

## **Intrinsic Valley Polarization in 2D Magnetic MXenes: Surface Engineering Induced Spin-valley Coupling**

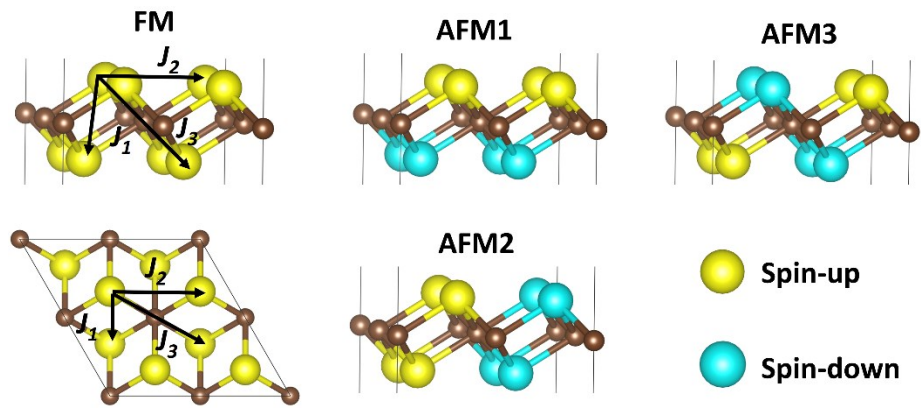
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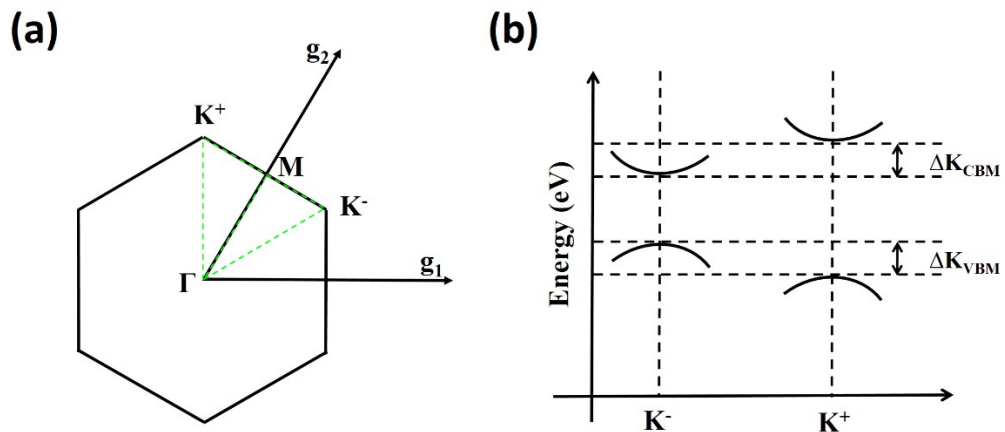
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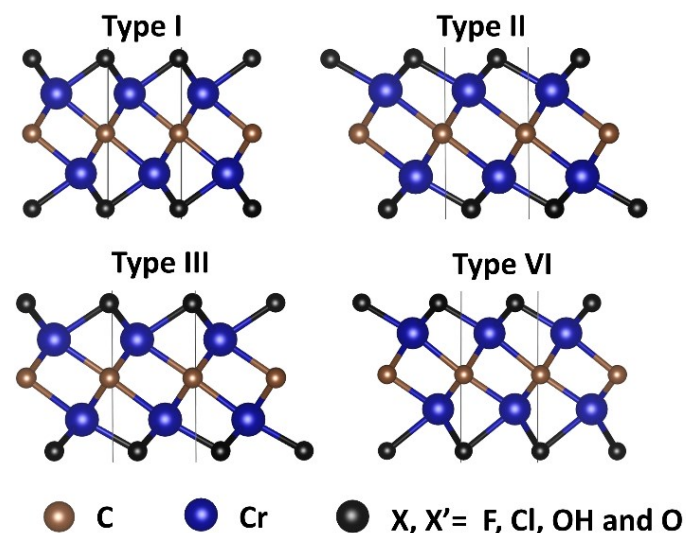
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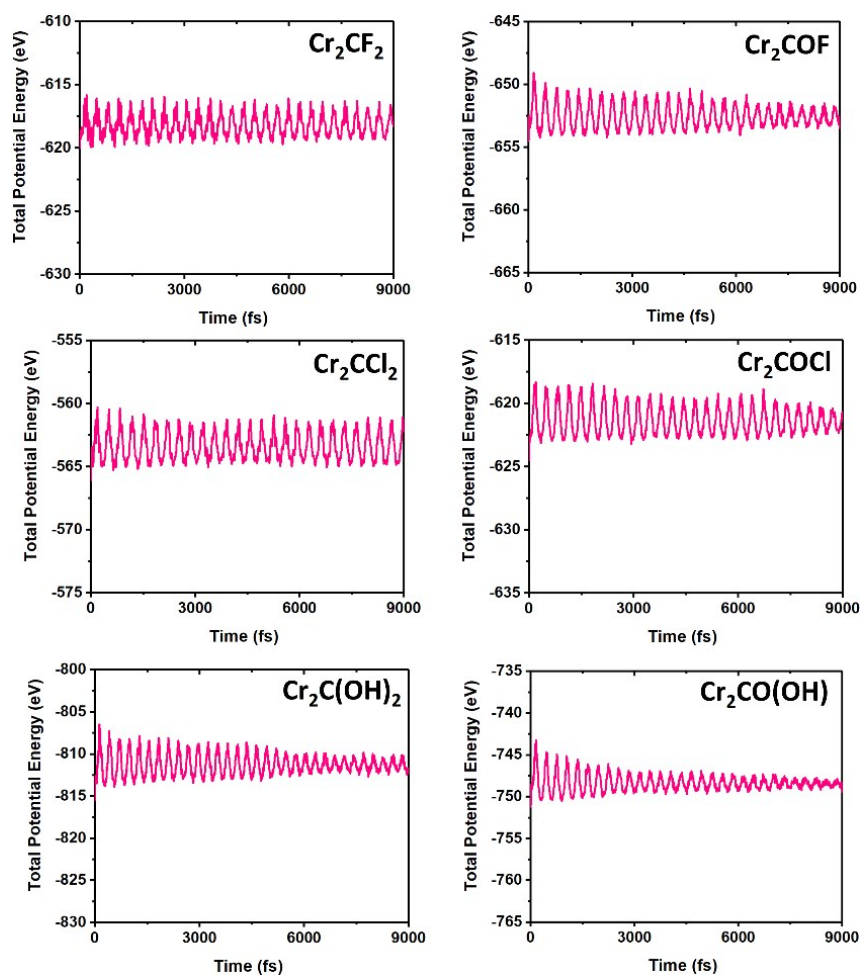
**Fig. S1** Ferromagnetic (FM) and antiferromagnetic (AFM) states for  $\text{Cr}_2\text{C}$  MXenes.



