

**Supplementary Information**

**Metallic FeSe Monolayer as Anode Materials for Li and  
Non-Li Ion Batteries: A DFT Study**

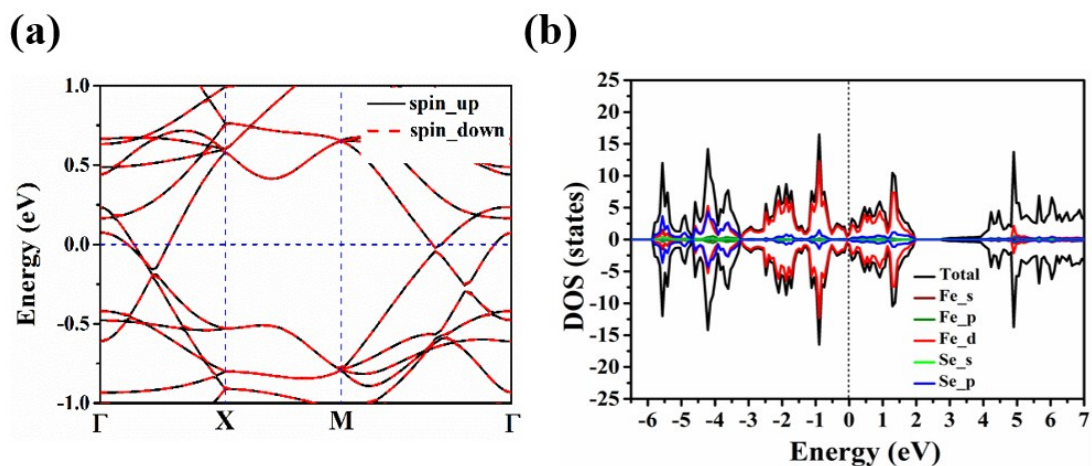
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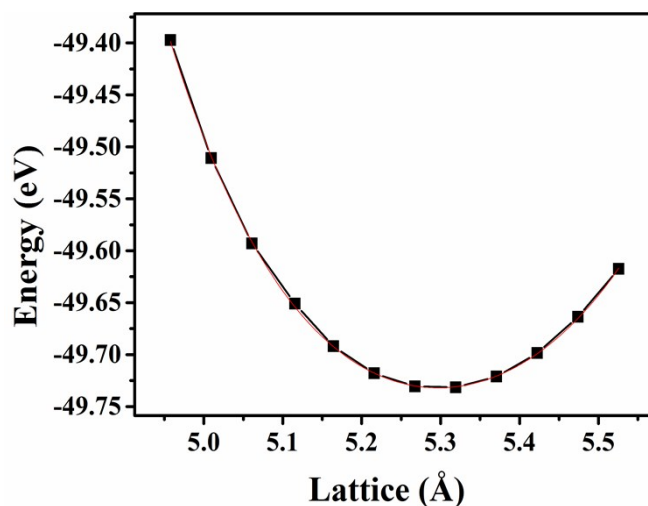
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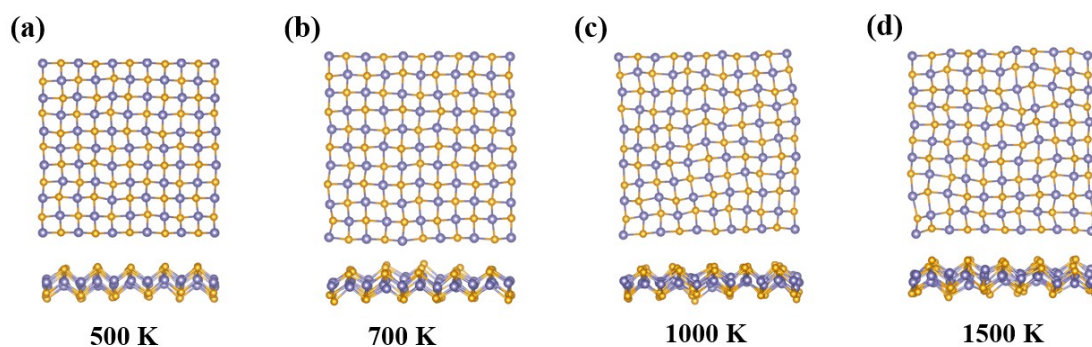
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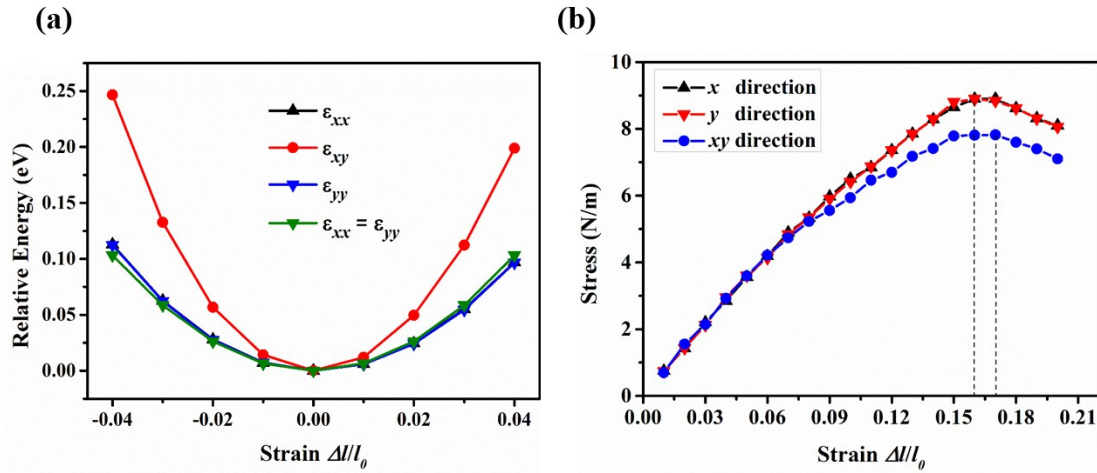
**Fig. S1** The PBE+U band structure (a) and density of state (b) for the FeSe monolayer.



