

Supporting Information

Quantum Well Thickness Control of Hybrid Perovskite to Achieve Tunable Anisotropic Photoresponse

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Experimental Section

Materials and general characterizations.

2-Thiophenemethylamine (2TMA, 99%), lead acetate ($\text{Pb}(\text{Ac})_2$, 99.9%), hydroiodic acid (HI, 48 wt.% in H_2O), Methylamine hydrochloride (MACl, 99.9%) and hypophosphorous acid (H_3PO_2 48 wt.% in H_2O) were commercially available and used as received without further purification.

Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) patterns were obtained on a Rigaku SmartLab X-ray diffraction instrument. Ultraviolet-visible (UV-vis) absorption spectra were measured with Shimadzu UV-2600 equipped with ISR-2600Plus integrating sphere. The single crystal growth was carried out using a home-made hydrothermal growth system.

Materials Synthesis.

The 2TM-n single crystal was synthesized in the concentrated HI solution, containing fixed 2TMA, and the stoichiometric ratio of $\text{Pb}(\text{Ac})_2$ and MACl with an increasing number of layers. The resulting solution was cooled down gradually to 370 K to obtain a saturated solution. Then it was cooled down to 273 K at the rate of 20 K/day, resulting in tiny single crystals. By changing the cooling rate to 2 K/day, the large block crystals can be obtained.

Table S1. Reagent quantities used for 2TM-n single-crystal synthesis.

	2TM-1	2TM-2	2TM-3
$\text{Pb}(\text{Ac})_2$	5 mmol	10 mmol	10 mmol
HI	30 mL	30 mL	30 mL
H_3PO_2	3 mL	3 mL	3 mL
MACl	/	5 mmol	7.5 mmol
2TMA	10 mmol	5 mmol	2.5 mmol

Device fabrication. The single-crystal device for photodetection was made by coating silver conducting paste on the crystal surface.

I-V measurement. The photocurrent was measured by FS380 (Primarius). The LEDs were obtained from Thorlabs. The polarizer (Glan-Taylor prism) converts the LED laser beam into polarized light, and the polarization angle of the polarized light is then adjusted by a half-wave plate.

Theoretical calculations. DFT calculations were conducted by using VASP. Projector augmented wave method was adopted to define the ion-electron interactions. The exchange-correlation interaction was expressed by the PBE functional within the generalized gradient approximation. Grimme's dispersion-corrected semi-empirical DFT-D3 method was employed to evaluate van der Waals interactions. Energy cutoff of 500 eV and a $2 \times 2 \times 4$ Monkhorst-Pack grid of k-points were used. VASPKIT was employed to perform post-processing analysis.^[1]

Note S1.

The optical and electric anisotropy caused by the distinct charge density distribution of 2TM-n can be explained from the Fermi Golden Rule. We can get the electric dipole transition probability R for photon absorption per unit time:

$$R = \left(\frac{2\pi}{\hbar} \right) \sum_{k_c, k_v} |\langle c | H_{eR} | v \rangle|^2 \delta(E_c(k_c) - E_v(k) - \hbar\omega)$$

The $|v\rangle$ represents valence band state with energy E_v and wavevector k_v , and the $|c\rangle$ represents conduction band state with energy E_c and wavevector k_c . The matrix element $|\langle c | H_{eR} | v \rangle|^2$ can

be calculated as $|\langle c | H_{eR} | v \rangle|^2 = \left(\frac{e}{mc} \right)^2 |\langle c | \mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{P} | v \rangle|^2$, where \mathbf{P} is the momentum operator and \mathbf{A} is

a vector potential. The amplitude of \mathbf{A} can be written as $\mathbf{A} = -\frac{E}{2q} \{ \exp[i(q \cdot \mathbf{r} - \omega t)] + c.c. \}$, where

c.c. stands for complex conjugate. The charge density distribution in the in-plane and out-of-

plane direction is obviously different, which causes $|\langle c | H_{eR} | v \rangle|$ to have different integral values

in the two directions. This also eventually results in different R for photon absorption per unit

time in both the in-plane and out-of-plane direction, which demonstrates that the anisotropic

polarized absorption of 2TM-n dominantly originates from the structural anisotropy.^[2]

