

Supporting Information for:

**Functional MoS₂ nanosheets inhibit melanogenesis to enhance UVB/X-ray
induced damage**

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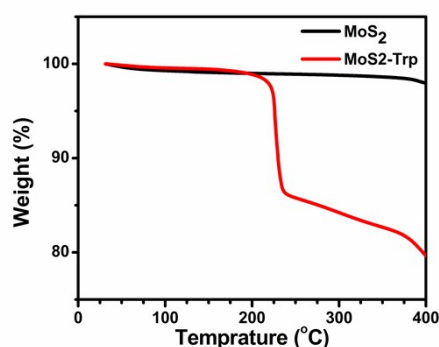


Fig. S1. Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) curve of MoS₂-Trp nanosheets. The weight loss of 3% is due to water below 100 °C. The weight loss of ~22 % is mainly attributed to the thermal decomposition of Trp into carbon in the range of 200-400 °C.

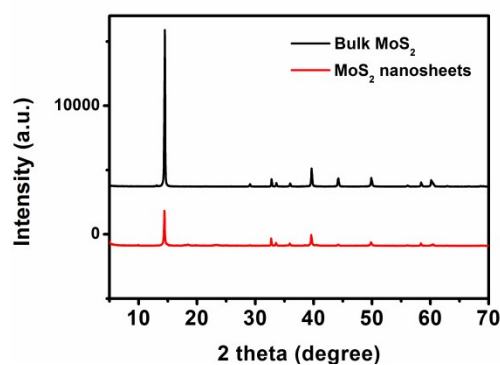


Fig. S2. XRD patterns of powders of bulk MoS₂ (black) and exfoliated MoS₂-Trp nanosheets (red). It shows that the nanosheets remain the crystalline nature after exfoliation.

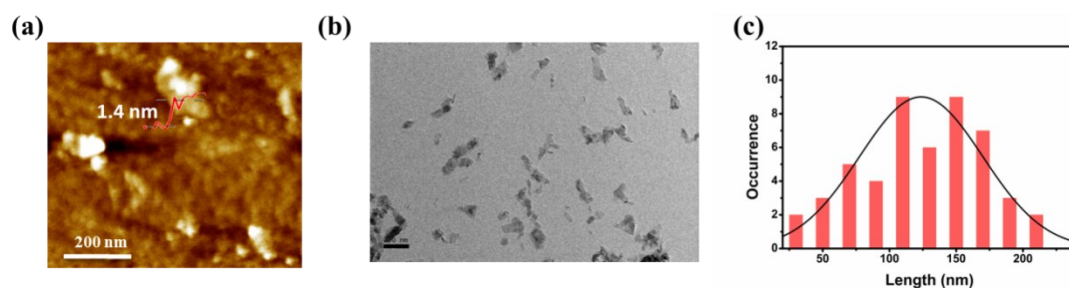


Fig. S3. (a) AFM image of few-layers MoS₂-Trp with the thickness of 1.4 nm-4 nm. TEM image of MoS₂-Trp in figure (b) and (c) the dimensional chart of MoS₂-Trp from TEM image. These results indicate the size distribution of MoS₂-Trp from the 50 samples was ranged from 31.757 nm to 210.888 nm. And the mean diameter of MoS₂-Trp is 124.89 nm which is consistent with 123.4 nm from AFM test. Compared with the data from DLS, the deviation may be due to the uneven size of the material.



Fig. S4 Add 0.5 mL MoS₂-Trp-PEG to 1.5mL serum and it still evenly dispersed after 2 days.

Table S1. The sequences of all primers used in this study

Target gene	Forward primer (5'-3')	Reverse primer (5' -3')
MITF	AATGGCAAATACGTTACCCG	AAGGTTGGCTGGACAGGAGT
TYR	AGCCCAGCATCCTTCTTCTC	AGTGGTCCCTCAGGTGTTCC
DCT	AAATAATGAGAAACTGCCAACC	CGTCTGCTTTATCAAACCTT
RAB27a	ACGCTATGGGTTTCCTGCTT	CCTCTTTCACTGCCCTCTGG
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MYO5A	AATCTCCGAGTTCGCTTCAT	ATCCCTTGCCATTTGCTTGT