**Fig. S2** The total energy of FeSe monolayer AFM states as a function of lattice constant.

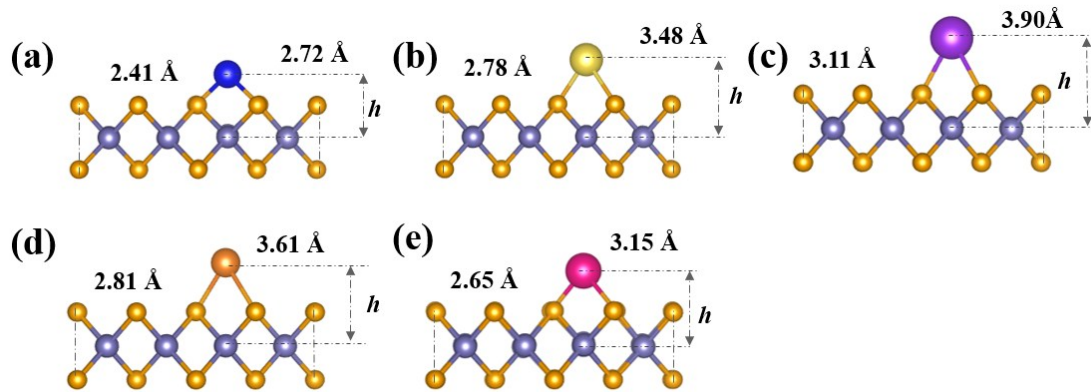


**Fig. S3** Top and side views of FeSe monolayers (a  $5 \times 5 \times 1$  supercell) at the end of the 5 ps MD simulations at the temperature of (a) 500 K (b) 700 K (c) 1000 K and (d) 1500 K, respectively.

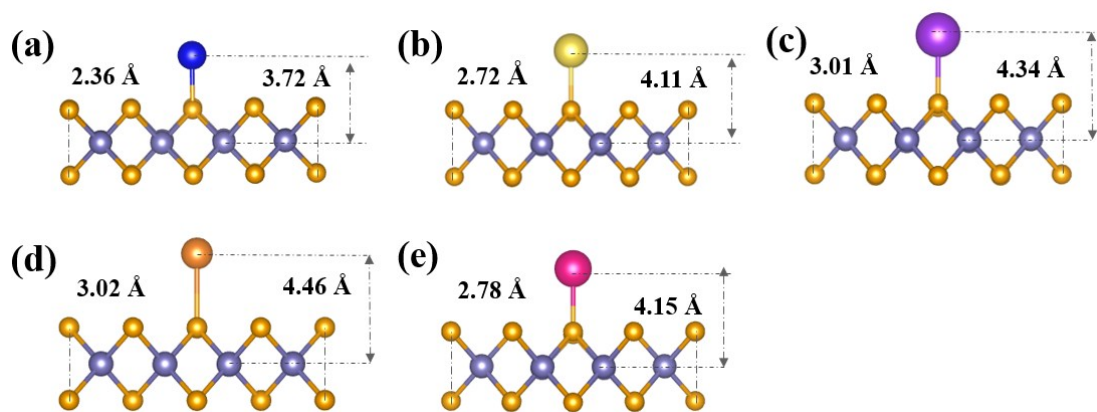


**Fig. S4** (a) The relative strain energy of monolayer FeSe under uniaxial, shear and biaxial in-plane strain ( $-4\% \leq \epsilon \leq 4\%$ ). (b) The strain-stress relation of FeSe monolayer with applying the uniaxial ( $x$  and  $y$  direction) and biaxial ( $xy$  direction) in-plane strain, respectively.

