



# UNIT

Technique for Advanced Materials

Multifunctional Thermal Stage

## Micro-STS 1200

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## **Units Technology Co., Ltd.**

UNITS Tech is a high-tech science facilities manufacturer. According to the new two-dimensional materials research demand during the sub-nano time, we have invented visualizing CVD devices for observing and recording the growth process of two-dimensional materials.

**Micro-STS 1200**  
**Introduction**

## Micro-STS 1200 – What is it



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visualizing CVD devices

Traditional Tube furnaces

Traditional thermal stage

**Micro-STS 1200 is a multifunctional Thermal Stage combined with traditional tube furnaces and traditional thermal stage, realizing the combination with In-situ synthesis and In-situ optical characterization.**



# Micro-STS 1200 – Technological advantages



## Visualization system

- Compatible with microscopy and spectroscopy
- Highest magnification of 500x. Resolution  $\approx 1.5 \mu\text{m}$

## Suitable for different gases

- Nitrogen, Argon, Oxygen, gas mixtures etc.
- Available for LPCVD

## Compact size Large heating field

- Light weight, flexible methodology and inexpensive price
- Volume: 175\*80\*50mm  
Heating Zone: 40\*10\*10mm

## High efficiency High precision

- Fast temperature raising/falling rate up to 100°C/min
- Precisely 0.5°C control from RT to maximum limiting temperature 1100°C

## Customized sample location

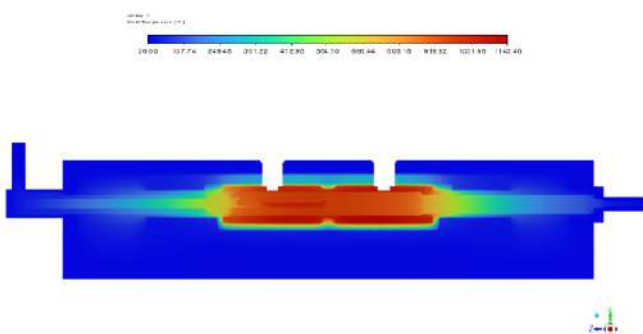
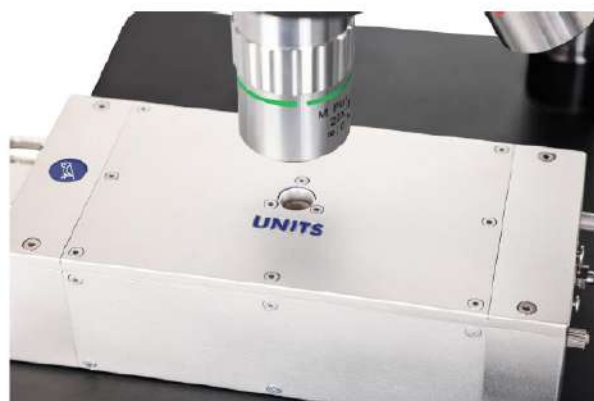
- Precise control of the sample location
- Easy to accomplish annealing and hardening of the materials

## Safe and low energy consumption

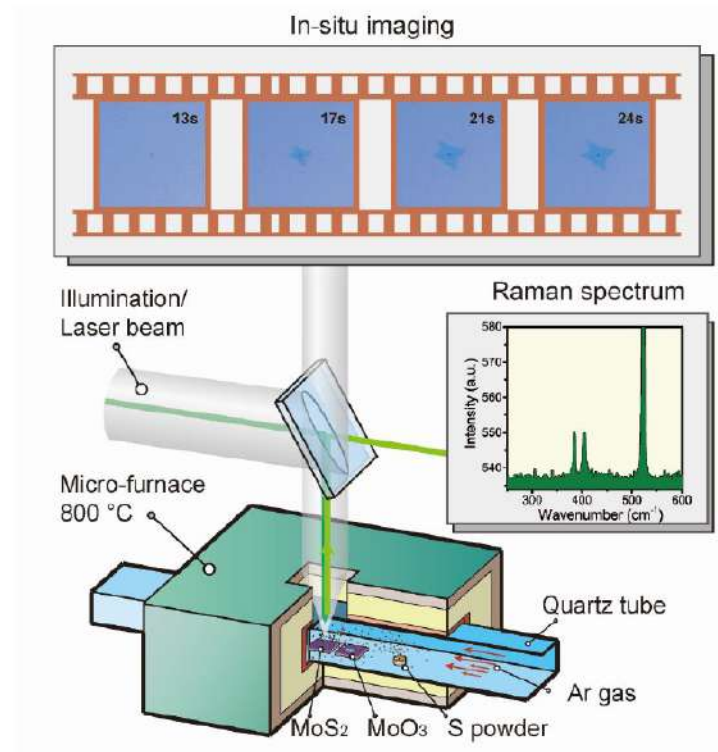
- Surface temperature lower than 40°C
- Power consumption lower than 0.4kW

