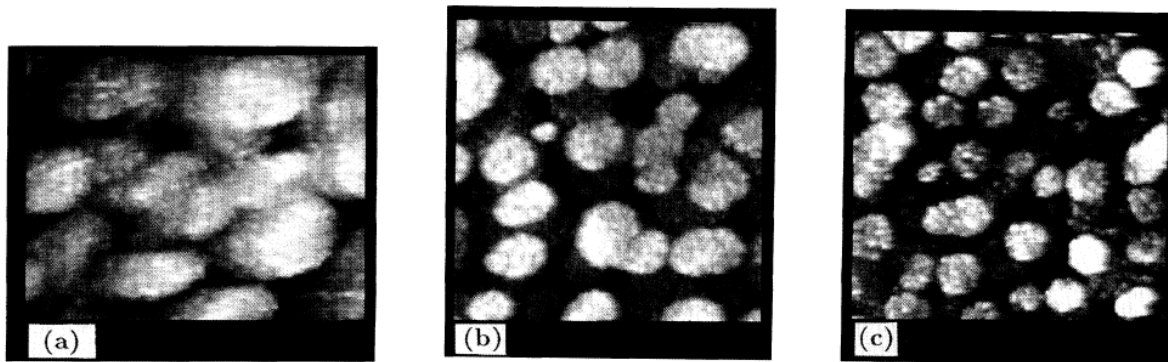


FIG. 3. STM images of $\text{In}_x\text{Ga}_{1-x}\text{As}$ on $\text{GaAs}(100)$. (a) 14 ML's, $x=0.3$ (2.2% mismatch), scan range = $154 \text{ nm} \times 130 \text{ nm}$, full-scale height range (from black to white) is 8.0 nm, $V_t=2.6 \text{ V}$, $I_t=0.4 \text{ nA}$. (b) 11 ML's, $x=0.4$ (2.9% mismatch), scan range = $150 \text{ nm} \times 154 \text{ nm}$, full-scale height range is 8.5 nm, $V_t=2.6 \text{ V}$, $I_t=60 \text{ pA}$. (c) 12 ML's, $x=0.5$ (3.6% mismatch), $150 \text{ nm} \times 147 \text{ nm}$, full-scale height range is 9.0 nm, $V_t=2.7 \text{ V}$, $I_t=20 \text{ pA}$. For the films represented in (b) and (c), 4–5 ML's of additional material were deposited after the RHEED pattern became spotty. During this extra growth the pattern sharpened. For the film represented in (a) there was no extra growth.

2D → 0D (past experience)

semiconductor heterojunctions/quantum wells : self assembled InAs/GaAs quantum dots

Photoluminescence of Single InAs Quantum Dots Obtained by Self-Organized Growth on GaAs

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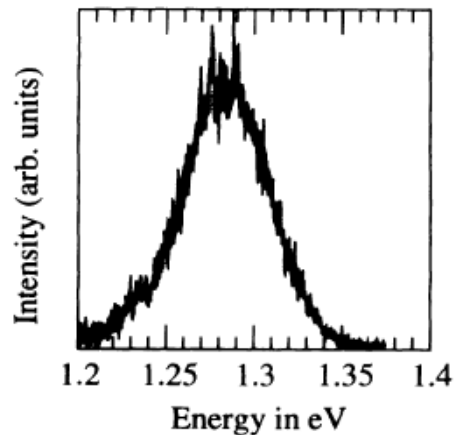


FIG. 1. 10 K PL spectrum of a 5000 nm mesa in sample A.

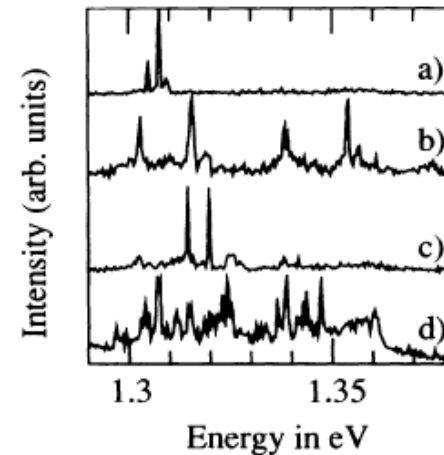


FIG. 5. (a), (b), and (c): 10 K PL spectra of three different 200 nm mesas of sample B. (d) sum of 20 spectra recorded on different such mesas.

2D → 0D (past experience)

semiconductor heterojunctions/quantum wells : well width fluctuations (monolayer steps)



Quantum Dots Formed by Interface Fluctuations in AlAs/GaAs Coupled Quantum Well Structures

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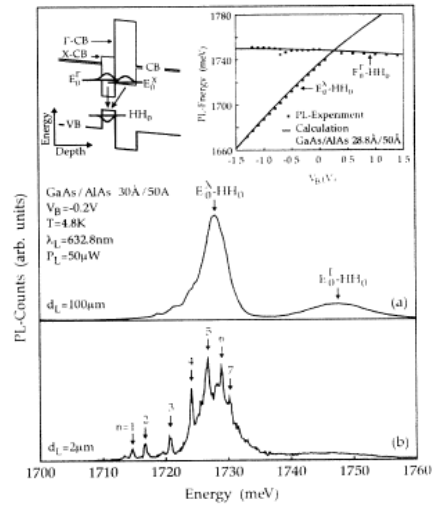


FIG. 1. (a) PL response of a GaAs/AlAs 30 Å/50 Å coupled QW structure in the indirect regime for $V_B = -0.2$ V. The diameter of the optically probed area d_L is 100 μm . A schematic band diagram of the structure and the observed PL energies as a function of V_B are shown in the inset. (b) Same as (a) only with higher spatial resolution ($d_L = 2 \mu\text{m}$). New narrow emission lines (labeled from $n = 1$ to 7) appear in the region of the indirect PL.

