

## **Supporting Information**

### **Low Thermal Conductivity and High Thermoelectric Performance in Sb and Bi co-doped GeTe: Complementary Effect of Band Convergence and Nanostructuring**

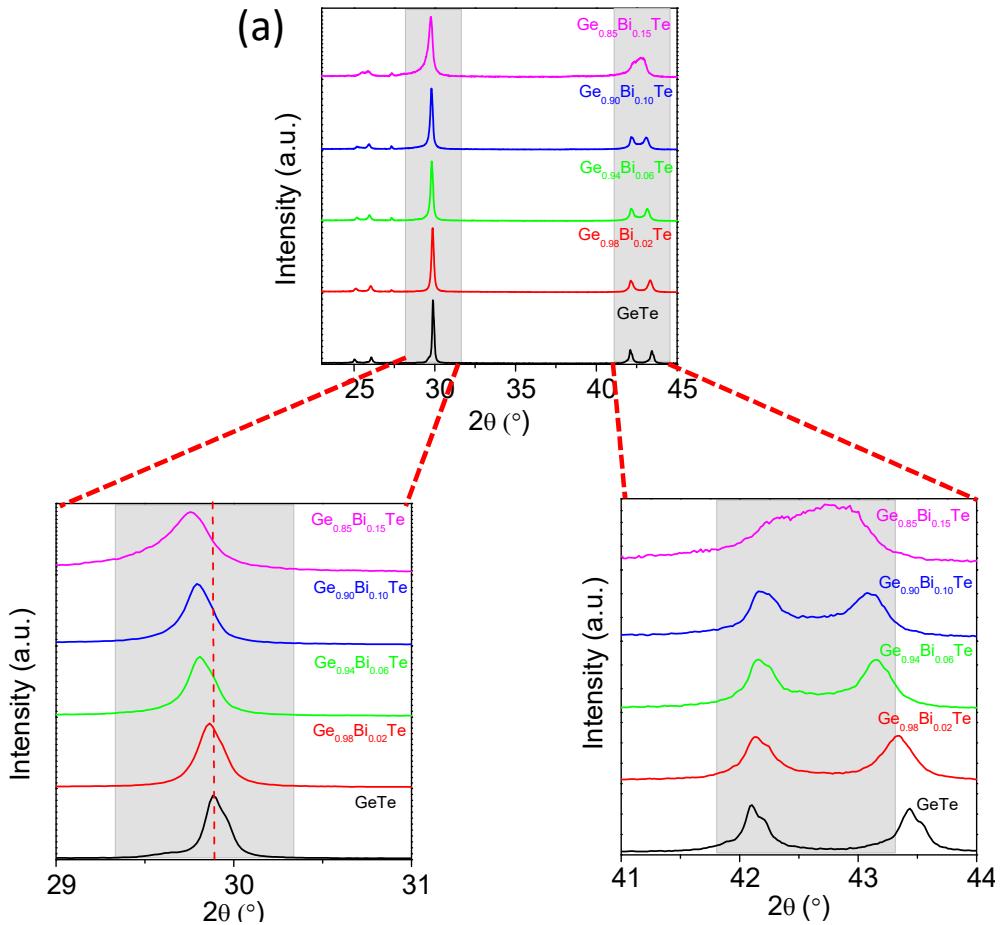
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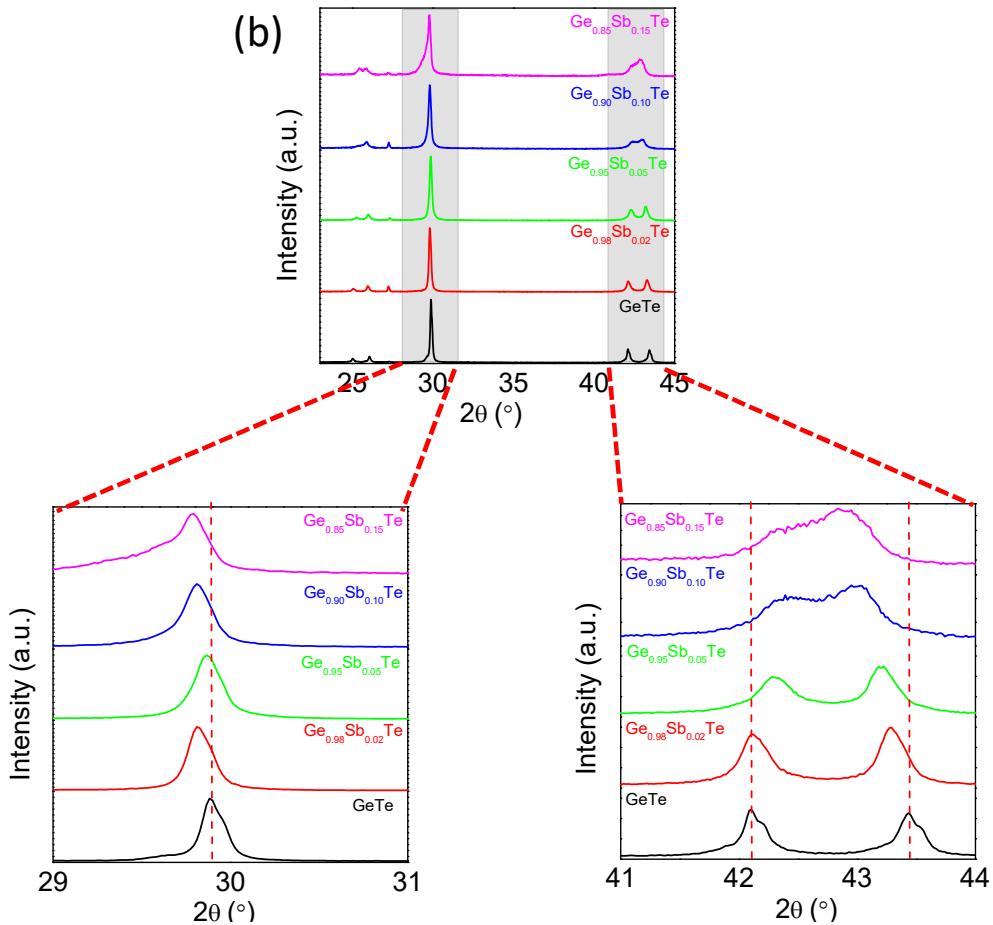
