

Supplementary Materials to

“Quantum Interference Directed Chiral Raman Scattering in Two-dimensional Enantiomers”

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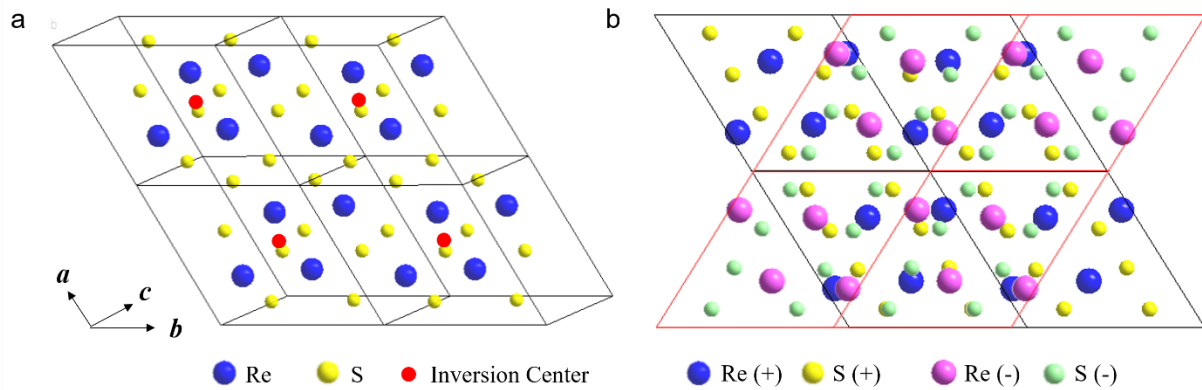
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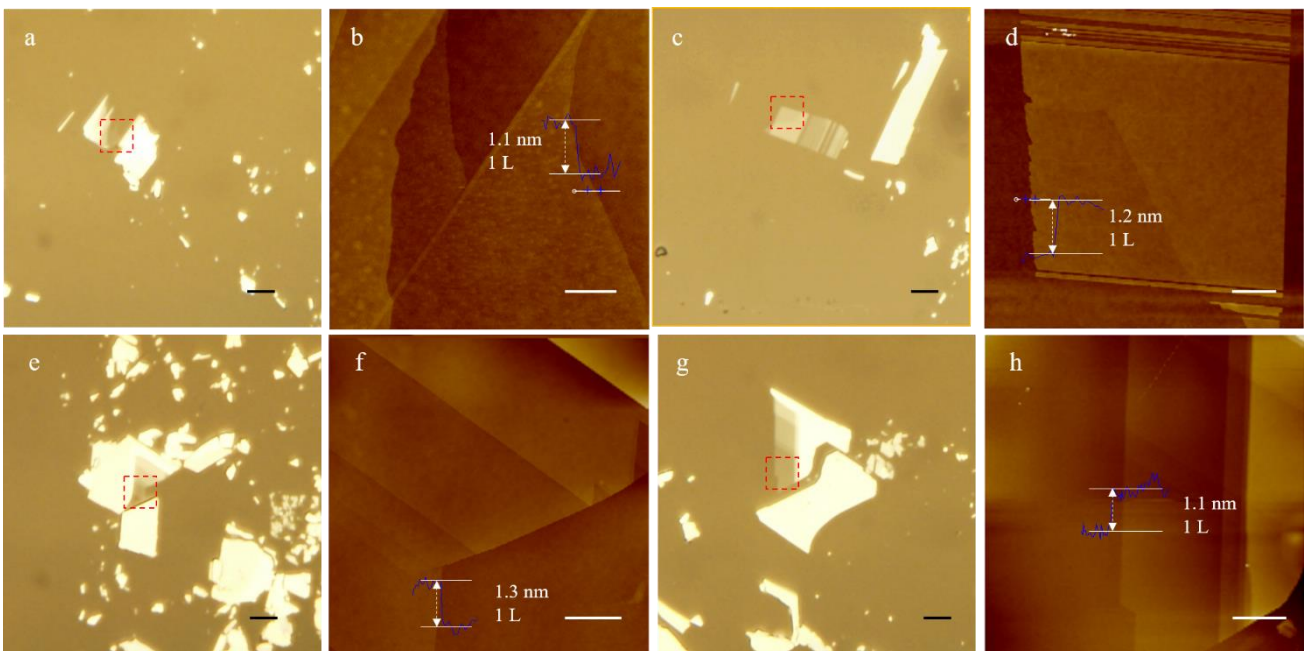
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1. Crystal structure of ReS₂



