

# **Supporting information for: Cr<sub>2.37</sub>Ga<sub>3</sub>Se<sub>8</sub>: A Quasi-Two-Dimensional Magnetic Semiconductor**

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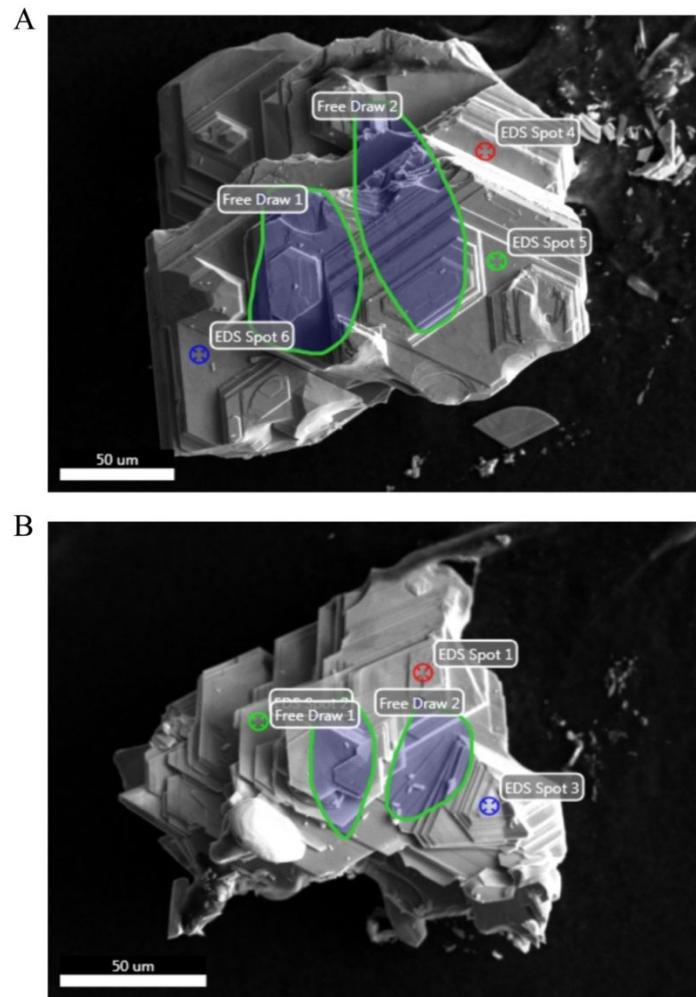
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**Table S1.** Bonds length (Å) in  $\text{Cr}_{2.37}\text{Ga}_3\text{Se}_8$  at room temperature

	<b>Se1</b>	<b>Se2</b>	<b>Se3</b>	<b>Se4</b>	<b>Se5</b>	<b>Se6</b>
Ga1	2.370(2)	2.425(2)		2.368(3)	2.423(2)	
Ga2	2.377(3) $\times$ 2		2.401(3)		2.442(3)	
Cr1		2.524(3) $\times$ 2, 2.559(3) $\times$ 2	2.588(3)			2.513(3)
Cr2		2.549(1) $\times$ 2	2.615(3) $\times$ 2			2.500(3) $\times$ 2
Cr3	2.701(2) $\times$ 4			2.727(2) $\times$ 2		

