

Figure S1.

Comparison of the evolution of the static structure factor $S(q)$ of gold atoms with temperature. The curves are vertically offset for clarity to illustrate the changes in $S(q)$ at different temperatures during cooling from 2500 K to 300 K. The corresponding temperature values are indicated at the right end of each curve. (a) Cooling rate of 1×10^{11} K/s; (b) Cooling rate of 1×10^{12} K/s.

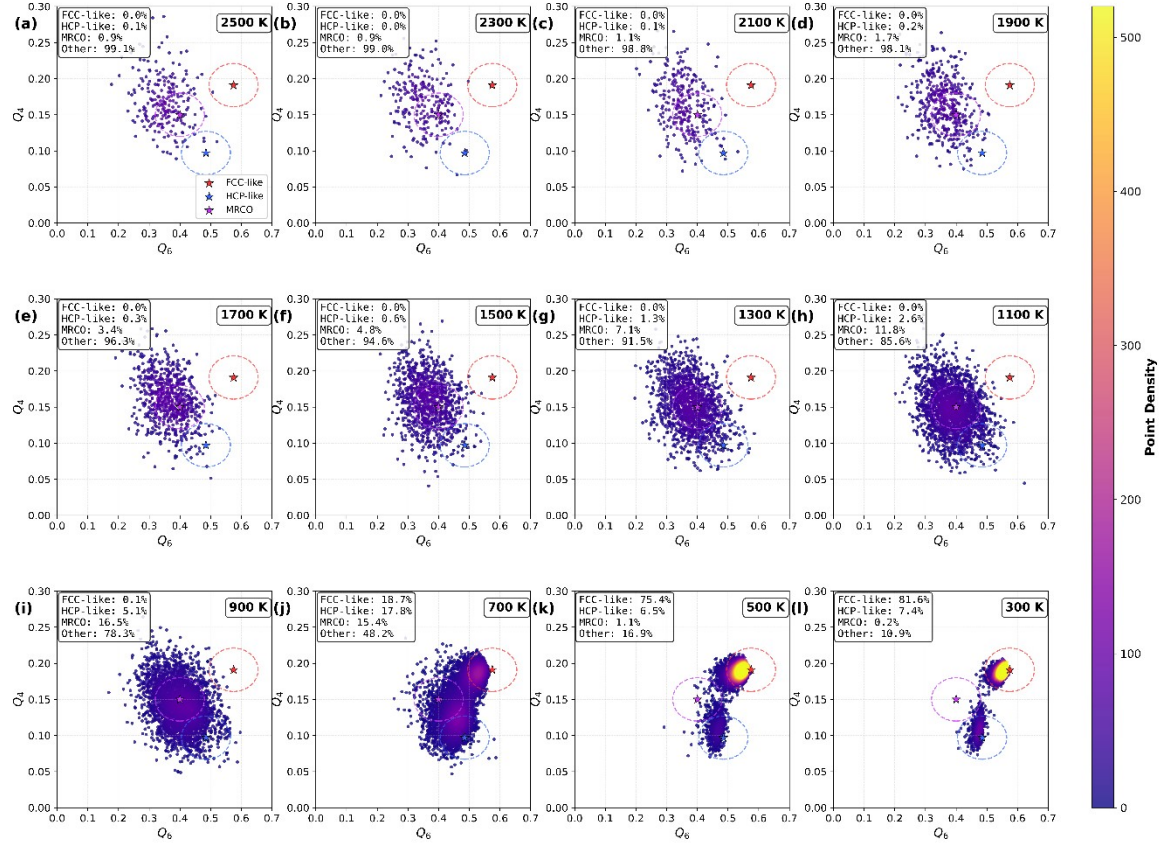


Figure S2a.

