

**Supplementary Information for: The Role of the Metal in Metal/MoS<sub>2</sub> and Metal/Ca<sub>2</sub>N/MoS<sub>2</sub> Interfaces**

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Table S1: Computed properties of metal/MoS<sub>2</sub> heterostructures.  $N_{\text{atoms}}$  is the total number of atoms in the unit cell, while  $n_{\text{MoS}_2}$  is the number of MoS<sub>2</sub> formula units. Other quantities are defined in the main text of the article.

Interface	$N_{\text{atoms}}$	$n_{\text{MoS}_2}$	$\epsilon_{\text{metal}}$ (%)	$\Delta\bar{z}_{\text{S-metal}}$ (Å)	$\zeta_{\text{Mo}}$ (Å)	$Q_{\text{MoS}_2}$ (e <sup>-</sup> /MoS <sub>2</sub> )	TBH (eV)	TBW (Å)	IGS (10 <sup>14</sup> e <sup>-</sup> /cm <sup>2</sup> )
Sb(0001)/MoS <sub>2</sub>	81	13	-0.86	3.08±0.04	0.00	0.04	3.00	1.41	0.45
Sb(01 $\bar{1}$ 2)/MoS <sub>2</sub>	59	8	+0.68	3.07±0.08	0.00	0.06	3.02	1.33	1.43
Bi(0001)/MoS <sub>2</sub>	111	19	+2.17	3.11±0.03	0.03	0.02	2.80	1.30	0.82
Bi(01 $\bar{1}$ 2)/MoS <sub>2</sub>	43	6	-0.99	3.05±0.06	0.00	0.08	2.64	1.17	1.28
Au/MoS <sub>2</sub>	135	13	-2.10	2.70±0.05	0.00	0.02	1.88	0.97	1.76
Ag/MoS <sub>2</sub>	162	16	-0.09	2.54±0.01	0.00	0.08	1.77	0.77	2.21
Cu/MoS <sub>2</sub>	150	12	-0.26	2.26±0.06	0.01	0.12	0.72	0.42	2.70
Pt/MoS <sub>2</sub>	33	3	-1.11	2.33±0.04	0.00	0.01	1.13	0.48	5.48
Ru/MoS <sub>2</sub>	105	3	+0.76	2.22±0.01	0.01	0.14	-0.04	-	4.33
Y/MoS <sub>2</sub>	30	4	+1.66	2.24±0.14	0.18	0.44	-1.21	-	6.19
W/MoS <sub>2</sub>	73	8	+1.87	1.94±0.23	0.04	0.34	-3.22	-	6.70
Mo/MoS <sub>2</sub>	130	13	+2.73	1.70±0.26	0.03	0.30	-3.79	-	5.92

Table S2: Computed properties of minimally strained metal/Ca<sub>2</sub>N/MoS<sub>2</sub> heterostructures.

Interface	$N_{\text{atoms}}$	$n_{\text{MoS}_2}$	$n_{\text{Ca}_2\text{N}}$	$\epsilon_{\text{metal}}$ (%)	$\epsilon_{\text{Ca}_2\text{N}}$ (%)	$E_{\text{metal}}^{\text{strain}}$ (meV/Å <sup>2</sup> )	$E_{\text{Ca}_2\text{N}}^{\text{strain}}$ (meV/Å <sup>2</sup> )	$E_{\text{exfol}}^{\text{unstr}}$ (meV/Å <sup>2</sup> )	$\zeta_{\text{Mo}}$ (Å)	$E_{\text{Gap}}^{\text{MoS}_2}$ (eV)	$Q_{\text{MoS}_2}$ (e <sup>-</sup> /MoS <sub>2</sub> )
Au/Ca <sub>2</sub> N/MoS <sub>2</sub>	198	13	10	-2.10	+5.52	9.6	12.6	211.6	0.12	1.0	0.24
Ag/Ca <sub>2</sub> N/MoS <sub>2</sub>	201	16	14	-0.09	+2.35	0.0	2.7	223.1	0.15	0.7	0.30
Cu/Ca <sub>2</sub> N/MoS <sub>2</sub>	234	12	10	-0.26	+1.67	0.2	1.4	249.7	0.13	0.9	0.27
Ru/Ca <sub>2</sub> N/MoS <sub>2</sub>	159	12	10	+0.76	+1.67	3.8	1.4	263.6	0.12	0.9	0.25
W/Ca <sub>2</sub> N/MoS <sub>2</sub>	182	16	13	+1.87	+1.67	10.8	1.4	215.8	0.13	0.8	0.25
Mo/Ca <sub>2</sub> N/MoS <sub>2</sub>	301	25	19	+0.98	-1.01	3.2	0.5	220.9	0.14	0.7	0.29

