## Supporting Information

## Self-propagation High-temperature Synthesis of Half-Heusler

## Thermoelectric Materials: Reaction Mechanism and Applicability

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## ZrNiSn<sub>1-x</sub>Sb<sub>x</sub>



**Fig. S1** (a) XRD patterns of the products after SHS-SPS of  $ZrNiSn_{1-x}Sb_x$  (x = 0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04) (b) element distribution of the polished surface of  $ZrNiSn_{0.99}Sb_{0.01}$  after SHS-SPS

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**Fig. S2** Thermoelectric performance of SHS-prepared  $ZrNiSn_{1-x}Sb_x$  (x = 0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04) (a) electrical conductivity (b) Seebeck coefficient (c) thermal conductivity (d) zT values. The red line represents the data from Ref [S1].



**Fig. S3** (a) Hall carrier concentration (b) Hall mobility of  $ZrNiSn_{1-x}Sb_x$  (x = 0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04)



**Fig. S4** The Seebeck coefficient of  $ZrNiSn_{1-x}Sb_x$  and some reported data<sup>1-4</sup> at 300 K as a function of Hall carrier concentration, the dash line are calculated by the single parabolic band model with  $m^* = 3.1 m_e$ 



**Fig. S5** (a) XRD patterns of the products after SHS-SPS of  $ZrCoSb_{1-x}Sn_x$  (x = 0.1, 0.2, 0.3) (b) element distribution of the polished surface of  $ZrCoSb_{0.7}Sb_{0.3}$  after SHS-SPS



**Fig. S6** Thermoelectric performance of SHS-prepared  $ZrCoSb_{1-x}Sn_x$  (x = 0.1, 0.2, 0.3) (a) electrical conductivity (b) Seebeck coefficient (c) thermal conductivity (d) zT values. The blue line represents the data from Ref [S5]

TiNiSn<sub>1-x</sub>Sb<sub>x</sub>



**Fig. S7** (a) XRD patterns of the products after SHS-SPS of TiNiSn<sub>1-x</sub>Sb<sub>x</sub> (x = 0, 0.01, 0.02, 0.03) (b) element distribution of the polished surface of TiNiSn<sub>0.99</sub>Sb<sub>0.01</sub> after SHS-SPS



**Fig. S8.** Thermoelectric performance of SHS-prepared TiNiSn<sub>1-x</sub>Sb<sub>x</sub> (x = 0, 0.01, 0.02, 0.03) (a) electrical conductivity (b) Seebeck coefficient (c) thermal conductivity (d) zT values. The red line represents the data from Ref [S6].

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