

Supplementary material for

Unravelling the atomic mechanisms of tetrahedral doping in chalcogenide glass for electrical switching materials

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Table S1. Summary of GeSe-based device performances using different dopants

| Doping type | Material | Size | Selectivity | I _{off} (A) | V _{th} (V) | V _h (V) | Endurance | Thermal stability (°C) | V _{th} drift |
|-------------------|--|------|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| None ¹ | Ge ₅₈ Se ₄₂ | 300 | 10 ⁵ | 10 ⁻¹⁰ | 3.5 | 1.7 | 10 ⁹ | N/A | N/A |
| Si ² | Ge ₄₂ Se ₅₈ | 200 | ~10 ⁵ | 10 ⁻⁸ | 2.5 | N/A | 10 ⁵ | 320 | Better |
| | Ge ₃₇ Se ₅₀ Si ₁₃ | 200 | 10 ⁴ | >10 ⁻⁷ | 2.0 | N/A | >5×10 ⁶ | 380 | |
| N ³ | GeSe | 300 | N/A | 10 ^{-7.5} | 2.9 | N/A | N/A | 350 | Better |
| | GeSeN | 300 | N/A | 10 ⁻¹⁰ | 4.5 | N/A | N/A | 450 | |
| N ⁴ | GeSeN | 50 | 10 ⁵ | 2×10 ⁻⁹ | 4.5 | N/A | 10 ⁸ | 600 | |
| C ³ | GeSe | 300 | N/A | 10 ^{-7.5} | 2.9 | N/A | N/A | 350 | N/A |
| | GeSeC | 300 | N/A | 10 ^{-7.1} | 2.2 | N/A | N/A | >350 | |
| As ⁵ | GeAsSe | 30 | N/A | ~10 ⁻¹⁰ | 3.5 | 1.4 | ~10 ¹⁰ | 450 | Better |
| B ⁶ | GeSe | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 350 | N/A |
| | GeSeB | 6000 | 10 ³ | 10 ⁻⁸ | 1.5 | N/A | N/A | 330 | |
| Sb ⁷ | Ge ₆₀ Se ₄₀ | N/A | N/A | N/A | 3.24 | 2.2 | N/A | 420 | Worse |
| | GeSeSb _{22.5} | N/A | 10 ⁵ | N/A | 2.16 | 0.8 | N/A | >350 | |
| Bi ⁸ | Ge ₅₀ Se ₅₀ | 5000 | 10 ⁶ | N/A | 7 | N/A | N/A | 400 | N/A |
| | GeSeBi _{9.5} | 5000 | 10 ³ | N/A | 3 | N/A | N/A | 210 | |
| Sn ⁹ | Ge56Se44 | 8000 | N/A | N/A | 3 | 1 | N/A | ~350 | N/A |
| | GeSeSn | 8000 | N/A | N/A | <3 | N/A | N/A | 230 | |

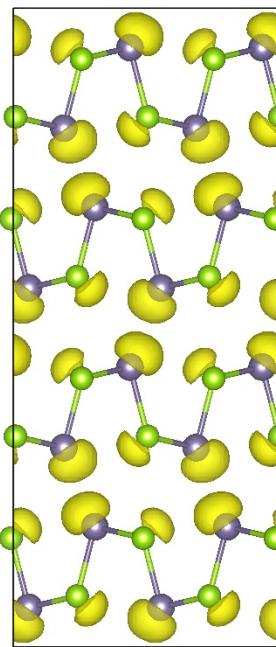


Fig. S1. The distribution of electron localized function (ELF) of crystal GeSe with an isovalue of 0.85, in which only shows the LP electrons located at the opposite side of covalent bonds near Ge and Se atoms and no electron located near the bonding area.

| Table. S2 The statistic of Ge-Ge bonds per step at different quenching rates for a-GeSe and a-GeSiSe | | | |
|---|---------|---------|---------|
| | 30 K/ps | 20 K/ps | 10 K/ps |
| a-GeSe | 46.43 | 45.46 | 48.46 |
| a-GeSiSe | 88.93 | 87.59 | 91.65 |

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