Interface	MoS <sub>2</sub> /Ca <sub>2</sub> N			Ca <sub>2</sub> N/metal		
	$\Delta\bar{z}$ (Å)	TBH (eV)	TBW (Å)	$\Delta\bar{z}$ (Å)	TBH (eV)	TBW (Å)
Au/Ca <sub>2</sub> N/MoS <sub>2</sub>	2.48±0.11	0.47	0.44	2.61±0.14	1.28	0.68
Ag/Ca <sub>2</sub> N/MoS <sub>2</sub>	2.44±0.10	-0.05	-	2.68±0.07	1.09	0.67
Cu/Ca <sub>2</sub> N/MoS <sub>2</sub>	2.50±0.11	0.40	0.40	2.62±0.05	1.42	0.75
Ru/Ca <sub>2</sub> N/MoS <sub>2</sub>	2.50±0.11	0.41	0.42	2.71±0.03	1.60	0.78
W/Ca <sub>2</sub> N/MoS <sub>2</sub>	2.46±0.11	0.28	0.32	2.69±0.06	0.83	0.59
Mo/Ca <sub>2</sub> N/MoS <sub>2</sub>	2.47±0.11	0.16	0.25	2.42±0.10	0.31	0.35

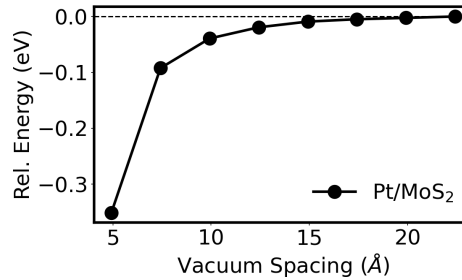


Figure S1: Convergence of the electronic energy with respect to the vacuum spacing for the Pt/MoS<sub>2</sub> heterostructure.

Table S3: Decomposed exfoliation energies of metal/MoS<sub>2</sub> heterostructures in meV/Å<sup>2</sup>.

Interface	$E_{\text{exfol}}^{\text{str}}$	$E_{\text{exfol}}^{\text{str,PBE}}$	$E_{\text{exfol}}^{\text{str,XDM}}$	$E_{\text{metal}}^{\text{strain}}$	$E_{\text{exfol}}^{\text{unstr}}$
Sb(0001)/MoS <sub>2</sub>	20.2	-0.3	20.4	0.9	19.3
Sb(0112)/MoS <sub>2</sub>	28.1	-1.7	29.8	1.0	27.1
Bi(0001)/MoS <sub>2</sub>	20.7	-2.8	23.5	2.2	18.6
Bi(0112)/MoS <sub>2</sub>	28.5	-0.6	29.1	1.9	26.6
Au/MoS <sub>2</sub>	33.9	-3.8	37.7	9.6	24.3
Ag/MoS <sub>2</sub>	45.3	8.4	36.9	0.0	27.1
Cu/MoS <sub>2</sub>	68.0	12.7	55.3	0.2	67.8
Pt/MoS <sub>2</sub>	59.1	8.0	51.1	4.9	54.2
Ru/MoS <sub>2</sub>	104.9	43.6	61.4	3.8	101.2
Y/MoS <sub>2</sub>	101.0	66.0	35.1	3.1	98.0
W/MoS <sub>2</sub>	122.2	74.7	47.6	10.8	111.4
Mo/MoS <sub>2</sub>	89.2	22.5	66.7	24.2	65.0

Table S4: Computed properties of selected Ca<sub>2</sub>N/MoS<sub>2</sub> heterostructures.  $n$  refers to the number of formula units of each component.