**Fig. S2** (a) The high symmetry points of the first Brillouin zone for the band structure of  $\text{Cr}_2\text{C}$  MXenes. (b) Schematic drawing of the band edge structures at two valleys. Down (up) opening parabolas are used to denote valence band maximum (VBM) and conduction band minimum (CBM).



**Fig. S3** Four possible types for functionalized Cr<sub>2</sub>C MXenes.



**Fig. S4** Total potential energy of MXenes as a function of simulation time for Cr<sub>2</sub>CX<sub>2</sub> and Cr<sub>2</sub>COX MXenes by using ab-initio molecular dynamics (300K) in 9 ps.

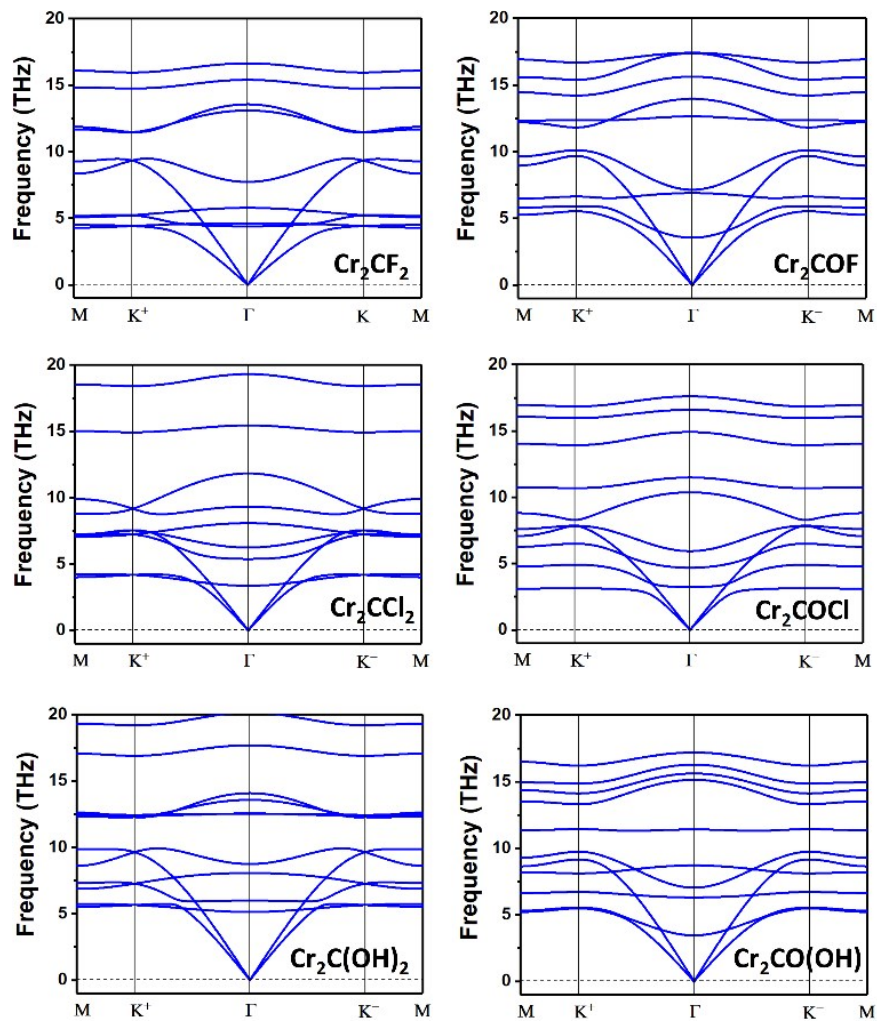
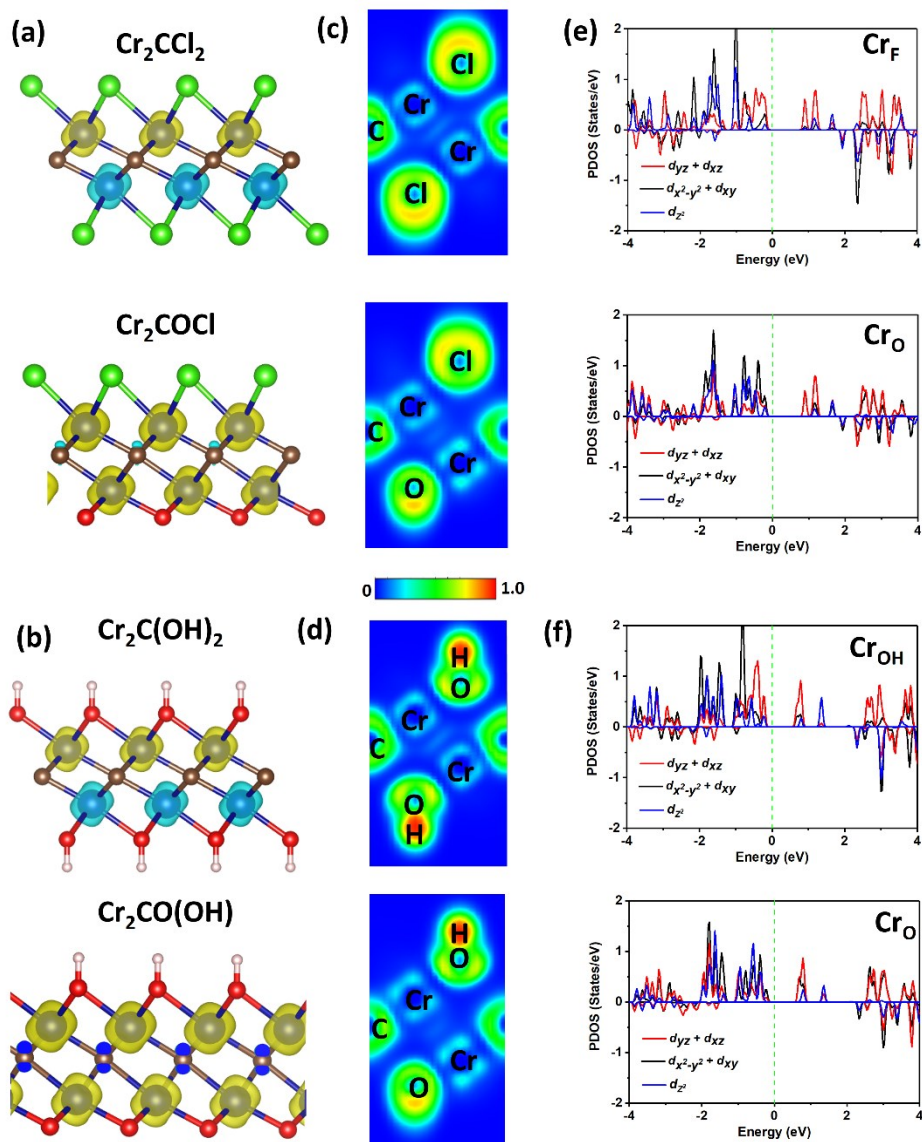
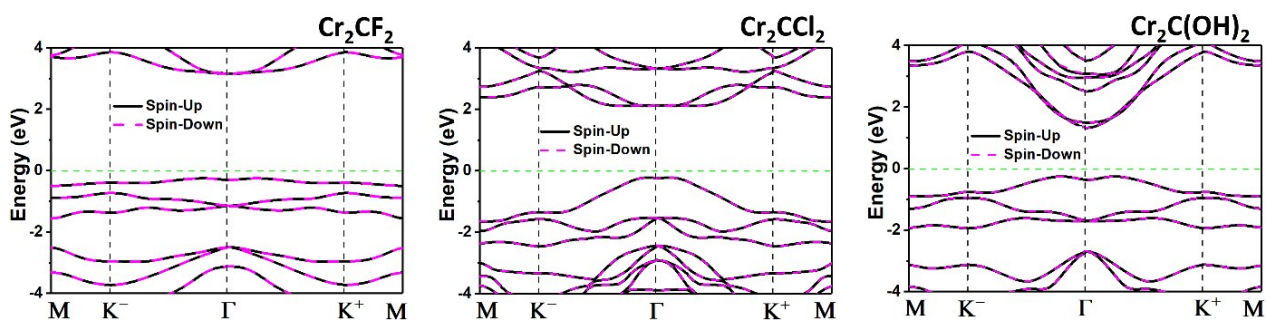


