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## **Supporting Information**

## Electronic structures and optical properties of arsenene and

## antimonene under strain and electric field

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Figure S1. The band structures of  $\beta$ -As under the different tensile strain. The blue and red solid lines show two band edges.



**Figure S2.** Phonon dispersion under biaxial tensile strain of 12%: (a)  $\beta$ -As, (b)  $\beta$ -Sb.



**Figure S3.** Snapshots of atomic structures of  $\beta$ -As (a-c) and  $\beta$ -Sb (d-f) obtained by molecular dynamics calculations at T= 300, 600 and 1000 K, respectively.

**Table S1.** Structural parameters and energy bandgaps of the  $\beta$ -As and  $\beta$ -Sb: Lattice *a* (Å), bond length *l* (Å), bond angle  $\theta$  (<sup>0</sup>), and buckling height  $\Delta$  (Å); E<sub>g-PBE</sub> (eV) and E<sub>g-G0W0</sub> (eV) at the DFT-PBE and  $G_0W_0$  levels, respectively. The unit of the electric field is V/Å. "i" and "d" show the indirect and direct bandgap, respectively.

Name	Field	а	l	Δ	θ	Eg-PBE	$E_{g-G^0W^0}$
β-As	0.00	3.635	2.5216	1.4053	91.951	1.61 (i)	2.70 (i)
	0.60	3.641	2.5221	1.4064	91.925	0.82 (d)	1.11 (d)
	0.70	3.644	2.5243	1.4103	91.822	0.00	0.00
β-Sb	0.00	3.982	2.8047	1.6110	90.295	1.10 (i)	2.25 (i)
	0.60	3.986	2.8061	1.6133	90.238	0.43 (d)	0.53 (d)
	0.63	3.991	2.8062	1.6135	90.234	0.00	0.00



**Figure S4.** Oscillator strengths of the excited states for incident light polarization parallel to the surface (along the lattice vector *a* direction) under externally electric field: (a)-(c)  $\beta$ -As and (d)-(f)  $\beta$ -Sb. Two dot lines show the positions of the first dark state (black) and first bright excited state (orange), respectively.