Supplementary Figure 1. Schematics of three dimensional (a) and two dimensional (b) ReS₂ structure.

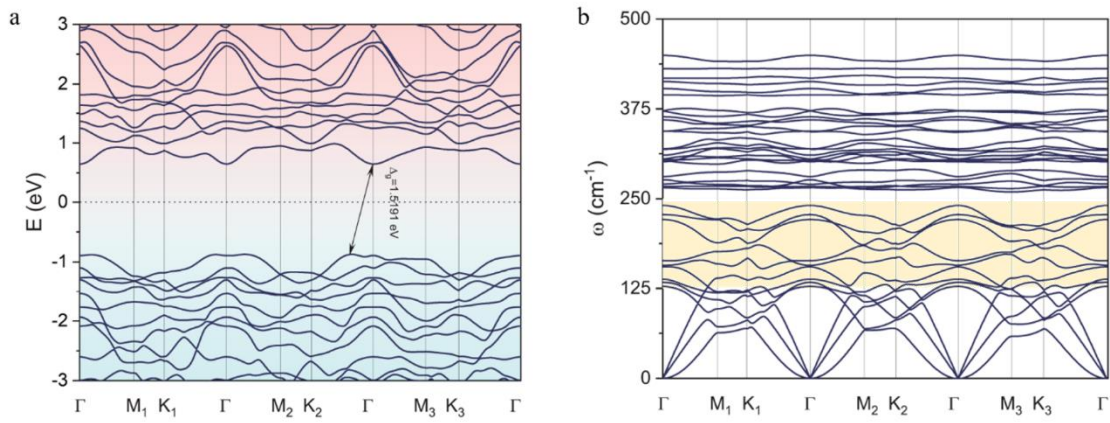
2. The optical images and AFM characterizations of 1L ReS₂ and 1L ReSe₂ flakes



Supplementary Figure 2. The optical and AFM characterizations of 1L ReS₂ (a-d) and 1L ReSe₂ (e-h). The scale bars in the optical image are 5 μm, and in AFM images are 1 μm.

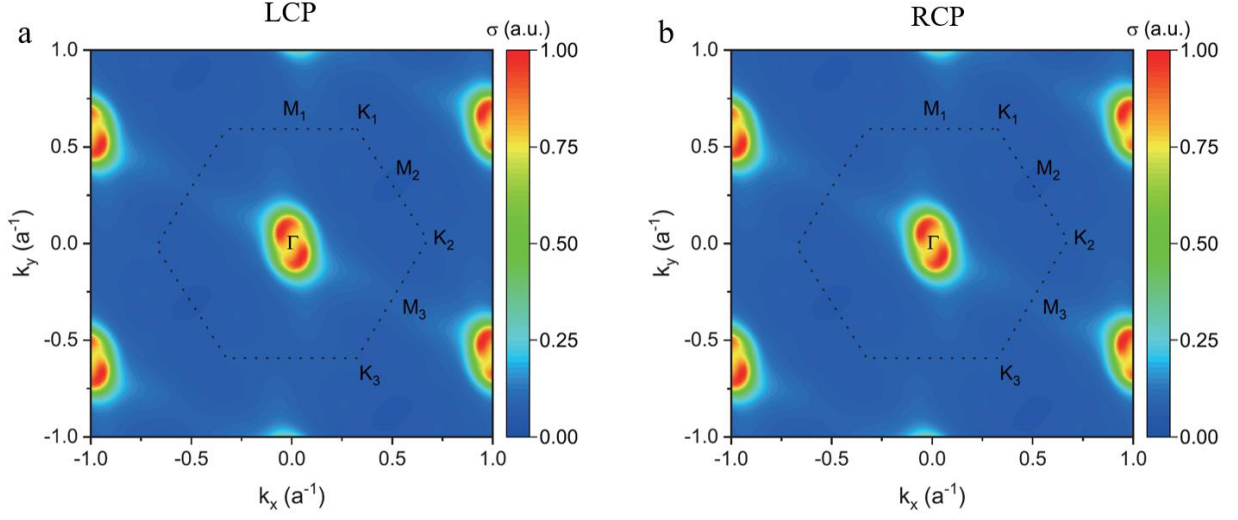
The mechanical exfoliated ReS₂ and ReSe₂ were characterized and located by optical microscope. The layers of flakes were determined by atomic force microscope. The AFM images shown in Supplementary Figure 2 reveal the average thicknesses of the mono-layer ReX₂ are 1.1 nm ~ 1.3 nm, which are slightly larger than the predicted (about 0.7 nm). The discrepancies are owing to the offsets in AFM instrument¹.

