

Structural and Optical Properties of Tungsten Disulfide Nanoscale Films Grown by Sulfurization from W and WO₃

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Preparation of WS₂

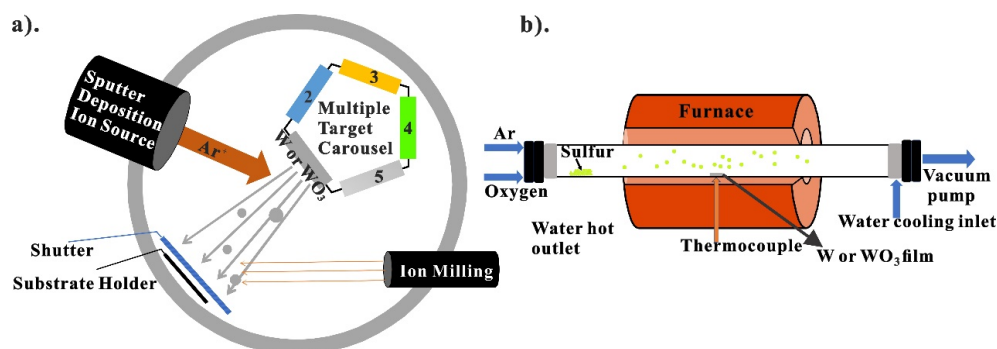


Figure S1. Schematic diagram: a). W-metal and WO₃ prepared on sapphire substrate by ion beam sputtering technique; b). W-metal or WO₃ sulfurization process using a thermocouple-equipped furnace, the process was carried out inside a horizontal quartz tube with a diameter of 50 mm and length of 100 cm.

Energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (EDS)

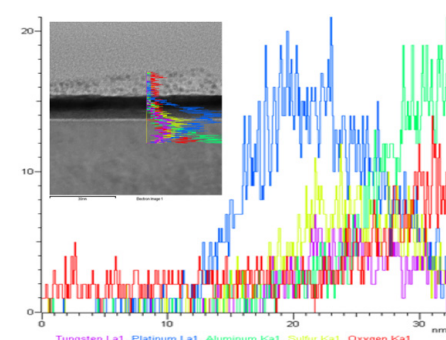


Figure S2. shows the EDS depth analysis of the WS₂ film that was carried out with Line scan mode. The small picture in the upper left corner is the relationship between the scanning position and the ratio of each element.

Figure S2 EDS elemental analysis of the WS₂ films, there are five main elements: tungsten, platinum, aluminum, sulfur, and oxygen which correspond to the purple, blue, green, yellow, and red paths, respectively.

Raman spectra and deconvolution

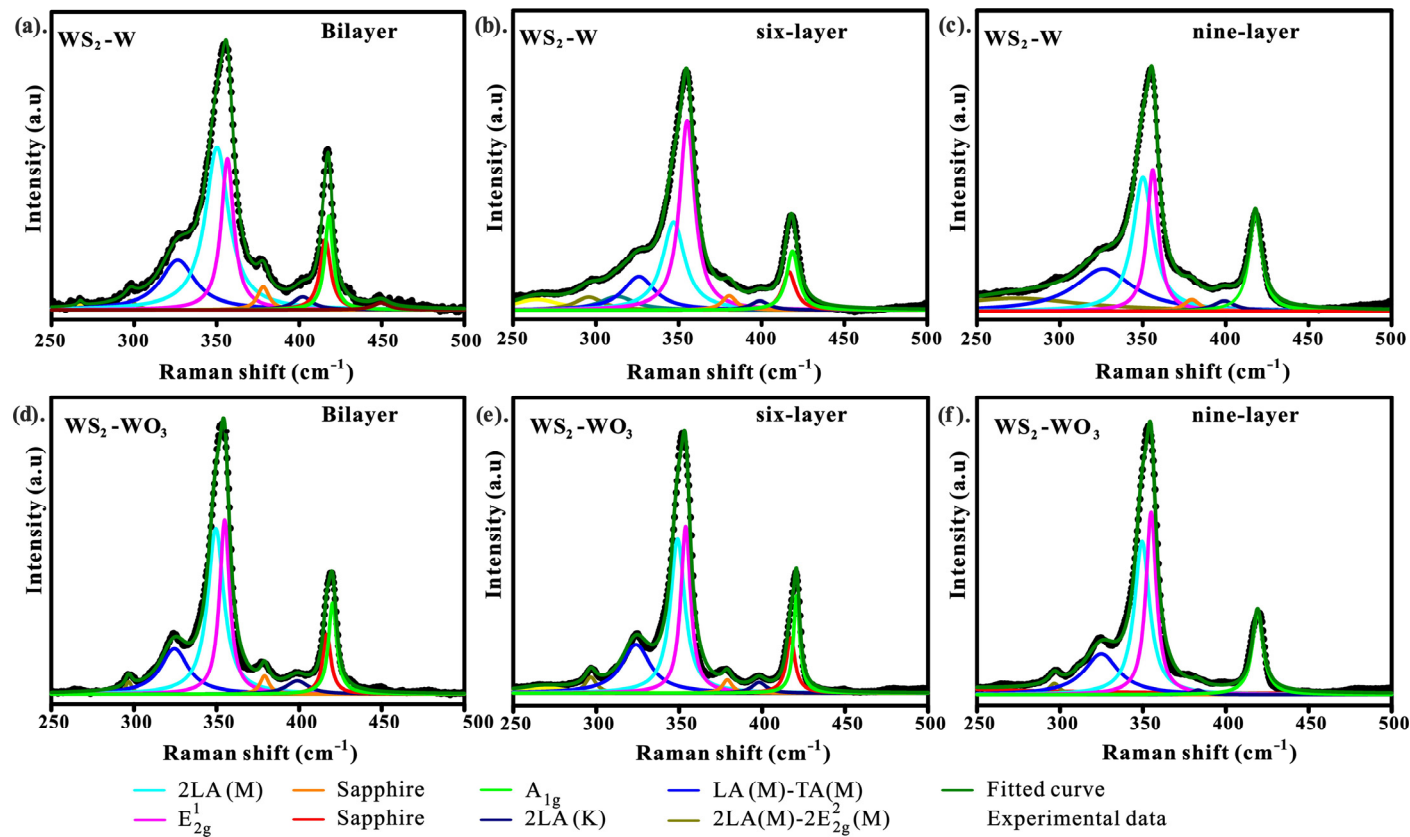


Figure S3. the deconvolution of Raman spectra of bilayer, six-layer, and nine-layer samples using a multi-peak Lorentz fitting to separate the A_{1g} peak from the substrate and 2LA from E_{2g}^1 . The (a–c) shows the WS₂ sulfurized from tungsten metal and (d–f) shows the WS₂ sulfurized from tungsten trioxide.

Table S1. Summary of the intensity ratio of $I_{2LA}/I_{A_{1g}}$ and FWHM as a function of layer numbers.

Number of layers	$I_{E_{2g}^1}/I_{A_{1g}}$		FWHM of E_{2g}^1	
	WS ₂ -W	WS ₂ -WO ₃	WS ₂ -W	WS ₂ -WO ₃
Monolayer	1.4	1.8	9.1 ± 0.5	8.6 ± 2.16
Bilayer	1.8	1.5	8.6 ± 0.4	7.1 ± 0.4
Six-layer	1.4	1.4	10.9 ± 0.4	6.6 ± 0.4
Nine-layer	1.3	1.3	11.6 ± 0.8	7.7 ± 0.3