Property	Geom A	Geom B	Geom C	Geom D	Geom E
MoS <sub>2</sub> $n$	9	4	16	19	13
MoS <sub>2</sub> strain (%)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
MoS <sub>2</sub> $\varsigma_{\text{Mo}}$ (Å)	0.04	0.19	0.13	0.14	0.15
MoS <sub>2</sub> $E_{\text{gap}}$ (eV)	1.3	0.5	0.9	0.7	0.6
Ca <sub>2</sub> N $n$	7	3	13	16	9
Ca <sub>2</sub> N strain (%)	0.14	1.67	2.35	4.20	5.23
Ca <sub>2</sub> N $E_{\text{strain}}$ (meV/Å <sup>2</sup> )	0.0	1.4	2.7	8.3	12.6
$Q_{\text{MoS}_2}$ (e <sup>-</sup> )	0.35	0.35	0.36	0.36	0.34
$E_{\text{exfol}}^{\text{str}}$ (meV/Å <sup>2</sup> )	86.0	86.9	89.2	88.1	76.3
$E_{\text{exfol}}^{\text{unstr}}$ (meV/Å <sup>2</sup> )	86.0	85.2	86.5	79.8	63.7

Table S5: Computed properties of metal/Ca<sub>2</sub>N/MoS<sub>2</sub> heterostructures with the Ca<sub>2</sub>N/MoS<sub>2</sub> bilayers constrained to either Geometry A or Geometry B.

Metal	Geometry	$N_{\text{atoms}}$	$\varepsilon_{\text{metal}}$ (%)	$\varsigma_{\text{Mo}}$ (Å)	$E_{\text{Gap}}^{\text{MoS}_2}$ (eV)
Au	A	120	4.14	0.04	1.4
Ag	A	120	6.05	0.04	1.4
Cu	A	126	4.69	0.04	1.4
Ru	A	126	3.29	0.04	1.5
W	A	120	5.90	0.03	1.4
Mo	A	100	6.67	0.03	1.5
Au	B	45	9.81	0.15	0.8
Ag	B	45	8.16	0.14	0.6
Cu	B	63	4.91	0.15	0.9
Ru	B	63	13.69	0.12	0.9
W	B	96	6.63	0.14	0.8
Mo	B	60	21.24	0.12	0.9