3. Electronic structure and phonon dispersion relation of 1L ReS₂



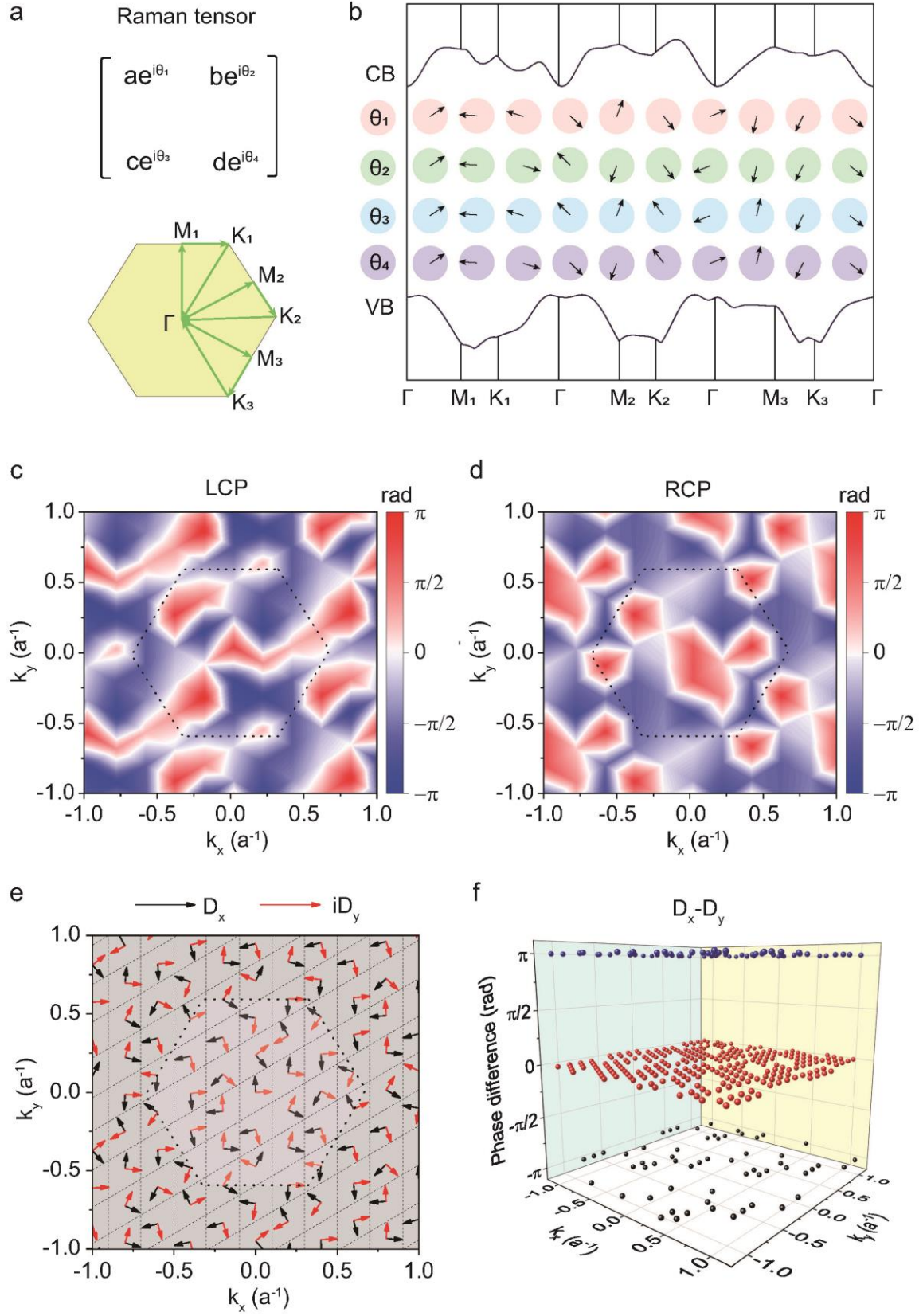
Supplementary Figure 3. Calculated electronic band structure (a) and phonon dispersion relation (b) of 1L ReS₂.