# Micro-STS 1200 Advantages

## 1. Visualization system



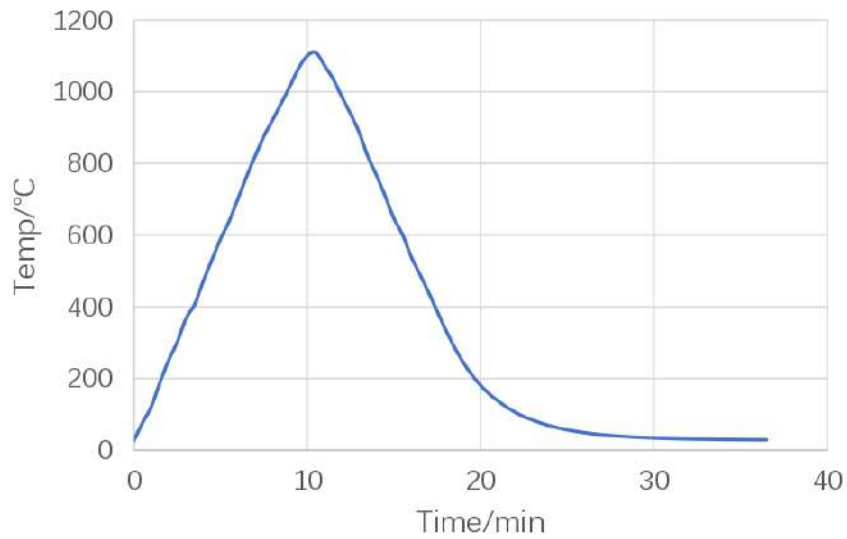
- **Compatible with microscopy**
- **Highest objective lens magnification of 50X**
- **Uniform heating field distribution**
- **Low surface temperature**
- **High Numerical Apertures**
- **Wide transmittance spectrum**



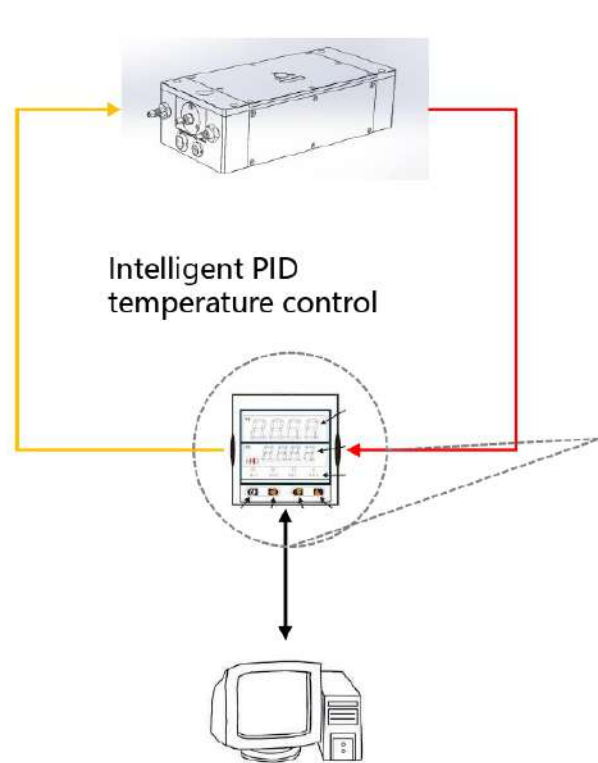
**Compatible with spectroscopy**

# Micro-STS 1200 Advantages

## 2. High efficiency, high precision



Temperature raising/falling rate  $\leq 100^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{min}$   
(It is recommended to control the heating rate at temperatures above  $600^{\circ}\text{C}$  to within  $60^{\circ}/\text{min}$ .)  
Temperature Control Accuracy =  $\pm 0.5^{\circ}\text{C}$   
Temperature Measurement Accuracy =  $\pm 0.1^{\circ}\text{C}$



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## Micro-STS 1200 Advantages