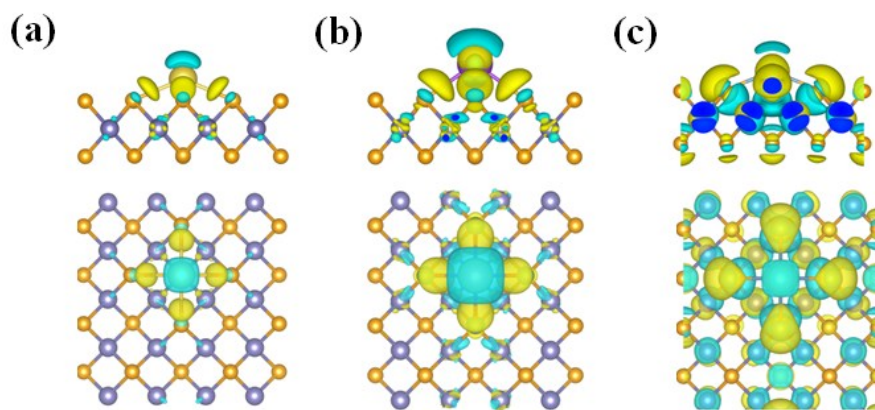
In Fig. S4a, the strain energies as a function of  $\epsilon$  in the range of  $-4\% \leq \epsilon \leq 4\%$  with an increment of 1% were computed to obtain the elastic constants, in order to calculate the Young's modulus [E. Cadelano, P. L. Palla, S. Giordano, L. Colombo, *Phys. Rev. B* 2010, **2**, 235414.].



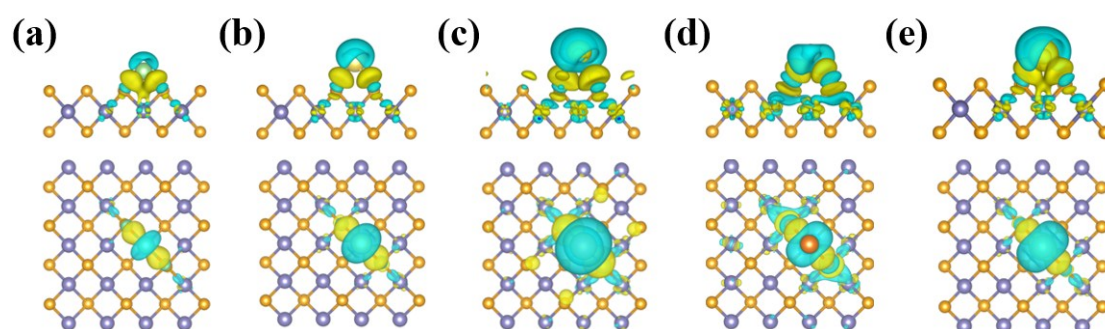
**Fig. S5** Sides views of the optimized structures of FeSe monolayer after adsorption with (a) Li, (b) Na, (c) K, (d) Mg and (e) Ca at B site.



**Fig. S6** Sides views of the optimized structures of FeSe monolayer after adsorption with (a) Li, (b) Na, (c) K, (d) Mg and (e) Ca at C site.

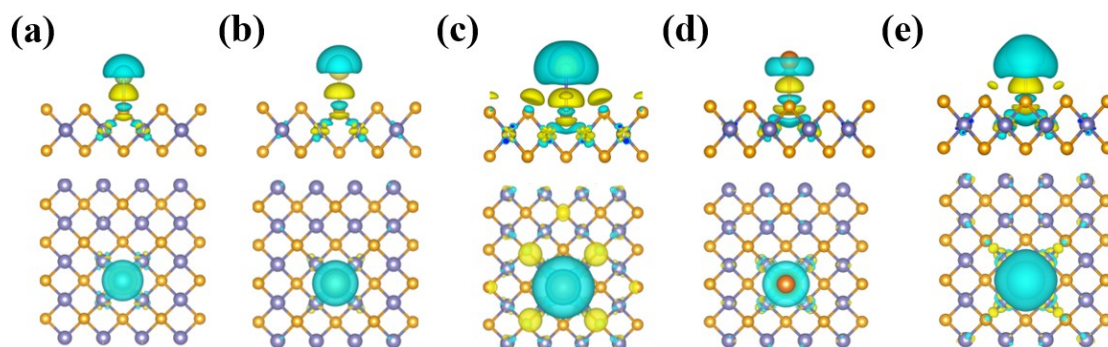


**Fig. S7** Charge density differences for M atoms adsorbed FeSe monolayer at A site, (a)  $M = \text{Na}$ , (b)  $M = \text{K}$ , (c)  $M = \text{Ca}$ . The isosurface value is set to be  $0.002 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$ .