**Table S2.** Anisotropic thermal displacements for  $\text{Cr}_{2.37}\text{Ga}_3\text{Se}_8$  at room temperature

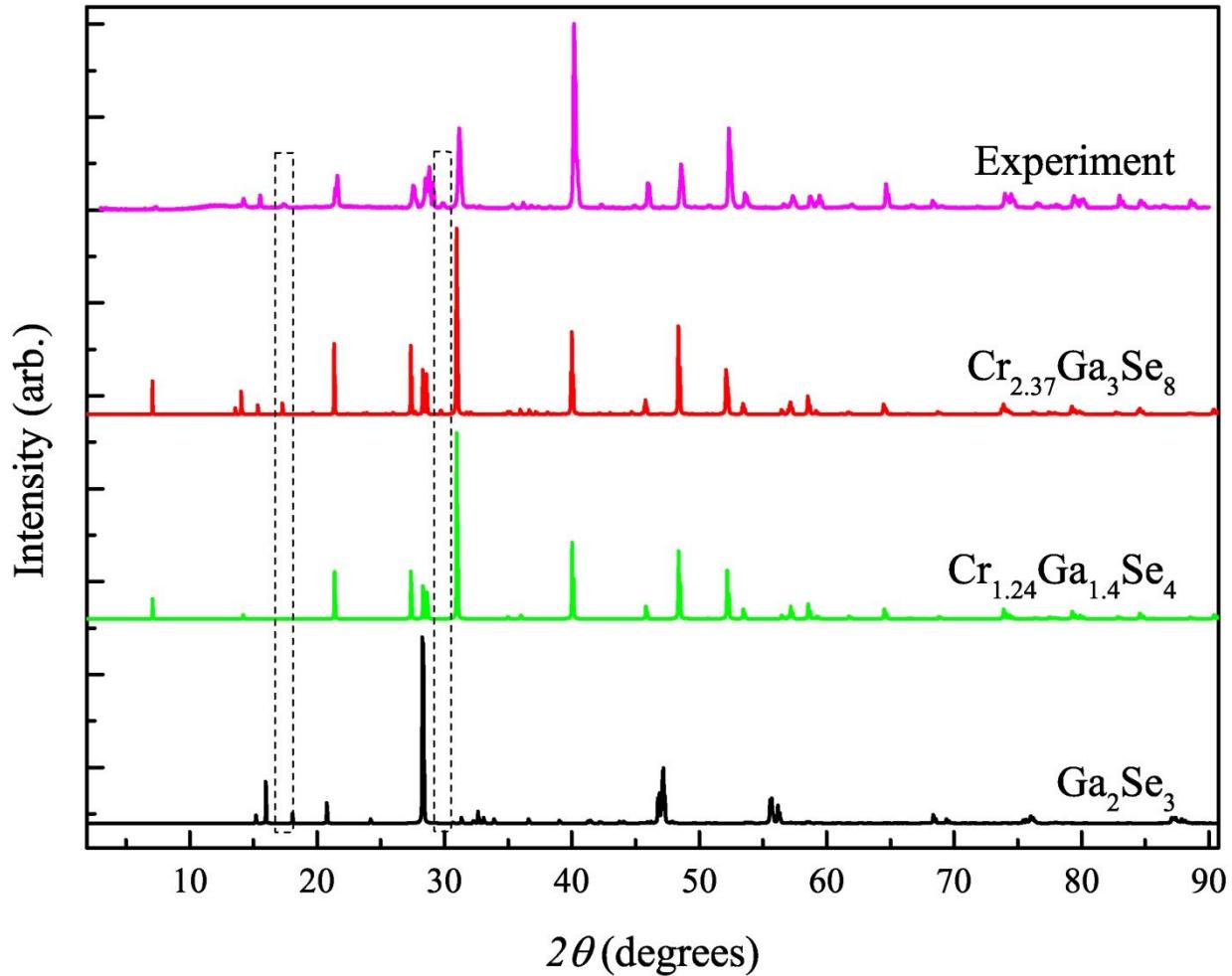
<b>Atom</b>	<b>U11</b>	<b>U22</b>	<b>U33</b>	<b>U23</b>	<b>U13</b>	<b>U12</b>
Se1	0.0109(4)	0.0181(5)	0.0217(5)	-0.0105(4)	0.0042(3)	0.0001(4)
Se2	0.0091(4)	0.0068(4)	0.0082(4)	-0.0005(3)	0.0042(3)	-0.0004(3)
Se3	0.0091(4)	0.0074(5)	0.0070(6)	0	0.0028(4)	0
Se4	0.0402(8)	0.0083(6)	0.0262(8)	0	0.0254(7)	0
Se5	0.0093(7)	0.0064(5)	0.0116(6)	0	0.0045(4)	0
Se6	0.0098(5)	0.0077(5)	0.0096(6)	0	0.0036(4)	0
Ga1	0.0171(5)	0.0132(5)	0.0158(5)	0.0028(4)	0.0081(4)	0.0011(4)
Ga2	0.0132(6)	0.0119(6)	0.0110(7)	0	0.0028(5)	0
Cr1	0.0084(8)	0.0063(8)	0.0104(9)	0	0.0041(7)	0
Cr2	0.0089(8)	0.0068(9)	0.0083(9)	0	0.0042(7)	0
Cr3	0.009(2)	0.009(2)	0.007(2)	0	0.0003(14)	0



**Figure S1.** Two pieces of  $\text{Cr}_{2.37}\text{Ga}_3\text{Se}_8$  sample are used to obtain energy dispersive spectrum. Three points and two areas in each sample are focused to get spectrum. Results of element ratio are displaying in **Table S3**.