Fig. S5 Phonon spectra for  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CX}_2$  and  $\text{Cr}_2\text{COX}$  MXenes

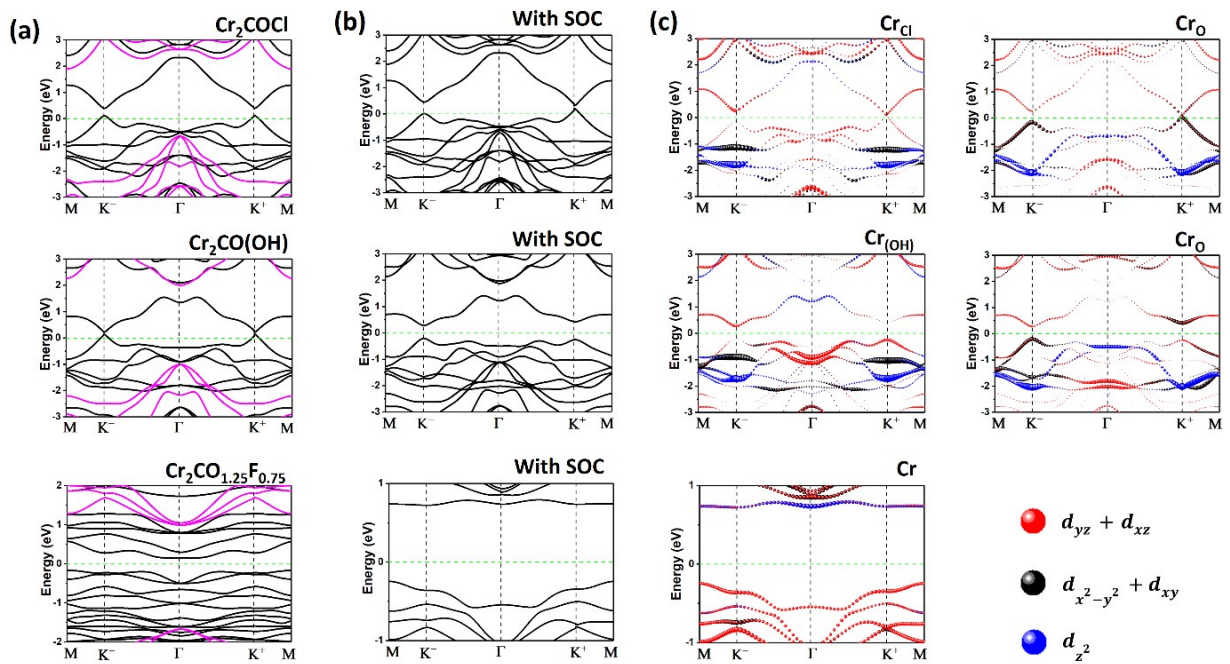


**Fig. S6** Spin polarized charge densities on (a)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CCl}_2$  and  $\text{Cr}_2\text{COCl}$  and (b)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{C}(\text{OH})_2$  and  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CO}(\text{OH})$  MXenes, where spin-up and spin-down densities are shown in yellow and blue, respectively. The isosurface is  $0.045 \text{ e}^- \text{ Bohr}^{-3}$ . Electron localization functions (ELF) on (c)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CCl}_2$  and  $\text{Cr}_2\text{COCl}$  and (d)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{C}(\text{OH})_2$  and  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CO}(\text{OH})$  MXenes. The color scale (from 0 to 1) shows the probability. The partial electronic density of states (PDOS) of (e)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{COCl}$  and (f)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CO}(\text{OH})$  MXenes.

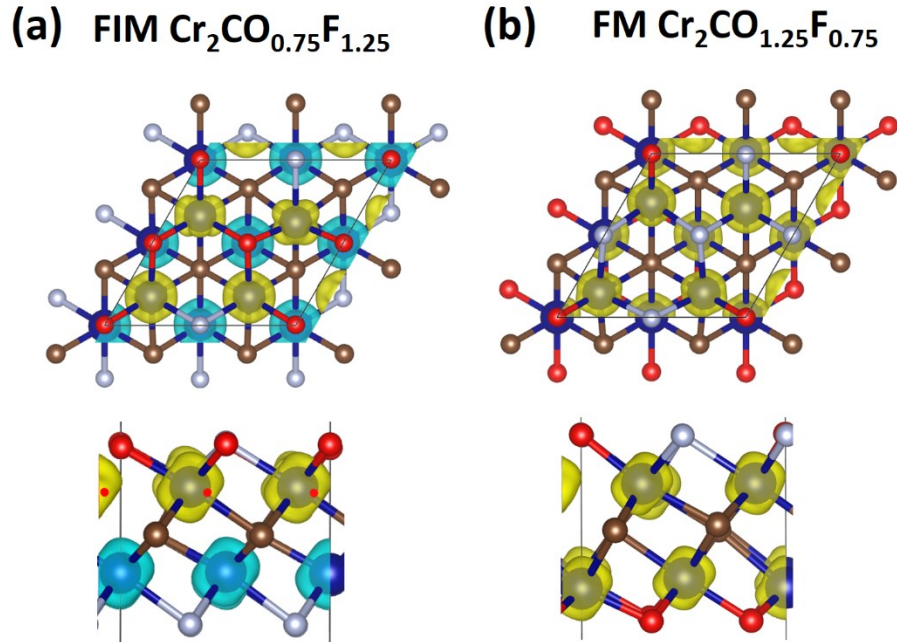


**Fig. S7** Band structures of  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CX}_2$  at HSE06 level. Spin-up and spin-down bands are respectively denoted by black and pink lines.