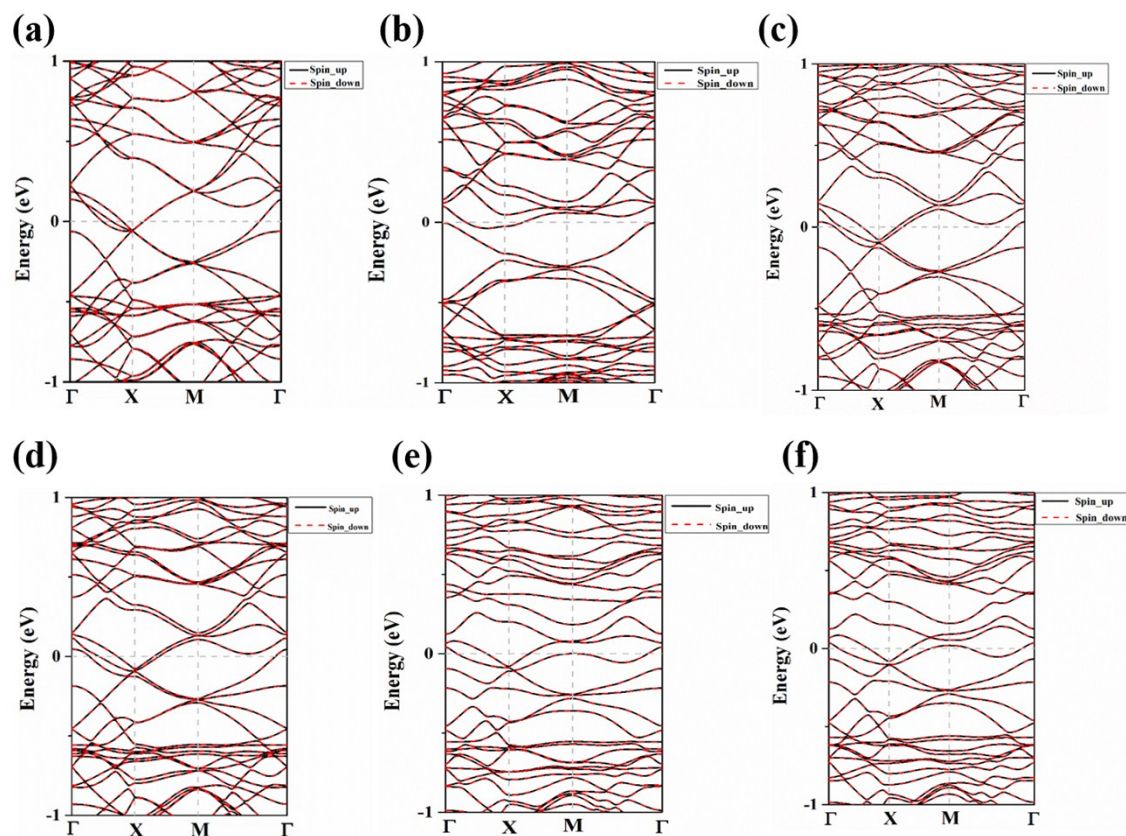


**Fig. S8** Charge density differences for M atoms adsorbed FeSe monolayer at B site, (a)  $M = \text{Li}$ , (b)  $M = \text{Na}$ , (c)  $M = \text{K}$ , (d)  $M = \text{Mg}$ , and (e)  $M = \text{Ca}$ . The isosurface value is set to be  $0.002 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$ .

