

Supporting Information

Vacuum level dependent photoluminescence in chemical vapor deposition-grown monolayer MoS₂

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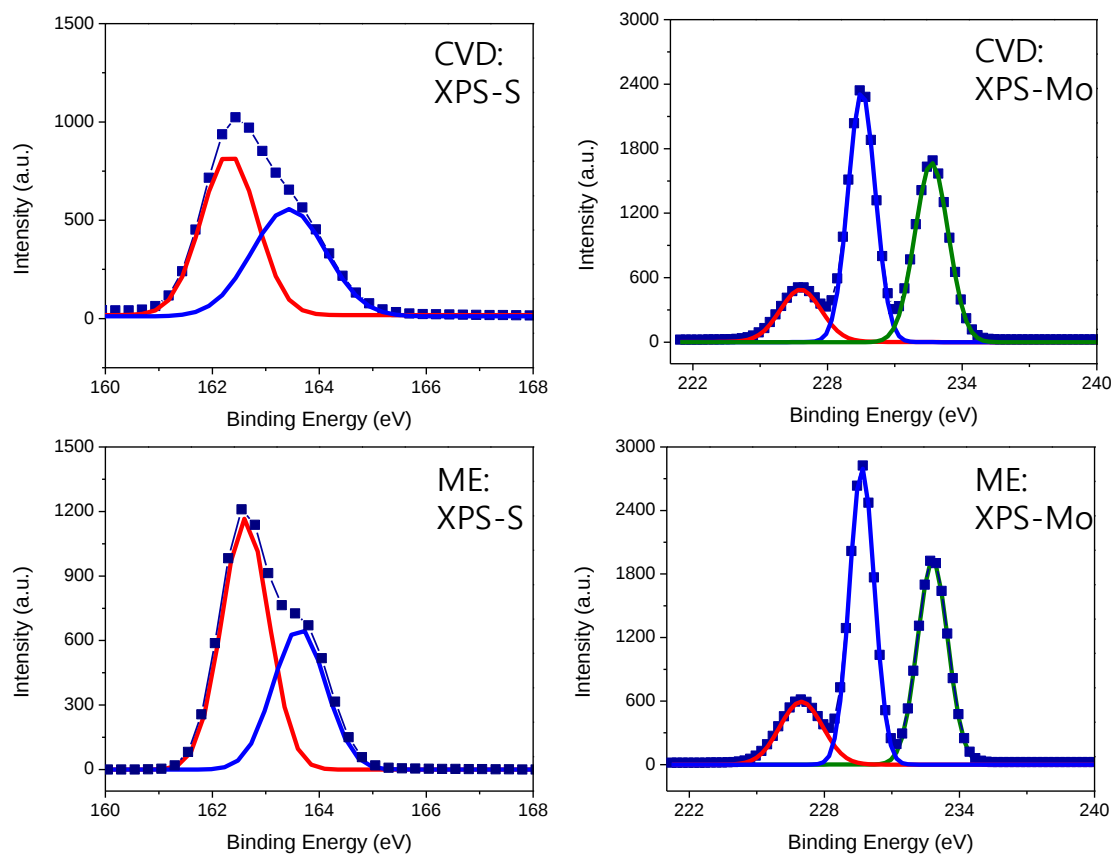


Figure S1. XPS spectra of Mo and S for CVD grown and ME monolayer MoS₂, respectively. The blacks line with square symbols are the experimental data and the continuous lines are fitted curves.

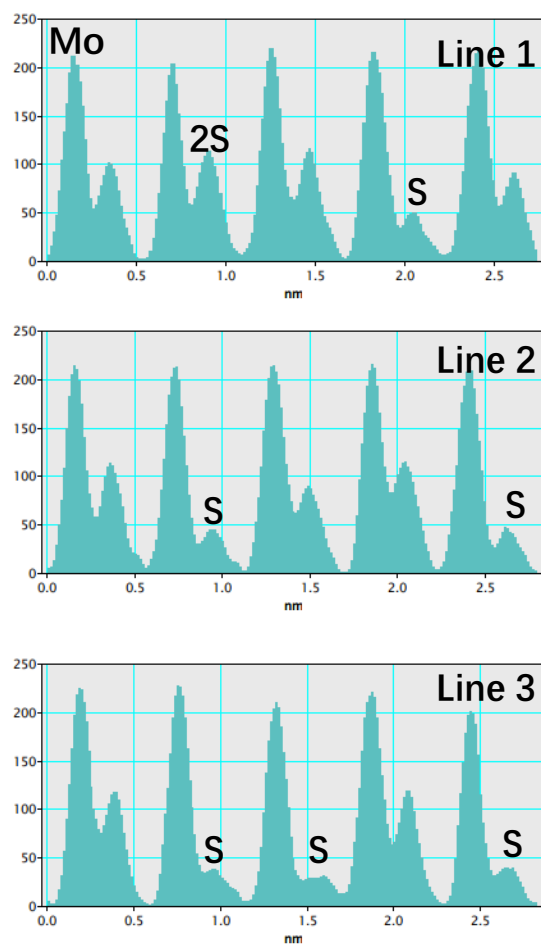


Figure S2. Intensity line profiles measured in the Figure 1c.

