Supporting Information: Promising TMDC-like Optical and Excitonic Properties for TiBr₂ 2H Monolayer

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1 Cohesion Energy

Here, using a cut off energy of 431.74 eV for the plane-wave basis function, for the isolated atoms, we place them inside an orthorhombic box with dimensions 21 Å, 22 Å, and 23 Å, considering only the Γ point, for the monolayer we use a **k**-mesh of $13 \times 13 \times 1$ and for the bulk **k**-mesh of $13 \times 13 \times 3$, which corresponds to a **k**-points density of 40 Å⁻¹ in each reciprocal lattice vector direction. All calculations were done with spin-polarized at the PBE level. The TiBr₂ 2H bulk atomic structure was optimized using the same monolayer protocol described in the manuscript. For isolated atoms, we obtained a total energy of $E_{Ti} = -4.767812$ eV for Ti

and $E_{Br} = -0.267355$ eV for Br, for TiBr₂ 2H bulk we obtained $E_{bulk} = -33.462375$ eV and for the TiBr₂ 2H monolayer we obtained $E_{mono} = -16.724246$ eV.

Thus, the $E_{\rm coh}$ values for the TiBr₂ 2H monolayer ($E_{\rm coh}^{\rm mono}$) and for the bulk ($E_{\rm coh}^{\rm bulk}$) were calculated as follows:

$$E_{\rm coh}^{\rm mono} = \frac{E_{\rm mono} - E_{\rm Ti \ free-atom} - 2E_{\rm Br \ free-atom}}{3} = -3.807 \ {\rm eV} , \qquad (1)$$

and

$$E_{\rm coh}^{\rm bulk} = \frac{E_{\rm bulk} - 2E_{\rm Ti\ free-atom} - 4E_{\rm Br\ free-atom}}{6} = -3.810\ {\rm eV}\ . \tag{2}$$

The negative values obtained strongly support the argument for the stability of our systems. An alternative way to determine the formation energy involves using the enthalpy of formation (ΔH_f) . This method only requires estimating the total energies of chemical precursors along a specific synthesis route, as it is a state function. However, considering the numerous possible synthetic routes, such as those found in transition metal dichalcogenides^{S1–S5}, which can be based on top-down or bottom-up strategies, may not be feasible in every scenario.

2 Thermodynamic Properties



Figure S1: Thermodynamic Potentials: The Gibbs free energy (red curve), entropy (blue curve), and heat capacity at constant volume (green curve), for TiBr₂ 2H monolayer.

In Fig.S1, the Gibbs free energy reveals that the system exhibits favorable synthesis conditions for temperatures exceeding 200 K, suggesting the feasibility of obtaining our system at room temperature. This observation aligns with the trends observed in entropy and C_V as depicted in Fig.S1.

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