### 3. Suitable for different gases

Inter gases

Oxidizing atmosphere

Gas mixtures

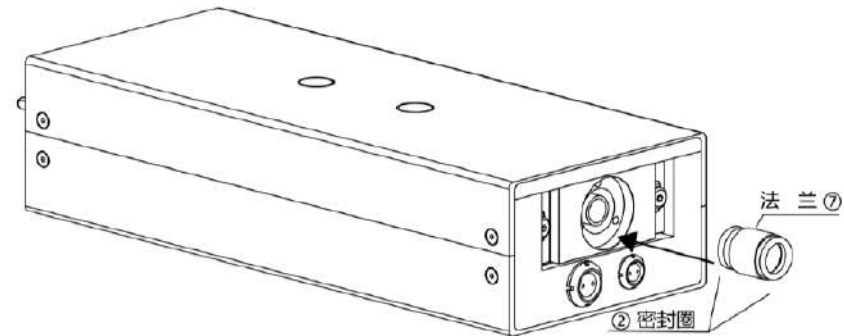
LPCVD



- Self-developed water-gas transition system
- Suitable for 2 gas channels



- Quartz material
- Good corrosion resistance

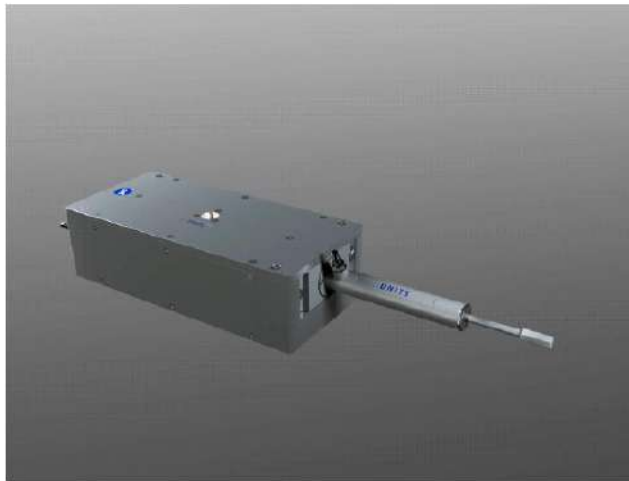


- Multiple seal structure
- LPCVD

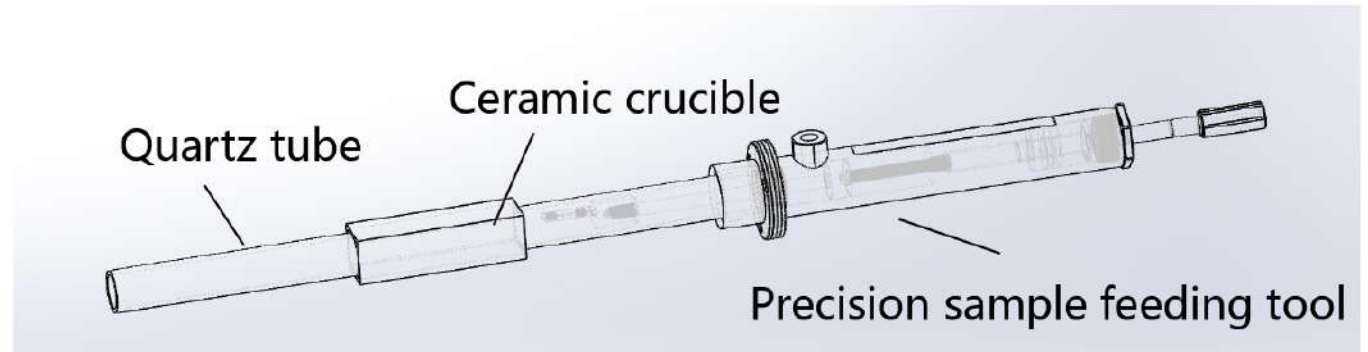


## Micro-STS 1200 Advantages

### 4. Customized sample location



Source feeding



- Precisely control the sample location by pushing in/pulling out
- Easy to realize annealing/quenching of the materials
- Moving stroke=80mm