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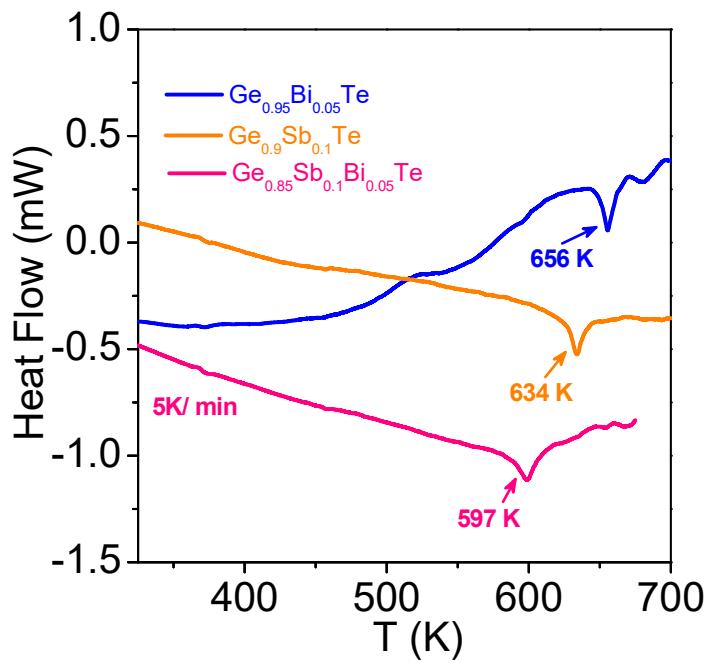
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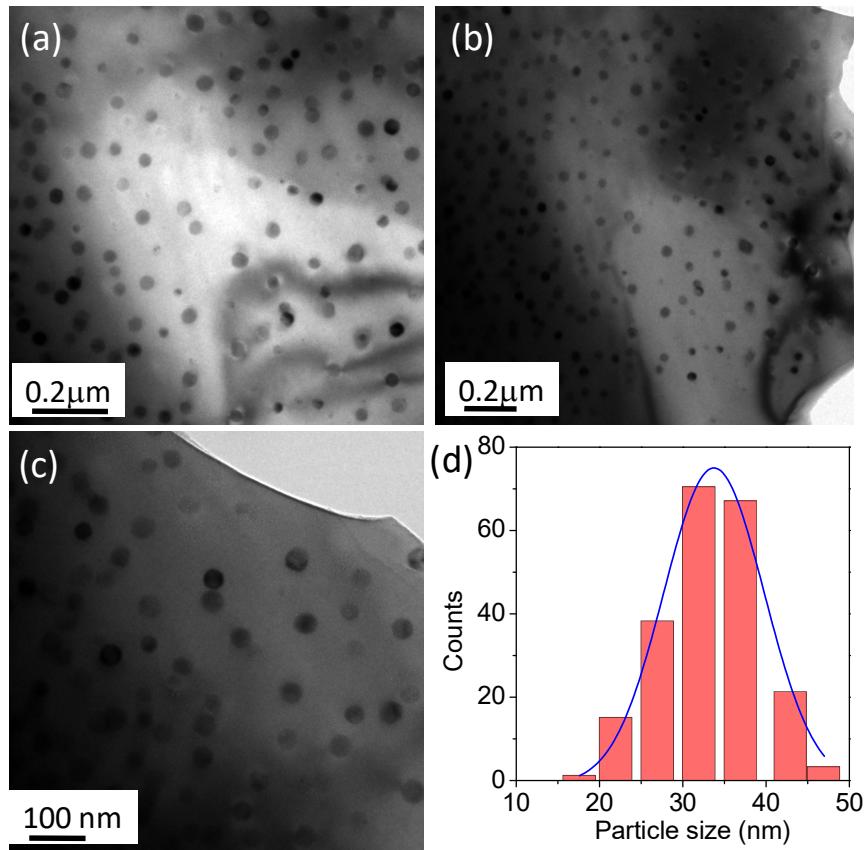
**Fig. S1.** The powder XRD pattern of  $\text{Ge}_{1-x}\text{Bi}_x\text{Te}$  ( $x = 0\text{--}0.15$ ) samples.