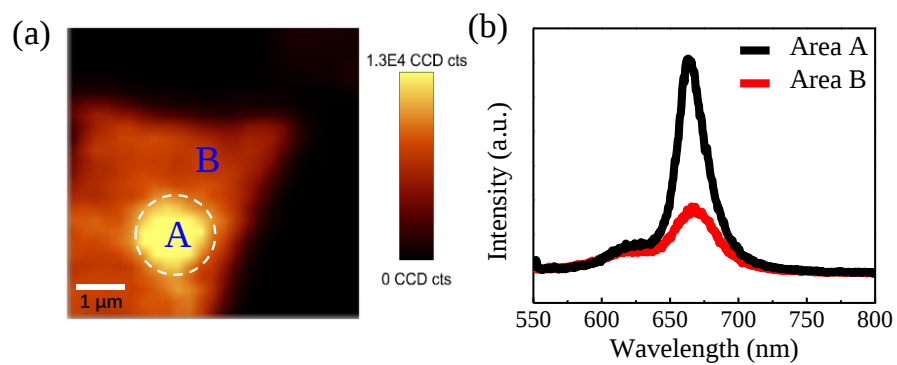


Figure S3. (a) PL mapping of monolayer MoS₂, which is normalized to the intensity of A exciton. The bright spot is pre-treated by argon plasma with a TEM grid as mask. (b) PL spectra of 1L MoS₂ are measured from area A and B, respectively.

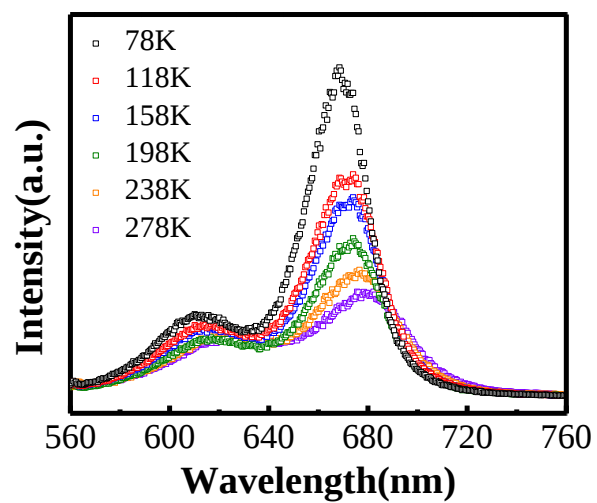


Figure S4: Temperature dependent PL spectra of monolayer MoS₂. The experiments were carried out by LINKAM stage with sample in it.

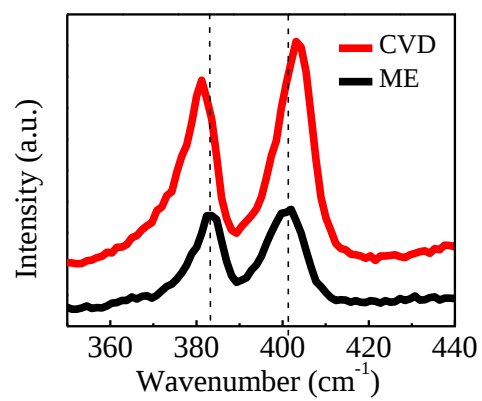


Figure S5. Raman spectra of CVD grown and ME monolayer MoS_2 samples.

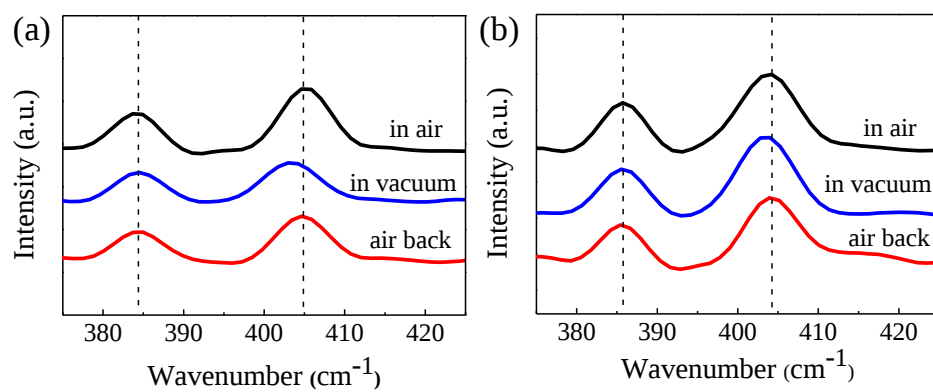


Figure S6. a,b) The in-situ Raman spectra of CVD and ME monolayer MoS₂ measured in air, vacuum, and in air again.