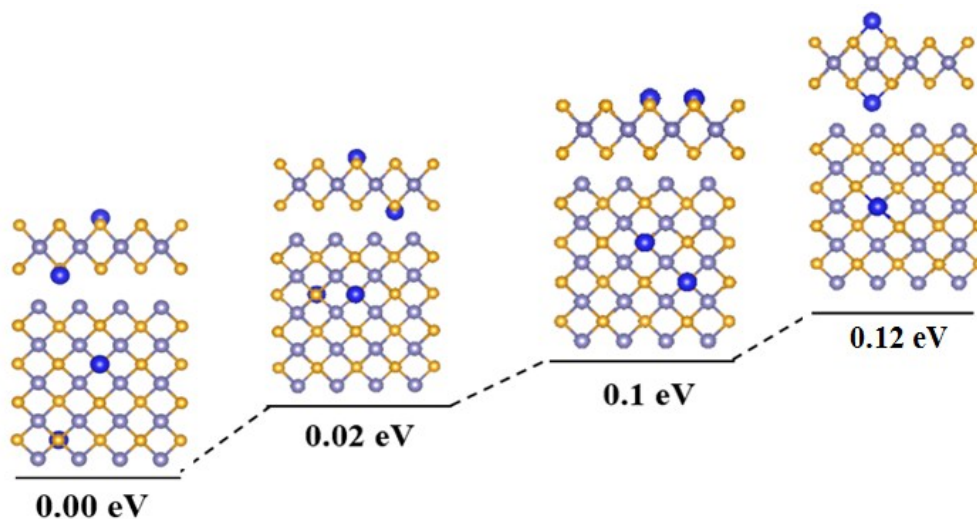




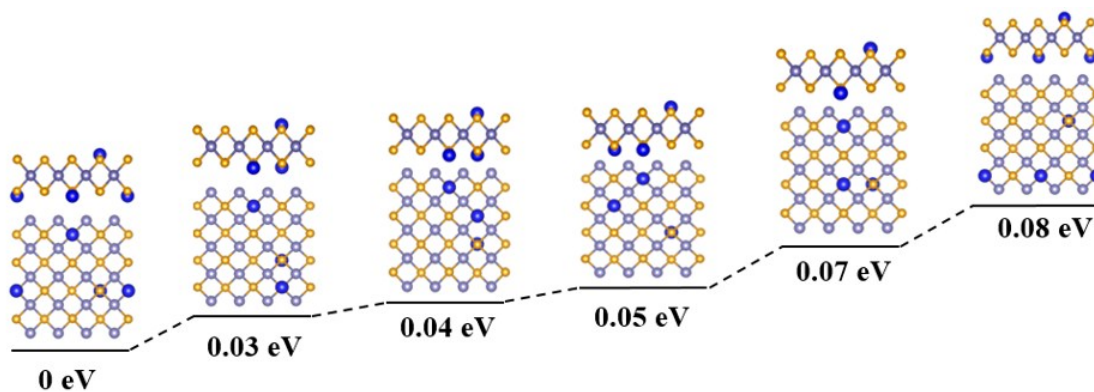
**Fig. S9** Charge density differences for  $M$  atoms adsorbed FeSe monolayer at **C** site, (a)  $M = \text{Li}$ , (b)  $M = \text{Na}$ , (c)  $M = \text{K}$ , (d)  $M = \text{Mg}$ , and (e)  $M = \text{Ca}$ . The isosurface value is set to be  $0.002 \text{ e}\text{\AA}^{-3}$ .



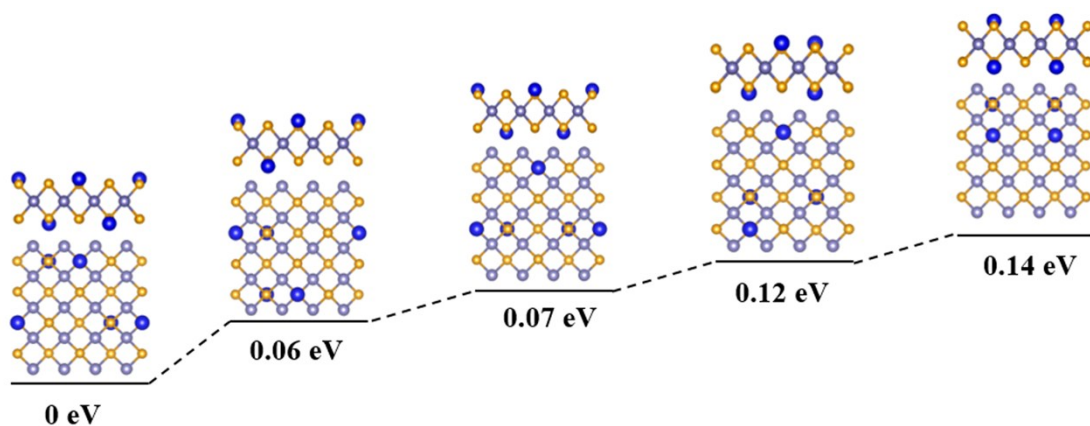
**Fig. S10** The band structures of metal atoms adsorbed FeSe monolayers, (a) pristine FeSe monolayer, (b) Li, (c) Na, (d) K, (e) Mg and (f) Ca at **A** site.



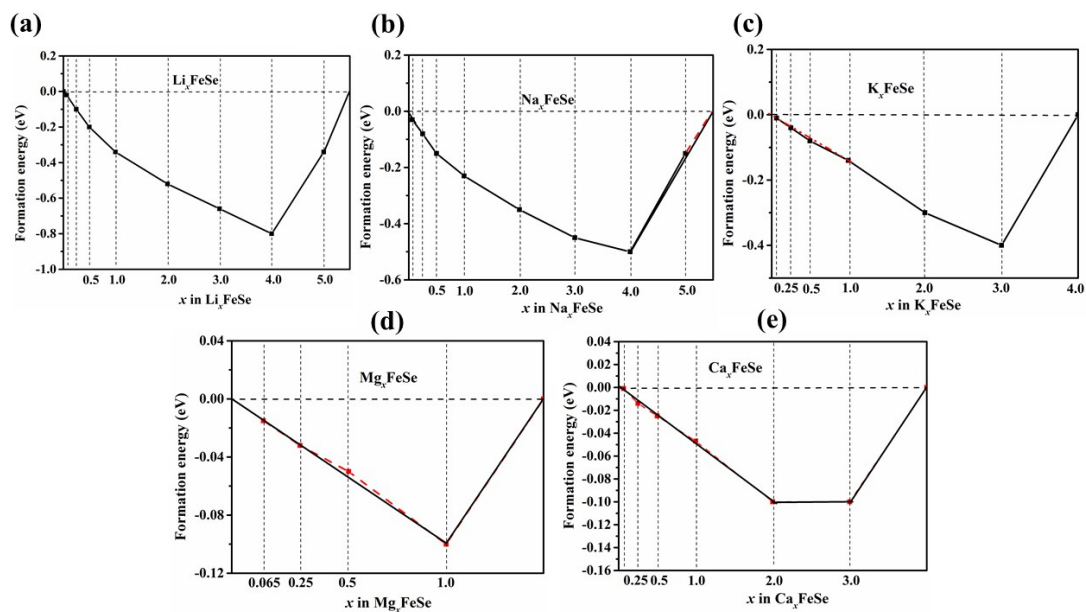
**Fig. S11** Side and top views of different configurations for  $\text{Li}_{0.125}\text{FeSe}$  as well as the relative energies.