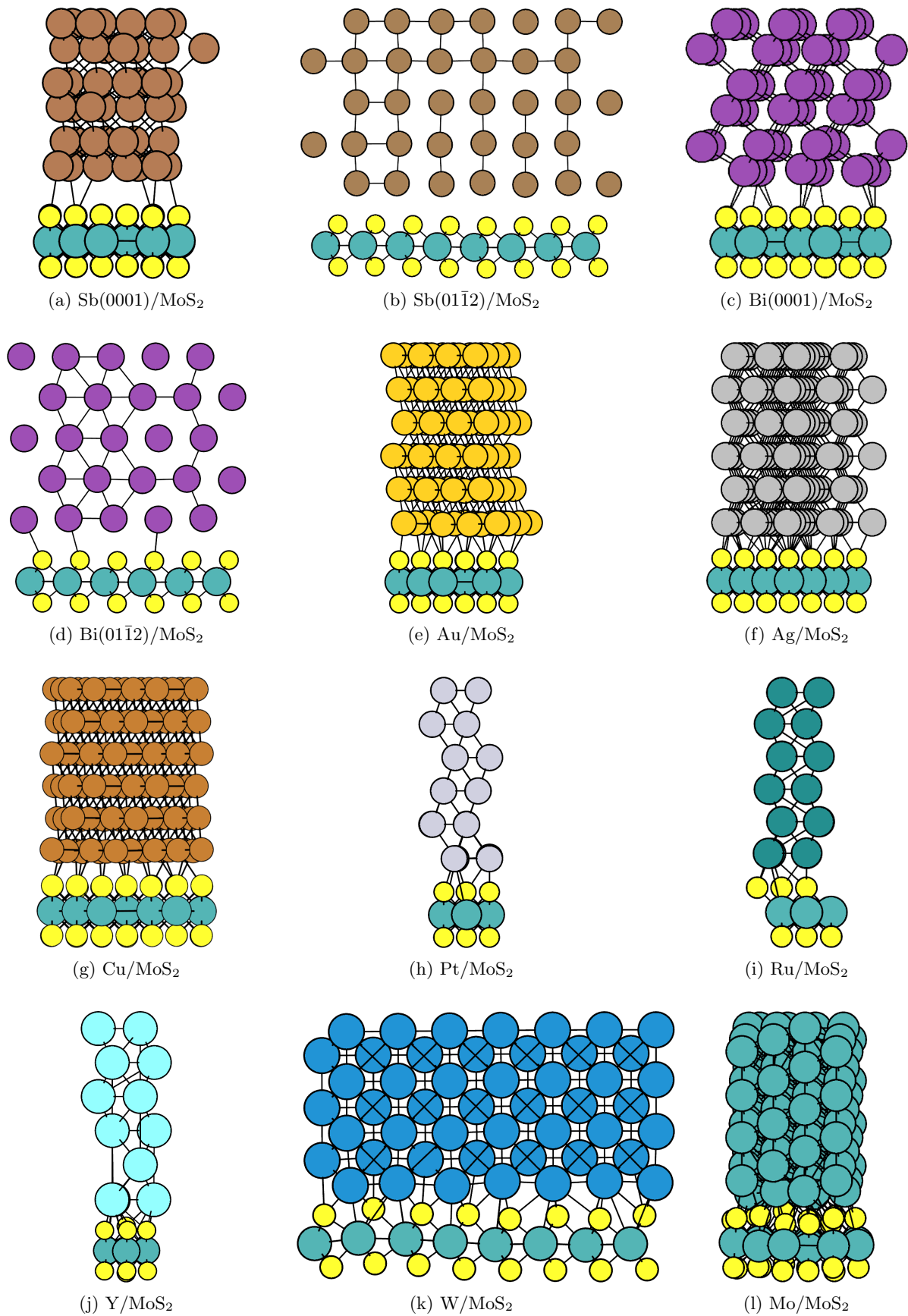


Figure S2: Optimized geometries of metal/MoS<sub>2</sub> interfaces.