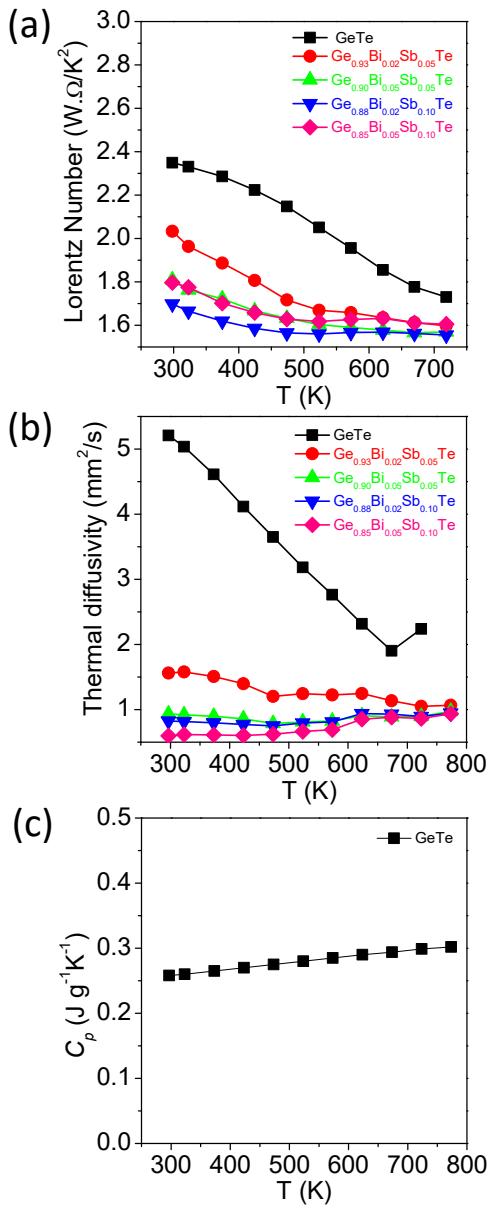
**Fig. S2.** The powder XRD pattern of  $\text{Ge}_{1-x}\text{Sb}_x\text{Te}$  ( $x = 0\text{--}0.15$ ) samples.