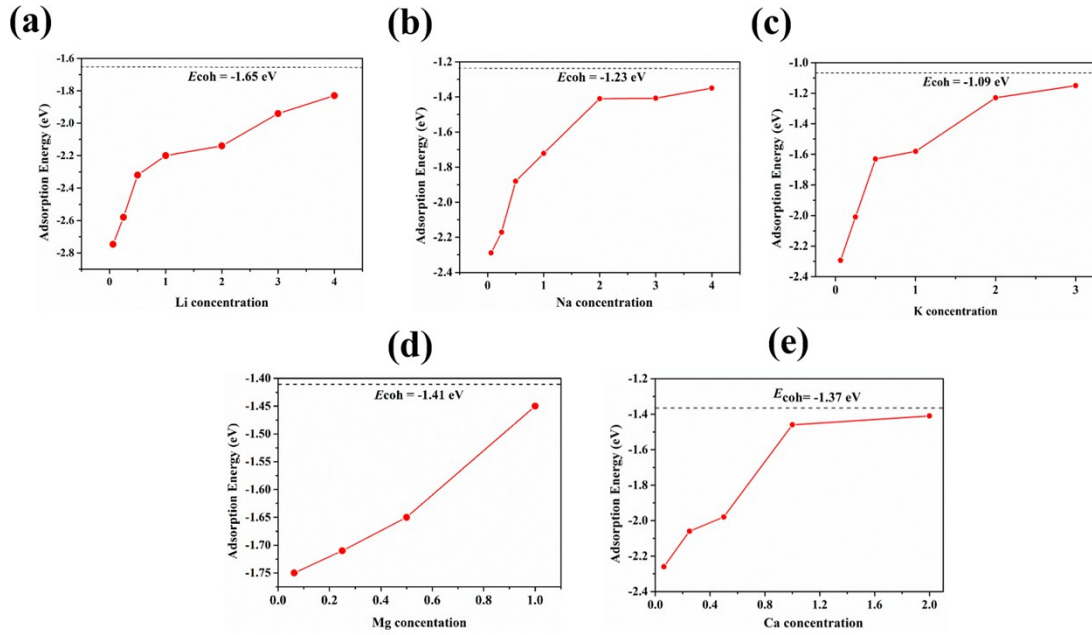
**Fig. S12** Side and top views of different configurations for  $\text{Li}_{0.187}\text{FeSe}$  as well as the relative energies.



**Fig. S13** Side and top views of different configurations for  $\text{Li}_{0.25}\text{FeSe}$  as well as the relative energies.



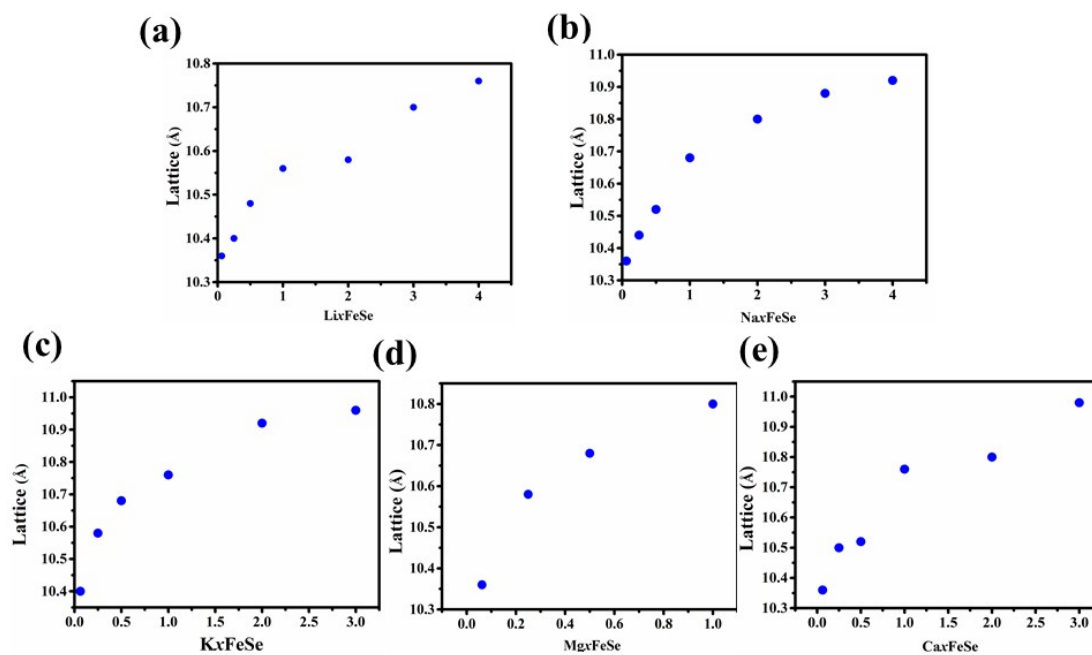
**Fig. S14** The formation energies ( $E_f$ ) of  $\text{Li}_x\text{FeSe}$  (a),  $\text{Na}_x\text{FeSe}$  (b),  $\text{K}_x\text{FeSe}$  (c),  $\text{Mg}_x\text{FeSe}$  (d) and  $\text{Ca}_x\text{FeSe}$  (e) with respect to FeSe sheet and Li/Na/K/Mg/Ca bulk metal. Data points located on the convex hull (black squares) represents the stable adsorption without decomposition. The metastable phases are indicated by red squares.