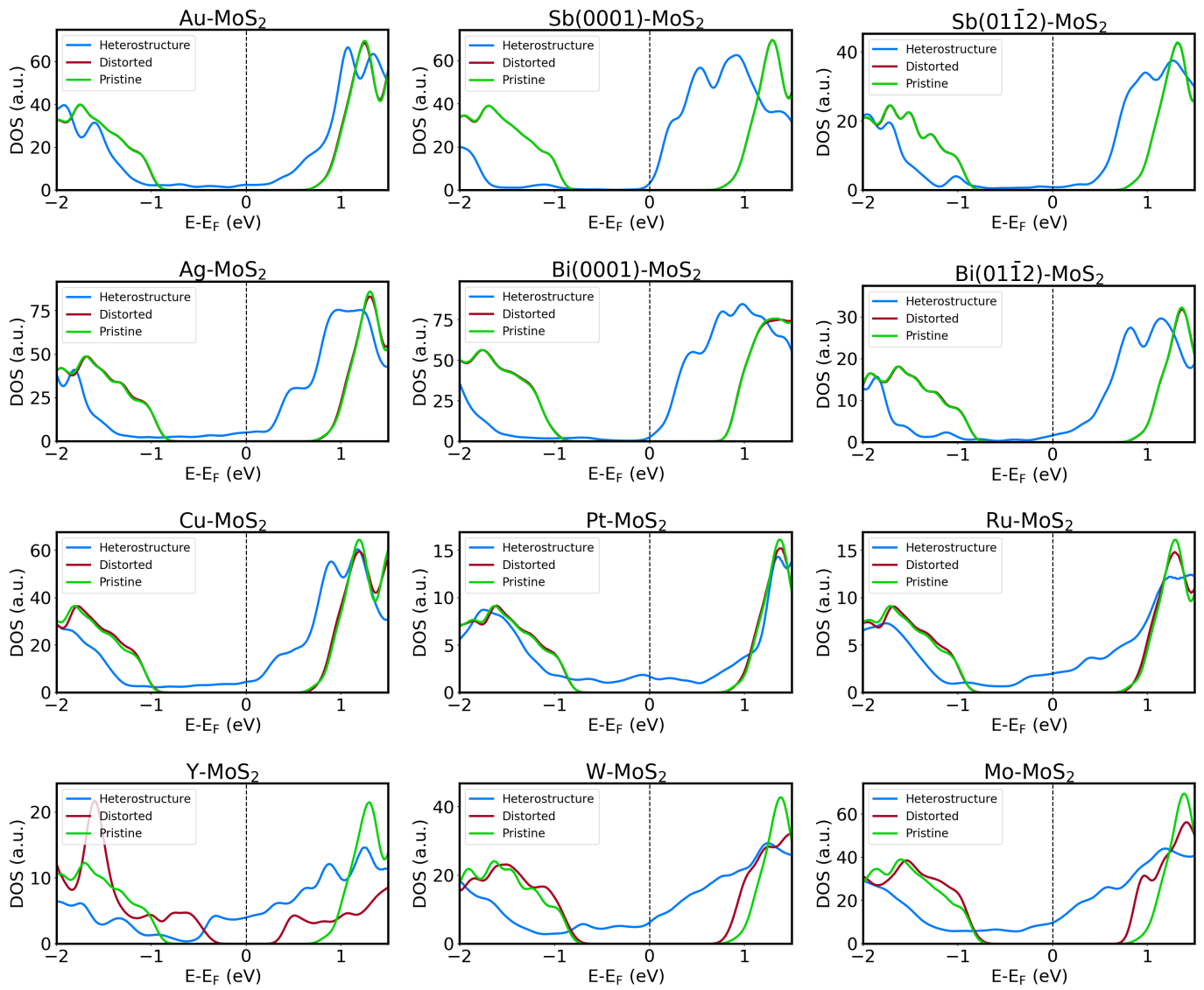


Figure S3: MoS<sub>2</sub> projected DOS for metal/MoS<sub>2</sub> interfaces.