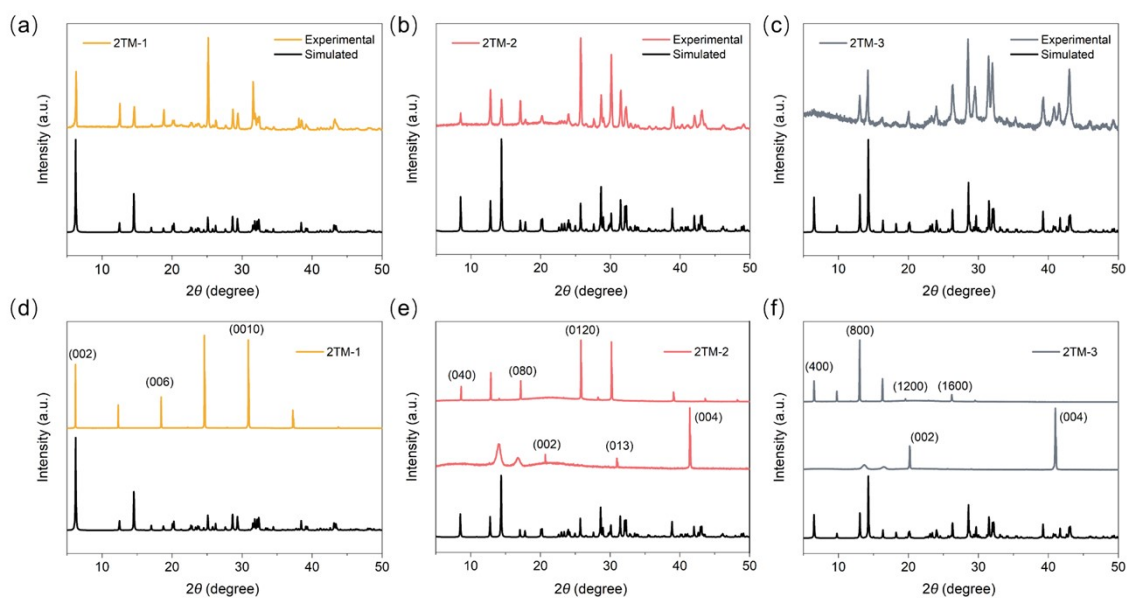


Fig. S1. PXRD patterns of (a, d) 2TM-1, (b, e) 2TM-2 and (c, f) 2TM-3.

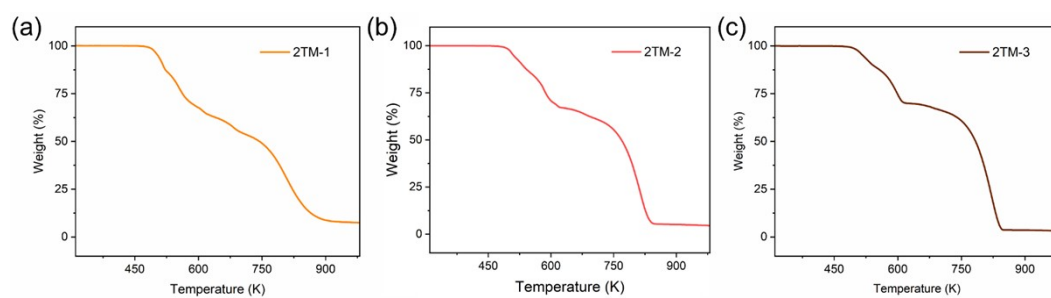


Fig. S2. Thermogravimetric analysis of (a) 2TM-1, (b) 2TM-2 and (c) 2TM-3.