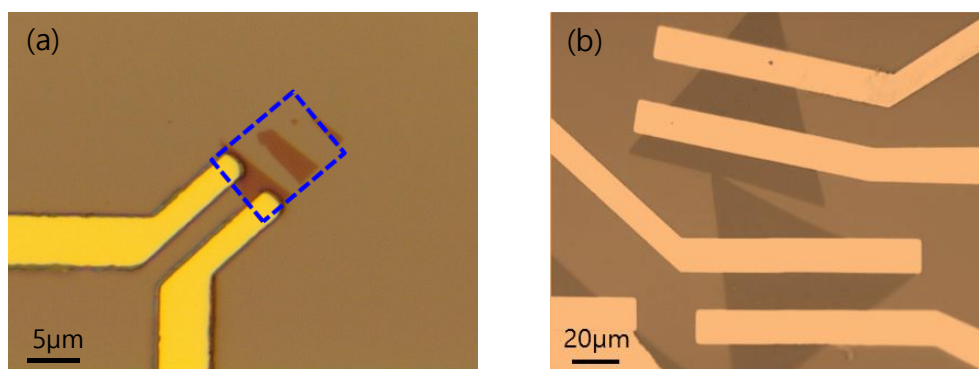


Figure S7: The optical image of FETs based on ME and CVD grown monolayer MoS₂ sample, respectively.

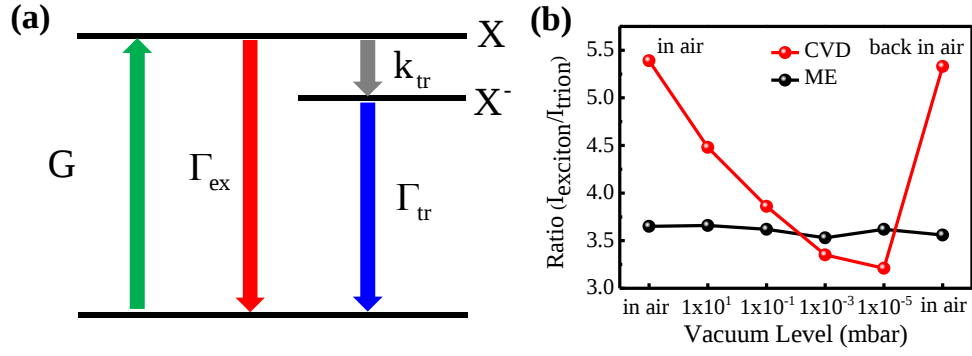


Figure S8: (a) Schematic of three-level energy diagram. The exciton and trion emission processes are denoted as Γ_{ex} and Γ_{tr} , respectively. G represents the photoexcitation process and the k_{tr} represents the formation of trion. (b) Vacuum level dependent intensity ratios of exciton to trion emissions in CVD grown and ME samples, respectively.