Q_6 – Q_4 distribution maps showing the evolution of local structural types in the system during cooling from 2500 K to 300 K at a cooling rate of 1×10^{11} K/s. The scatter plots are constructed based on the joint distribution of atomic local bond-orientational parameters Q_6 and Q_4 , with color indicating point density calculated by Gaussian kernel density estimation, with higher density representing more atoms with similar local structures. Asterisks mark the centers of standard crystalline structures: FCC-like ($Q_6 = 0.575$, $Q_4 = 0.191$), HCP-like ($Q_6 = 0.485$, $Q_4 = 0.097$), and the empirically defined MRCO region (around $Q_6 \approx 0.4$, $Q_4 \approx 0.15$). Dashed ellipses indicate the identification regions for each structure (tolerances of $Q_6 \pm 0.08$ and $Q_4 \pm 0.03$).

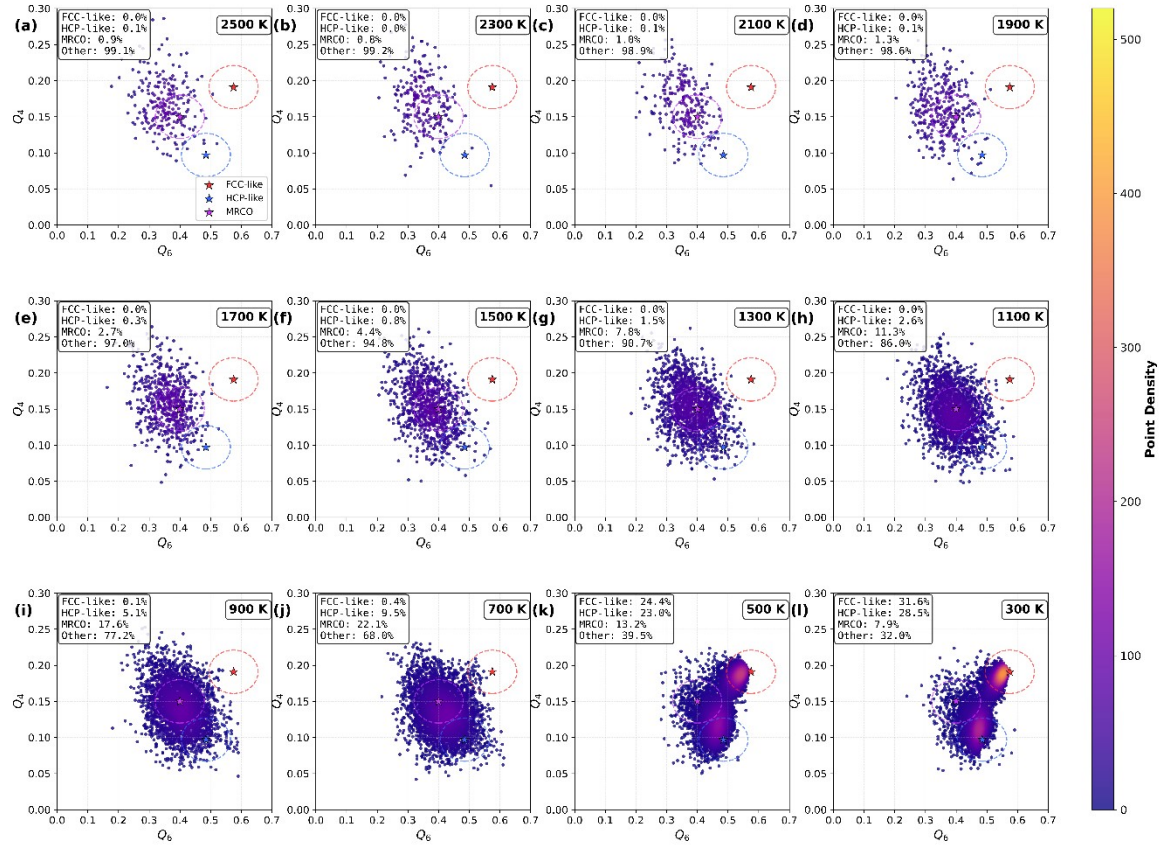


Figure S2b.