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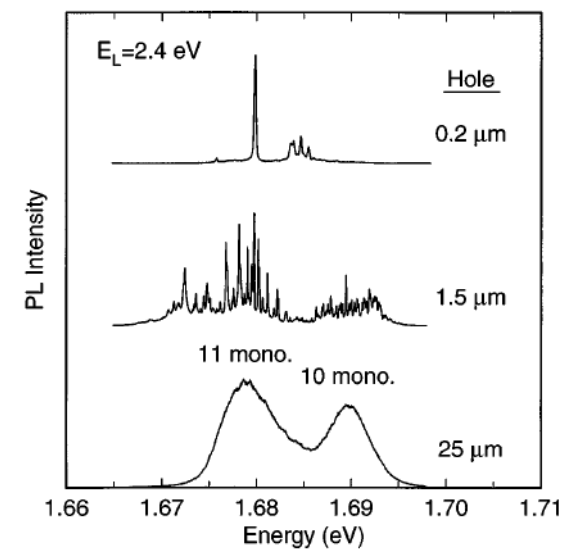


FIG. 2. Nonresonant PL spectra excited and detected through apertures with diameters listed.

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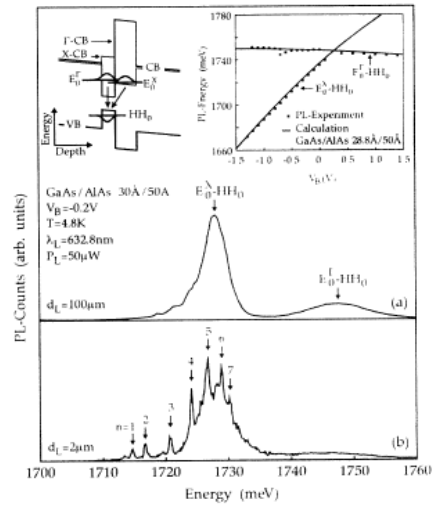


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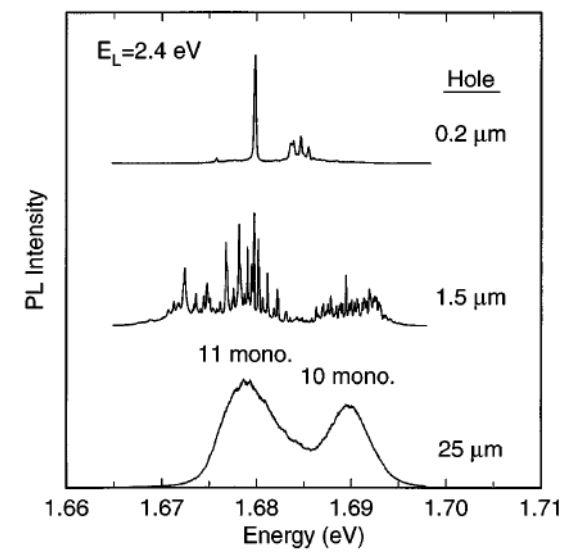
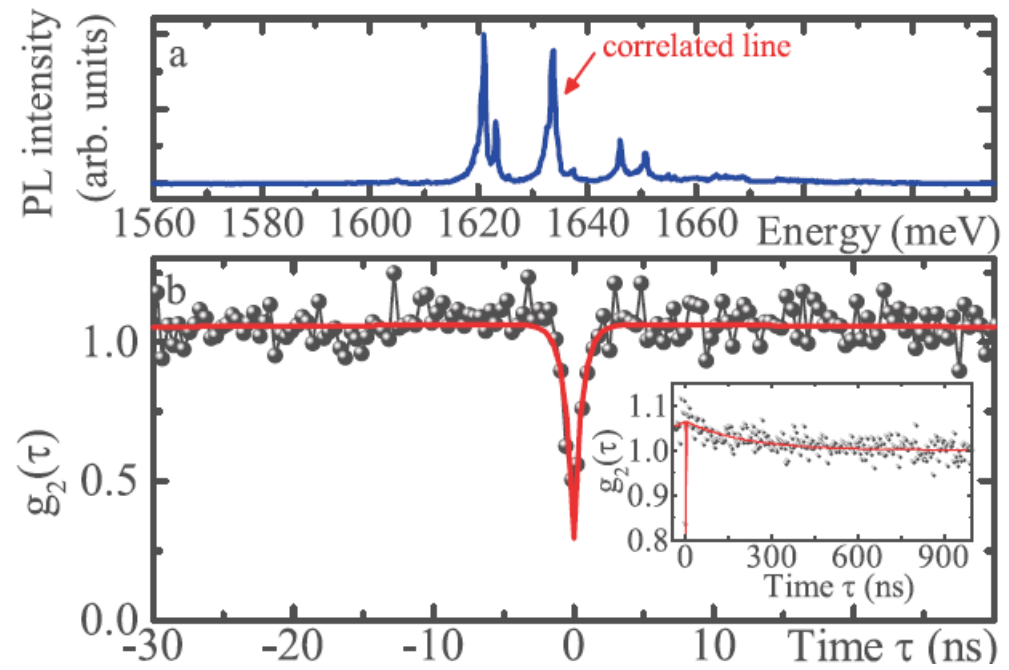


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Single photon sources (narrow emission lines, $\sim 0.1\text{meV}$) fingerprint: photon antibunching photon correlation measurements



semiconductor (single) quantum dots, nanocrystals (colloidal dots)
NV centers in diamond (SiC), organic molecules
interesting applications; issues: stability, room temperature operation, electrical pumping

Single photon emitters in WSe_2 (MX_2) flakes ?

