

## Supplementary Materials

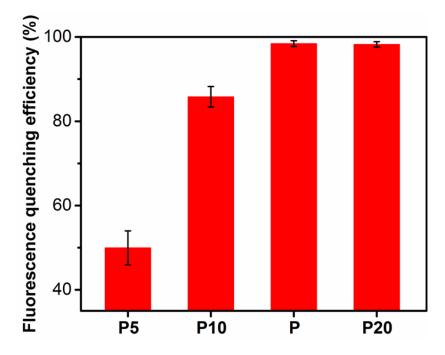
## 1 Supplementary Table

 Table S1. DNA sequences used in the experiments.

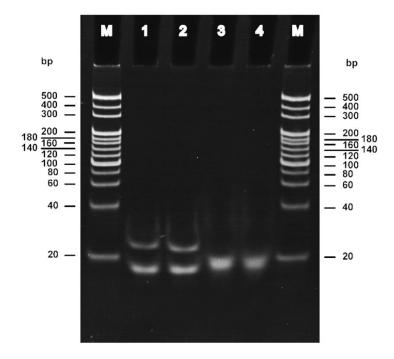
Name	Sequences (5' to 3')			
Probe (P)	Texas Red-TTGATGTCGTGTTTA			
P5	Texas Red-TTGAT			
P10	Texas Red-TTGATGTCGT			
P20	Texas Red-TTGATGTCGTGTTTATAGCC			
Mutant-type target (MT)	AGGCTA <u>T</u> AAACACGACATCAAGTAC			
Wild-type target (WT)	AGGCTA <u>C</u> AAACACGACATCAAGTAC			
Primer-Forward	GTGATGTCGGGGGTAGATCTCC			
Primer-Reverse	GACCAAGTGTTAATGACCGTG			

The mutant site (rs1051730 (Han et al., 2015)) is marked in red underline.

## 2 Supplementary Figures

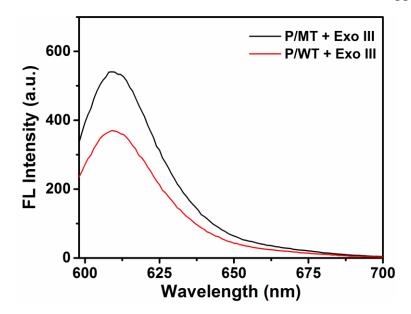


**Figure S1**. Fluorescence quenching efficiencies  $((F_0-F)/F_0)$  of single-layer Ta<sub>2</sub>NiS<sub>5</sub> nanosheets for single-stranded DNA probes with different lengths. The concentration of Ta<sub>2</sub>NiS<sub>5</sub> nanosheets was fixed at 5.0 µg mL<sup>-1</sup>. P5, P10, P, and P20 denote the probes showed in Table S1.

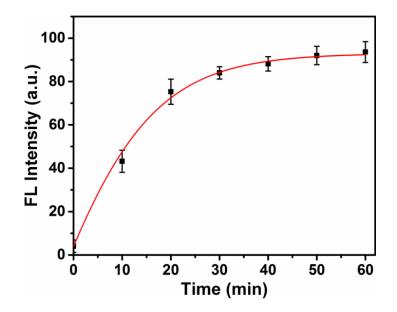


**Figure S2.** Polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis image for the hybridization of probe DNA and target DNA. Lane M: DNA marker; lane 1: 1  $\mu$ M P and 100 nM mutant-type target; lane 2: 1  $\mu$ M P and 100 nM wild-type target; lane 3: 1  $\mu$ M P and 100 nM mutant-type target with 0.25 U  $\mu$ L<sup>-1</sup> Exo III; and lane 4: 1  $\mu$ M P and 100 nM wild-type target with 0.25 U  $\mu$ L<sup>-1</sup> Exo III;

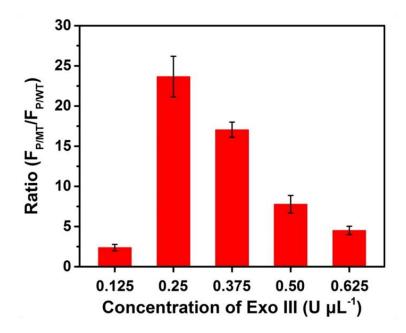
The digestion process was confirmed by the polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis. As shown in Fig. S3, double-strand DNAs were formed by the hybridization of probe (P) with the mutant-type target (MT) and the wild-type target (WT), respectively, exhibiting two bright bands with almost the same mobility (lanes 1 and 2). Each band in both lane 1 and 2 was accompanied by another band due to the excess P. Upon adding Exo III into the aforementioned system, migration shifts of the bright bands were observed and the bright band in lane 3 showed more shift than that in lane 4, suggesting that P was completely digested in MT system and partially digested in WT system due to the single-base mismatch with WT.



