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Figure S1. First Brillouin zone of the primitive cell for high temperature β -phase Cu_2Se . The blue lines indicate the Brillouin zone path used for the electronic band structure calculations.

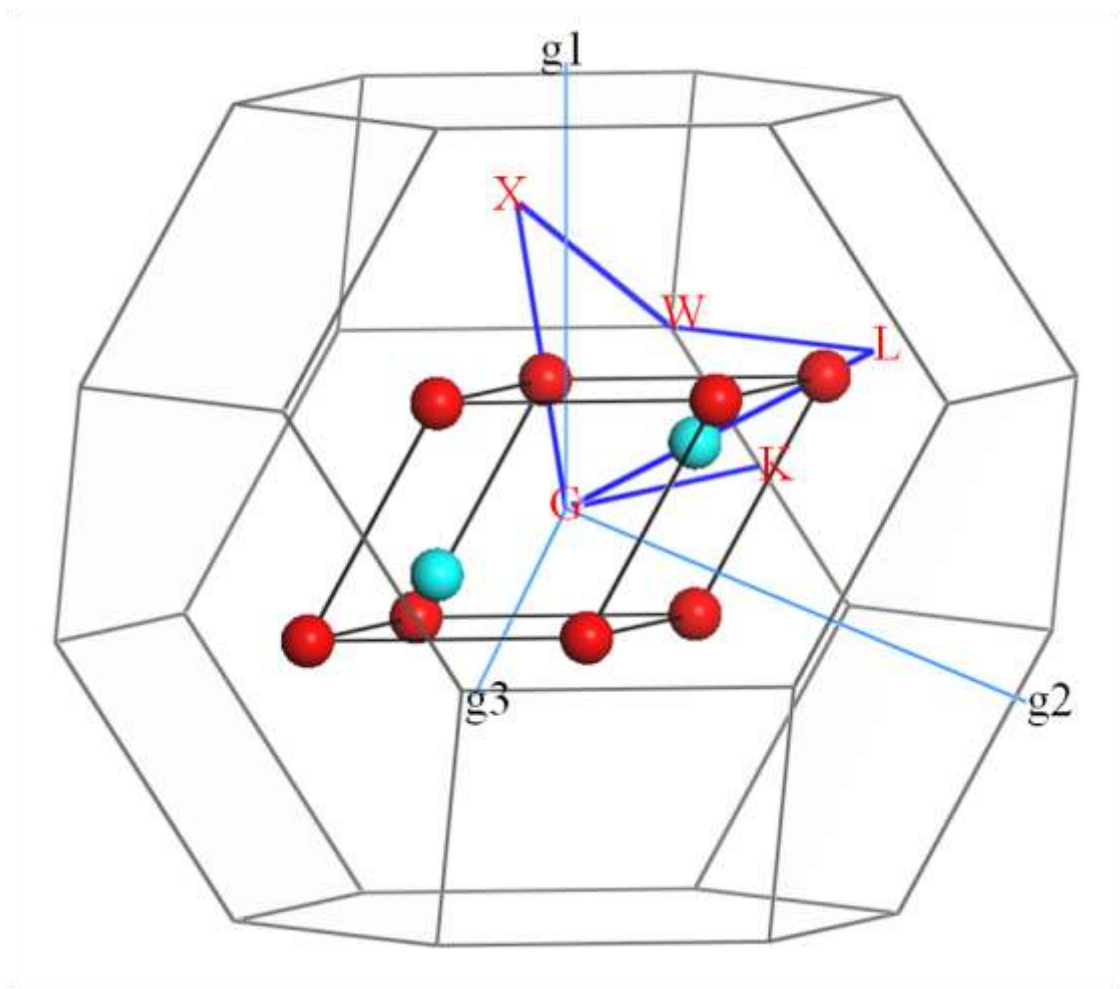


Table S1. Atomic positions for the as-prepared un-doped, and I-doped Cu_{2-x}Se samples deduced from Rietveld refinements of XRD patterns.

