

## Supporting Information

### **Optical properties of orthorhombic germanium selenide: an anisotropic layered semiconductor promising for optoelectronic applications**

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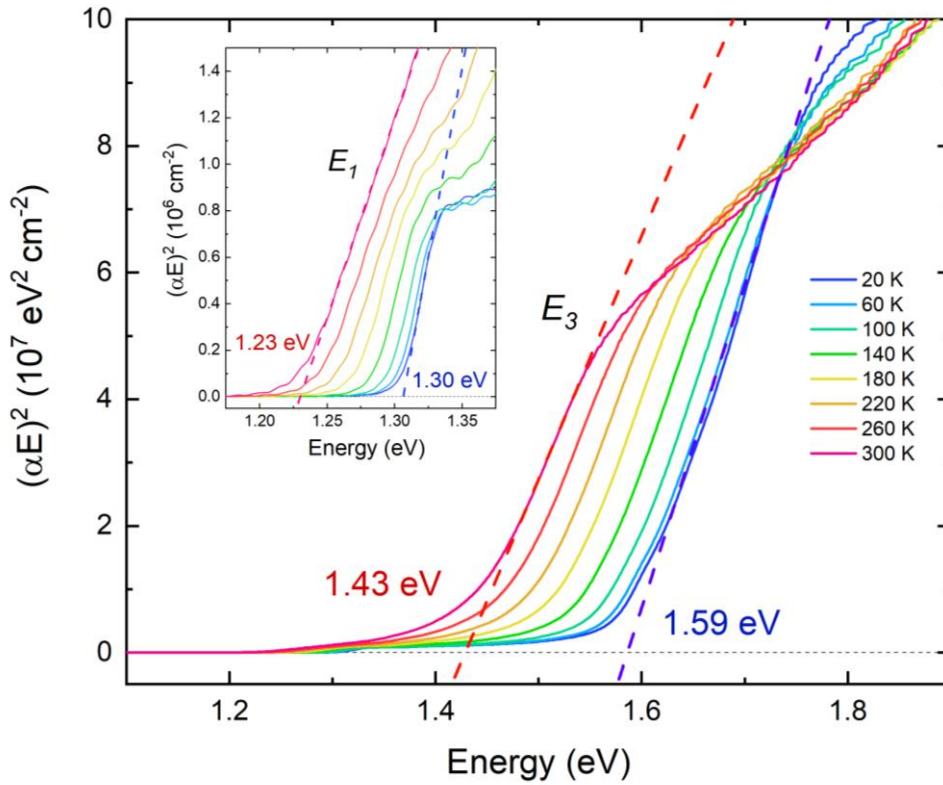
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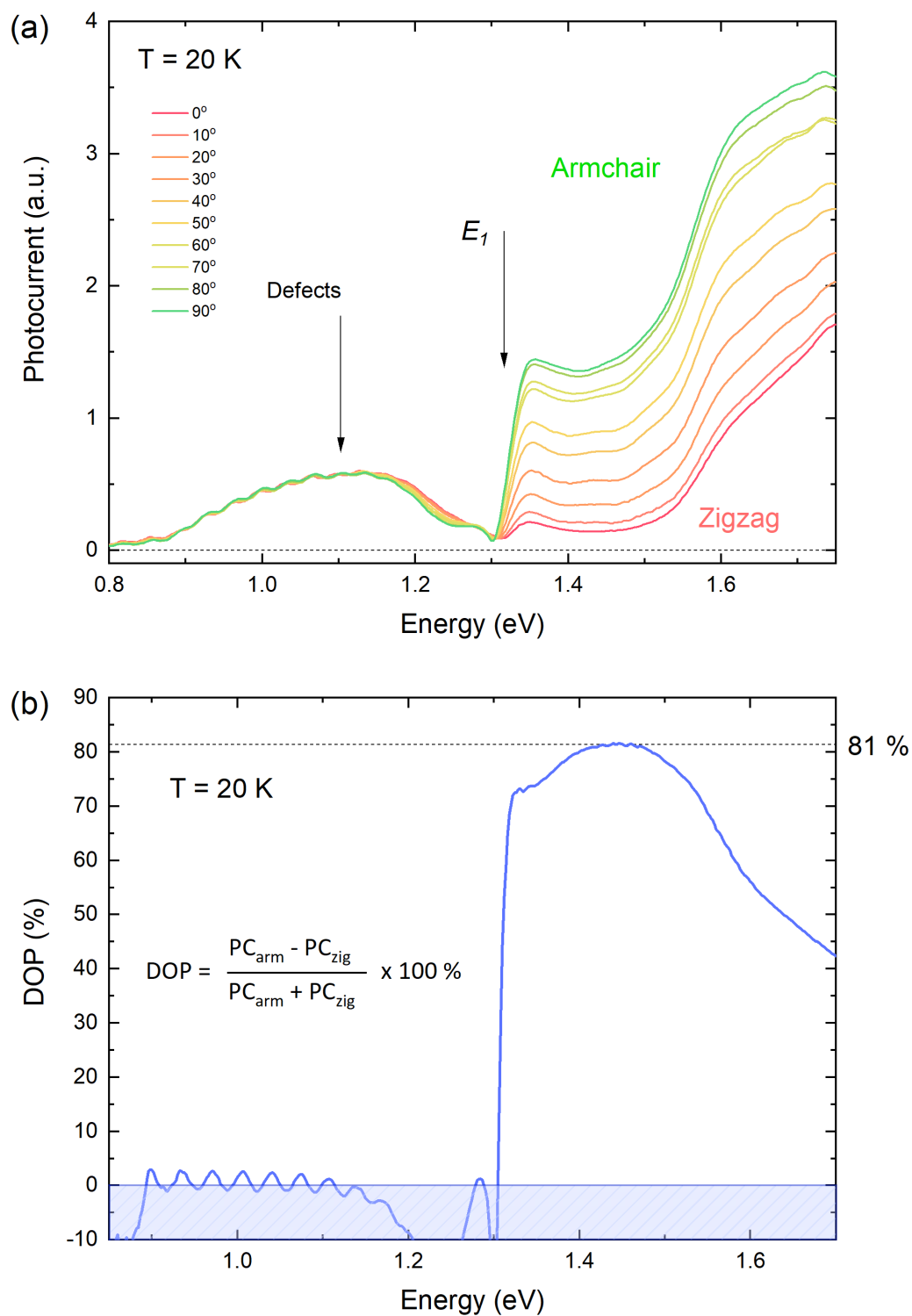
**Table S1.** Experimental and reference<sup>a)</sup> energies of the EELS edges observed in the acquired spectra.

EELS edge	Energy (eV)			
	Ge		Se	
	Experiment	Reference	Experiment	Reference
$L_1$	1413	1414	1655	1654
$L_2$	1255	1248	1479	1476
$L_3$	1221	1217	1436	1436

a) EELS Atlas, <https://eels.info/atlas>



**Fig. S1.** Temperature dependence and linear approximation of Tauc plot of GeSe optical absorption, assuming allowed direct character of the observed absorption edge, corresponding to transition  $E_3$ . The inset shows the weaker absorption edge at the energy of 1.30 eV (at 20 K), corresponding to transition  $E_1$ .



**Fig. S2.** (a) Polarization dependence of the photocurrent, measured at the temperature of 20 K, in zero-bias conditions and (b) the photocurrent degree of polarization (DOP), calculated using the equation from the figure.

**Table S2.** Transition energies from experiment and calculations with mBJ-TB09 and HSE06.

Transition	Energy (eV)		
	Exp	mBJ-TB09	HSE06
$E_0$	–	0.99	1.18
$E_1$	1.29	1.29	1.38
$E_2$	1.52	1.78	2.07
$E_3$	1.58	1.68	1.88