**Figure S3.** Fluorescence spectra of P/MT + Exo III (black), and P/WT + Exo III (red) in the absence of Ta<sub>2</sub>NiS<sub>5</sub> nanosheets (P = 1  $\mu$ M; MT = 100 nM; WT = 100 nM, Exo III = 0.25 U  $\mu$ L<sup>-1</sup>). The excitation wavelength is 590 nm.



**Figure S4.** Fluorescence intensity of P/MT after different incubation time with Exo III (0.25 U  $\mu$ L<sup>-1</sup>) in the presence of Ta<sub>2</sub>NiS<sub>5</sub> (5  $\mu$ g mL<sup>-1</sup>).

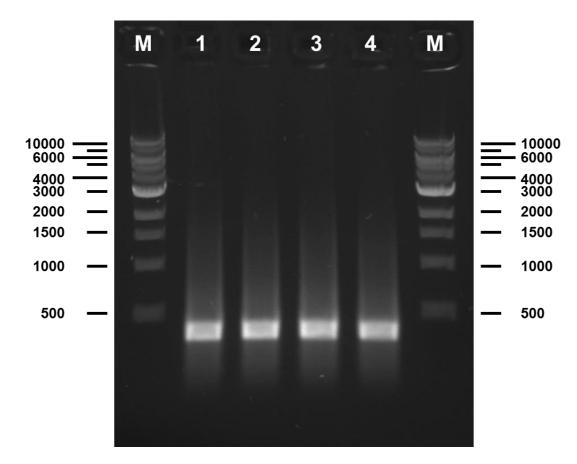


**Figure S5.** The fluorescence intensity ratio  $(F_{P/MT}/F_{P/WT})$  at 610 nm with different concentration of Exo III (0.125, 0.25, 0.375, 0.50 and 1.0 U  $\mu$ L<sup>-1</sup>) in the presence of Ta<sub>2</sub>NiS<sub>5</sub> nanosheets (5.0  $\mu$ g mL<sup>-1</sup>). The concentration of P, MT, and WT are 1  $\mu$ M, 100 nM, and 100 nM, respectively. The volume of solution is fixed at 50  $\mu$ L. The excitation wavelength is 590 nm.

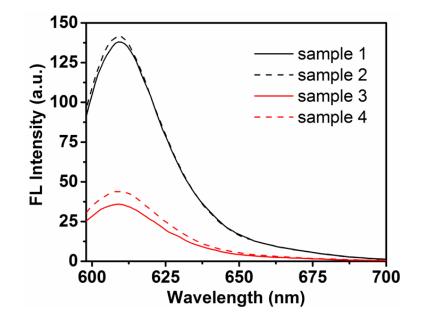
Nanomaterial platform	Detection type	LOD	Linear range	Reference
Ta <sub>2</sub> NiS <sub>5</sub> nanosheet	Fluorescence	250 fM	1 pM-100 nM	This work
Ti <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub> nanosheet	Electrochemiluminescence	1 nM	NA	(Fang et al., 2018)
MoS <sub>2</sub> @Au NPs	Fluorescence	1 nM	0-10 nM	(Yan et al., 2019)
Au NPs	Colorimetry	6.1 nM	50 nM-200 nM	(Xing et al., 2019)
SWNTs	Fluorescence	60 nM	100 nM- 1 µM	(Xu et al., 2018)
GO	Electrochemistry	NA	5 pM-5nM	(Lanche et al., 2018)

Table 2 Comparison of SNP biosensors.

Note: LOD: limit of detection, NA: No available data.



**Figure S6.** Agarose gel electrophoresis image of the PCR products. Lane 1-2: mutant-type samples; Lane 3-4: wild-type samples. Lane M is DNA ladder. The bright bands were the PCR products near the position of 500 base-pairs DNA markers, consistent with the predicted length of 359 base-pairs for target PCR amplicons. The detailed sequences of the PCR products were confirmed through DNA sequencing.



**Figure S7.** Fluorescence spectra of the human genomic samples (sample 1-2: mutant-type samples; sample 3-4: wild-type samples;  $P = 1 \mu M$ ; Exo III = 0.25 U  $\mu L^{-1}$ ; Ta<sub>2</sub>NiS<sub>5</sub> = 5  $\mu g m L^{-1}$ ).

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