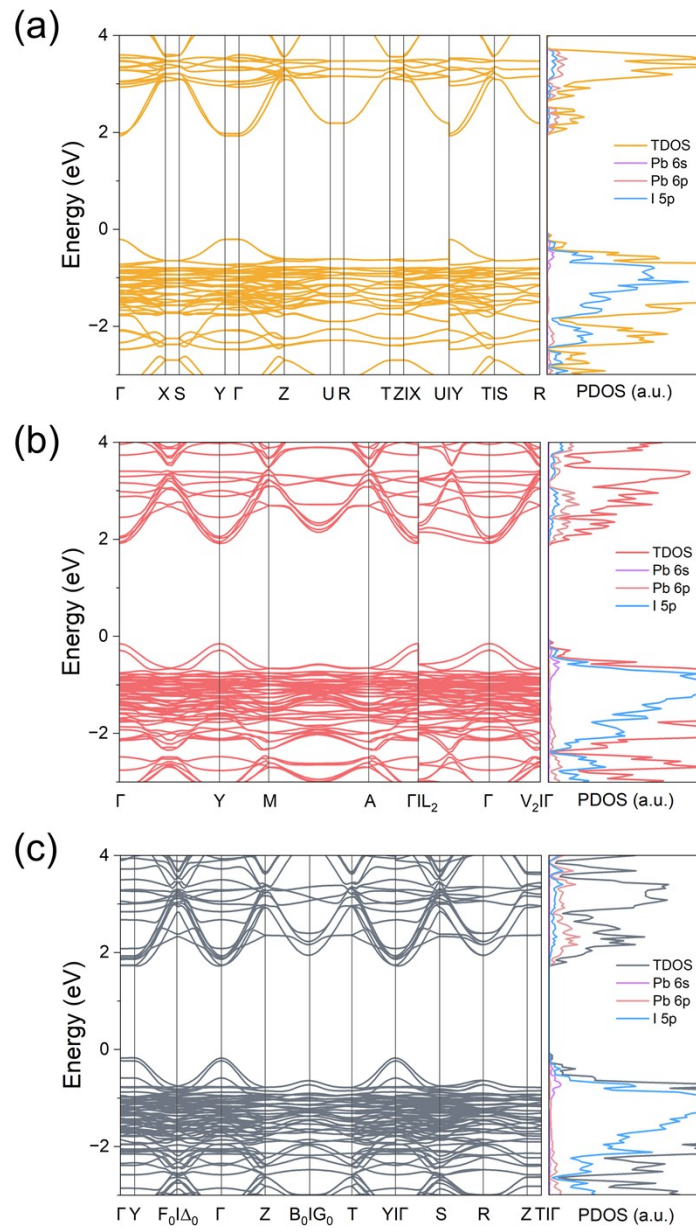


Fig. S3. Calculated band structures of (a) 2TM-1, (b) 2TM-2, and (c) 2TM-3.

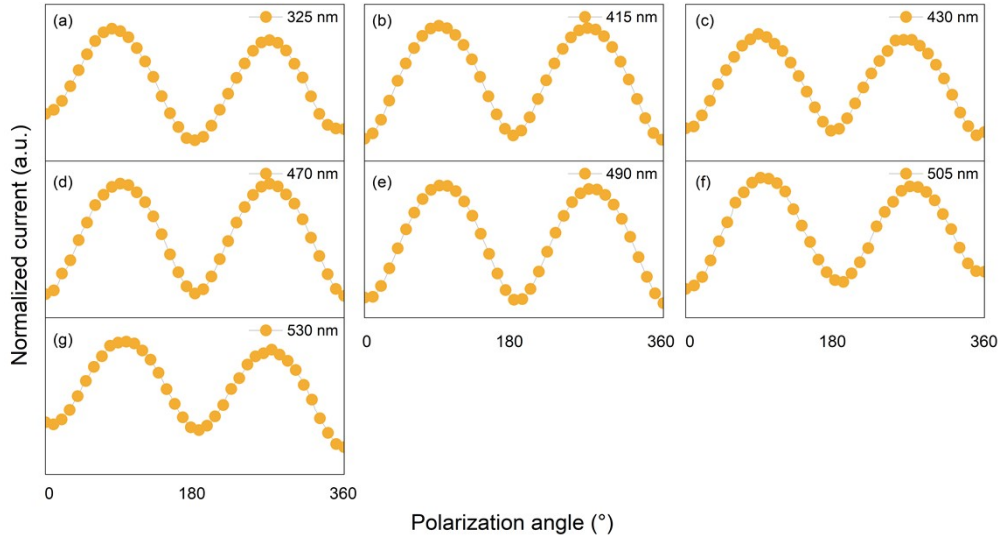


Fig. S4. Angle-dependent photocurrent of 2TM-1 measured at different wavelengths.