4. Quantum interference in ReS₂



Supplementary Figure 4. Optical absorption of (a) left circularly polarized and (b) right circularly polarized laser of 1.96 eV.

In this section, we aim to reveal the microscopic picture behind the interference effect in chiral Raman scattering in 1L ReS₂. First of all, we look into the optical absorption and define optical absorption cross section $\lambda \sim \sum_{k,f,i} |\mathbf{D}_{fi}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{e}_i|^2$, in which $\mathbf{D}_{fi}(\mathbf{k})$ and \mathbf{e}_i are the dipole vector due to vertical electronic photoexcitation from i to f state and polarization vector of incident laser, respectively. $\mathbf{D} = (D_x, D_y) = (d_x e^{i\alpha}, d_y e^{i\beta})$, and \mathbf{e}_i can be left circular polarization LCP ($\boldsymbol{\sigma}_+ = (1, i)$) or right circular polarization RCP ($\boldsymbol{\sigma}_- = (1, -i)$). The calculated optical absorption excited by both RCP and LCP are found to be identical, as shown in Supplementary Figure 4. To satisfy the condition of helicity-independent optical absorption or $|\mathbf{D}_{fi}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_+|^2 = |\mathbf{D}_{fi}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot \boldsymbol{\sigma}_-|^2$, it should have $\alpha - \beta = n\pi$, n is an integer number. This is indeed the case, as seen from Supplementary Figure 4 (e, f). Supplementary Figure 4 (e) and (f) show respectively D_x and D_y (for better visualization, D_y is rotated counterclockwise by 90 degrees) in complex plane and the phase difference $\alpha - \beta$ between D_x and D_y for a single photon excitation process from the top valence band to the bottom conduction band at each \mathbf{k} point. Obviously the D_x and D_y of \mathbf{D} for each single photoexcitation process are either parallel or antiparallel, contributing to the helicity-independence of optical absorption.



Supplementary Figure 5. (a) Generalized Raman tensor with different phases for each component. (b) Visualization of the 4 phases in Raman tensor between the typical top valence and bottom conduction bands. $E_L = 1.96$ eV and mode

IV is chosen. (c, d) \mathbf{k} -resolved phase of $\mathbf{T}_{i,f,n,n'}(\mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{e}_s \cdot \mathbf{R}_{i,f,n,n'}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{e}_i$ for (c) left circular polarized and (d) right circular polarized lasers. (e) \mathbf{k} -resolved dipole vector $\mathbf{D} = (D_x, D_y)$ between the two bands in (b). The y-component is rotated counter-clockwise by 90 degrees. (f) Phase difference between x- and y-component of dipole vector \mathbf{D} in each \mathbf{k} -point.

