

Supporting Information

Enhancement of Thermoelectric Performance via Weak Disorder of Topological Crystalline Insulator and Band Convergence by Se Alloying in $\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Te}_{1-x}\text{Se}_x$ Compounds

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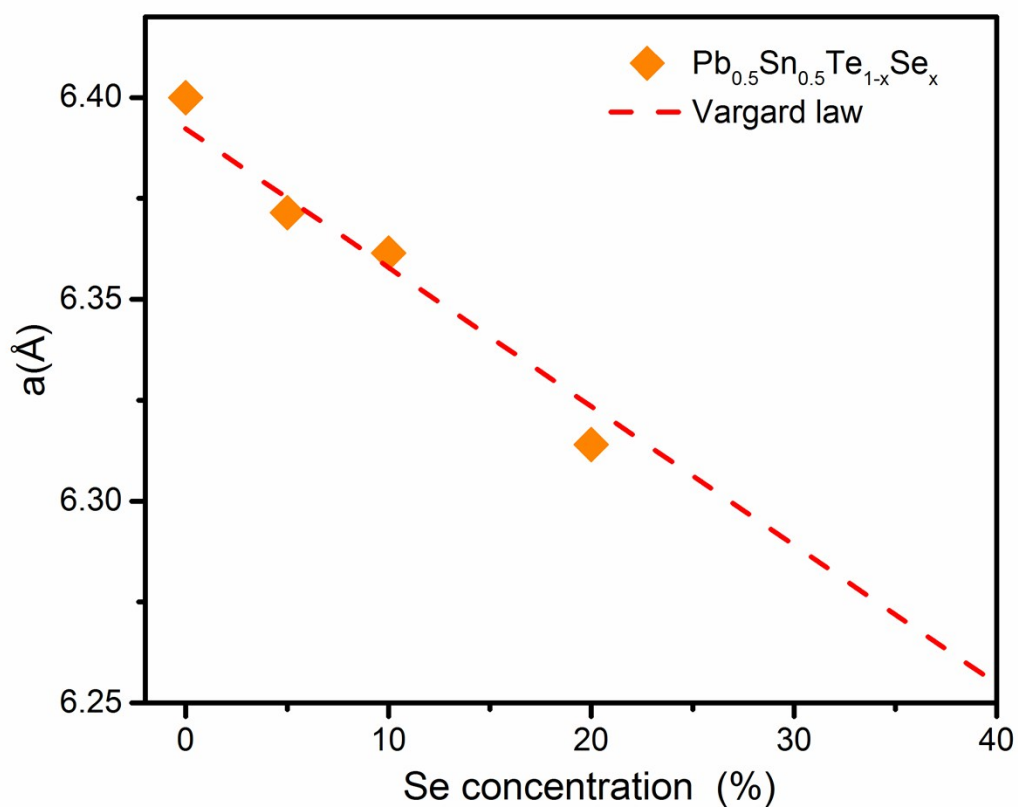


Figure S1: The lattice parameter content against Se content of Se and Vargard law

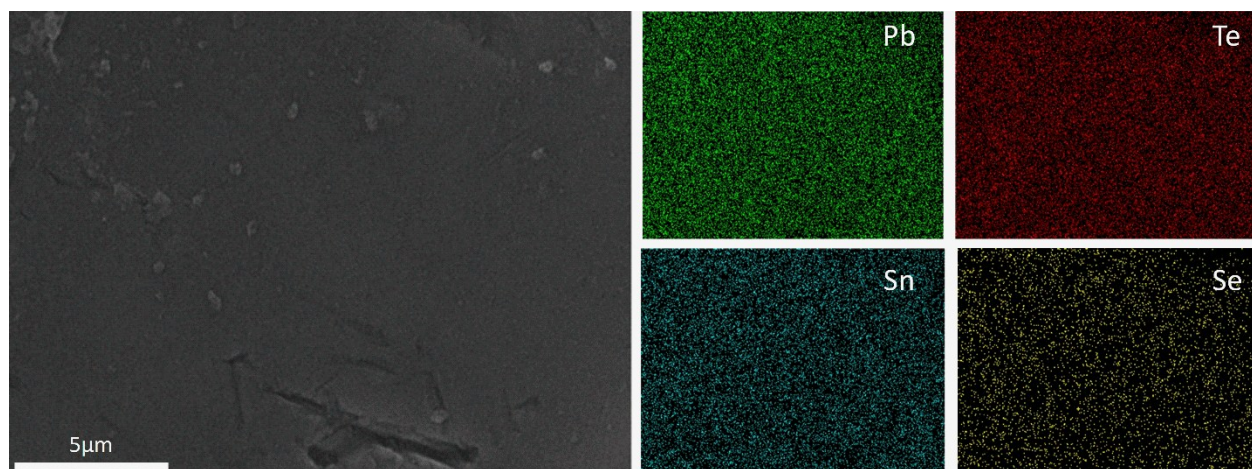


Figure S2. The SEM image of $\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Te}_{0.95}\text{Se}_{0.05}$ and its SEM-EDS elemental maps of Pb, Sn, Te, and Se.