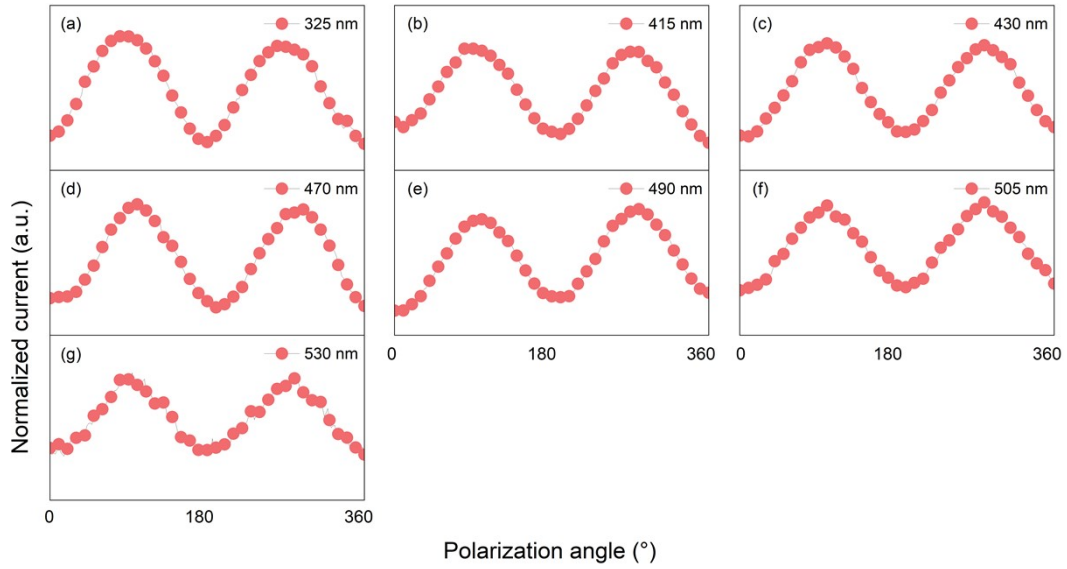


Fig. S5. Angle-dependent photocurrent of 2TM-2 measured at different wavelengths.