## Micro-STS 1200 Advantages

### 5. Compact size, large heating field



**Single zone**

Size: 175\*80\*50mm

Heating zone: 40\*10\*10mm



**Dual zone**

Size: 220\*80\*50mm

Heating zone: 80\*10\*10mm

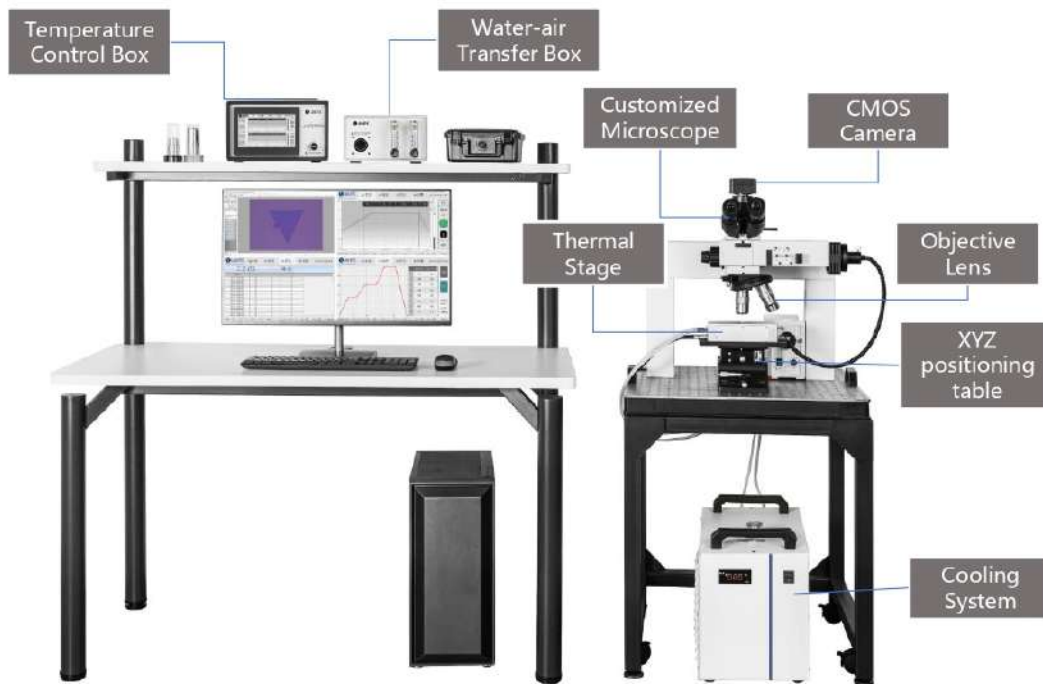


**Ceramic crucible**

Size: 18×5×1.6mm

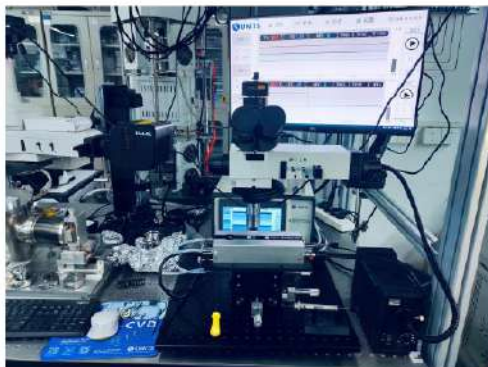
## Micro-STS 1200 Advantages

### 6. Safe and low energy consumption

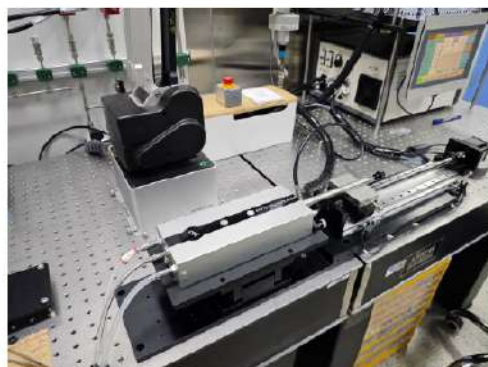


- **Circulating Cooling Furnace Design**  
The water circulating cooling system ensures that the stage surface temperature close to the room level
- **Low energy consumption**  
The power of the whole system lower than 1.5kW
- **Inside warning system**  
The built-in alarm system ensures the experiment is safe and controllable