(Nature Nanotechnology, 2015)

- A. Srivastava et al., Optically active quantum dots in monolayer WSe_2 (Switzerland)
- M. Koperski et al., Single photon emitters in exfoliated WSe_2 structures (France, Poland)
- Y-M, He et al., Single quantum emitters in monolayer semiconductors (China, USA)
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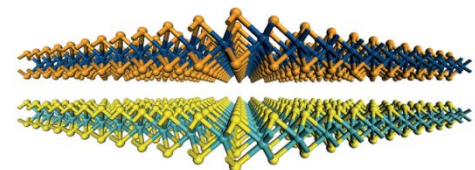
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Two dimensions and one photon

Single-photon sources have been demonstrated in two-dimensional semiconductors.

NEWS FEATURE



2D OR NOT 2D

2D WSe₂ monolayer

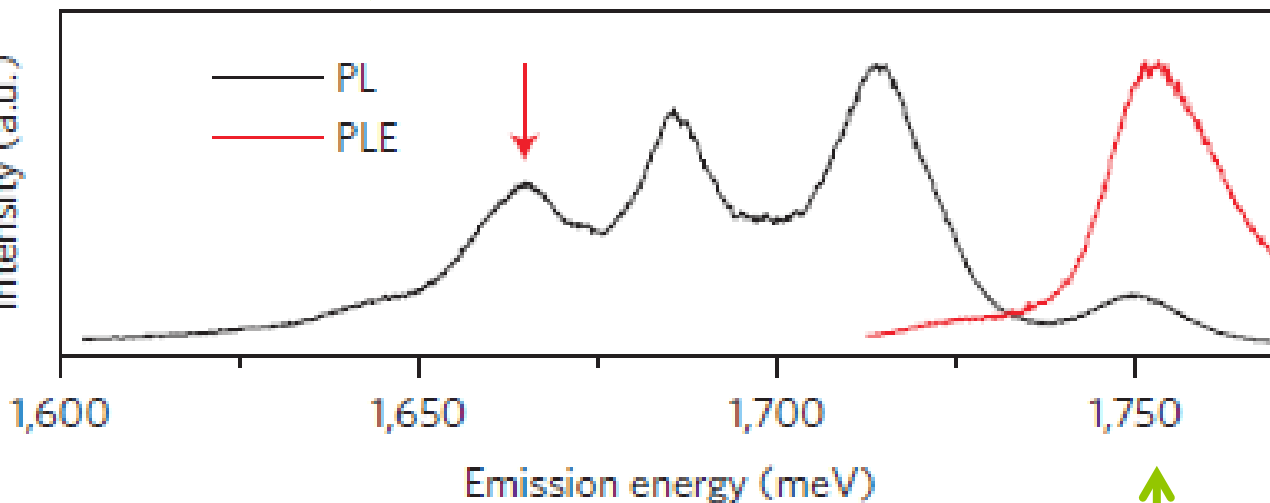
typical photoluminescence/absorption response

broad (10-20meV) emission/absorption peaks

"localized, bound excitons"

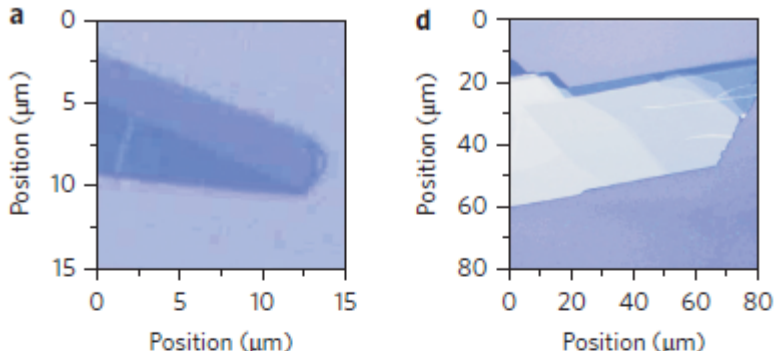
"negatively charged exciton" "X⁻" (free)

b
Photoluminescence intensity (a.u.)