Q_6 – Q_4 distribution maps showing the evolution of local structural types in the system during cooling from 2500 K to 300 K at a cooling rate of 1×10^{12} K/s. The scatter plots are constructed based on the joint distribution of atomic local bond-orientational parameters Q_6 and Q_4 , with color indicating point density calculated by Gaussian kernel density estimation, with higher density representing more atoms with similar local structures. Asterisks mark the centers of standard crystalline structures: FCC-like ($Q_6 = 0.575$, $Q_4 = 0.191$), HCP-like ($Q_6 = 0.485$, $Q_4 = 0.097$), and the empirically defined MRCO region (around $Q_6 \approx 0.4$, $Q_4 \approx 0.15$). Dashed ellipses indicate the identification regions for each structure (tolerances of $Q_6 \pm 0.08$ and $Q_4 \pm 0.03$).

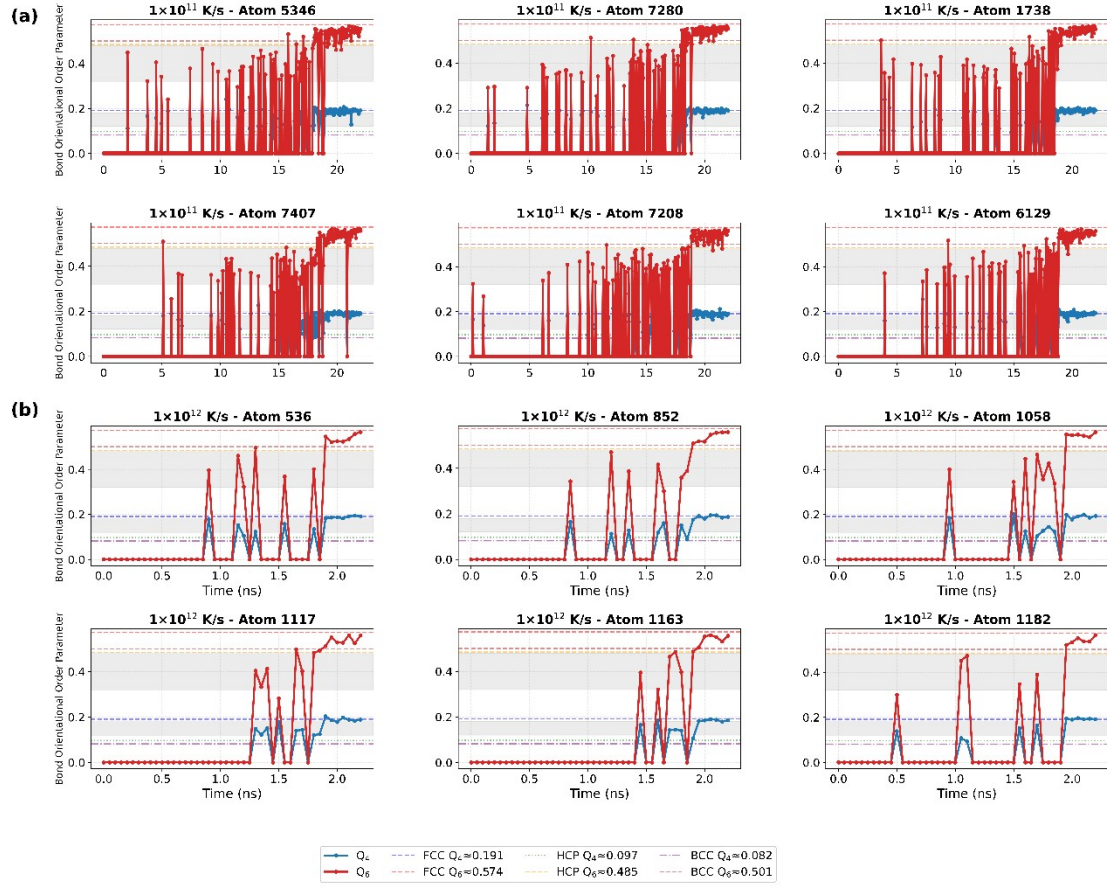


Figure S3

Evolution of bond order parameters of selected atoms under different cooling rates. (a) At a cooling rate of 1×10^{11} K/s, the Q_4 and Q_6 parameters of other representative atoms (ID: 5346, 7280, 1738, 7407, 7208, 6129) evolve over time during cooling from 2500 K to 300 K. (b) At a cooling rate of 1×10^{12} K/s, the corresponding evolution of other representative atoms (ID: 536, 852, 1058, 1117, 1163, 1182) during cooling from 2500 K to 300 K. The shaded regions (0.32–0.48 and 0.12–0.18) indicate the medium-range crystalline order (MRCO) region. Dashed and dash-dotted lines represent the reference values for FCC ($Q_4 \approx 0.191$, $Q_6 \approx 0.574$), HCP ($Q_4 \approx 0.097$, $Q_6 \approx 0.485$), and BCC ($Q_4 \approx 0.082$, $Q_6 \approx 0.501$) structures, respectively.