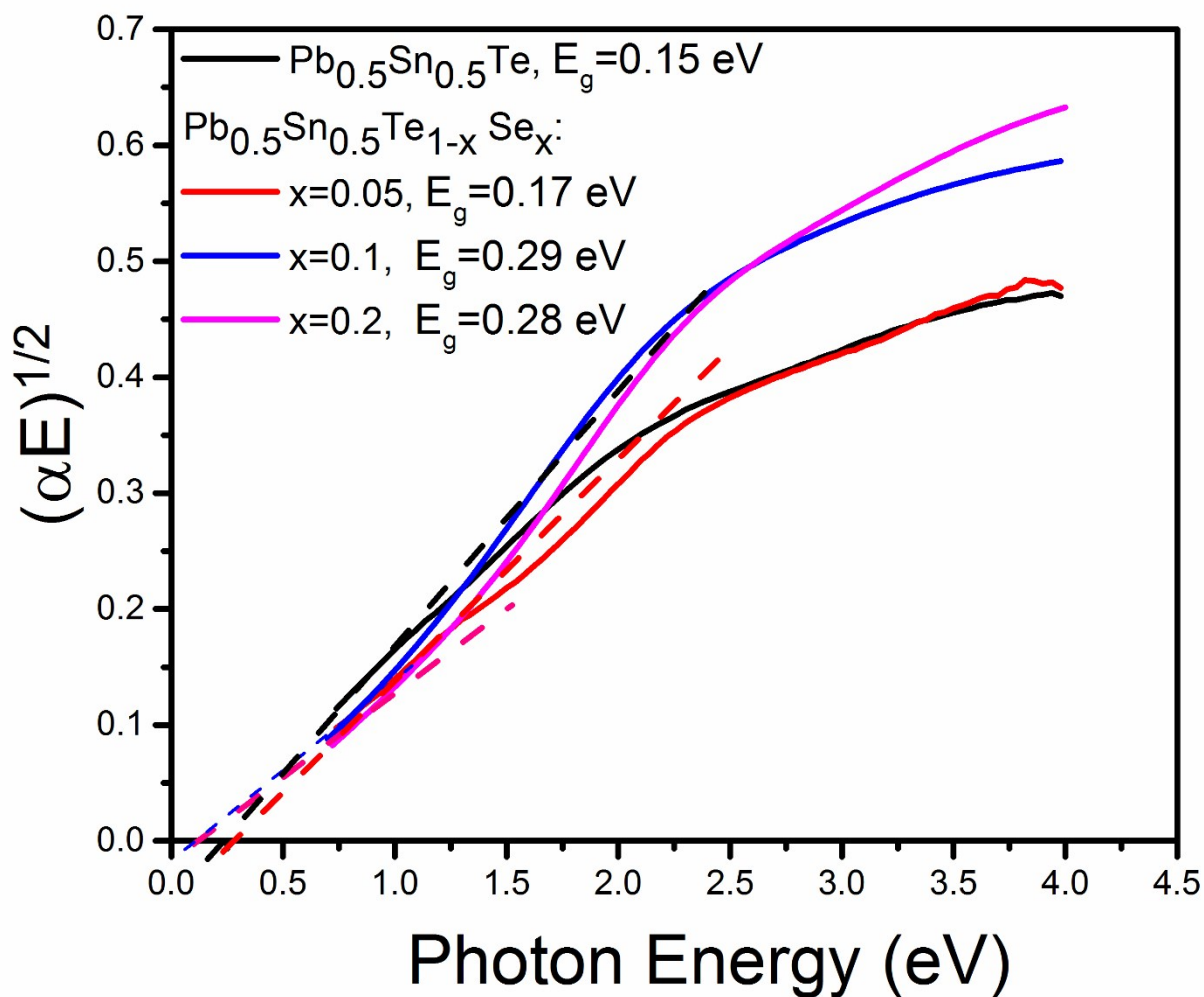
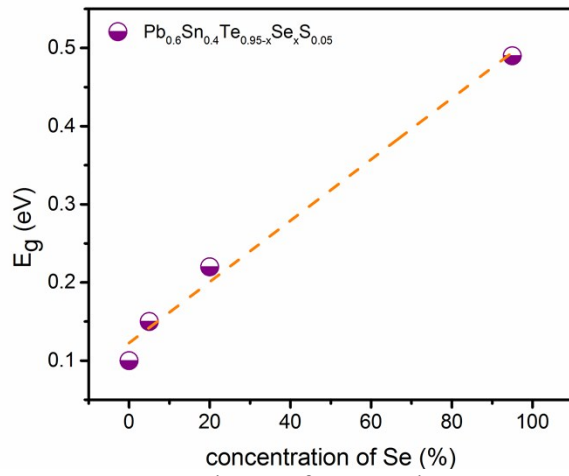