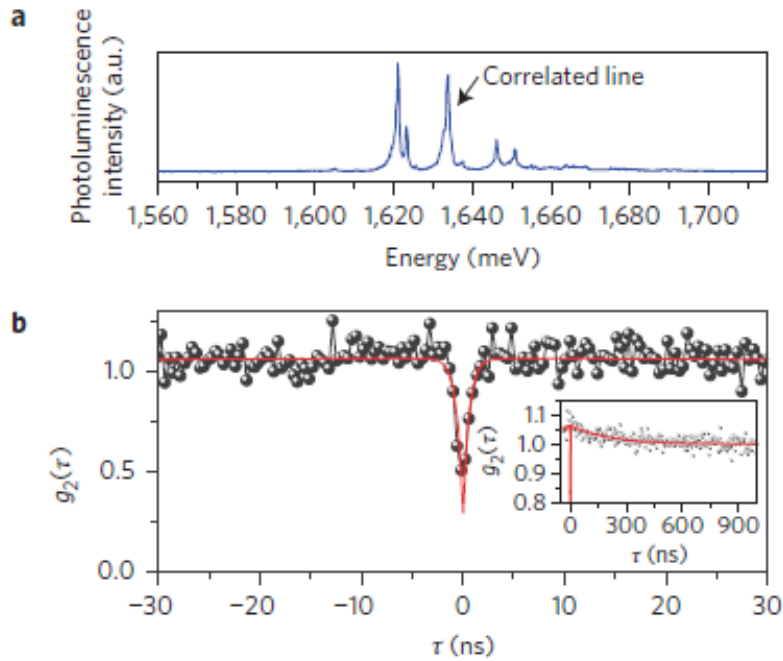


exciton (free)

M. Koperski et al., Single photon emitters in exfoliated WSe_2 structures



(Imperfections at edges ?)