Then we look into resonant Raman scattering process. Let us still focus on one electron Raman scattering process between two single electronic bands. We define a generalized Raman tensor in Supplementary Figure 5(a), each term has an independent phase angle ($\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4$). Raman intensity can be evaluated by the following,

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{i,f,n,n'} &\propto \int_0^{2\pi} \left| (\cos\beta \quad \sin\beta) \begin{pmatrix} ae^{i\theta_1} & be^{i\theta_2} \\ ce^{i\theta_3} & de^{i\theta_4} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \pm i \end{pmatrix} \right|^2 d\beta \\
&= \pi(a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2) \pm 2\pi[absin(\theta_1 - \theta_2) + cdsin(\theta_3 - \theta_4)]
\end{aligned} \tag{S1}$$

In Supplementary Figure 5(b) we show the calculated phase angles between two single bands without any inter- \mathbf{k} interference effect considered. All the four phase angles are either parallel or antiparallel to each other, giving rise to Raman intensity independent on helicity, as seen from Eq. (S1). The phase difference between the components of Raman tensor ($\theta_i - \theta_j = n\pi$, in which $i, j = 1, 2, 3, 4, i \neq j$, and n is an integer number) at each \mathbf{k} -point can be deduced from the relationship between D_x and D_y . To reveal the interference origin behind the chiral Raman scattering, we show the \mathbf{k} -resolved phase of complex $\mathbf{T}_{i,f,n,n'}(\mathbf{k}) = \mathbf{e}_s \cdot \mathbf{R}_{i,f,n,n'}(\mathbf{k}) \cdot \mathbf{e}_i$ in Supplementary Figure 5 (c, d). Very different phase distributions are found between LCP and RCP, leading to different interference between \mathbf{k} -points, and ultimately distinctive intensities. Both constructive and destructive interference between \mathbf{k} -points finally give rise to vastly different Raman tensors for the 6 Raman modes, as indicated in Supplementary Table 1 and Supplementary Table 2 with considering the symmetry of ReS₂.

Mode I	Mode II	Mode III
$\begin{pmatrix} 0.22e^{0.98i} & 0.37e^{-2.52i} \\ 0.37e^{-2.52i} & 1.00e^{2.26i} \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.03e^{-1.88i} & 0.43e^{-2.49i} \\ 0.43e^{-2.49i} & 0.91e^{2.29i} \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.43e^{-1.98i} & 0.10e^{1.97i} \\ 0.10e^{1.97i} & 1.00e^{-1.26} \end{pmatrix}$
Mode IV	Mode V	Mode VI
$\begin{pmatrix} 1.00e^{0.61i} & 0.16e^{1.84i} \\ 0.16e^{1.84i} & 0.72e^{-0.24i} \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.35e^{2.11i} & 0.98e^{0.09i} \\ 0.98e^{0.09i} & 0.97e^{-0.79i} \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.00e^{0.56i} & 0.37e^{1.58i} \\ 0.37e^{1.58i} & 0.55e^{1.44i} \end{pmatrix}$

Supplementary Table 1. Raman tensor element of different Raman vibrational modes excited by 2.33 eV photon energy.

Mode I	Mode II	Mode III
$\begin{pmatrix} 0.94e^{-0.07i} & 0.60e^{-0.21i} \\ 0.60e^{-0.21i} & 1.00e^{-2.26i} \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 1.00e^{0.14i} & 0.13e^{-2.91i} \\ 0.13e^{-2.91i} & 0.53e^{-2.40i} \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.5325e^{2.17i} & 0.71e^{0.92i} \\ 0.71e^{0.92i} & 1.00e^{1.16i} \end{pmatrix}$
Mode IV	Mode V	Mode VI
$\begin{pmatrix} 0.94e^{-3.07i} & 0.36e^{0.10i} \\ 0.36e^{0.10i} & 0.69e^{1.26i} \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.30e^{-2.66i} & 0.42e^{-2.08i} \\ 0.42e^{-2.08i} & 1.00e^{-2.23i} \end{pmatrix}$	$\begin{pmatrix} 0.32e^{-2.54i} & 0.49e^{-2.39i} \\ 0.49e^{-2.39i} & 1.00e^{-2.36i} \end{pmatrix}$

Supplementary Table 2. Raman tensor element of different Raman vibrational modes excited by 1.96 eV photon energy.

