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High-pressure structural phase transitions and metallization in layered HfS₂ under different hydrostatic environments up to 42.1 GPa

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Supplementary Figure 1. Transmission electron microscope equipped with an energy dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (TEM-EDS) of the starting HfS₂ sample.

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Supplementary Figure 3. (a) and (b) represent the optical microscope images of sample chamber under non-hydrostatic and hydrostatic conditions, respectively. In here, PM stands for pressure medium. (c) The relations between deviatoric stress and pressure under different hydrostatic environments.





Supplementary Figure 4. Three-dimensional surface topography images of atomic force microscopy (AFM) and their correspondent distance-height relationships for HfS_2 . Herein, (a) and (b) represent the starting sample; (c) and (d) are the recovered sample decompressed from 38.2 GPa under non-hydrostatic condition; (e) and (f) stand for the recovered sample released from 37.9 GPa under hydrostatic condition. Herein, PM represents pressure medium.

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Supplementary Table 1. The relationship between diffraction angle (20) and full width at half maximum (FWHM) for HfS₂.

| 2θ (°) | FWHM (cm ⁻¹) |
|--------|--------------------------|
| 14.99 | 0.210±0.033 |
| 28.31 | 0.171±0.040 |
| 30.38 | 0.219±0.040 |
| 32.22 | 0.272±0.065 |
| 42.07 | 0.328±0.042 |
| 46.37 | 0.350±0.111 |
| 50.18 | 0.179±0.039 |
| 52.70 | 0.222±0.052 |
| 55.28 | 0.401±0.048 |
| 58.66 | 0.183±0.033 |
| 59.87 | 0.312±0.097 |
| 60.95 | 0.279±0.0908 |
| 63.36 | 0.410±0.062 |
| 67.54 | 0.376±0.100 |