## Project deliverables



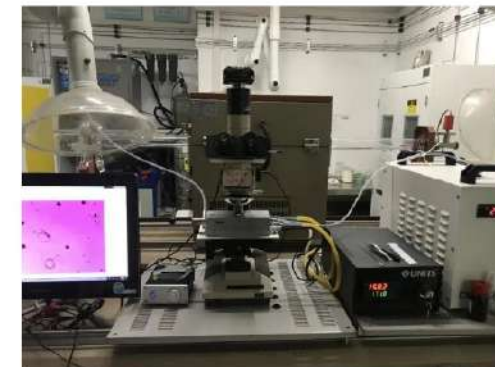
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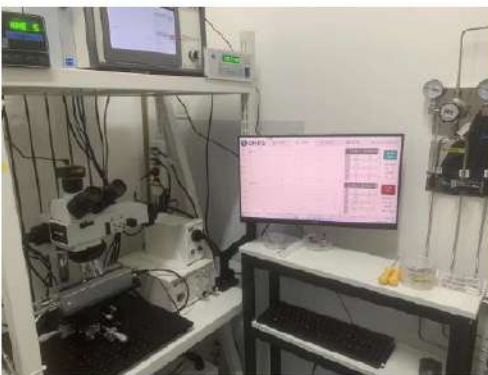
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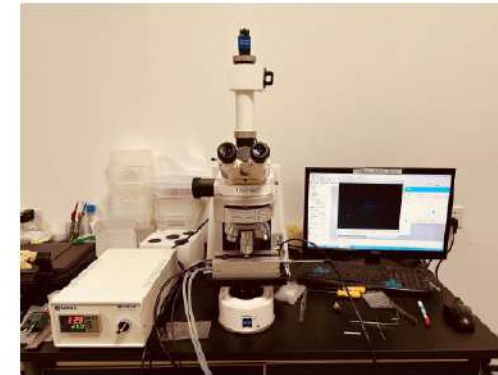
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**HUST--Disulfide**

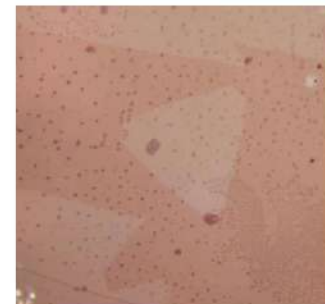
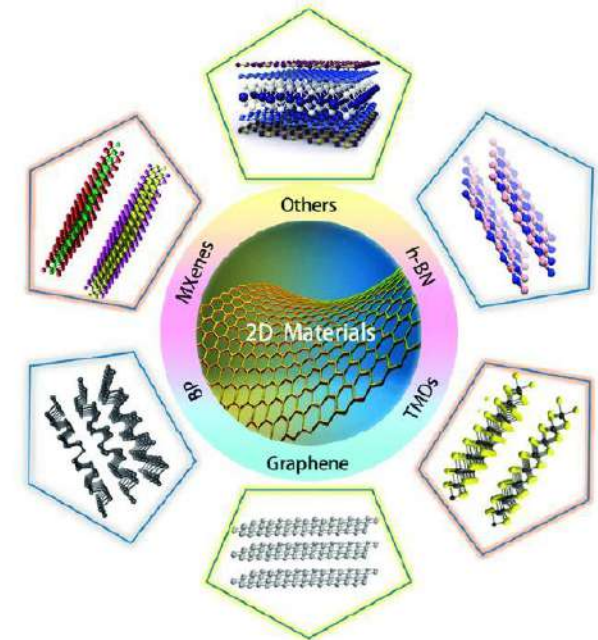


**NJU-- CVD+ Raman**



 Applied materials

- √ Graphene      √ MoS<sub>2</sub>      √ MoTe<sub>2</sub>      √ MoO<sub>3</sub>
- √ CNT            √ WS<sub>2</sub>      √ WO<sub>3</sub>      √ Bi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Se
- √ Rare earth material    √ Copper    √ More to explore



**Micro-STS 1200**  
**Application**

# Application1 High-Temperature In Situ Investigation of CVD

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Article

## High-Temperature In Situ Investigation of Chemical Vapor Deposition to Reveal Growth Mechanisms of Monolayer Molybdenum Disulfide