5. The polar plots of chiral response in 1L ReS₂

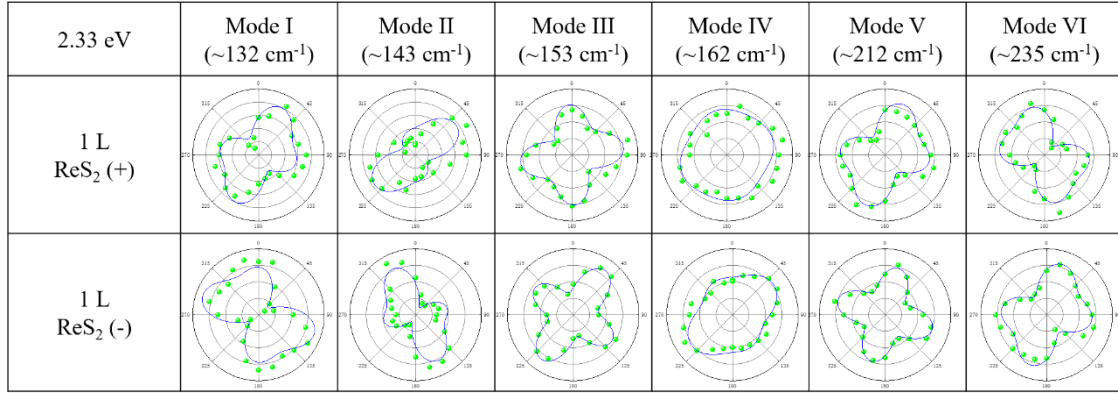
The polarization states of the incident light change from linearly, elliptically to circularly polarized. The Raman intensities variation with rotation angle θ can be fitted by:

$$I \propto \frac{1}{2} \left| \begin{pmatrix} ae^{i\varphi_a} & be^{i\varphi_b} \\ be^{i\varphi_b} & ce^{i\varphi_c} \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 - i\cos 2\theta & -i\sin 2\theta \\ -i\sin 2\theta & 1 + \cos 2\theta \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right|^2$$

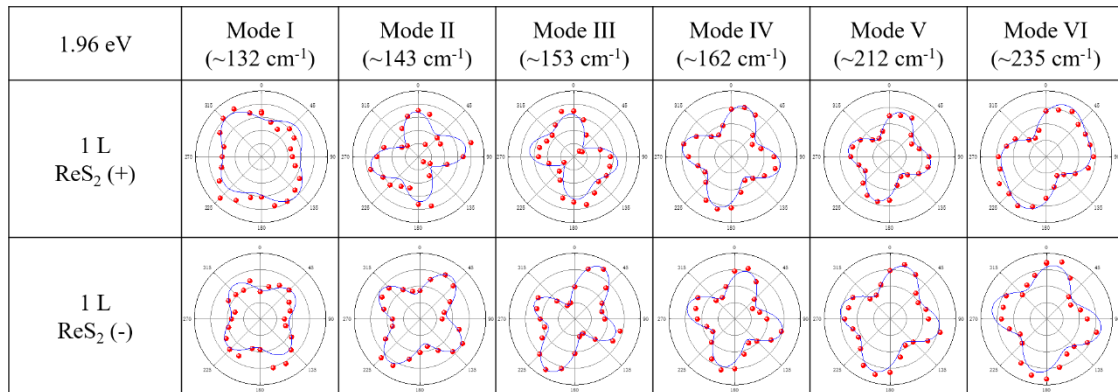
$$I = \frac{1}{2} [a^2 + a^2 \cos^2 2\theta + 2b^2 + c^2 \sin^2 2\theta + 2absin2\theta \sin(\varphi_b - \varphi_a) + 2bcsin2\theta \sin(\varphi_c - \varphi_b) + absin4\theta \cos(\varphi_a - \varphi_b) + bcsin4\theta \cos(\varphi_c - \varphi_b)]$$

For ReS₂ (-), $be^{i\varphi_b}$ should be replaced by $-be^{i\varphi_b}$.