Figure S3: Band gap at room temperature for $x=0.00$, 0.05 , 0.1 , and 0.2

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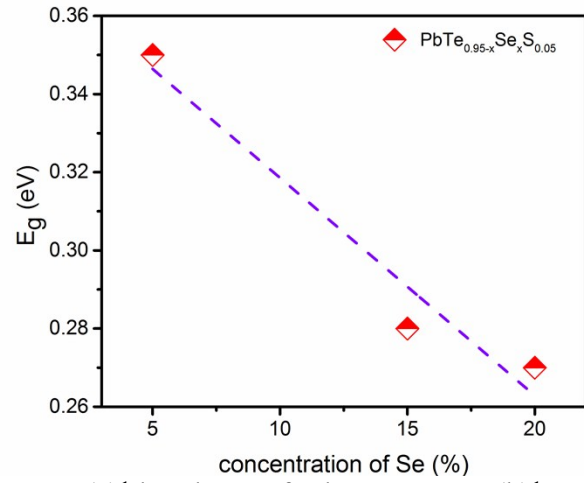


Figure S4 : Band gap of TCIs $\text{Pb}_{0.6}\text{Sn}_{0.4}\text{Te}_{0.95-x}\text{Se}_x\text{S}_{0.05}$ (a)¹ band gap of $\text{PbTe}_{0.95-x}\text{Se}_x\text{S}_{0.05}$ (b)¹

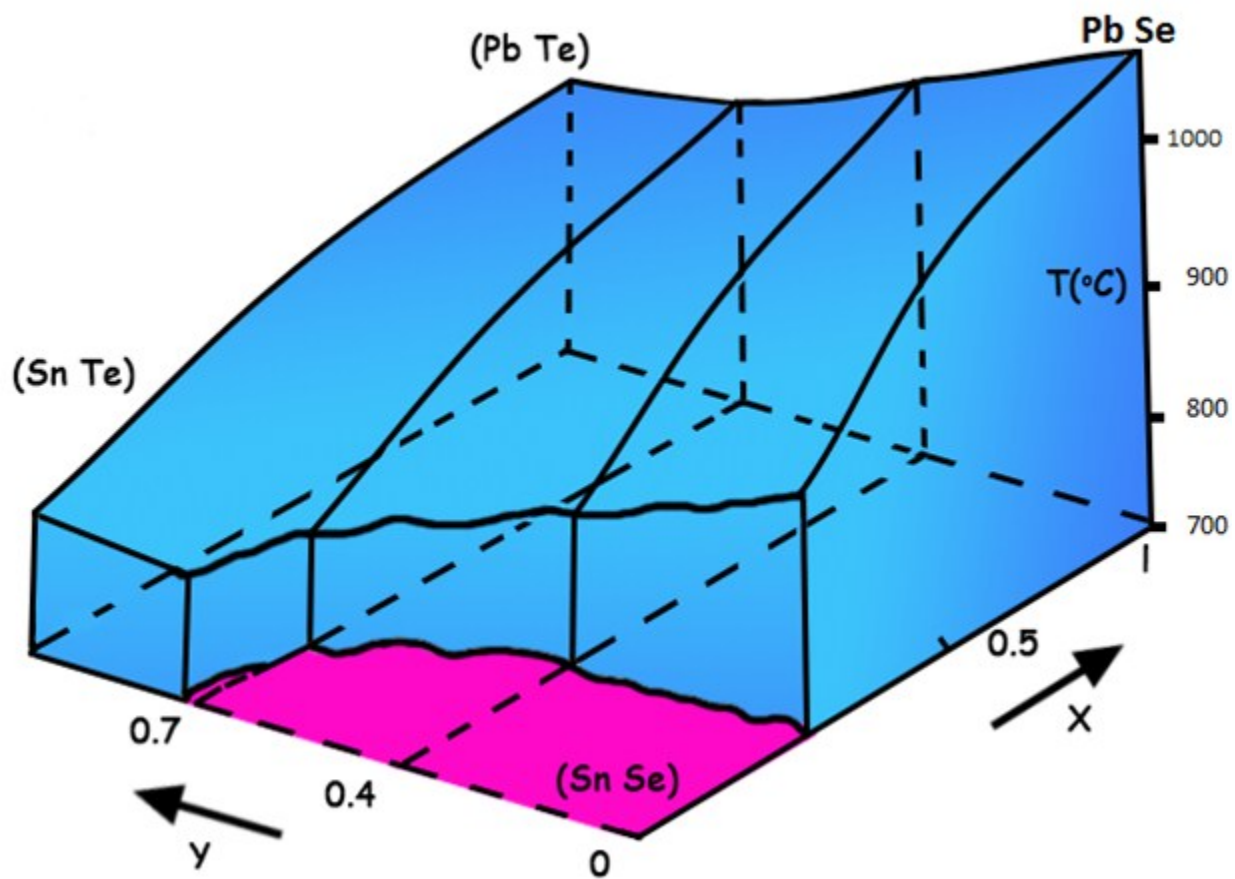


Figure S5: Three-dimensional representation of the liquidus surface of the stoichiometric system of $\text{Pb}_z\text{Sn}_{1-z}\text{Te}_y\text{Se}_{1-y}$ from reference²