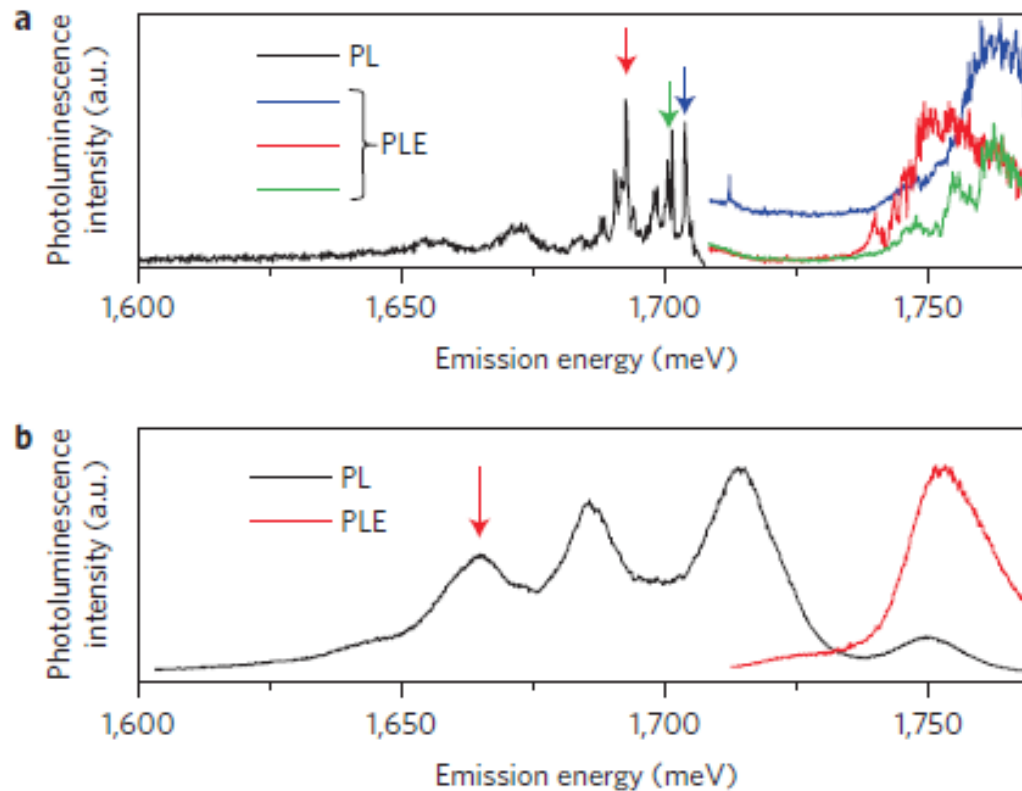


Photon antibunching

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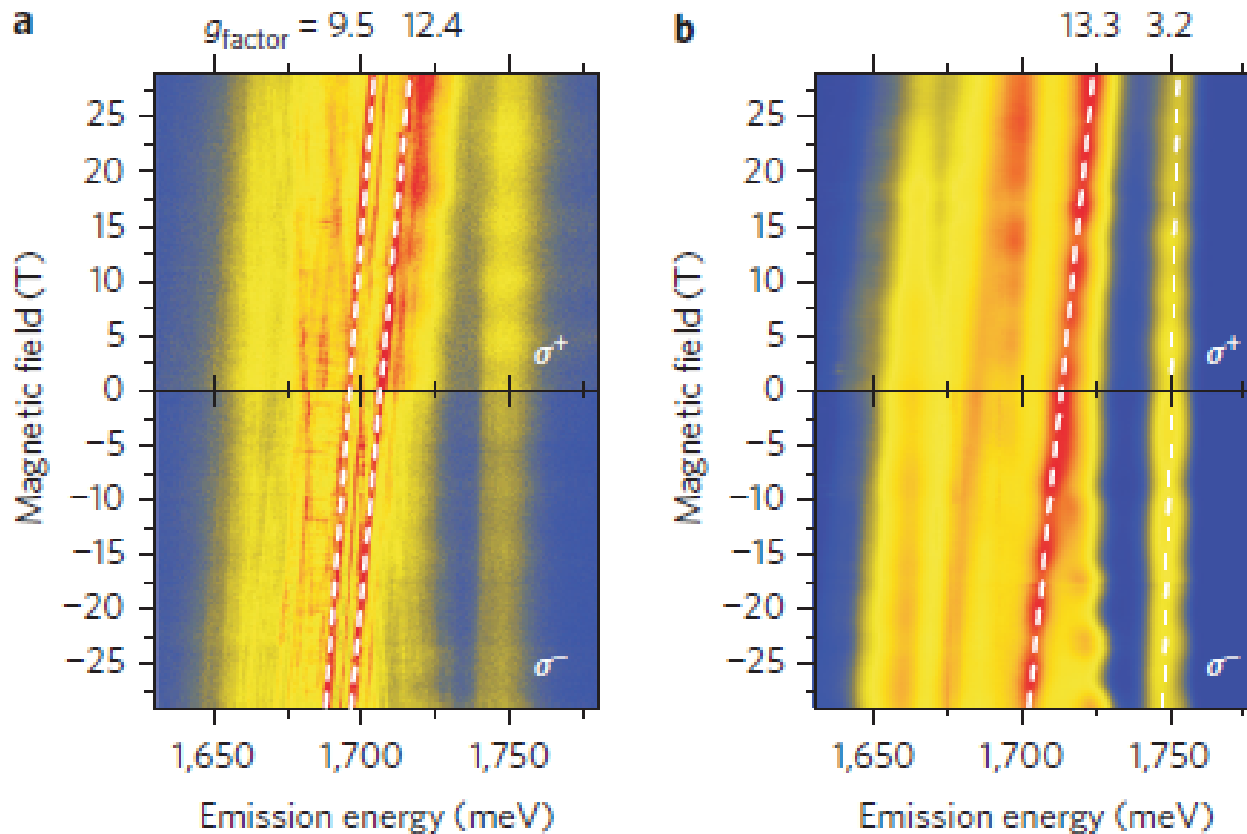
an unambiguous attribute
of single photon emitters

Optical response of narrow lines , linked to the 2D properties of a WSe₂ monolayer



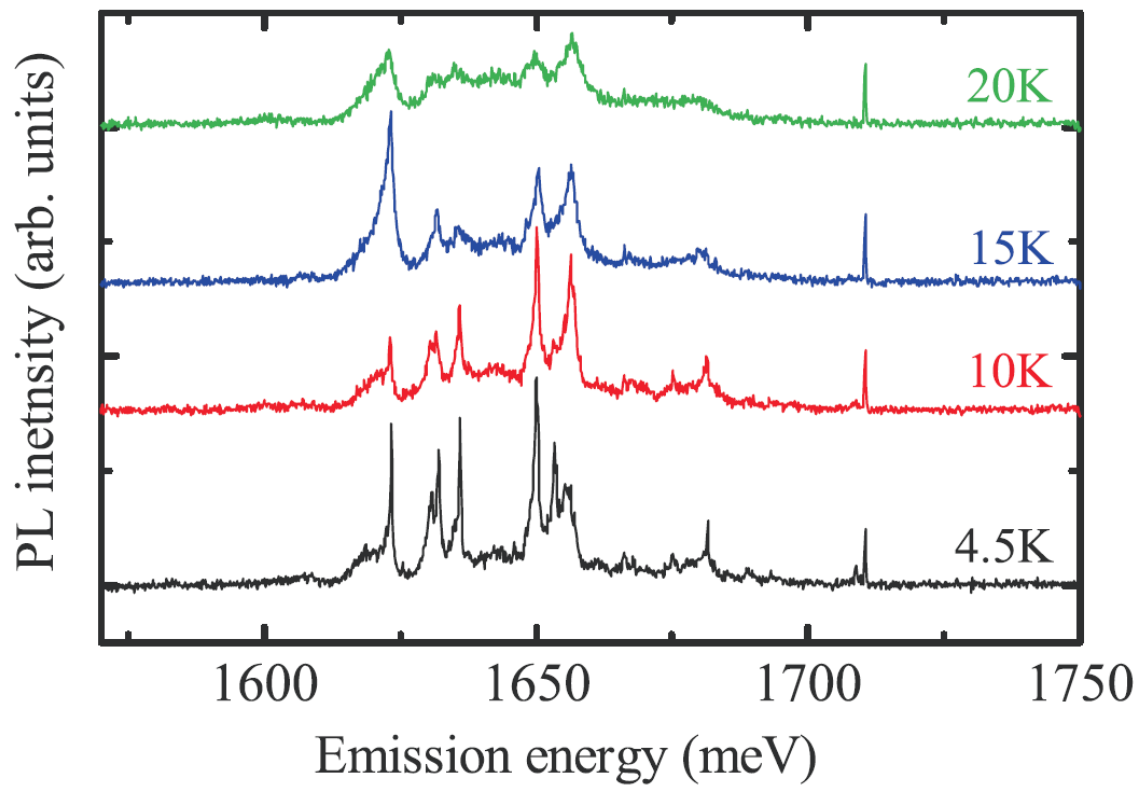
Emission in the same energy range, similar excitation spectra

Optical response of narrow lines , linked to the 2D properties of a WSe₂ monolayer



