Supporting Information for

## Strain Modulated Photoelectric Responses from a Flexible $\alpha$ -In<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/3R MoS<sub>2</sub> Heterojunction

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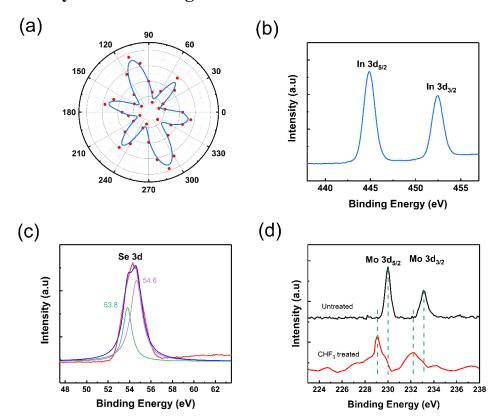
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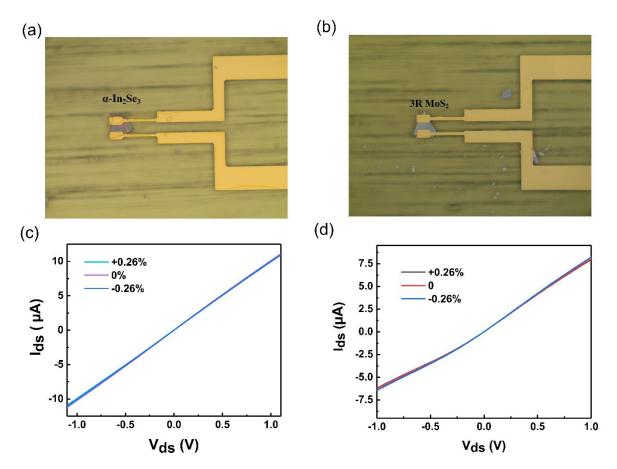
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## **Supplementary Tables and Figures**



**Fig. S1 a** Polarization dependence plot of SHG intensity of 3R MoS<sub>2</sub> flake in the heterojunction (**Fig. 1c**). The red dots are experimental data, and the blue solid lines are fitting lines. **b, c** XPS spectra of In 3d and Se 3d core orbital peaks from the  $\alpha$ -In<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> flake. **d** Mo 3d core orbital peaks from the 3R MoS<sub>2</sub> flake before and after CHF<sub>3</sub> plasma treatment



**Fig. S2** Optical images and *I-V* characteristics of  $\alpha$ -In<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> and 3R MoS<sub>2</sub> flakes. **a** One pair of Cr/Au (10/150nm) electrodes were deposited on an  $\alpha$ -In<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> flake. **b** One pair of Pd/Au (10/150nm) electrodes were deposited on a 3R MoS<sub>2</sub> flake. **c** *I-V* characteristics of the  $\alpha$ -In<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> sample shown in **a** with no strain, a tensile strain of +0.26% and a compressive strain of -0.26%. **d** *I-V* characteristics of the 3R MoS<sub>2</sub> sample shown in **b** with no strain, a tensile strain of +0.26% and a compressive strain of -0.26%

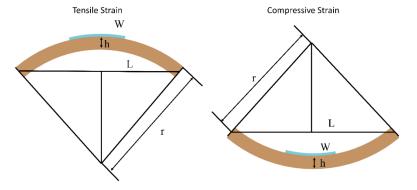


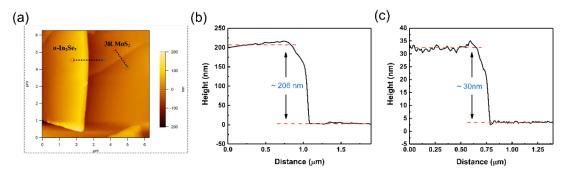
Fig. S3 Illustration of the mechanical strain applied onto the thin layers in blue

Since the dimensions of the  $\alpha$ -In<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> and 3R MoS<sub>2</sub> flakes (~20  $\mu$ m long and a few tens of nanometer thick) are much smaller than the PI substrate deposited on the stainless steel (15 mm  $\times$  15mm  $\times$  300  $\mu$ m), the tensile and compressive strains exerted onto the flakes deposited onto

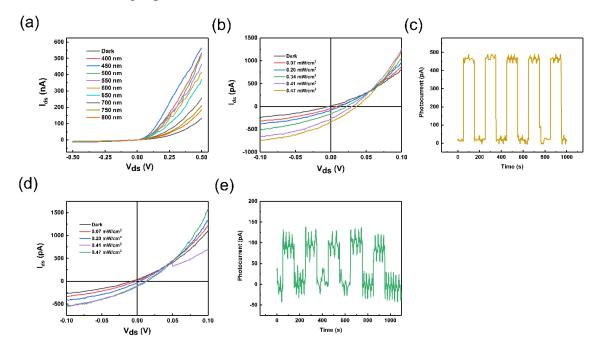
the PI substrate could be given by  $\varepsilon = h/2r$ , where h is the thickness of the PI substrate, L is the bended length of the device and r is the bending radius. The strain  $\varepsilon$  was calculated and shown in Table S1.