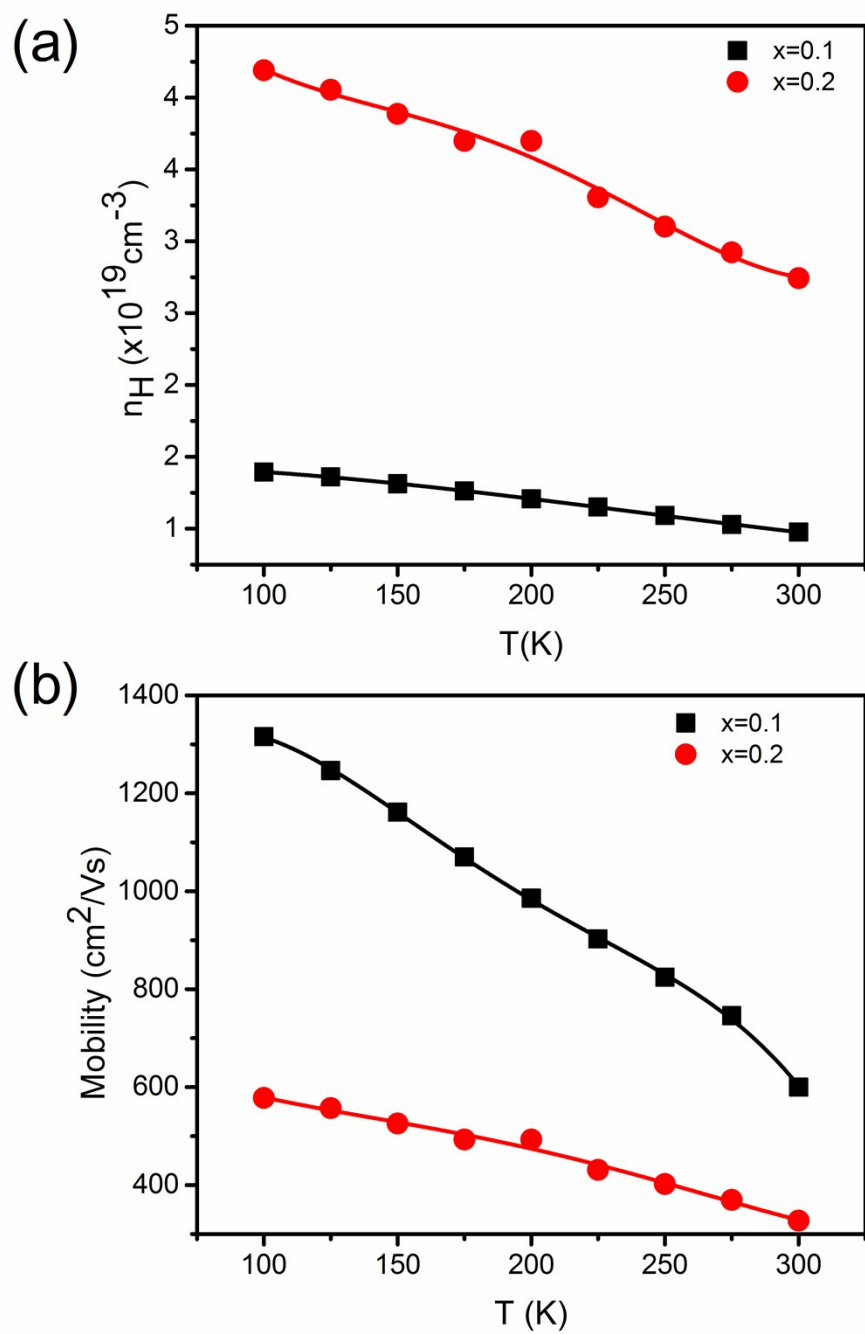


Figure S6: hall carrier concentration and mobility for $x=0.1$ and 0.2 at 200K-300K