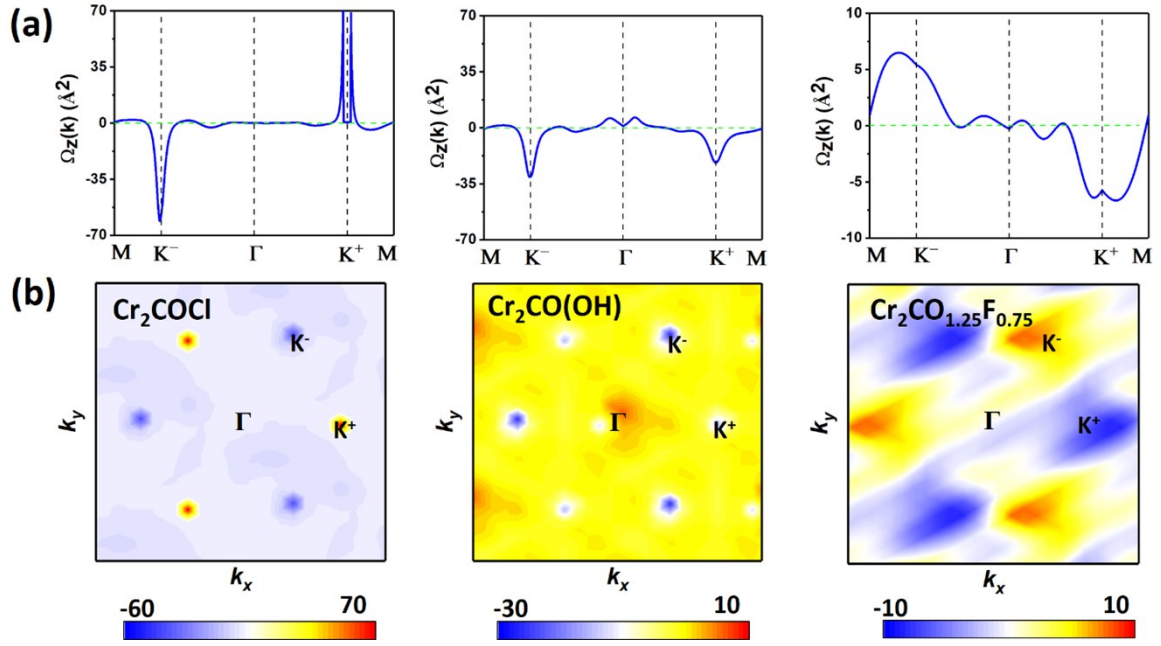




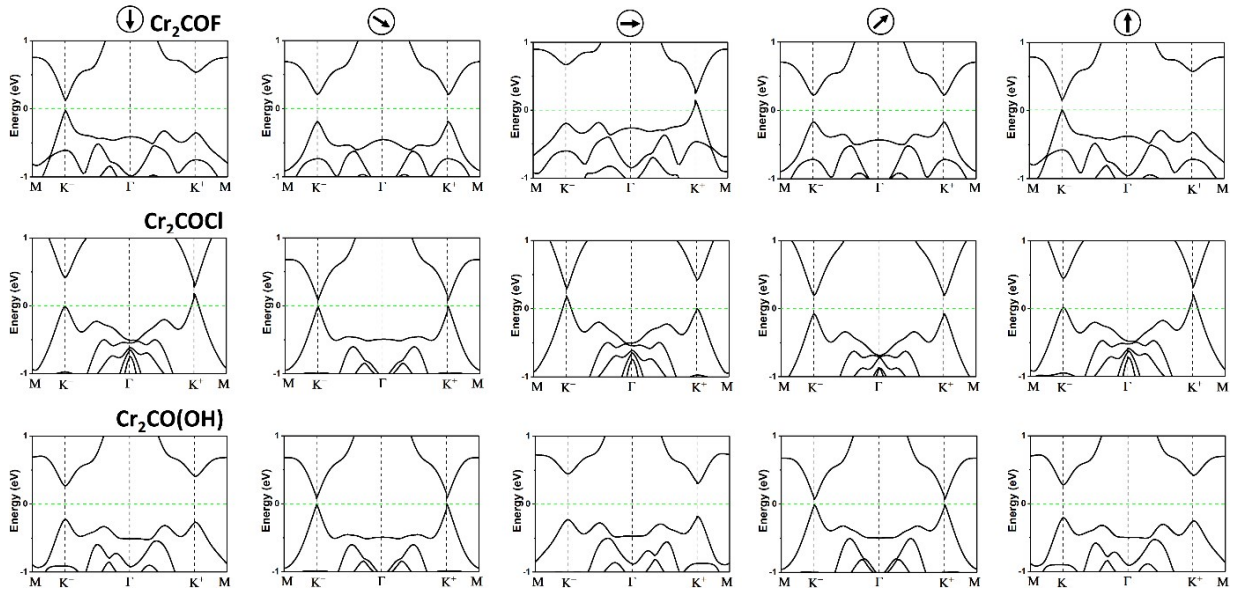
**Fig. S8** (a) Band structures at HSE06 level. Spin-up and spin-down bands are respectively denoted by black and pink lines. (b) Band structures with spin-orbit coupling (SOC). (c) Orbital projected band structures with SOC. Red, black and blue circles represent  $d_{yz} + d_{xz}$ ,  $d_{x^2-y^2} + d_{xy}$  and  $d_{z^2}$  orbital composition. The sizes of the dots denote the weight of contribution. Note that each  $d$  orbital of Cr atoms in mixed MXenes was not further analyzed.



