

Electronic supplementary information

Vacancy cluster induced local disordered structure for enhancement of
thermoelectric property in $\text{Cu}_2\text{ZnSnSe}_4$

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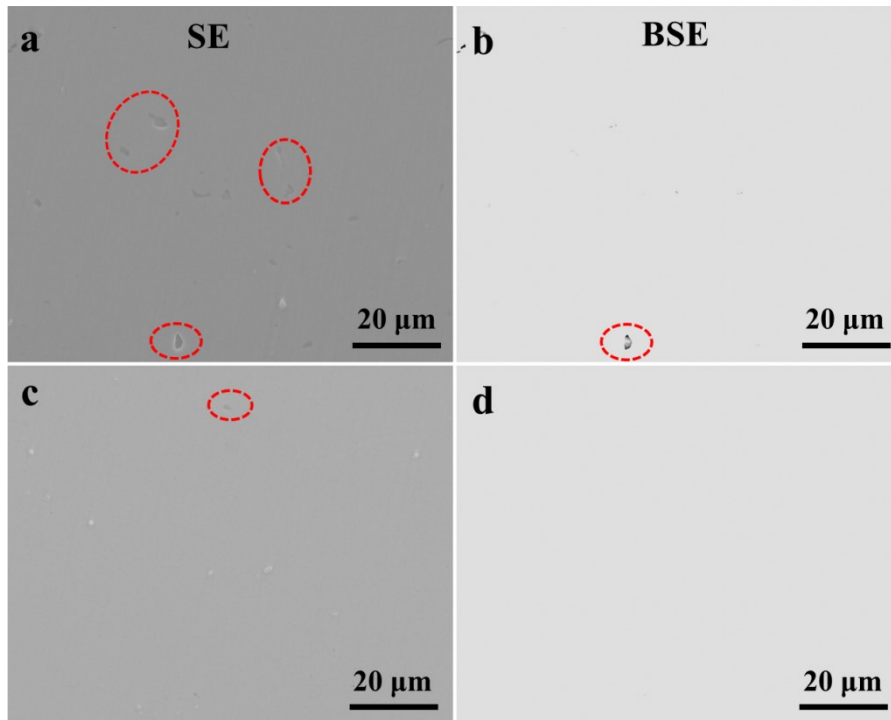


Figure S1. (a, b) Secondary electron (SE) and backscattered electron (BSE) images of pristine $\text{Cu}_2\text{ZnSnSe}_4$. (c, d) SE and BSE images of Sn deficient $\text{Cu}_2\text{ZnSnSe}_4$ sample. The red dotted circles mark the pores in the sample.

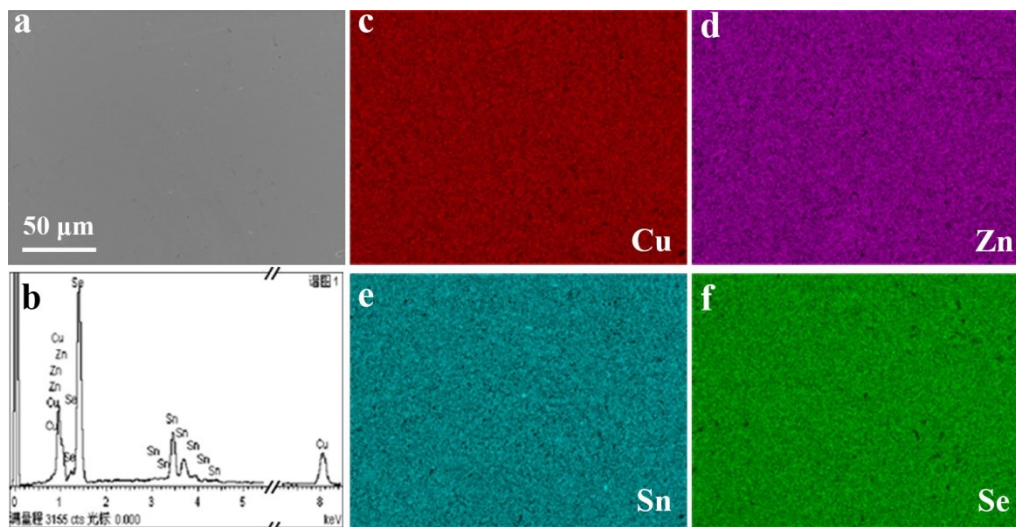


Figure S2. (a, b) SEM image of Sn deficient $\text{Cu}_2\text{ZnSnSe}_4$ sample (a) and the corresponding EDS spectra (b). (c–f) Elemental mapping images of Cu (c), Zn (d), Sn (e), and Se (f).