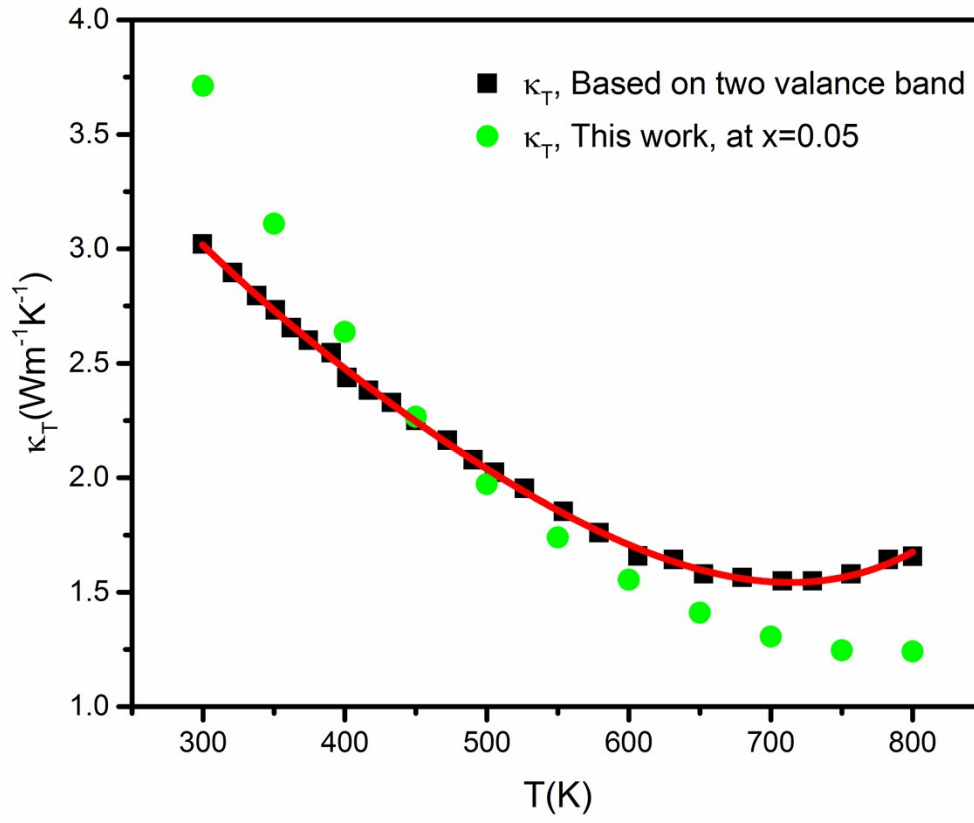


Figure S7: Two band total thermal conductivity of $\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Te}$ from reference³ with this work at $x=0.05$

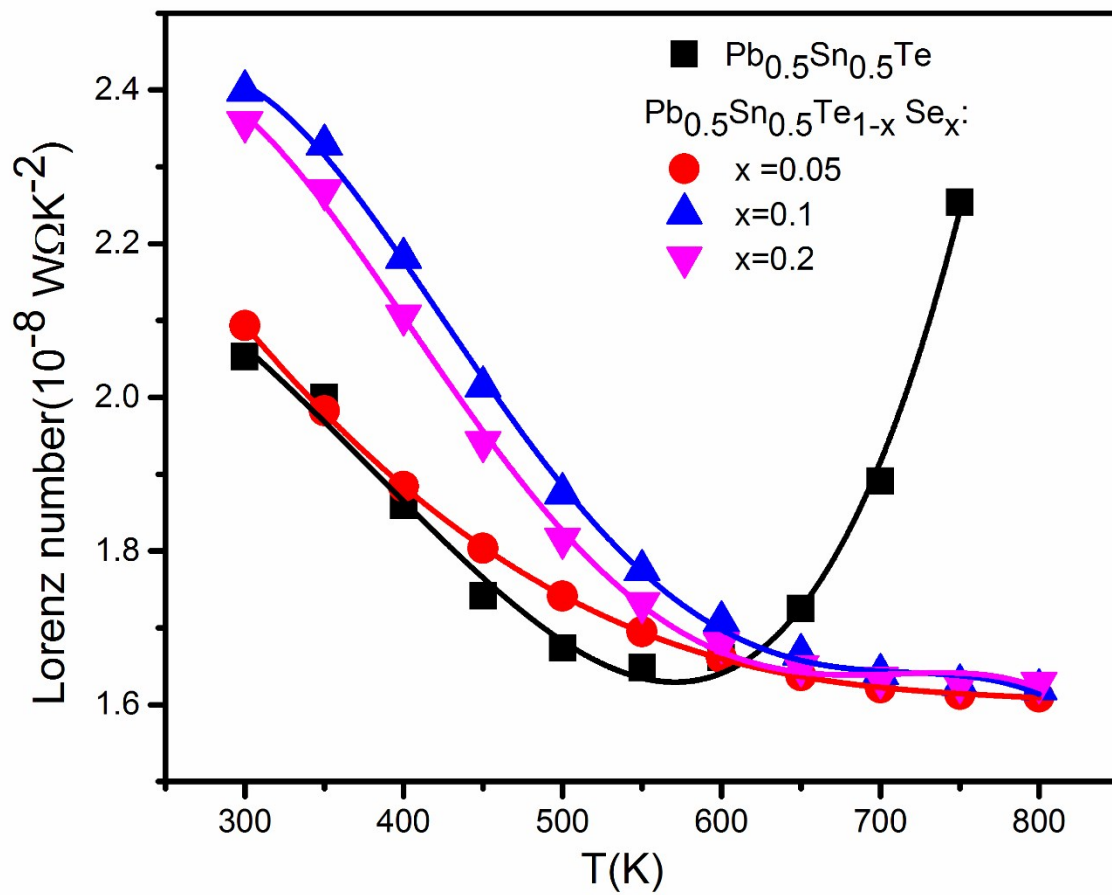


Figure S8. Temperature-dependent Lorenz number for $\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Te}_{1-x}\text{Se}_x$ ($x = 0.0, 0.05, 0.1$, and 0.2) compounds obtained from the single parabolic band model (see text).