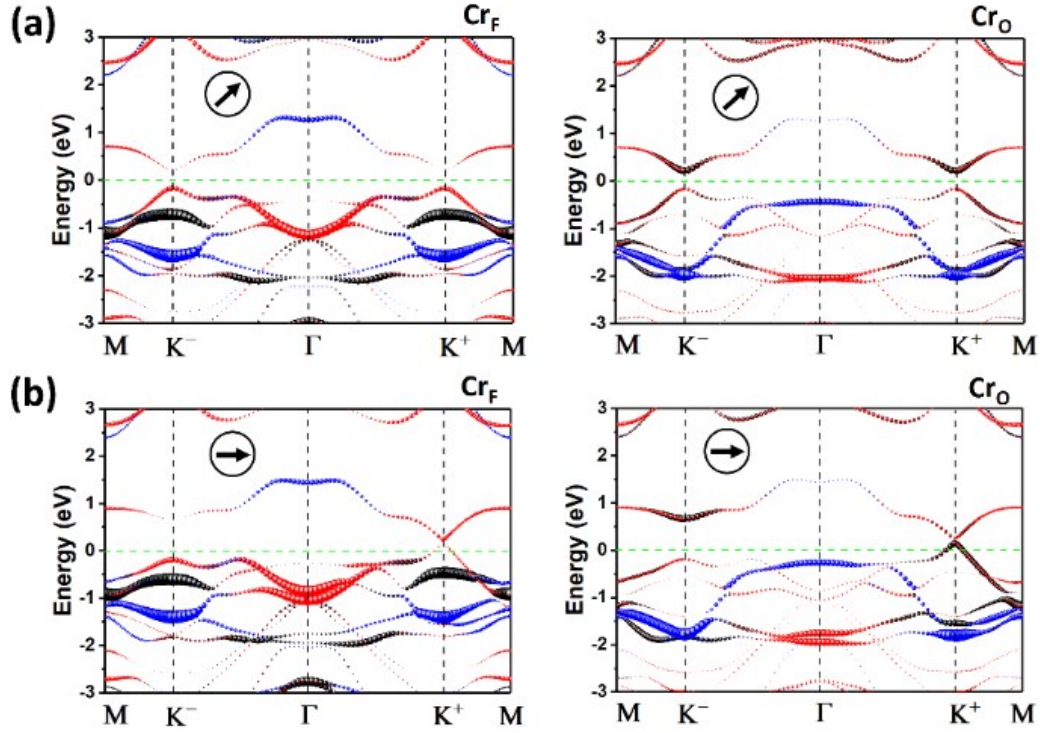
**Fig. S9** Spin polarized charge densities on (a) ferrimagnetic (FIM)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CO}_{0.75}\text{F}_{1.25}$  (b) ferromagnetic (FM)  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CO}_{1.25}\text{F}_{0.75}$  MXenes, where spin-up and spin-down densities are shown in yellow and blue, respectively. The isosurface is  $0.045 \text{ e} \cdot \text{Bohr}^{-3}$ .