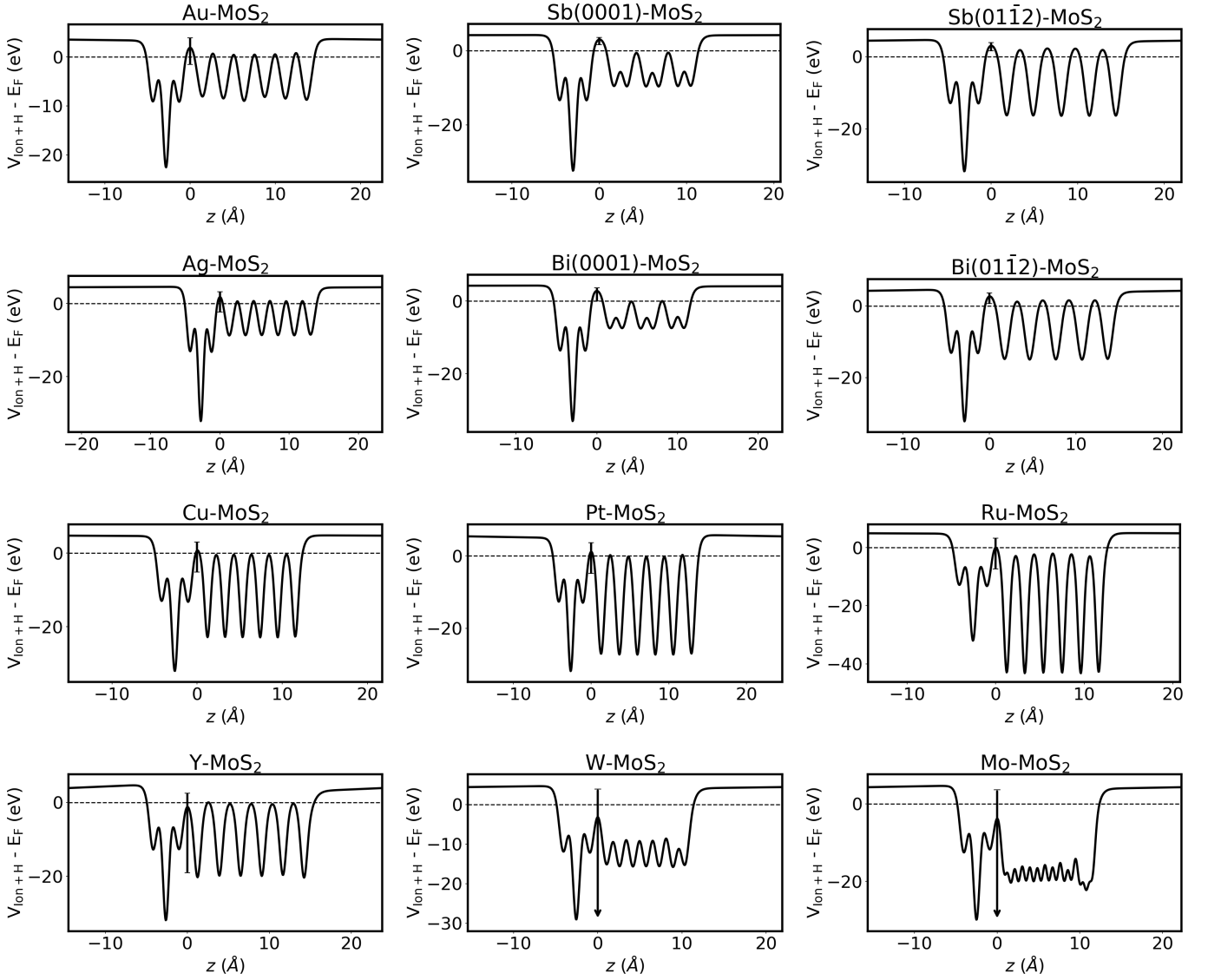


Figure S4: Averaged potential plots for metal/MoS<sub>2</sub> interfaces. The error bars indicate the maximum and minimum potential in the plane of the interface. For W and Mo, the arrow-error bars point to minimum potentials of  $-57.8$  eV and  $-72.2$  eV respectively.

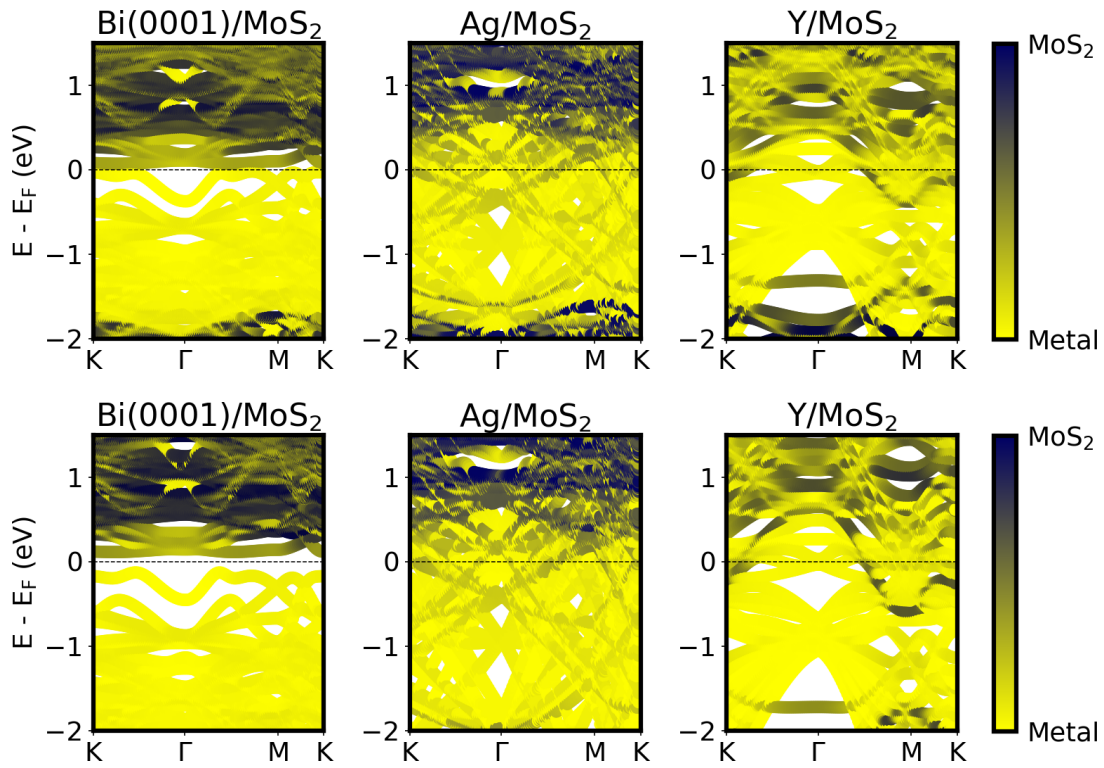


Figure S5: Kohn-Sham band structures computed using FHI-aims with PBE (top) or HSE06 (bottom) at the PBE-XDM QE-relaxed geometries. Three representative cases are shown: Bi(0001), (vdW), Ag (intermediate), and Y (covalent).