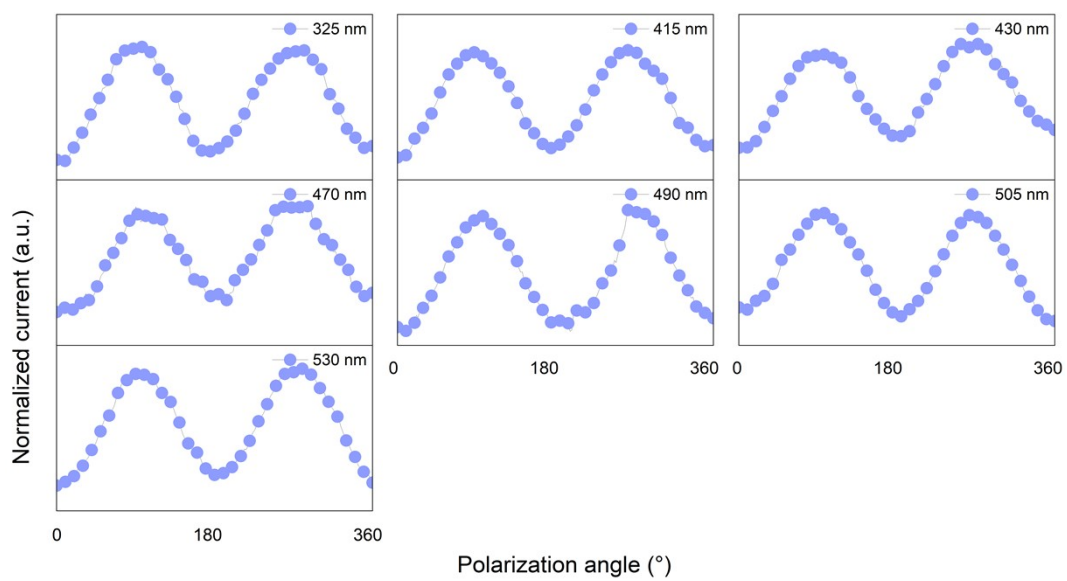


Fig. S6. Angle-dependent photocurrent of 2TM-3 measured at different wavelengths.

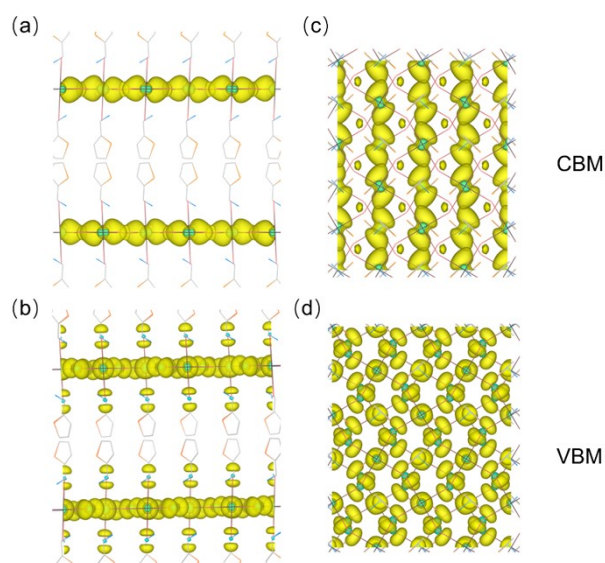


Fig. S7. Calculated CBM and VBM partial charge densities of 2TM-1.

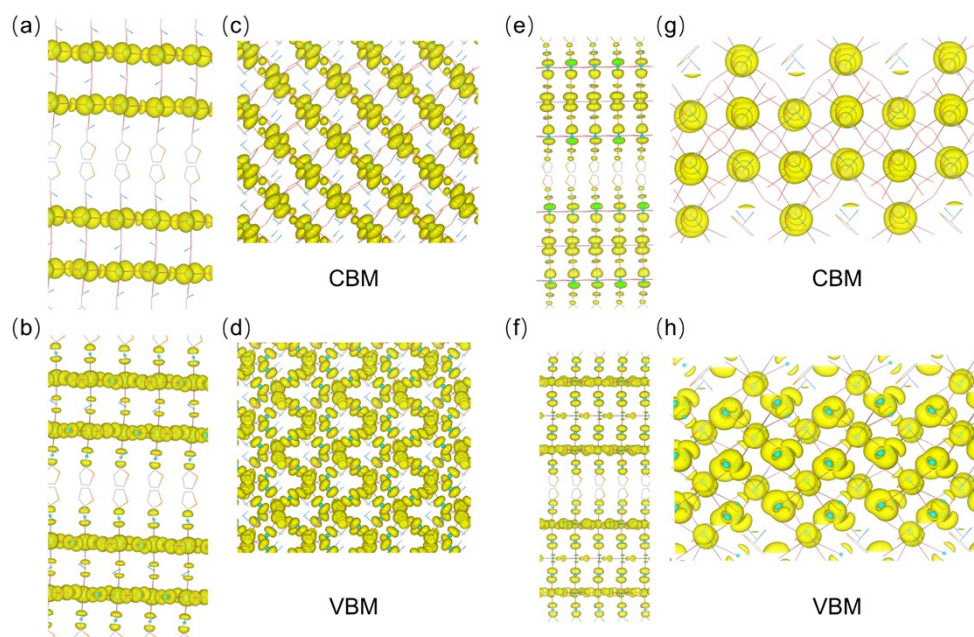


Fig. S8. Calculated CBM and VBM partial charge densities of (a-d) 2TM-2 and (e-f) 2TM-3.

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