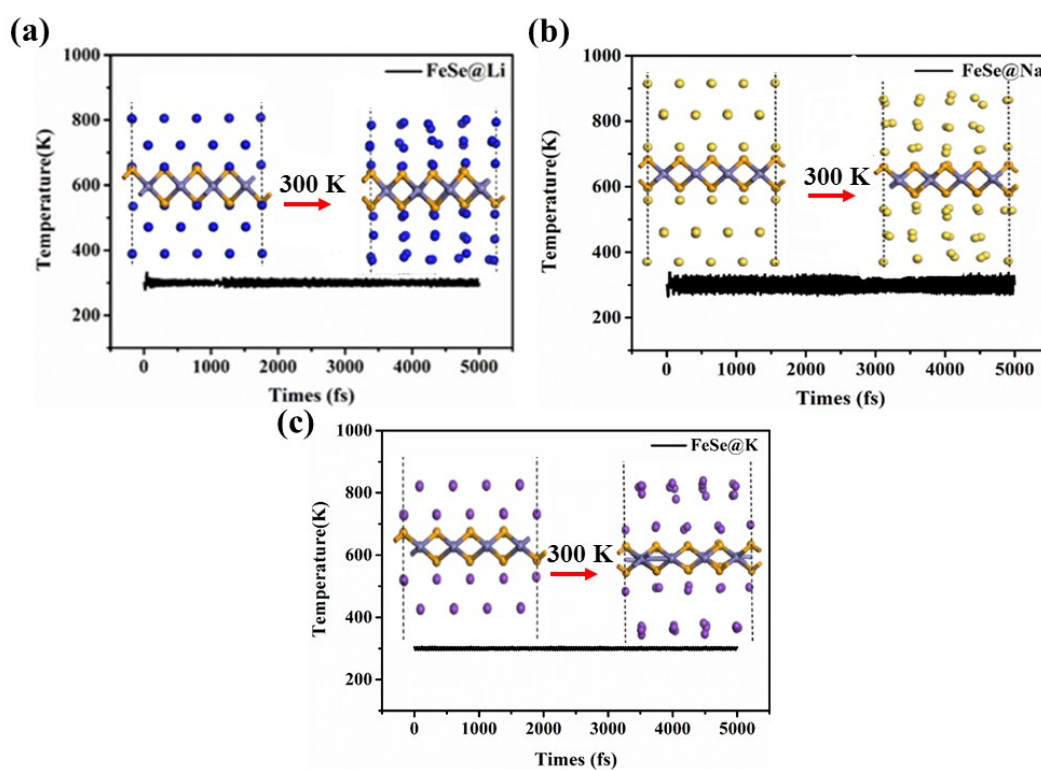
**Fig. S15** The average adsorption energies per metal atom as a function of concentration  $x$  in the (a)  $\text{Li}_x\text{FeSe}$ , (b)  $\text{Na}_x\text{FeSe}$ , (c)  $\text{K}_x\text{FeSe}$ , (d)  $\text{Mg}_x\text{FeSe}$  and (e)  $\text{Ca}_x\text{FeSe}$ . The dashed lines denote the cohesive energies of the corresponding metal atoms in the bulk phases.

