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Ultrathin nanowire PdX₂ (X= P, As): stability, electronic transport and thermoelectric properties

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| Material | Lattice constant (Å) | Pd-X (Å) | X-X (Å) | E _{coh} (eV per atom) |
|-------------------|----------------------------|-------------|------------|-----------------------------------|
| PdP ₂ | 5.99 | 2.38 | 2.08 | 4.01 (2.67) |
| | (5.86) | (2.32) | (2.06) | 4.01 (5.07) |
| PdAs ₂ | 6.29 | 2.47 | 2.31 | 2 56 (2 18) |
| | (6.19) | (2.42) | (2.31) | 5.50 (5.18) |

Table S1: Our calculated lattice constant, bond length and cohesive energy of PdP_2 and $PdAs_2$ monolayer. Previous reported results are also listed in brackets from ref¹.



Figure S1: The electronic band structure of penta PdP₂ and PdAs₂ monolayer. The Fermi level is set at 0K.



Figure S2: The electronic structure of pentagonal PdP_2 and $PdAs_2$ at 0% and 8% compressive strain.

| Strain | | Bor | nd Length | (Å) | Bond Angle (°) (X-Pd-X) |
|-------------------|------|-------|-----------|------|-------------------------|
| | | Pd-Pd | Pd-X | X-X | |
| PdP ₂ | 0% | 4.23 | 2.40 | 2.02 | 180 |
| | -2% | 4.22 | 2.39 | 2.02 | 180 |
| | -4% | 4.20 | 2.39 | 2.02 | 180 |
| | -6% | 4.19 | 2.39 | 2.02 | 180 |
| | -8% | 4.16 | 2.39 | 2.02 | 180 |
| | -10% | 4.15 | 2.38 | 2.02 | 180 |
| | -12% | 2.83 | 2.50 | 2.03 | 144.9 |
| | -14% | 3.09 | 2.45 | 2.00 | 101.2 |
| PdAs ₂ | 0% | 4.29 | 2.49 | 2.25 | 180 |
| | -2% | 4.28 | 2.48 | 2.25 | 180 |

Table S2: Variation of bond length and bond angle at different applied strain

| | -4% | 4.27 | 2.48 | 2.24 | 180 |
|--|------|------|------|------|-----|
| | -6% | 4.28 | 2.48 | 2.24 | 180 |
| | -8% | 4.41 | 2.49 | 2.24 | 180 |
| | -10% | 4.40 | 2.49 | 2.25 | 180 |
| | -12% | 4.40 | 2.50 | 2.25 | 180 |
| | -14% | 4.41 | 2.50 | 2.26 | 180 |



Figure S3: The calculated total density of states (TDOS) and partial density of states (PDOS) graph of unstrained ($\mathcal{E}=0\%$) (a) PdP₂-NW and (c) PdAs₂-NW is shown. Correspondingly, strained ($\mathcal{E}=-8\%$) PDOS of (b) PdP₂ and (d) PdAs₂ is also shown.



Figure S4: The electronic band structure of penta PdP₂-NW with applied strain. The Fermi level is set at 0K.



Figure S5: The electronic band structure of penta PdAs₂-NW with applied strain. The Fermi level is set at 0K.



Figure S6: The graph for stiffness constant of (a) PdP₂-NW and (b) PdAs₂-NW



Figure S7: The graph for deformation potential of (a) electrons and (b) holes of PdP₂-NW and (c) electrons and (d) holes of PdAs₂-NW



Figure S8: The graph for effective mass calculation of (a) PdP₂-NW and (b) PdAs₂-NW



Figure S9: Calculated figure of merit (ZT) of both strained and unstrained ($\mathcal{E}=0\%$ and -8%) for (a) PdP₂-NW and (b) PdAs₂-NW as a function of temperature is shown for larger lead. Both lead and scattering region are of the same material. The left and right lead consists of three primitive unit cells. The scattering region is consisting of three primitive cells.



Figure S10: The variation of band gap with applied compressive strain for penta PdP_2 and $PdAs_2$ -NW.



Figure S11: The charge contour plot of PdP₂-NW with applied strain.



Figure S12: The charge contour plot of PdAs₂-NW with applied strain.

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