Table S1. Element composition of $\text{Cu}_{2(1-x)}\text{Zn}_{1-y}\text{Sn}_{1-z}\text{Se}_4$ samples by EDS analysis.

Element Samples	Cu	Zn	Sn	Se
Pristine	0.266	0.132	0.123	0.479
x=0.02	0.263	0.134	0.124	0.480
y=0.02	0.267	0.129	0.124	0.480
z=0.02	0.267	0.134	0.119	0.480

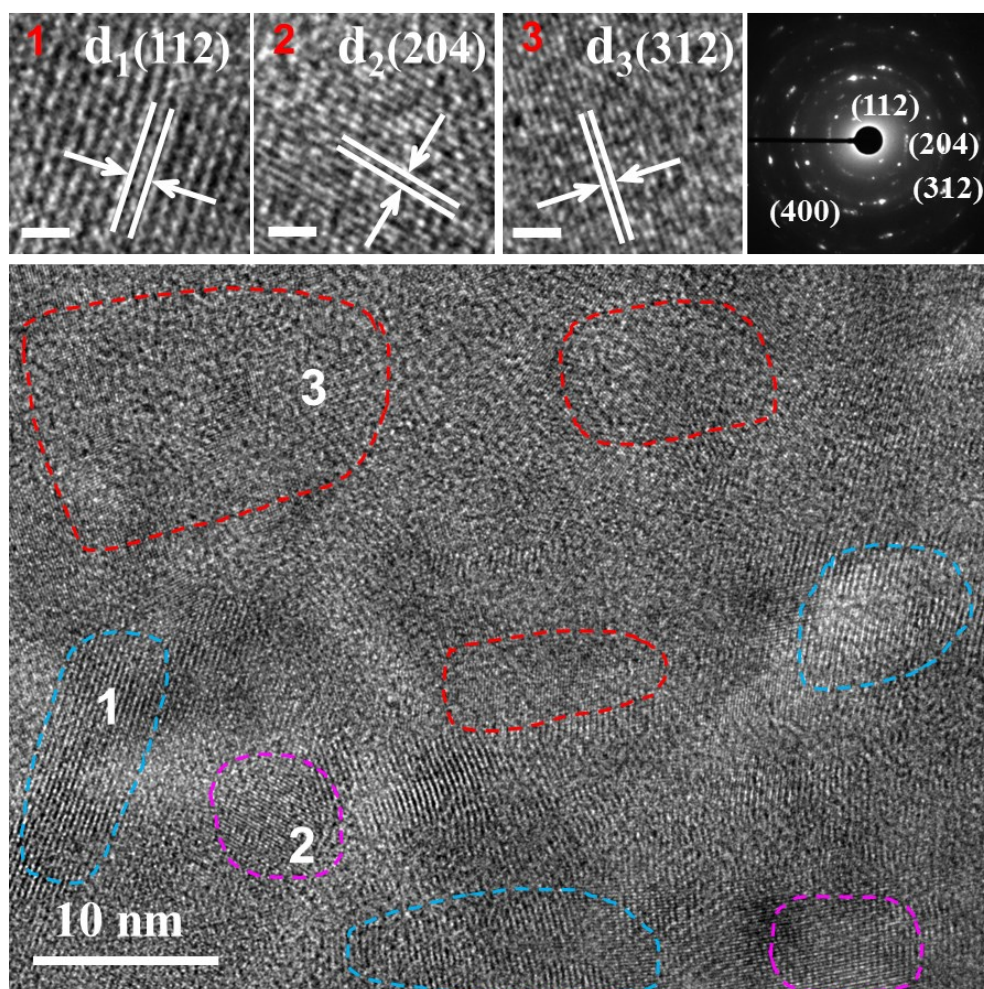


Figure S3. HRTEM and SAED characterizations of Cu-deficient $\text{Cu}_2\text{ZnSnSe}_4$, showing local disordered oriented domains. Panel 1, 2, and 3 are the enlarged views of the corresponding marked areas in the HRTEM image, scale bar, 1 nm.