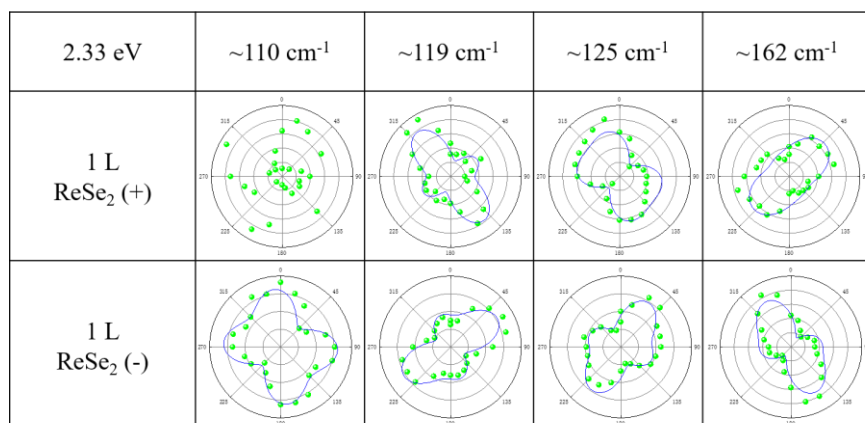
The Raman intensities of RCP (I_R) for 132 cm⁻¹ and 143 cm⁻¹ modes are higher in ReS₂ (+) than that in ReS₂ (-), and the intensity of 235 cm⁻¹ is higher with LCP in ReS₂ (+). The results of ReS₂ (-) are opposite to ReS₂ (+).



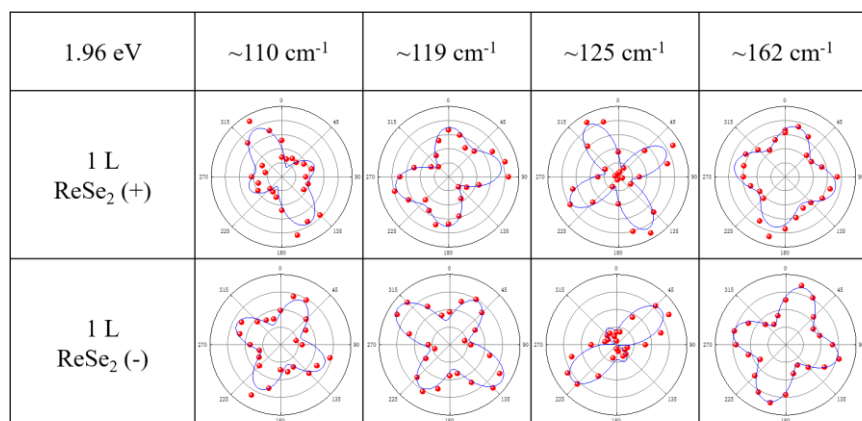
Supplementary Table 3. Raman intensities of 1L ReS₂ with different rotation angles of QWP. The excitation photon energy is 2.33 eV.



Supplementary Table 4. Raman intensities of 1L ReS₂ with different rotation angles of QWP. The excitation photon energy is 1.96 eV.



Supplementary Table 5. Raman intensities of 1L ReSe₂ with different rotation angles of QWP. The excitation photon energy is 2.33 eV.



Supplementary Table 6. Raman intensities of 1L ReSe₂ with different rotation angles of QWP. The excitation photon energy is 1.96 eV.

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