<b>Table S1</b> Parameters for	calculating th	e applied	strains
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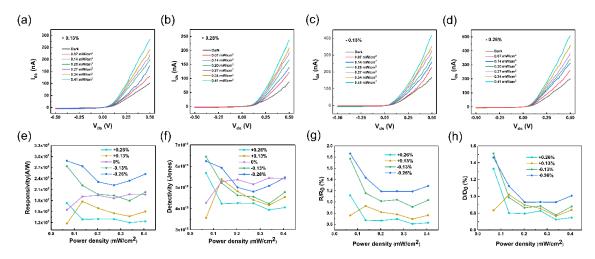
H (μm)	L (mm)	r (mm)	3
300	14	11.74	0.13%
300	11.5	5.68	0.26%
300	8.5	4.31	0.35%



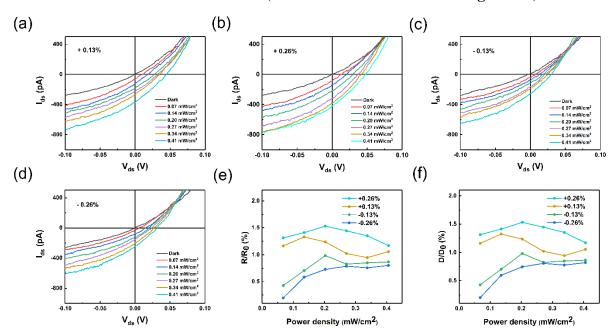
**Fig. S4 a** AFM image of the  $\alpha$ -In<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/3R MoS<sub>2</sub> heterojunction (**Fig. 1c**). **b** Height profile of the  $\alpha$ -In<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> flake. **c** Height profile of the 3R MoS<sub>2</sub> flake



**Fig. S5** Photoresponse from the α-In<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/3R MoS<sub>2</sub> heterojunction (Fig. 1c) under several different light intensities under zero strain. **a** *I-V* characteristic under illumination intensity of 0.47 mW/cm<sup>2</sup> with different wavelengths. **b** *I-V* characteristics under the dark and 532 nm illumination with different intensities. **c** Current vs time under the 532 nm illumination intensity of 0.47 mW/cm<sup>2</sup>. **d** *I-V* characteristics under the dark and 800 nm illumination with different intensities. **e** Current vs time under 800nm illumination intensity of 0.47 mW/cm<sup>2</sup> with zero bias voltage

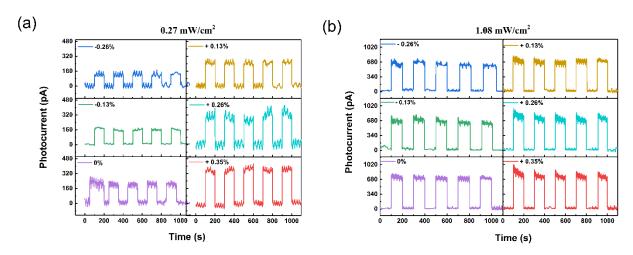


**Fig. S6 a-d** *I-V* characteristics of the  $\alpha$ -In<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/3R MoS<sub>2</sub> heterojunction (Fig 1c) from -0.5 V to 0.5 V under the dark and various 532 nm light illumination intensities with the strain of +0.13%, +0.26%, -0.13% and -0.26%. **e-f** Responsivity, detectivity, relative change of the responsivity and relative change of detectivity with respect to that under zero strain as a function of the light intensities and strains under +0.5 V bias (The data were extracted from **Fig. S6a-d**)



**Fig. S7 a-d** *I-V* characteristics of the  $\alpha$ -In<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub>/3R MoS<sub>2</sub> heterojunction (**Fig. 1c**) from -0.1 V to 0.1 V under the dark and illumination of 532 nm wavelength under different light intensities with the strain of +0.13%, +0.26%, -0.13% and -0.26%. **e, f** Relative change of the responsivity and detectivity with respect to that under zero strain as a function of the light intensities and strains under the bias voltage of -0.1 V (The data were extracted from **Fig. S7a-d**)

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**Fig. S8 a, b** *I-t* of the heterojunction (**Fig. 1c**) under zero bias and several strains at the 532 nm light intensity of  $0.27 \text{ mW/cm}^2$  and  $1.08 \text{ mW cm}^{-2}$