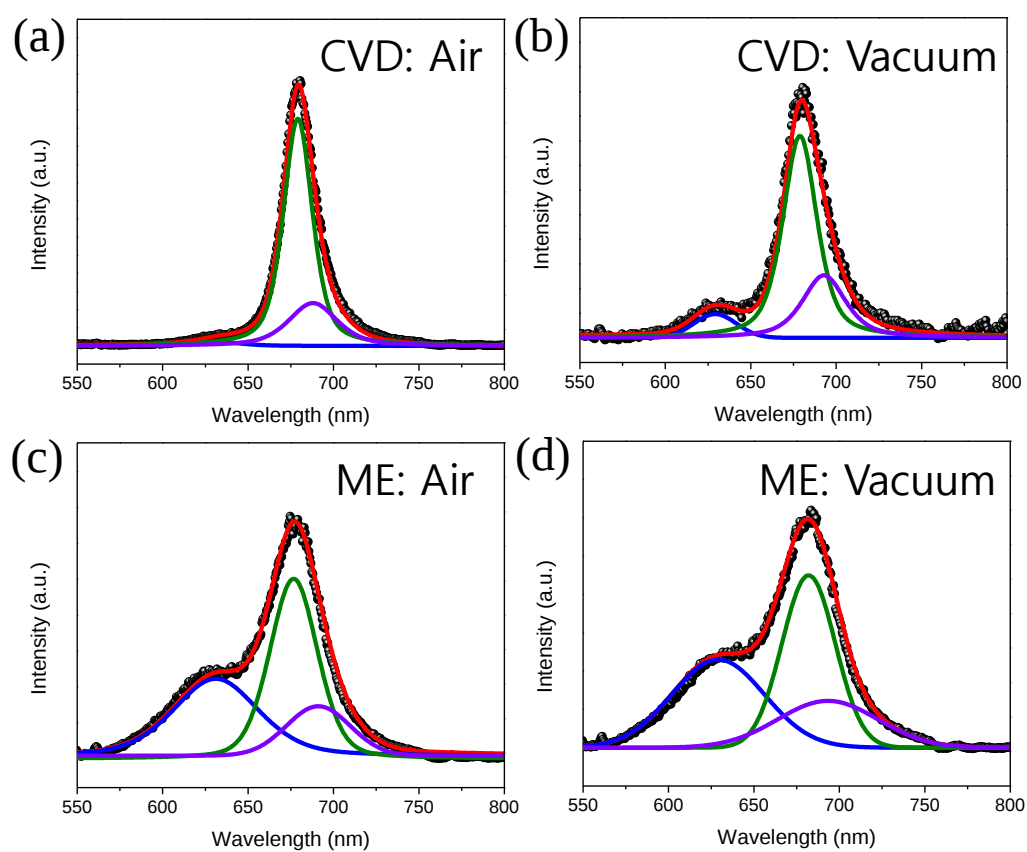
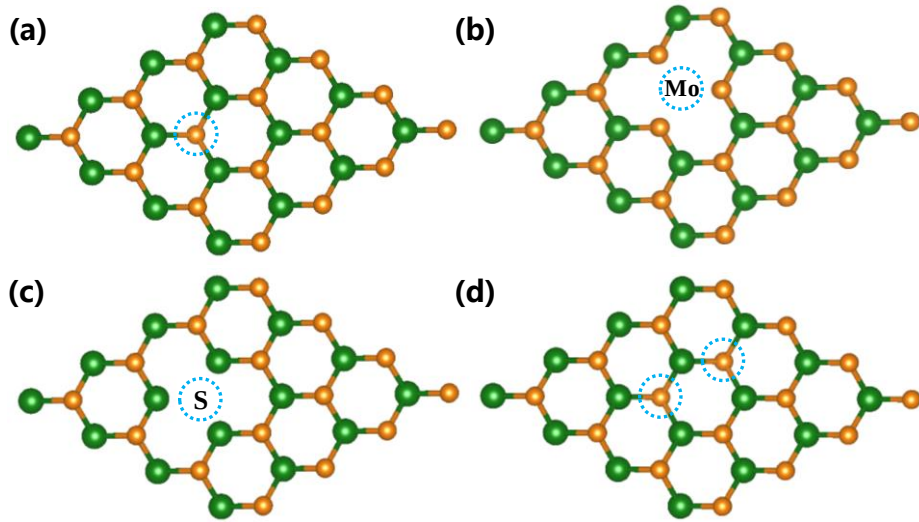


Figure. S9: The fitting spectra of CVD grown and ME MoS₂ samples in air and the highest vacuum level in this work. The vacuum level dependent emission ratio of exciton/trion is shown.

S10: Phonon energies with and without considering the adsorbates

Cases	E_{2g}^1 (cm⁻¹)	A_{1g} (cm⁻¹)
Without adsorbates	378.58	401.4
With adsorbates	377.24	403.61



Figures S11: Possible point defects in 1L MoS₂. (a) single S vacancy; (b) double S vacancies at different sides; (c) two S vacancies at the same side; (d) single Mo vacancy. The formation energies (ΔE_{Form}) are calculated to be 0.96 eV, 1.88 eV, 1.82 eV, 4.53 eV, respectively.

$$\Delta E_{\text{Form}} = E_{\text{no-defect}} - E_{\text{defect}} - N_{\text{S}} \times E_{\text{S}_{1\text{L}}} - N_{\text{Mo}} \times E_{\text{Mo}_{1\text{L}}}$$

$$E_{\text{S}_{1\text{L}}} = E_{\text{S}(\text{single})} + E_{\text{Bond}}$$

$$E_{\text{Mo}_{1\text{L}}} = E_{\text{Mo}(\text{single})} + 2E_{\text{Bond}}$$

$$E_{\text{Bond}} = (E_{\text{MoS}_2_{1\text{L}}} - E_{\text{Mo}(\text{single})} - 2E_{\text{S}(\text{single})})/3$$

Where $E_{\text{no-defect}}$ and E_{defect} are the total energies of pristine and defective MoS₂ supercell, $E_{\text{S}_{1\text{L}}}$ and $E_{\text{Mo}_{1\text{L}}}$ are the energies of single Mo and S in a perfect monolayer, and E_{Bond} is the strength of Mo-S bond in MoS₂.