| Atom | Cu_{2-x}Se | | | $\text{Cu}_{2-x}\text{I}_{0.04}\text{Se}_{0.96}$ | | | $\text{Cu}_{2-x}\text{I}_{0.08}\text{Se}_{0.92}$ | | |
|------|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|
| | x/a | y/b | z/c | x/a | y/b | z/c | x/a | y/b | z/c |
| Cu1 | 0.3817(1) | 0.0806(1) | 0.3208(6) | 0.3653(5) | 0.0414(4) | 0.2863(9) | 0.3315(7) | 0.0713(2) | 0.3155(0) |
| Cu2 | 0.8910(1) | 0.9160(0) | 0.4405(1) | 0.8902(6) | 0.9224(3) | 0.4375(0) | 0.8921(0) | 0.9182(4) | 0.4420(5) |
| Cu3 | 0.8552(8) | 0.2484(6) | 0.3231(6) | 0.9416(4) | 0.2244(6) | 0.3202(1) | 0.8168(8) | 0.2388(3) | 0.3168(1) |
| Cu4 | 0.4343(0) | 0.0708(9) | 0.4510(8) | 0.4064(9) | 0.0858(3) | 0.4601(5) | 0.4090(0) | 0.0676(6) | 0.4595(1) |
| Cu5 | 0.1915(7) | 0.1844(8) | 0.3888(5) | 0.2322(8) | 0.2576(3) | 0.3373(8) | 0.2270(6) | 0.2173(1) | 0.3917(1) |
| Cu6 | 0.8995(0) | 0.2488(2) | 0.4353(7) | 0.7967(3) | 0.2843(3) | 0.5169(0) | 0.8970(4) | 0.2645(2) | 0.4515(7) |
| Cu7 | 0.6401(8) | 0.9003(2) | 0.3658(9) | 0.6017(4) | 0.8750(3) | 0.3346(1) | 0.6241(4) | 0.9111(8) | 0.3506(5) |
| Cu8 | 0.8215(6) | 0.8998(6) | 0.2931(9) | 0.8508(3) | 0.9101(0) | 0.2897(6) | 0.8560(0) | 0.9164(6) | 0.2890(8) |
| Cu9 | 0.4958(5) | 0.2639(5) | 0.3488(2) | 0.5121(7) | 0.2633(0) | 0.3838(7) | 0.5175(6) | 0.2551(0) | 0.3611(0) |
| Cu10 | 0.6836(2) | 0.0858(8) | 0.3915(5) | 0.6656(5) | 0.0716(6) | 0.3946(6) | 0.6718(7) | 0.0809(6) | 0.3972(5) |
| Cu11 | 0.9684(8) | 0.0201(5) | 0.3490(5) | 0.9757(4) | 0.0639(7) | 0.3542(5) | 0.9304(3) | 0.0556(9) | 0.3540(0) |
| Cu12 | 0.2703(5) | 0.9276(9) | 0.3977(7) | 0.2407(2) | 0.9280(2) | 0.4041(2) | 0.2402(9) | 0.9255(0) | 0.4024(7) |
| Se1 | 0.0677(9) | 0.0700(6) | 0.4470(3) | 0.0532(7) | 0.0707(9) | 0.4448(0) | 0.0604(2) | 0.0874(8) | 0.4346(5) |
| Se2 | 0.6782(6) | 0.0867(6) | 0.2995(7) | 0.7039(4) | 0.0762(1) | 0.3074(3) | 0.6845(1) | 0.0783(7) | 0.2988(9) |
| Se3 | 0.2013(4) | 0.2442(1) | 0.3140(3) | 0.1793(6) | 0.2157(0) | 0.3148(2) | 0.1776(5) | 0.2301(1) | 0.3030(5) |
| Se4 | 0.0720(9) | 0.7441(4) | 0.4425(1) | 0.0780(4) | 0.7560(3) | 0.4489(5) | 0.0889(3) | 0.7526(7) | 0.4470(5) |
| Se5 | 0.5669(2) | 0.9032(1) | 0.4389(3) | 0.5714(5) | 0.9040(4) | 0.4426(6) | 0.5660(5) | 0.9086(6) | 0.4371(1) |
| Se6 | 0.1927(0) | 0.9177(8) | 0.3103(2) | 0.1633(8) | 0.8951(2) | 0.3194(1) | 0.1886(3) | 0.9024(4) | 0.3039(8) |
| I | - | - | - | 0.1885(4) | 0.9051(7) | 0.3064(9) | 0.1977(3) | 0.8943(8) | 0.3154(5) |
| Te | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |

Table S2. Atomic positions for the as-prepared Te-doped Cu_{2-x}Se samples deduced from Rietveld refinements of XRD patterns.