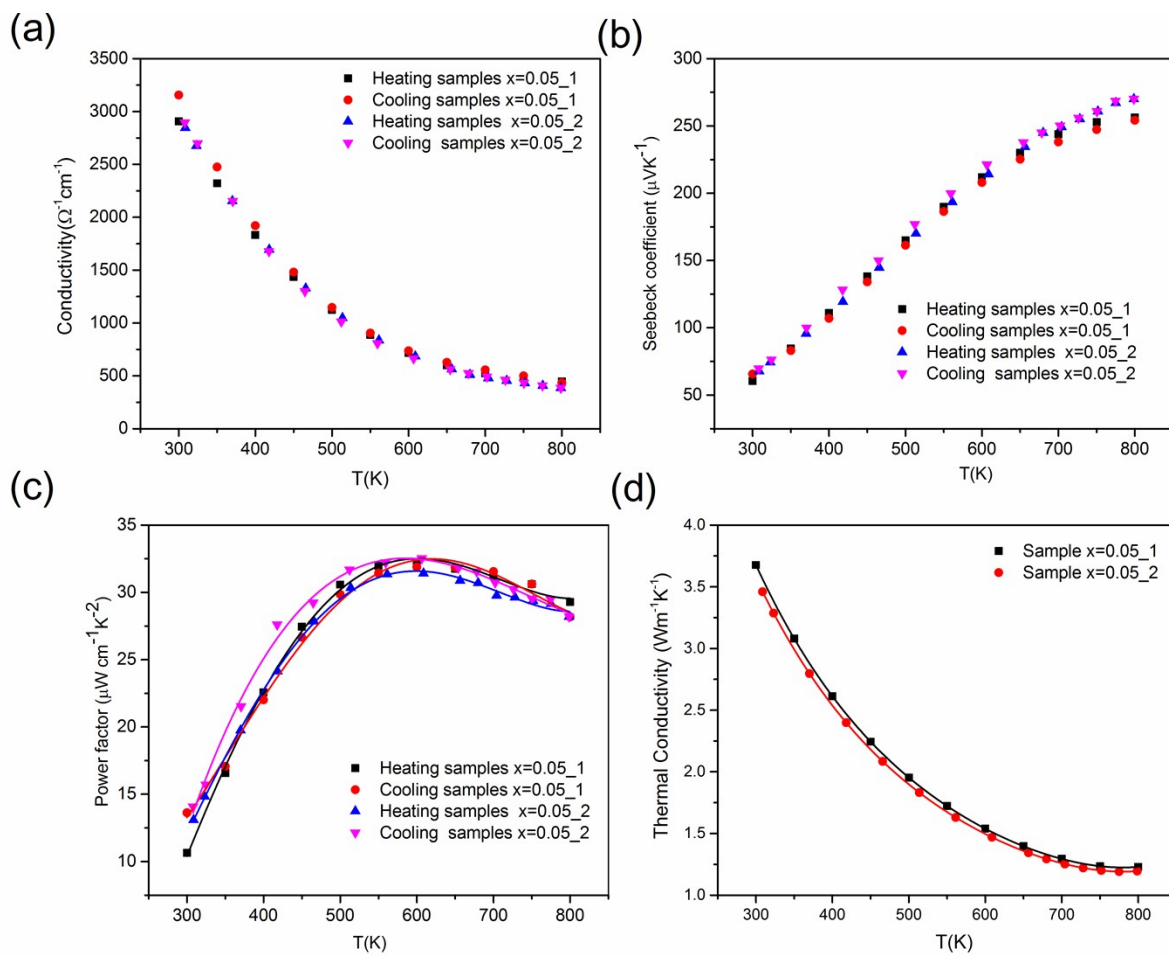


Figure S9. Reproducible measurements of the $\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Te}_{1-x}\text{Se}_x$ ($x = 0.05$) compound for different samples with heat cycling. It shows reasonable reproducibility of the sample.