Note that the average adsorption energy ( $E'_{\text{ave}}$ ) and cohesive energy in Fig. S15 are defined by the equations:  $E'_{\text{ave}} = (E_{M_x\text{FeSe}} - E_{\text{FeSe}} - xE_M)/x$ ,  $E_{\text{coh}} = (E_{\text{bulk}} - nE_M)/n$ , where  $E_{\text{FeSe}}$ ,  $E_{M_x\text{FeSe}}$ , and  $E_{\text{bulk}}$  are the total energies of monolayer FeSe,  $M$ -adsorbed FeSe, the bulk metal phase, and  $E_M$  is the energy of an isolated  $M$  atom, respectively,  $x$  is the number of adsorption atoms,  $n$  is the number of  $M$  atoms in its bulk phase.





**Fig. S16** The lattice constant variation as the function of  $M$  concentration  $x$ : (a)  $\text{Li}_x\text{FeSe}$ , (b)  $\text{Na}_x\text{FeSe}$ , (c)  $\text{K}_x\text{FeSe}$ , (d)  $\text{Mg}_x\text{FeSe}$  and (e)  $\text{Ca}_x\text{FeSe}$ .



**Fig. S17** The side views of the intercalated FeSe electrode by (a) Li, (b) Na, and (c) K atoms at the end of FPMD simulation, performed at 300 K.

**Table S1.** The calculated relative energies (in eV) of Li adsorbed at **A**, **B**, and **C** sites on the FeSe monolayer by BPE and PBE+U methods.

Methods	A	B	C
PBE	0.00	0.17	0.94
PBE+U	0.00	0.19	0.95

**Table S2.** In-plane stiffness ( $C_{11}$ ,  $C_{22}$ ,  $C_{12}$ ,  $C_{66}$ , in N/m) and the Young's modulus ( $Y$ , in N/m) of the FeSe monolayers.

System	$C_{11}$	$C_{22}$	$C_{12}$	$C_{66}$	$Y$
FeSe	79.38	79.38	5.25	19.52	79.03
MoS <sub>2</sub>	132.58	132.58	32.96	49.69	124.39

**Table S3.** The adsorption energy  $E_{\text{ads}}$  (in eV) of metal atom and the electron transfer (in  $e^-$ ) from the adatoms to FeSe monolayer at the site **A**, **B**, and **C** at the PBE (PBE+U) level of theory. The largest  $E_{\text{ads}}$  are given in bold.

Metal	$E_{\text{ads}}$ (A)	$E_{\text{ads}}$ (B)	$E_{\text{ads}}$ (C)	Q (A)	Q (B)	Q(c)
Li	<b>-2.75 (-3.60)</b>	-2.58 (-3.41)	-1.81 (-2.66)	0.93	0.91	0.88
Na	<b>-2.29 (-3.05)</b>	-2.16 (-2.95)	-1.58 (-2.34)	0.91	0.85	0.81
K	<b>-2.28 (-3.40)</b>	-2.18 (-3.28)	-1.83 (-2.97)	0.92	0.89	0.88
Mg	<b>-1.65 (-3.32)</b>	-0.51 (-2.47)	-0.29 (-1.65)	1.52	0.71	0.35
Ca	<b>-2.26 (-3.33)</b>	-0.73 (-1.80)	-0.22 (-0.85)	1.39	0.83	0.36

**Table S4** The electron transfer (in  $e^-$ ) from the metal atoms ( $M = \text{Li, Na, K, Mg}$  and  $\text{Ca}$ ) to the FeSe monolayer and the Cl atom in their chlorides (LiCl, NaCl, KCl, MgCl<sub>2</sub> and CaCl<sub>2</sub>).

	Li	Na	K	Mg	Ca
FeSe	0.93	0.91	0.92	1.52	1.39
Cl	0.92	0.86	0.88	1.61	1.56

**Table S5.** The average adsorption energy ( $E'_{\text{ave}}$ , in eV) for  $M$  multi-layer adsorption in the stoichiometry of  $M_x\text{FeSe}$  and the cohesive energy ( $E_{\text{coh}}$ , in eV) of  $M$  in bulk phase.

$M_x\text{FeSe}$	Li	Na	K	Mg	Ca
$M\text{FeSe}$	-2.20	-1.72	-1.58	-1.45	-1.46
$M_2\text{FeSe}$	-2.14	-1.43	-1.23	-1.40	-1.44
$M_3\text{FeSe}$	-1.94	-1.41	-1.15	-1.38	-1.41
$M_4\text{FeSe}$	-1.83	-1.35	-1.06	–	-1.35
$E_{\text{coh}}$ (eV)	-1.65	-1.23	-1.09	-1.41	-1.37

**Table S6.** Changes in the lattice parameters and volume during the intercalation process of LIBs, NIBs, KIBs, MIBs, and CIBs.

System	Lattice (Å)	Expansion (Lattice)
FeSe	10.35	--
Li <sub>4</sub> FeSe	10.76	3.90%
Na <sub>4</sub> FeSe	10.92	5.50%
K <sub>3</sub> FeSe	10.95	5.79%
MgFeSe	10.79	4.25%
Ca <sub>3</sub> FeSe	10.97	5.99%