| Atom | $\text{Cu}_{2-x}\text{Te}_{0.02}\text{Se}$ | | | $\text{Cu}_{2-x}\text{Te}_{0.08}\text{Se}_{0.98}$ | | | $\text{Cu}_{2-x}\text{Te}_{0.16}\text{Se}_{0.84}$ | | |
|------|--|-----------|-----------|---|-----------|-----------|---|-----------|-----------|
| | x/a | y/b | z/c | x/a | y/b | z/c | x/a | y/b | z/c |
| Cu1 | 0.4116(4) | 0.0832(9) | 0.3272(0) | 0.4354(2) | 0.0089(6) | 0.3289(1) | 0.3772(1) | 0.0860(7) | 0.3120(5) |
| Cu2 | 0.8912(2) | 0.9145(8) | 0.4293(3) | 0.8820(2) | 0.9192(1) | 0.4441(1) | 0.9357(9) | 0.9164(6) | 0.4363(7) |
| Cu3 | 0.8714(6) | 0.2481(1) | 0.3035(5) | 0.8738(6) | 0.2643(1) | 0.2996(5) | 0.9118(3) | 0.2268(3) | 0.3214(5) |
| Cu4 | 0.4283(5) | 0.0747(7) | 0.4454(4) | 0.4275(8) | 0.0513(6) | 0.4370(8) | 0.3725(5) | 0.0685(4) | 0.4474(2) |
| Cu5 | 0.2264(0) | 0.2055(2) | 0.3962(5) | 0.2280(4) | 0.2387(6) | 0.4058(5) | 0.2160(5) | 0.2277(4) | 0.3984(8) |
| Cu6 | 0.9075(9) | 0.2423(0) | 0.4389(5) | 0.8887(8) | 0.2423(5) | 0.4319(3) | 0.9407(4) | 0.2353(7) | 0.4502(3) |
| Cu7 | 0.6125(4) | 0.9103(1) | 0.3686(0) | 0.6647(0) | 0.9292(9) | 0.2697(8) | 0.6073(6) | 0.8647(5) | 0.3492(2) |
| Cu8 | 0.8702(6) | 0.9091(9) | 0.2877(9) | 0.8621(4) | 0.9061(1) | 0.2982(1) | 0.9036(6) | 0.9006(7) | 0.2855(7) |
| Cu9 | 0.5734(4) | 0.3094(9) | 0.3915(1) | 0.4424(9) | 0.2128(3) | 0.3373(5) | 0.5310(2) | 0.2157(2) | 0.3381(3) |
| Cu10 | 0.6609(8) | 0.0921(1) | 0.3930(8) | 0.6606(8) | 0.1160(3) | 0.3947(6) | 0.7011(1) | 0.0746(2) | 0.3944(2) |
| Cu11 | 0.9354(5) | 0.0590(5) | 0.3566(1) | 0.9928(7) | 0.0545(1) | 0.3551(6) | 0.9346(5) | 0.0687(4) | 0.3622(9) |
| Cu12 | 0.2634(3) | 0.9343(7) | 0.3971(3) | 0.2384(1) | 0.9036(4) | 0.4039(3) | 0.2749(3) | 0.9172(1) | 0.4025(8) |
| Se1 | 0.0569(5) | 0.0758(7) | 0.4456(7) | 0.0545(3) | 0.0833(6) | 0.4437(7) | 0.0835(0) | 0.0625(2) | 0.4404(0) |
| Se2 | 0.6930(0) | 0.0876(5) | 0.3063(0) | 0.7002(3) | 0.0876(0) | 0.3074(8) | 0.6930(8) | 0.0714(4) | 0.3039(0) |
| Se3 | 0.2062(4) | 0.2166(8) | 0.3068(5) | 0.1834(6) | 0.2481(1) | 0.3133(7) | 0.1770(3) | 0.2408(1) | 0.2969(8) |
| Se4 | 0.0814(7) | 0.7500(1) | 0.4444(6) | 0.0793(9) | 0.7403(1) | 0.4461(1) | 0.0730(3) | 0.7354(7) | 0.4504(6) |
| Se5 | 0.5724(9) | 0.8987(5) | 0.4479(9) | 0.5723(7) | 0.9132(3) | 0.4416(1) | 0.5615(3) | 0.9063(4) | 0.4356(4) |
| Se6 | 0.2214(9) | 0.9078(7) | 0.3134(5) | 0.1804(8) | 0.9183(3) | 0.3051(5) | 0.6526(5) | 0.9031(0) | 0.2869(5) |
| I | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Te | 0.1660(8) | 0.9510(7) | 0.3156(1) | 0.1831(2) | 0.9104(7) | 0.3123(0) | 0.1912(0) | 0.9036(9) | 0.3046(2) |

Table S3. Lattice parameters, R-factors for the as-prepared Te-doped Cu_{2-x}Se samples deduced from Rietveld refinements of XRD patterns.

| Lattice parameter Sample | a (Å) | b (Å) | c (Å) | β | V (Å ³) | R_p | R_{wp} |
|---|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|----------|
| Cu_{2-x}Se | 7.117(7) | 12.358(6) | 27.278(2) | 94.112(6) | 2392.0(1) | 1.820 | 2.793 |
| $\text{Cu}_{2-x}\text{Te}_{0.02}\text{Se}_{0.98}$ | 7.159(4) | 12.249(1) | 27.364(8) | 94.556(2) | 2392.2(1) | 2.126 | 3.225 |
| $\text{Cu}_{2-x}\text{Te}_{0.08}\text{Se}_{0.92}$ | 7.136(5) | 12.361(6) | 27.310(6) | 94.572(7) | 2401.6(3) | 1.989 | 2.971 |
| $\text{Cu}_{2-x}\text{Te}_{0.16}\text{Se}_{0.84}$ | 7.214(7) | 12.345(2) | 27.608(6) | 94.789(3) | 2450.4(3) | 2.383 | 3.401 |
| $\text{Cu}_{2-x}\text{I}_{0.04}\text{Se}_{0.96}$ | 7.115(1) | 12.350(3) | 27.306(5) | 94.155(2) | 2393.2(1) | 2.668 | 3.606 |
| $\text{Cu}_{2-x}\text{I}_{0.08}\text{Se}_{0.92}$ | 7.117(2) | 12.368(1) | 27.274(4) | 94.033(4) | 2394.9(2) | 2.586 | 3.505 |

Figure S2. Typical cross-section FE-SEM images for the fabricated un-doped, Te-doped and I-doped Cu_{2-x}Se bulks