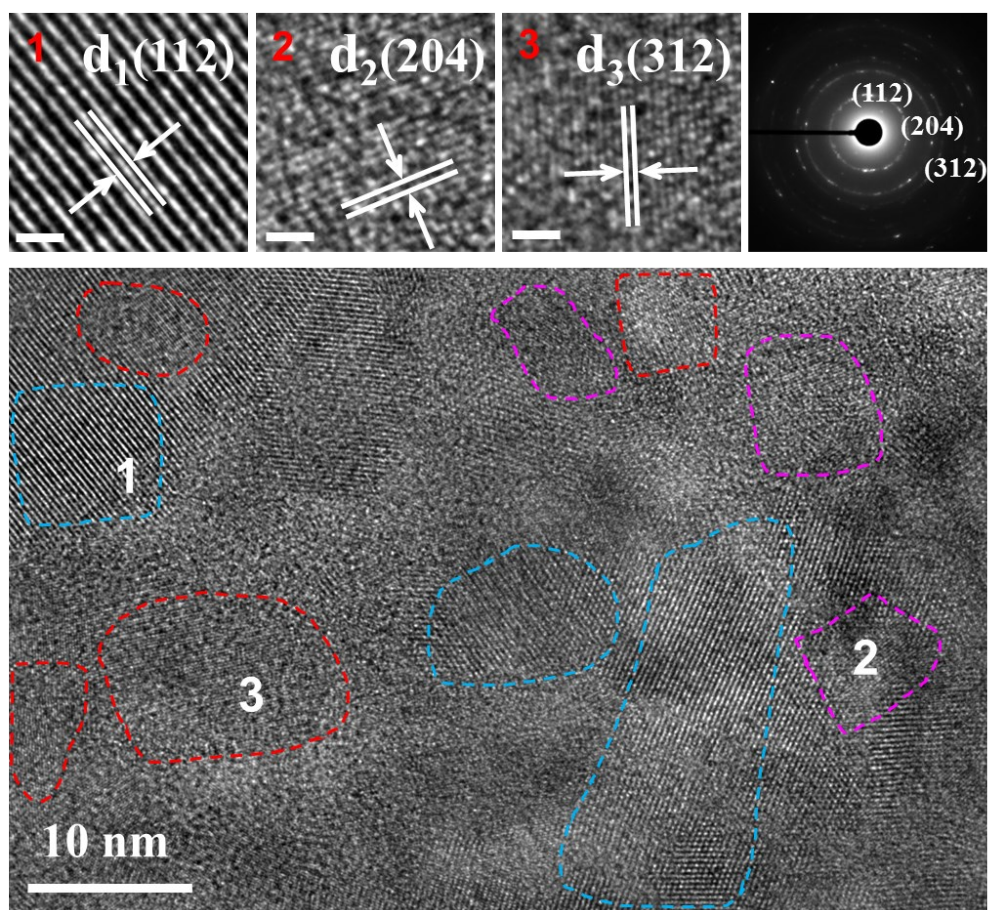


Figure S4. HRTEM and SAED characterizations of Zn-deficient $\text{Cu}_2\text{ZnSnSe}_4$, showing local disordered oriented domains. Panel 1, 2, and 3 are the enlarged views of the corresponding marked areas in the HRTEM image, scale bar, 1 nm.

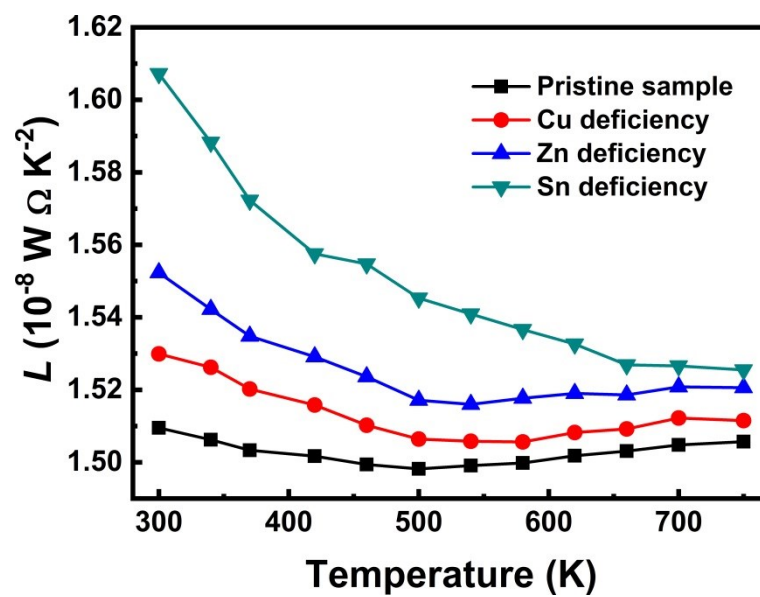


Figure S5. Temperature-dependent Lorenz number for $\text{Cu}_{2(1-x)}\text{Zn}_{1-y}\text{Sn}_{1-z}\text{Se}_4$ samples