Similar, anomalously large "Zeeman" splitting

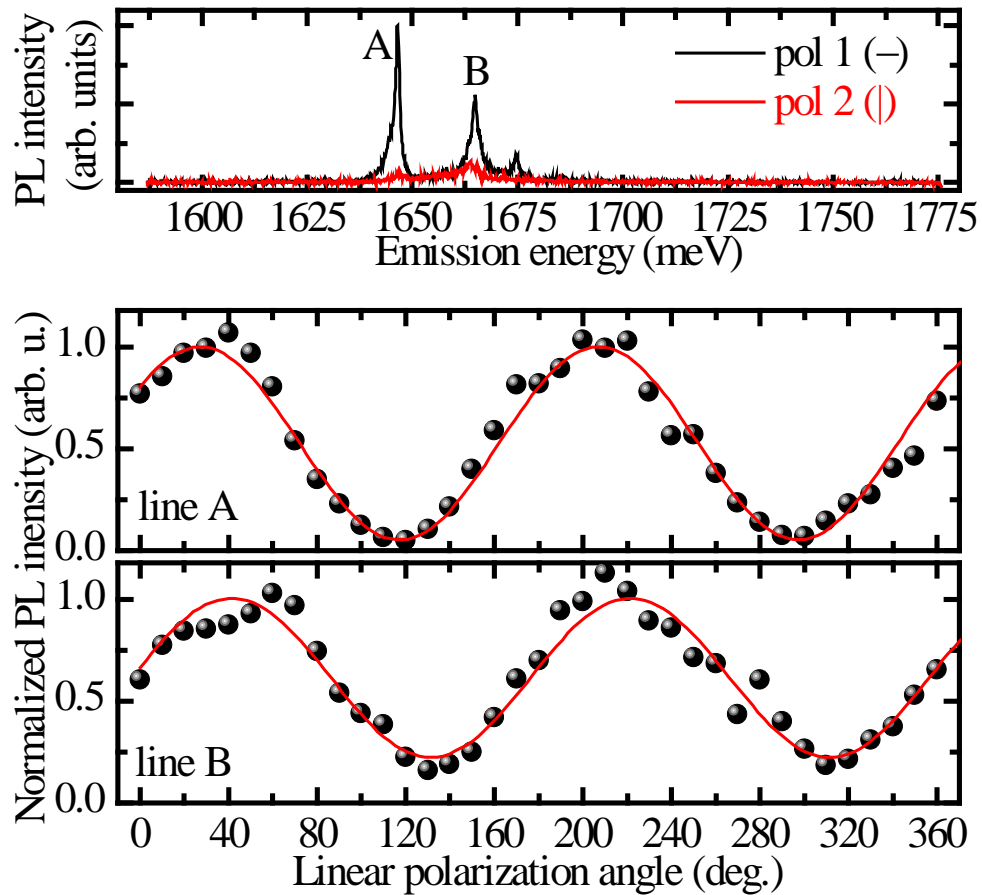
Temperature effect:



Quench of intensity (weakly confined electron hole pairs ?)

Broadening (similar to acoustic phonon effect in semiconductor QDs)

Pronounced (sometimes) linear anisotropy:

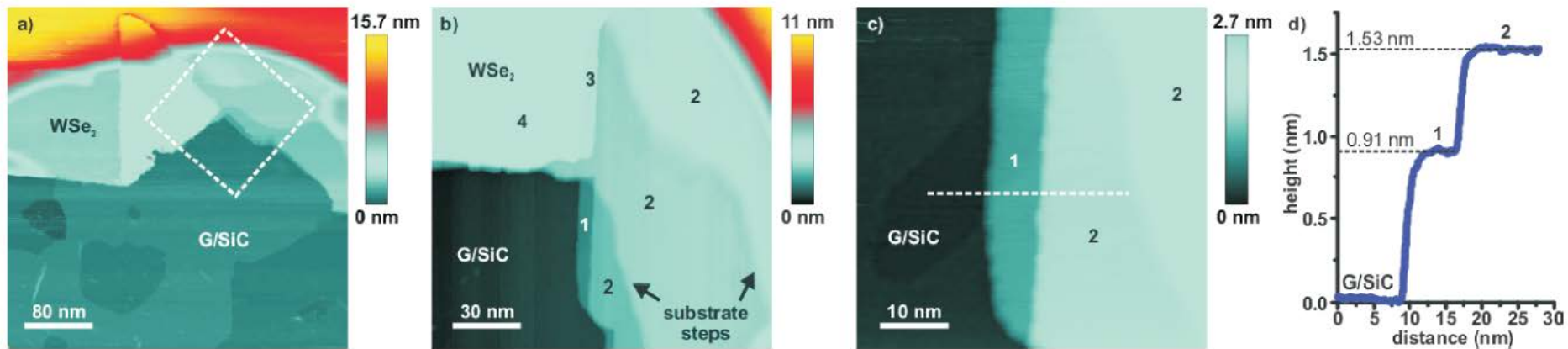


Similar to fine structure splitting in QDots with anisotropic shape

What are they ?

Monolayer "nanoflakes" at the edges of monolayers and thicker flakes ???