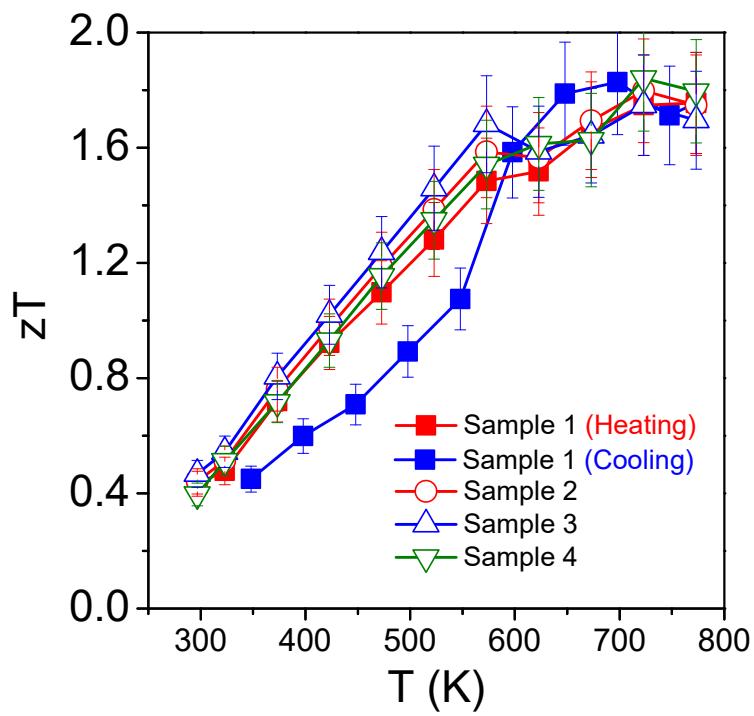
**Fig. S3.** DSC curves of  $\text{Ge}_{0.95}\text{Bi}_{0.05}\text{Te}$ ,  $\text{Ge}_{0.90}\text{Sb}_{0.10}\text{Te}$  and  $\text{Ge}_{0.85}\text{Bi}_{0.05}\text{Sb}_{0.10}\text{Te}$  samples.



**Fig. S4.** (a-c) low and high magnification TEM micrographs of  $\text{Ge}_{0.85}\text{Bi}_{0.05}\text{Sb}_{0.10}\text{Te}$  at different regions and (d) the particle size distribution.



**Fig. S5.** Temperature dependence of (a) Lorentz number, (b) thermal diffusivity and (c) specific heat of  $\text{Ge}_{1-x-y}\text{Bi}_x\text{Sb}_y\text{Te}$  samples.



**Fig. S6.** Reproducibility and heating-cooling cycles of  $\text{Ge}_{0.85}\text{Bi}_{0.05}\text{Sb}_{0.10}\text{Te}$  sample.