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Topochemical synthesis of the 2M-WS $_2$

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Transition metal chalcogenides (*TMCh*), which exhibit a wide spectrum of novel physical phenomena, are of vital importance in fundamental research and in many fields for future technological applications including spintronics, topological electronics, Motttronics, etc. Metastable, monoclinic tungsten diselenide (*2M*-WS₂) is the *TMCh* family member. It has been identify as a Dirac semimetal, exhibiting superconductivity and topological surface states [1]. Design, synthesis, and single crystal growth of the materials with a certain chemical stoichiometry and crystal structure play a key role in desire electronic phase realization. Preparation of a compound, with intriguing physical properties can be achieved by applying a unique set of optimized growth process conditions. We succeed to form *2M*-WS₂ phase by the topochemical synthesis method. Structural evolution trough a synthetic route and studies of superconducting state properties under ambient and elevated pressures will be presented.

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