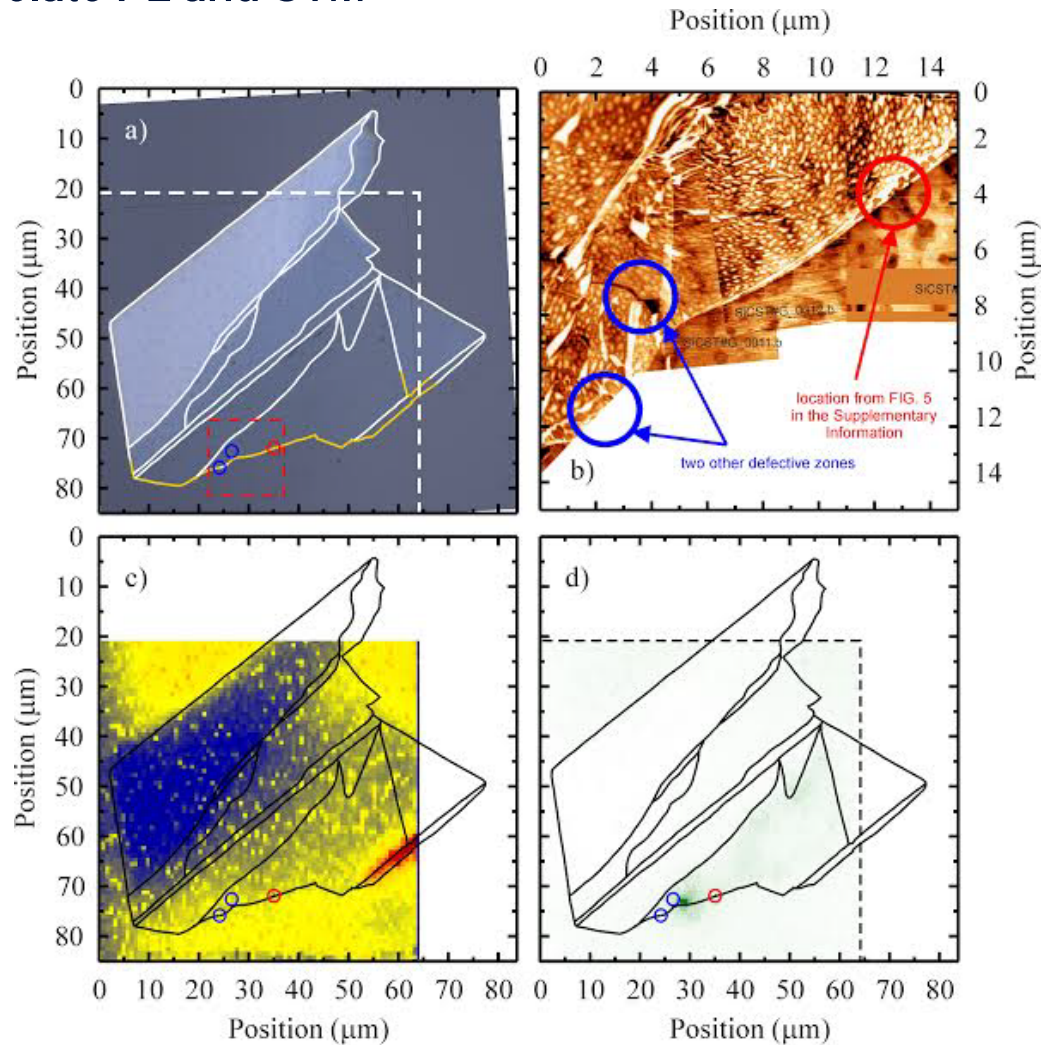
STM: Monolayer nanoflake at the edge of a thicker flake



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An attempt to correlate PL and STM



Flow of works :

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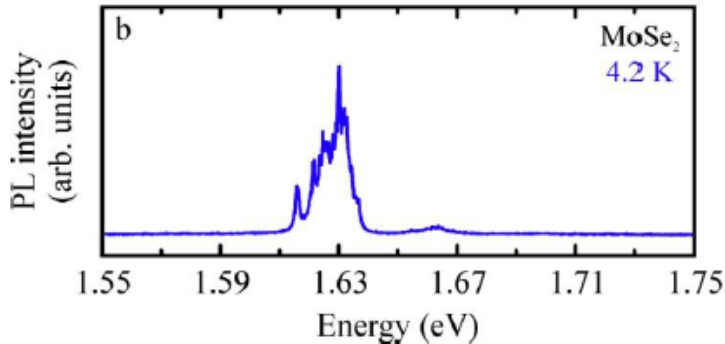
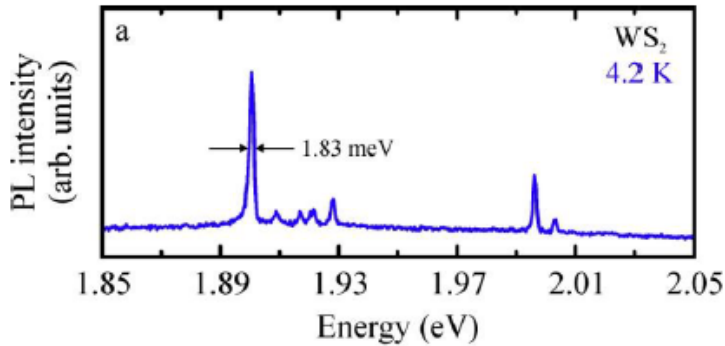
Sharp emission lines in other S-TMDs ? Electric excitation ?