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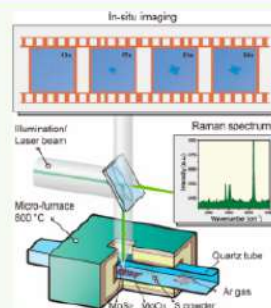
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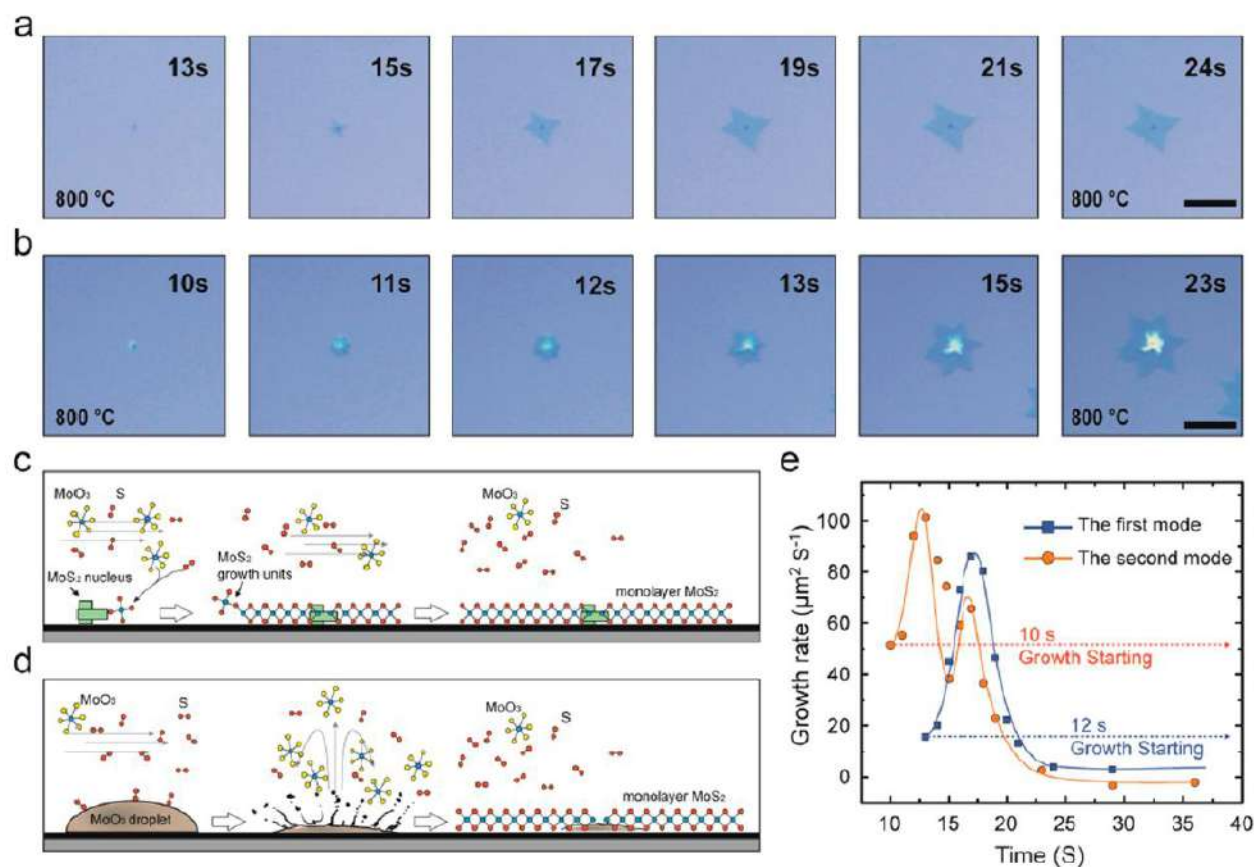
 Supporting Information

**ABSTRACT:** In situ investigation of chemical vapor deposition (CVD) is of critical importance to understanding growth mechanisms of transition-metal dichalcogenides (TMDs) and to develop technologies for growing high-quality monolayer single crystals. However, the in situ investigation is still a great challenge in practice, because TMD CVD growth is conducted at a high temperature with a reduction environment. In this work, we developed an in situ investigation system for CVD growth and presented real-time observations of monolayer MoS<sub>2</sub> deposition on the SiO<sub>2</sub>/Si substrate. We discovered that monolayer MoS<sub>2</sub> should be grown via the vapor-state precursor reaction and crystallized from the prenucleation sites on a substrate, an intermediate-phase MoO<sub>2</sub> was essential for the nucleation seeding, but the population density should be controlled, and a high-concentration S vapor promoted the in-plane epitaxial growth of MoS<sub>2</sub>; hence, it was of great benefit to obtain a high-quality monolayer with a compact shape.