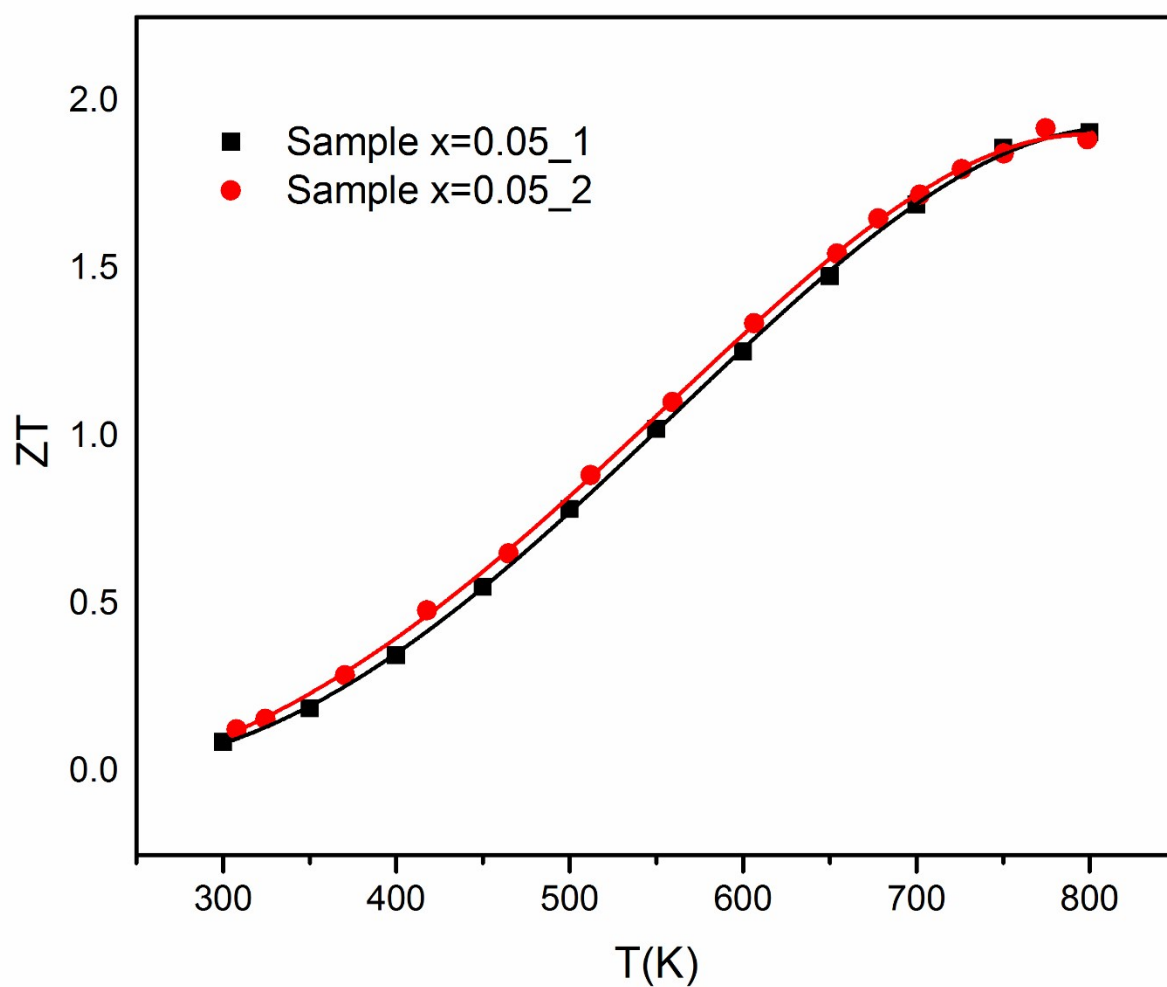


Figure S10. Reproducibility of the temperature-dependent ZT value for $\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Te}_{1-x}\text{Se}_x$ ($x = 0.05$) compound.