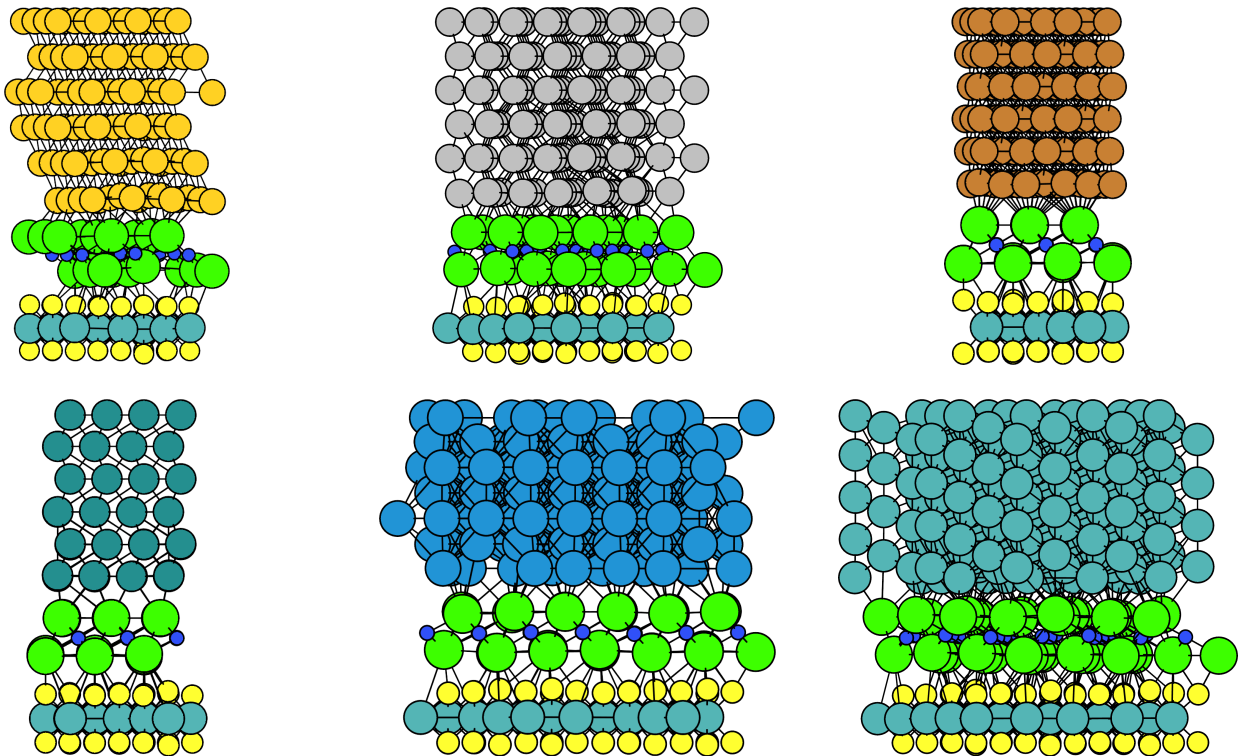


Figure S6: Optimized geometries of metal/ $\text{Ca}_2\text{N}$ / $\text{MoS}_2$  interfaces.