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A. Branny *et al.*, APL (2016)

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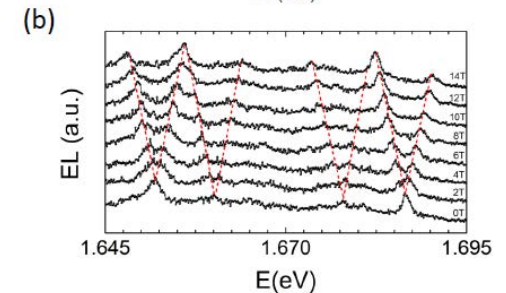
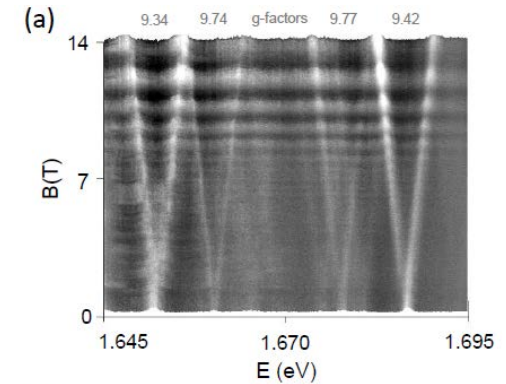
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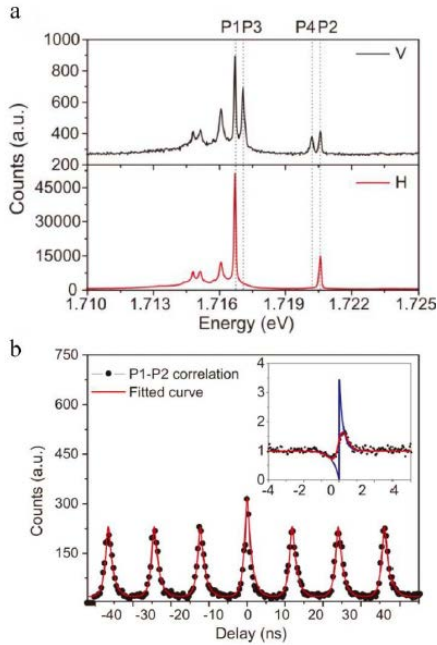
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electroluminescence
hBN/WSe₂/hBN LED



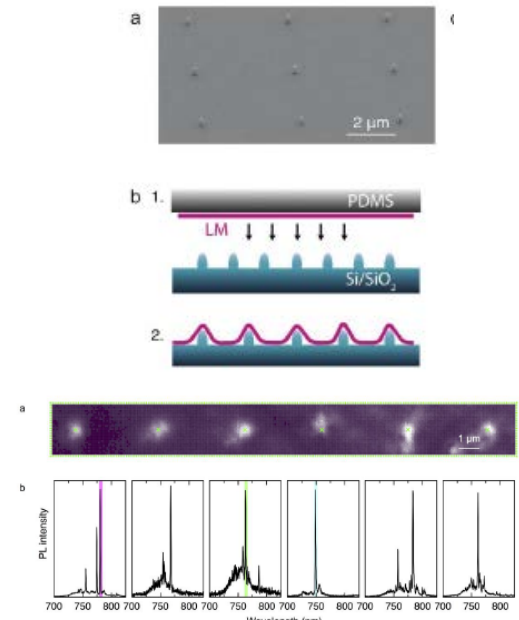
3D confinement (or defects ?)



biexciton-exciton cascade ?

Y-M. He *et al.*,
Nat. Commun. (2016)

Control,
on demand
- strain engineering



C. Palacios-Berraquero *et al.*
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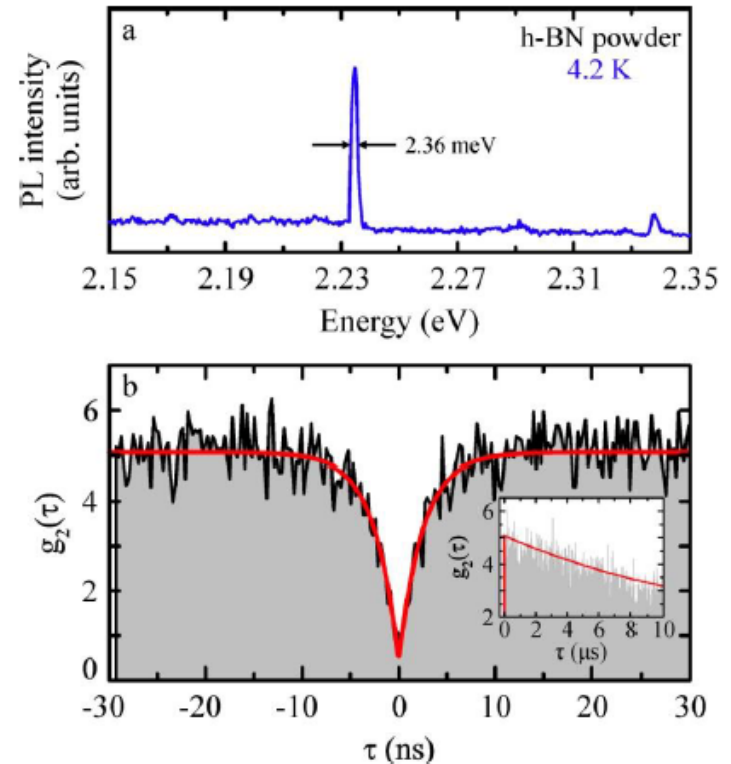
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Déjà vu again

Single photon emitters in sc-TMDs

quantum dot like objects

Single photon emitters in hBN

similar to NV centers in diamond/SiC

