Supporting Information for

## Mercurial Possibilities: Determining Site Distributions in Cu<sub>2</sub>HgSnS<sub>4</sub> Using <sup>63/65</sup>Cu, <sup>119</sup>Sn, and <sup>199</sup>Hg Solid-state NMR Spectroscopy

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	Cu2 <b>Zn</b> SnS4	Cu2 <b>Cd</b> SnS4	Cu₂ <i>Hg</i> SnS₄	expected
Cu	24	24	25	25
М	12	13	11	12
Sn	13	12	11	13
S	51	51	53	50

**Table S1.** EDX analyses (mol %) for  $Cu_2MSnS_4$  (M = Zn, Cd, Hg).

	a (Å)	<i>c</i> (Å)	<i>c</i> /2 <i>a</i> ratio	V (Å <sup>3</sup> )	Reference
Cu <sub>2</sub> ZnSnS <sub>4</sub>	5.436	10.85	0.998	320.6	Hahn1965
	5.4356(1)	10.8352(2)	0.997	320.13(1)	This work
Cu₂CdSnS₄	5.582	10.86	0.973	338.4	Hahn1965
	5.5920(1)	10.8399(2)	0.969	338.97(1)	Rosmus2014
	5.583	10.824	0.969	337.4	Olekseyuk2019
	5.5829(5)	10.8245(10)	0.969	337.39(5)	Bhattacharya2021
	5.5930(1)	10.8441(2)	0.969	339.22(1)	This work
Cu₂HgSnS₄	5.566	10.88	0.977	337.1	Hahn1965
	5.542(3)	10.908(7)	0.984	335.0(2)	Kaplunnik1977
	5.555	10.911	0.982	336.7	Gruzdev1988
	5.577(1)	10.898(2)	0.977	339.0(1)	Himmrich1991
	5.5749(6)	10.882(1)	0.976	338.21(4)	Kabalov1998
	5.580(2)	10.895(3)	0.976	339.2(2)	Vu2019
	5.5819(1)	10.8925(2)	0.976	339.38(1)	This work

Table S2. Tetragonal cell parameters for Cu<sub>2</sub>MSnS<sub>4</sub> (M = Zn, Cd, Hg). <sup>a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Standard uncertainties, where reported, are shown in parentheses. The list for Cu<sub>2</sub>ZnSnS<sub>4</sub> is not comprehensive, because there are hundreds of previous reports of this compound.

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Figure S1. The Le Bail fittings of powder XRD patterns for Cu<sub>2</sub>ZnSnS<sub>4</sub>, Cu<sub>2</sub>CdSnS<sub>4</sub>, and Cu<sub>2</sub>HgSnS<sub>4</sub>.



**Figure S2.** Experimental <sup>119</sup>Sn MAS NMR spectra for Cu<sub>2</sub>ZnSnS<sub>4</sub>, Cu<sub>2</sub>CdSnS<sub>4</sub>, and Cu<sub>2</sub>HgSnS<sub>4</sub>. The asterisks (\*) mark spinning sidebands due to a small CSA.



**Figure S3**. Experimental (black, ppm scale) and spectral simulations (blue) for non-spinning  ${}^{65}Cu$  NMR spectra at 7.05, 11.75 and 21.1 T for Cu<sub>2</sub>ZnSnS<sub>4</sub>, Cu<sub>2</sub>HgSnS<sub>4</sub>, and Cu<sub>2</sub>CdSnS<sub>4</sub>. The NMR spectral simulations were performed using the Dmfit software.



Figure S4. Deconvolution of the non-spinning 65Cu NMR spectrum for Cu<sub>2</sub>ZnSnS<sub>4</sub>.



**Figure S5.** Optical diffuse reflectance spectra for  $Cu_2ZnSnS_4$ ,  $Cu_2CdSnS_4$ , and  $Cu_2HgSnS_4$ , with fittings made on the assumption of direct band gaps.



Figure S6. Electronic band structure, DOS, and -pCOHP curves for  $Cu_2ZnSnS_4$ ,  $Cu_2CdSnS_4$ , and  $Cu_2HgSnS_4$  compounds.