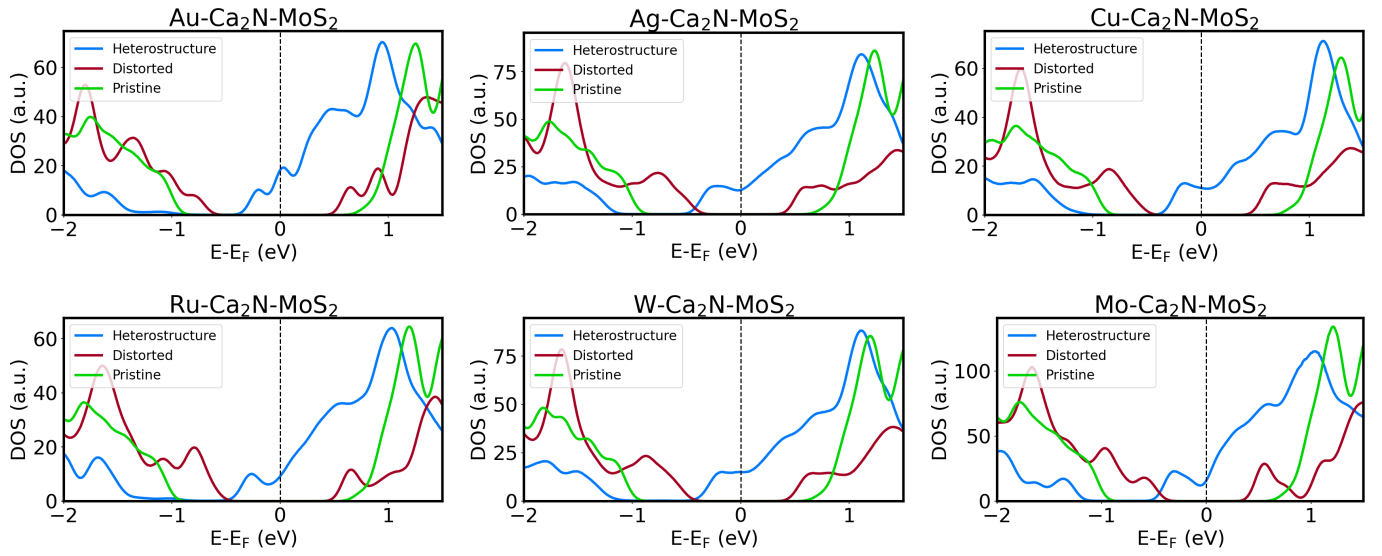


Figure S7:  $\text{MoS}_2$  projected DOS for metal/ $\text{Ca}_2\text{N}/\text{MoS}_2$  interfaces.

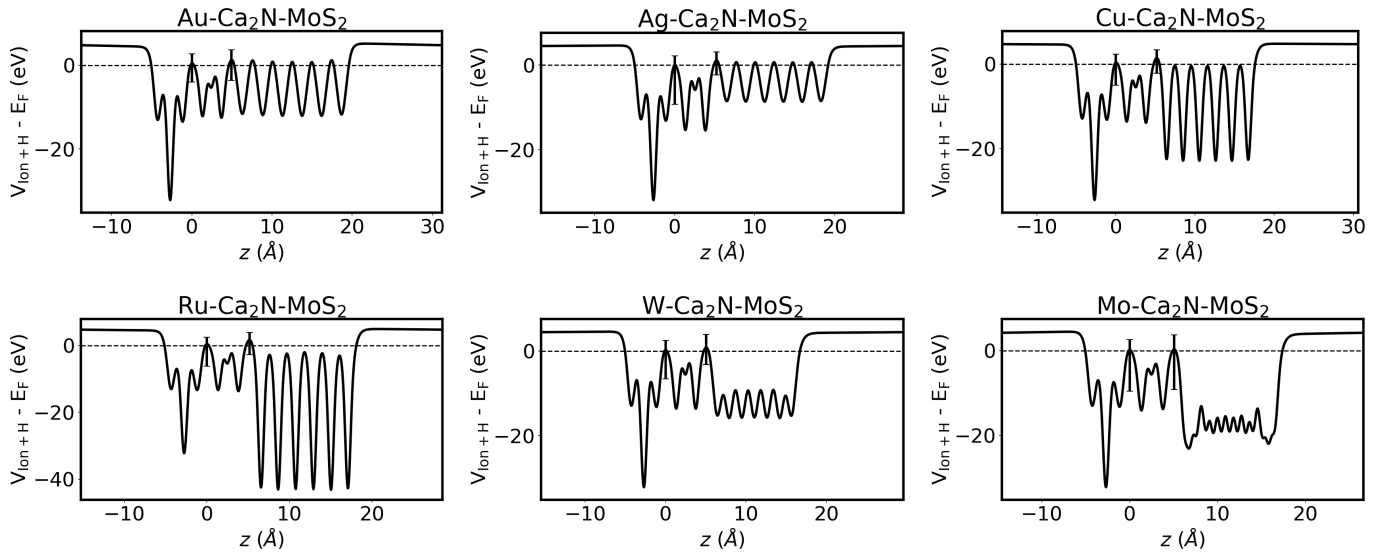


Figure S8: Averaged potential plots for metal/ $\text{Ca}_2\text{N}/\text{MoS}_2$  interfaces. The error bars indicate the maximum and minimum potential in the plane of the interface.