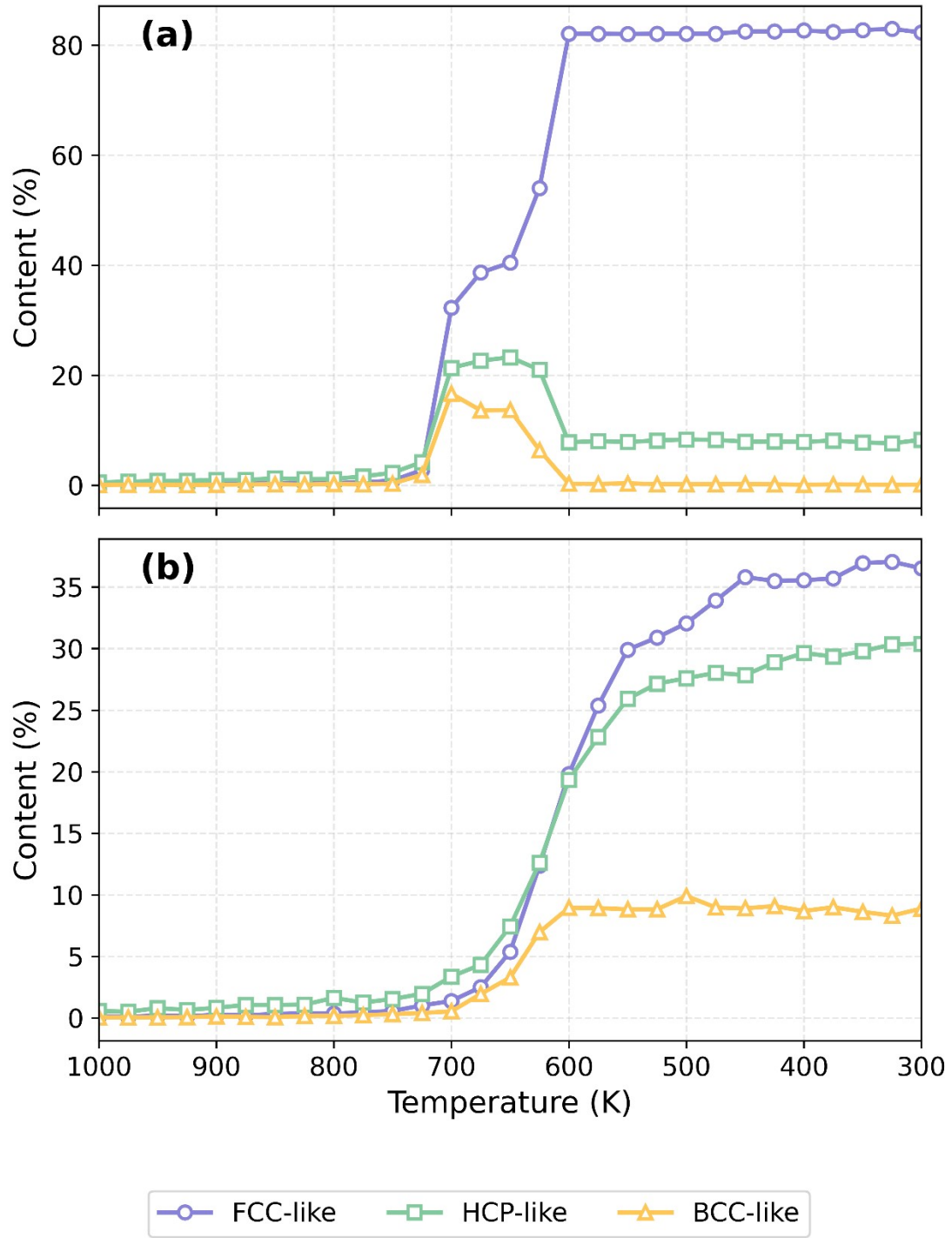


Figure S4.

Comparative plot of the temperature-dependent content of gold atom local structures based on PTM analysis (RMSD = 0.15), corresponding to cooling rates of (a) 1×10^{11} K/s and (b) 1×10^{12} K/s. Each curve represents the percentage of different structural types (FCC-like, HCP-like, BCC-like) as temperature decreases from 1000 K to 300 K. The figure reveals the competitive evolution of different local structures under different cooling rates.

Table S1. MRCO Residence Time Statistics at Cooling Rate of 10^{11} K/s

| Atom ID | MRCO Events | Total Residence Time (ns) | Average Residence Time (ns) | Fraction of Total Time (%) |
|---------------|----------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 7476 | 29 | 1.7 | 0.059 | 7.7 |
| 697 | 34 | 2.35 | 0.069 | 10.7 |
| 4825 | 41 | 2.75 | 0.067 | 12.5 |
| 7362 | 36 | 2.35 | 0.065 | 10.7 |
| 5346 | 38 | 2.35 | 0.062 | 10.7 |
| 7280 | 32 | 2.2 | 0.069 | 10 |
| 1738 | 35 | 2.25 | 0.064 | 10.2 |