**KEYWORDS:** 2D materials, in situ investigation, Raman spectroscopy, chemical vapor deposition, crystal growth mechanism, microfurnace, transition-metal dichalcogenides



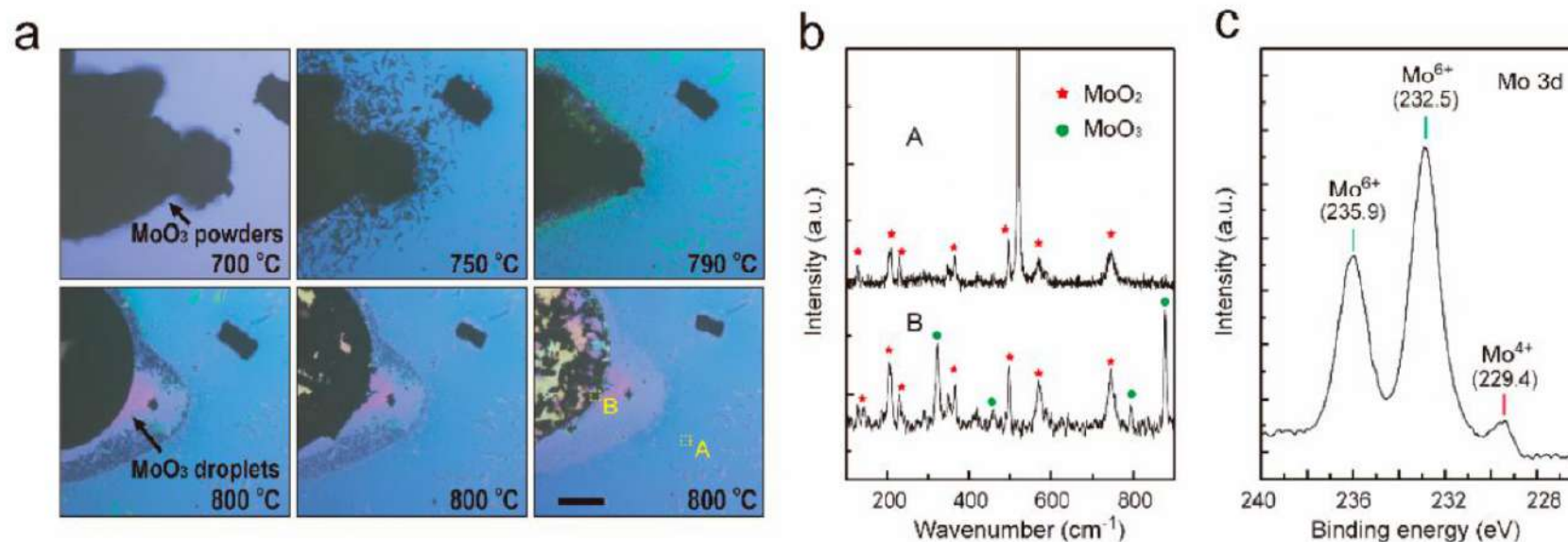
Micro-STS 1200 DEMO



**Figure 3.** In situ optical images of monolayer MoS<sub>2</sub> grown on the epitaxy substrate at 800 °C. (a) The first growth mode: monolayer MoS<sub>2</sub> growth around a nucleation site. The scale bar is 15 μm. (b) The second growth mode: monolayer MoS<sub>2</sub> growth from MoO<sub>3</sub> droplets. The scale bar is 35 μm. (c) Schematic represents monolayer MoS<sub>2</sub> grown around a MoS<sub>2</sub> nucleation site, where the growth is fed by the vapor-state Mo sources. (d) Schematic represents monolayer MoS<sub>2</sub> from a MoO<sub>3</sub> droplet, where the growth is fed by the liquid droplet. (e) Time-dependent growth rates of monolayer MoS<sub>2</sub> by two modes. Two growth modes were recorded simultaneously in one substrate under a flow rate of 50 sccm.