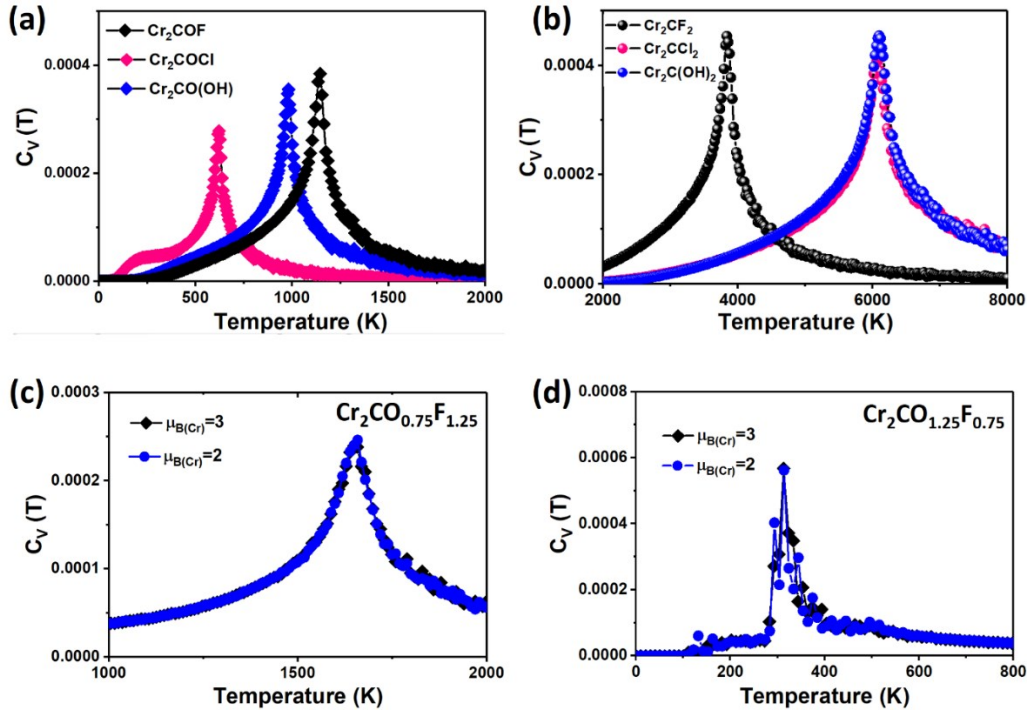
**Fig. S10** Berry curvatures of  $\text{Cr}_2\text{COCl}$ ,  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CO}(\text{OH})$  and  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CO}_{1.25}\text{F}_{0.75}$  along high-symmetry points (a) and in the full Brillouin zone (b). Unit of Berry curvatures is  $\text{\AA}^2$ .



**Fig. S11** Band structures of  $\text{Cr}_2\text{COX}$  with spin-orbit coupling (SOC) at HSE06 level. The black arrows in circles show the magnetization direction ( $\theta$ ) in the  $xz$  plane from  $-90$  to  $90$ .

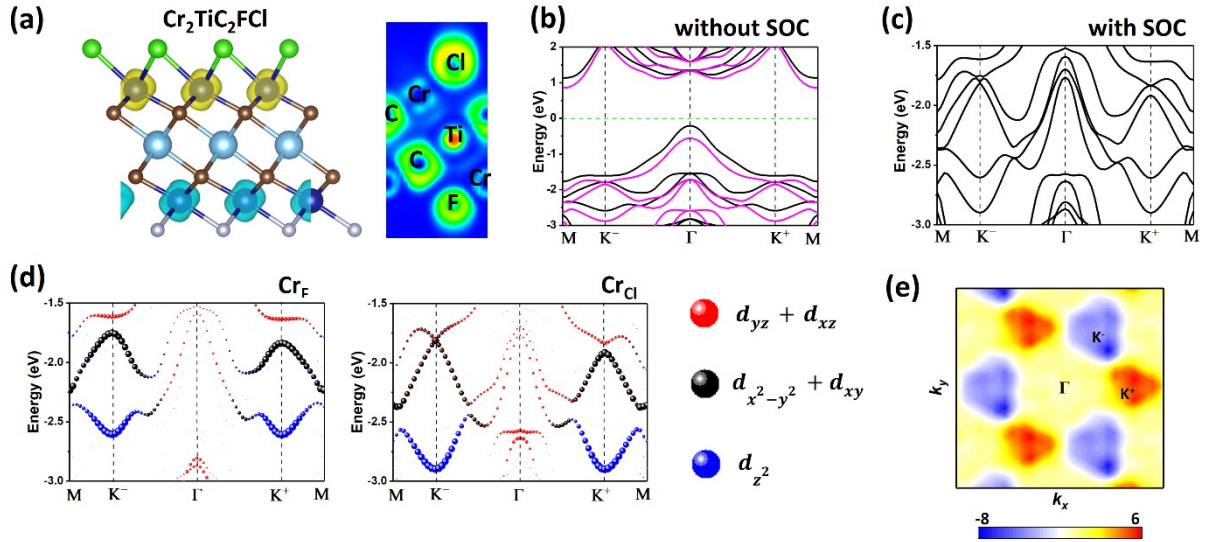


**Fig. S12** Orbital projected band structures of  $\text{Cr}_2\text{COF}$  MXene with SOC when (a)  $\theta = 45$  and (b)  $\theta = 0$ . Red, black and blue circles represent  $d_{yz} + d_{xz}$ ,  $d_{x^2 - y^2} + d_{xy}$  and  $d_{z^2}$  orbital composition. The sizes of dots denote the weight of contribution.



**Fig. S13** Specific heat ( $C_V$ ) calculated for  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CX}_2$ ,  $\text{Cr}_2\text{COX}$  and mixed  $\text{Cr}_2\text{C}$  MXenes with respect to the temperature.