| 7407 | 32 | 2.9 | 0.091 | 13.2 |
| 7208 | 45 | 3.2 | 0.071 | 14.5 |
| 6129 | 34 | 2.4 | 0.071 | 10.9 |
| Mean \pm SD | 35.6 ± 4.8 | 2.45 ± 0.43 | 0.069 ± 0.009 | 11.1 ± 1.9 |

Note: Total cooling time = 22 ns. Cooling rate: 10^{11} K/s.

Table S2. MRCO Residence Time Statistics at Cooling Rate of 10^{12} K/s

| Atom ID | MRCO Events | Total Residence Time (ns) | Average Residence Time (ns) | Fraction of Total Time (%) |
|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 368 | 2 | 0.1 | 0.05 | 4.5 |
| 403 | 6 | 0.35 | 0.058 | 15.9 |
| 441 | 6 | 0.45 | 0.075 | 20.5 |
| 530 | 3 | 0.2 | 0.067 | 9.1 |
| 536 | 5 | 0.3 | 0.06 | 13.6 |
| 852 | 5 | 0.3 | 0.06 | 13.6 |
| 1058 | 4 | 0.35 | 0.088 | 15.9 |
| 1117 | 3 | 0.25 | 0.083 | 11.4 |
| 1163 | 3 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 13.6 |
| 1182 | 4 | 0.25 | 0.063 | 11.4 |
| Mean \pm SD | 4.1 ± 1.4 | 0.285 ± 0.10 | 0.070 ± 0.016 | 13.0 ± 4.4 |

Note: Total cooling time = 2.2 ns. Cooling rate: 10^{12} K/s.