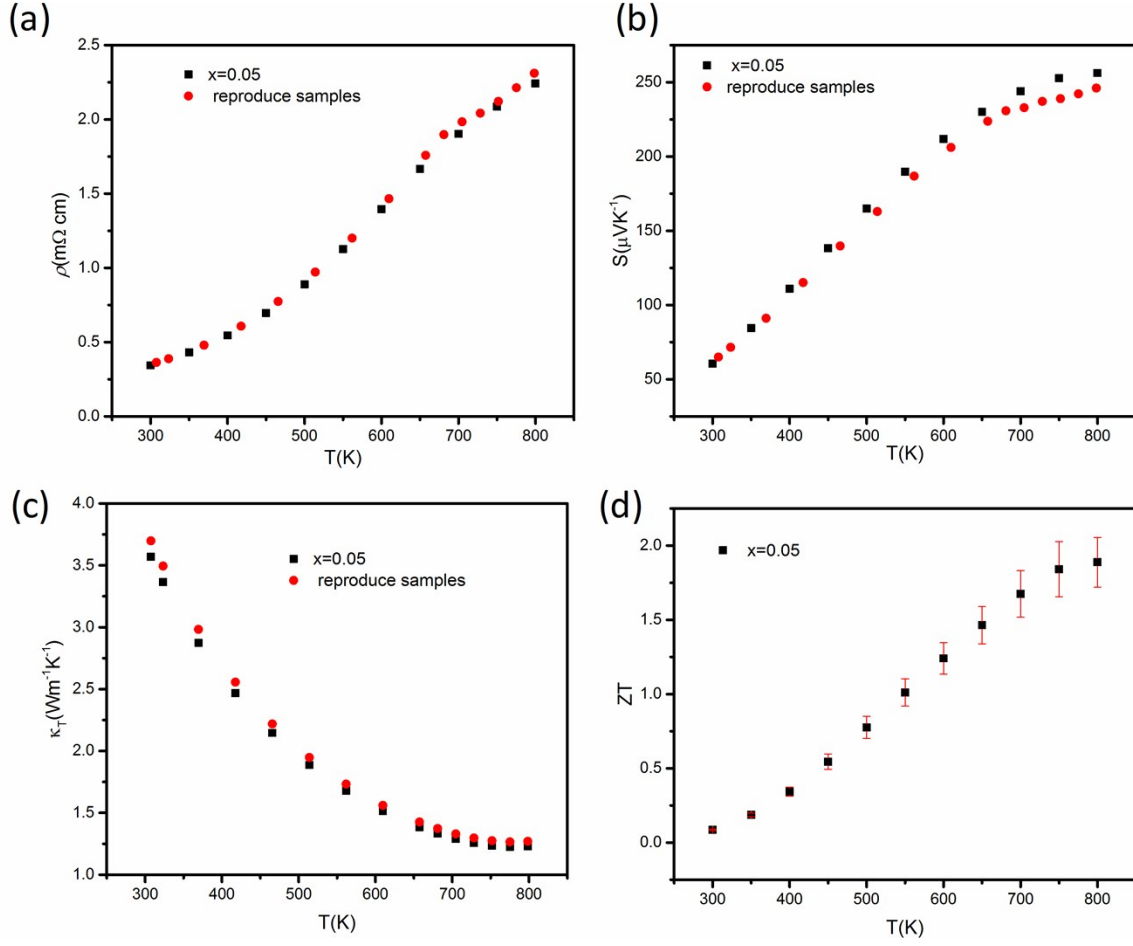


Figure S11. Reproducible measurements of the $\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Te}_{1-x}\text{Se}_x$ ($x = 0.05$) compound for different batch: electric resistivity (a), Seebeck coefficient (b), thermal conductivity (c), temperature-dependent ZT value for $\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Te}_{1-x}\text{Se}_x$ ($x = 0.05$) compound with error bar from reproducibility samples with different batch (d).

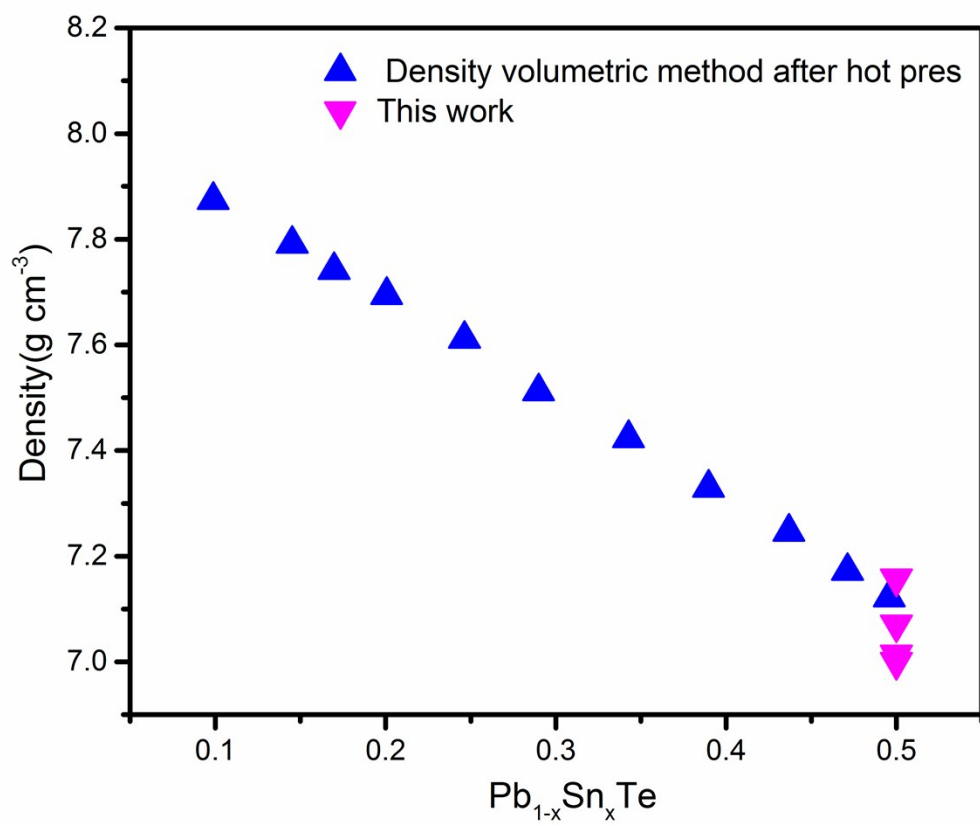


Figure 12: Density volumetric method after hot press for $\text{Pb}_{1-x}\text{Sn}_x\text{Te}$ from reference⁴ with density this work by Archimedes method

Table S1. Density Volumetric of $\text{Pb}_{1-x}\text{Sn}_x\text{Te}^4$ and density $\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Te}_{1-x}\text{Se}_x$ by Archimedes method.

$\text{Pb}_{1-x}\text{Sn}_x\text{Te}$	Density volumetric	$\text{Pb}_{0.5}\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Te}_{1-x}\text{Se}_x$	Density by Archimedes method
0.2	7.68	0	7.014
0.3	7.486	0.05	7
0.4	7.298	0.1	7.071
0.5	7.112	0.2	7.158

Table S1. Theoretical density D_T , experimental density D_{exp} , relative density D_R , heat

x	D_t (g cm ⁻³)	D_{exp} (g cm ⁻³)	$D_R(\%)$	C_p (Jg ⁻¹ K ⁻¹)	λ (mm ² s ⁻¹)
0	7.100(Gelbstein, 2007 #460)	7014	98.7	0.1757	1.7328
0.05	7.150	7.000	97.90	0.1758	3.0496
0.1	7.200	7.071	98.20	0.1759	1.0190
0.2	7.300	7.158	98.05	0.1762	1.0603

capacity, and thermal diffusivity λ at room temperature.

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