**Fig. S14** (a) Spin polarized charge densities and electron localization functions. Spin-up and spin-down densities are shown in yellow and blue, respectively. The isosurface is  $0.045 \text{ e} \cdot \text{Bohr}^{-3}$ . The color scale (from 0 to 1) shows the probability. (b) Band structures at HSE06 level. Spin-up and spin-down bands are respectively denoted by black and pink lines. (c) Band structures with spin-orbit coupling (SOC). (d) Orbital projected band structures with SOC. Red, black and blue circles represent  $d_{yz} + d_{xz}$ ,  $d_{x^2-y^2} + d_{xy}$  and  $d_{z^2}$  orbital composition. The sizes of dots denote the weight of contribution. (e) Berry curvatures in the full Brillouin zone. Unit of Berry curvatures is  $\text{\AA}^2$ .

**Table S1** Four types of functionalization adsorption sites on  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CX}_2$  and Janus  $\text{Cr}_2\text{COX}$  MXenes. The most stable type is set up to zero for each MXenes.

MXenes	Type I	Type II	Type III	Type VI
$\text{Cr}_2\text{CF}_2$	0.52	0.00	0.17	/
$\text{Cr}_2\text{CCl}_2$	0.56	0.00	0.23	/
$\text{Cr}_2\text{C}(\text{OH})_2$	2.64	0.00	0.13	/
$\text{Cr}_2\text{COF}$	0.40	0.00	0.22	0.33
$\text{Cr}_2\text{COCl}$	0.82	0.00	0.59	0.38
$\text{Cr}_2\text{COOH}$	0.21	0.00	0.12	0.21

**Table S2** Calculated structural and magnetic characteristics of  $\text{Cr}_2\text{CX}_2$  and Janus  $\text{Cr}_2\text{COX}$  MXenes. L is the lattice constant ( $\text{\AA}$ ). Cr-C and Cr-X(X') are bond lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ). Magnetic states include ferromagnetic (FM) and antiferromagnetic (AFM) states. M is magnetic moment ( $\mu_B$ ).  $J_1$ ,  $J_2$  and  $J_3$  are coupling constants (meV).  $T_C/T_N$  stands for the Curie and Neel temperatures (K). Band gaps are in spin-up and spin-down channels (eV).  $\Delta K_{VBM}$  and  $\Delta K_{CBM}$  stands for the valley splitting (meV).

MXenes	L ( $\text{\AA}$ )	Cr-C	Cr-X(X')	Magnetic states	M (Cr)	$J_1$	$J_2$	$J_3$	$T_C/T_N$	Gaps		$\Delta K_{VBM}$	$\Delta K_{CBM}$
										Up/down			
$\text{Cr}_2\text{CF}_2$	3.01	2.05	2.12	AFM	$\pm 2.65$	62.14	22.11	56.07	3830	3.40/3.40	/	/	
$\text{Cr}_2\text{CCl}_2$	3.13	2.02	2.46	AFM	$\pm 2.74$	181.39	61.79	78.4	6095	2.28/2.28	/	/	
$\text{Cr}_2\text{C}(\text{OH})_2$	3.02	1.99	2.14 (Cr-OH)	AFM	$\pm 2.79$	154.83	32.01	53.74	6095	1.55/1.55	/	/	
$\text{Cr}_2\text{COF}$	2.94	1.99 (Cr <sub>F</sub> -C)	2.11(Cr-F)	FM	2.90 (Cr <sub>F</sub> )	24.61	31.46	14.64	1146	0.40/3.46	334	421	
		2.17 (Cr <sub>O</sub> -C)	1.92(Cr-O)		2.56 (Cr <sub>O</sub> )								
$\text{Cr}_2\text{COCl}$	2.98	1.96 (Cr <sub>Cl</sub> -C)	2.44(Cr-Cl)	FM	2.75 (Cr <sub>Cl</sub> )	14.37	50.55	8.74	622	/2.54	-149	-139	
		2.10 (Cr <sub>O</sub> -C)	1.95(Cr-O)		2.57 (Cr <sub>O</sub> )								
$\text{Cr}_2\text{COOH}$	2.95	1.99 (Cr <sub>OH</sub> -C)	2.12(Cr-OH)	FM	2.84 (Cr <sub>OH</sub> )	24.02	32.01	6.44	983	/3.26	45	140	
		2.16 (Cr <sub>O</sub> -C)	1.93(Cr-O)		2.59 (Cr <sub>O</sub> )								

**Table S3** Calculated structural and magnetic characteristics of two mixed MXenes. L is the lattice constant ( $\text{\AA}$ ). Magnetic states include ferromagnetic (FM) and ferrimagnetic (FIM) states.  $T_C/T_N$  stands for the Curie and Neel temperatures (K). Band gaps are in spin-up and spin-down channels (eV).  $\Delta K_{VBM}$  and  $\Delta K_{CBM}$  stands for the valley splitting (meV).

MXenes	L ( $\text{\AA}$ )	Magnetic states	$T_C/T_N$	Gaps		$\Delta K_{VBM}$	$\Delta K_{CBM}$
				Up/down			
$\text{Cr}_2\text{CO}_{0.75}\text{F}_{1.25}$	5.96	FIM	1648	0.97/0.46		11	11
$\text{Cr}_8\text{C}_4\text{O}_{1.25}\text{F}_{0.75}$	5.75	FM	314	0.31/2.66		15	-12