## The study of the intermediate precursors in the MoS<sub>2</sub> growing process



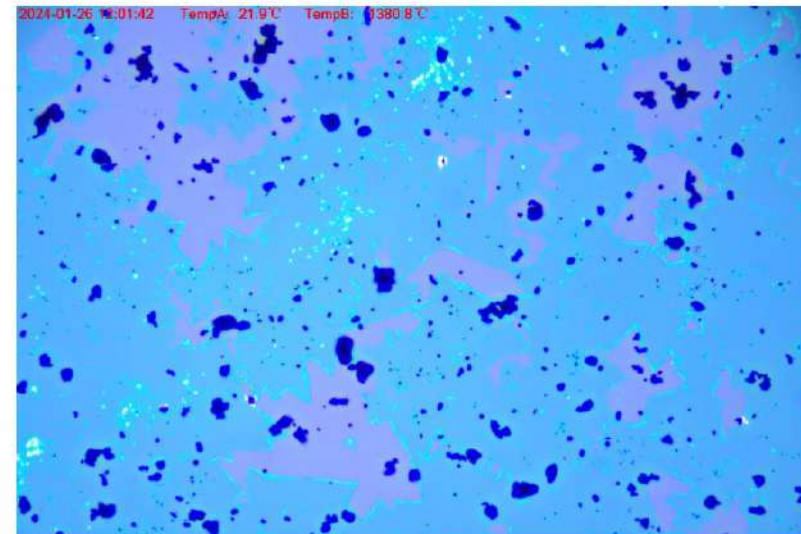
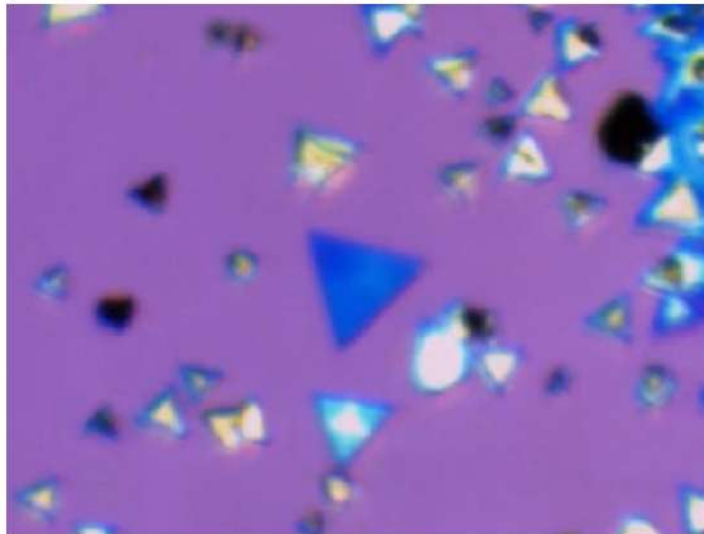
**Figure 4.** Suboxide MoO<sub>2</sub> deposition on substrate. (a) In situ images of MoO<sub>2</sub> film deposition on a SiO<sub>2</sub>/Si substrate at high temperature. The scale bar is 80 μm. (b) Ex situ Raman spectra of the film and the residual droplet, collected from the points marked by yellow squares in (a). (c) Ex situ XPS spectrum of the deposited film with the X-ray spot size of 300 μm.

## Application2 Automated growth of CNT



The research group of Academician Zhang Jin of Peking University has developed the "Peking University Carbon Nanotube Automatic Growth Platform" based on our company's products, which realizes 24-hour fully automatic, repeatable, and high-quality carbon nanotube preparation (30 furnaces/day), which is 10 times more efficient than that of traditional tube furnaces.

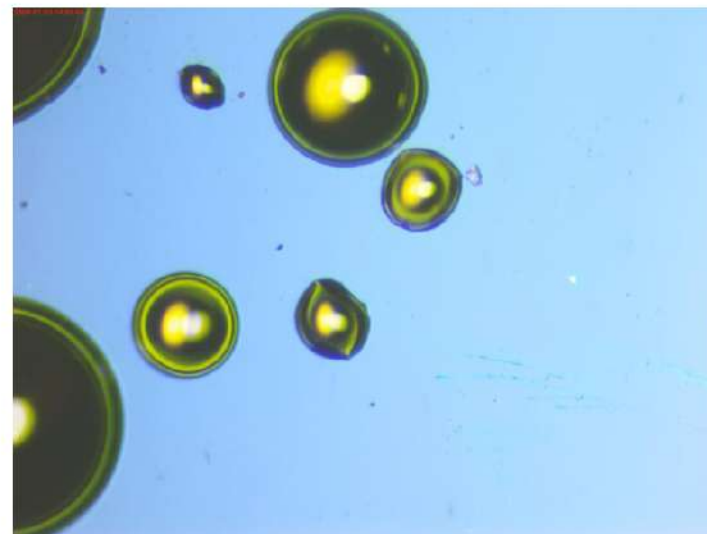
## Application3 The growth of the TMDC



A doctor from a well-known university has never succeeded in growing the target object. After observing and recording the growth process through Micro-STS1200, he found that the target object has been generated during the growth process, but etched over time. Subsequently, through process adjustment, combined with the Micro-STS1200, and by observing and controlling various parameters while experimenting, the target material was successfully grown.



## Application4 The observation of the metal transition



The Micro-STS1200 utilizes the characteristics of visualization, annular thermal field, controllable heating and cooling rates, and multi-atmosphere environments to observe, record and analyze the high-temperature phase change processes of metals and other substances in different environments.