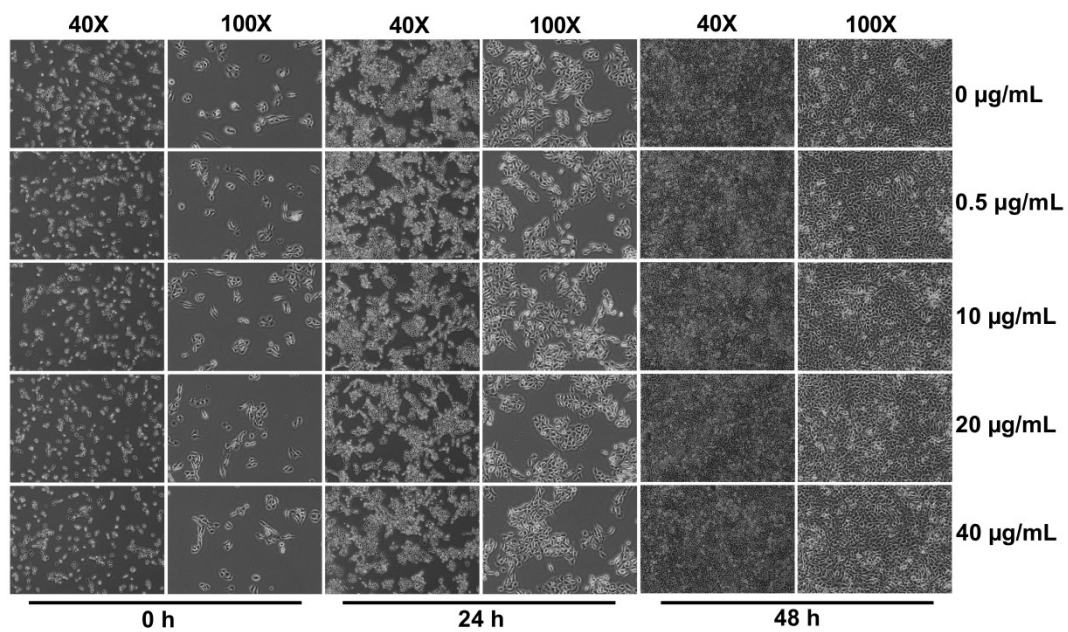


Fig. S5. Morphological changes in B16F10 cells induced by MoS₂-Trp-PEG, which was seen via inverted microscopy. Magnification 40× and 100×.

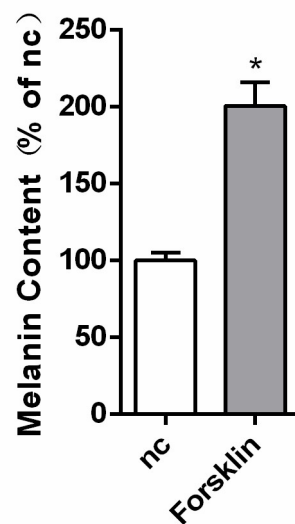


Fig. S6. Melanin content of Forsklin stimulated B16F10 cells were expressed as percentages relative to nc group (* $P < 0.05$). nc: normal cells.

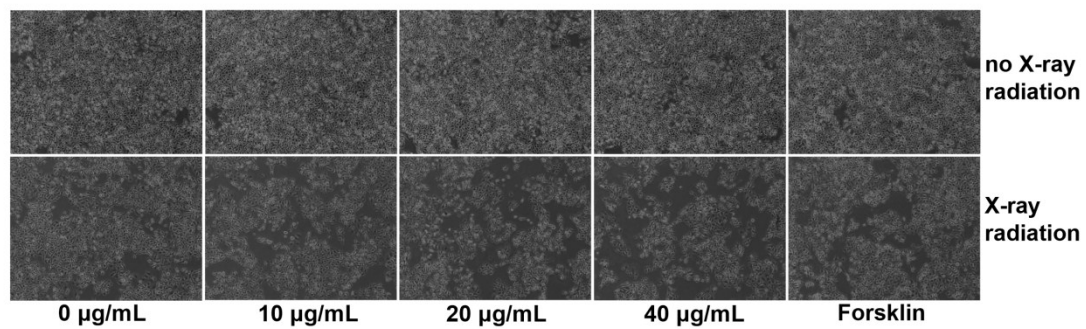


Fig. S7. MoS₂-Trp-PEG increases X-ray-induced cells damage. Cell numbers changes in B16F10 cells induced by MoS₂-Trp-PEG alone or combined with X-ray were seen by inverted microscopy. Magnification 40×.