**Table S3.** Element ratio of  $\text{Cr}_{2.37}\text{Ga}_3\text{Se}_8$  sample from energy dispersive spectrum

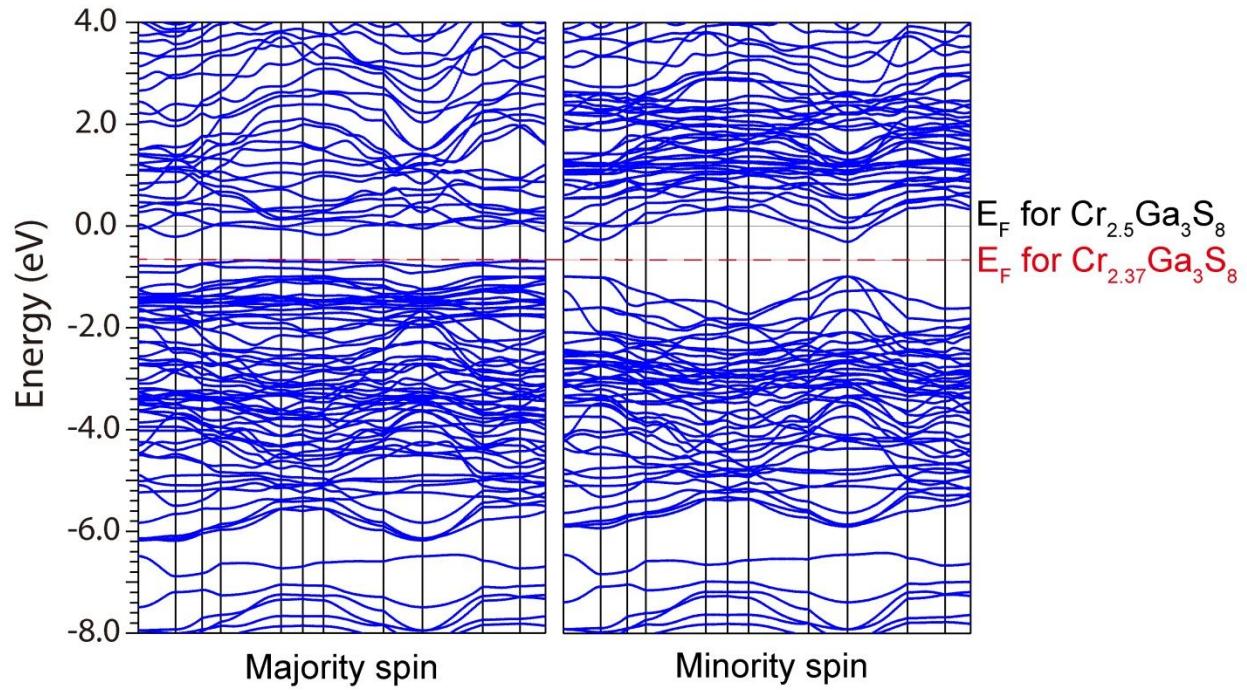
	Areas	Cr	Ga	Se
Sample A	Free Draw 1	2.38(3)	2.95(5)	8.00(8)
	Free Draw 2	2.39(5)	3.05(5)	8.00(9)
	EDS Spot 4	2.36(3)	2.95(5)	8.00(9)
	EDS Spot 5	2.39(1)	3.10(2)	8.00(3)
	EDS Spot 6	2.36(1)	3.05(2)	8.00(4)
Sample B	Free Draw 1	2.34(5)	2.99(7)	8.00(7)
	Free Draw 2	2.35(6)	3.02(4)	8.0(1)
	EDS Spot 1	2.31(5)	2.93(6)	8.00(5)
	EDS Spot 2	2.36(3)	3.00(8)	8.0(1)
	EDS Spot 3	2.39(4)	3.05(5)	8.00(4)



**Figure S2.** Compared with experiment curve, calculated X-ray diffraction patterns using different crystal structures represent by  $\text{Cr}_{2.37}\text{Ga}_3\text{Se}_8$  (monoclinic structure) and  $\text{Cr}_{1.24}\text{Ga}_{1.4}\text{Se}_4$  (hexagonal structure) are clearly different in  $2\theta$  range around  $17^\circ$  and  $29.5^\circ$ , emphasized by dashed box. Importantly, these peaks in experiment pattern do not come from  $\text{Ga}_2\text{Se}_3$  impurity.

**Table S4.** Lattice parameters for LeBail refinement in  $\text{Cr}_{2.37}\text{Ga}_3\text{Se}_8$  powder X-ray diffraction

$a(\text{\AA})$	$b(\text{\AA})$	$c(\text{\AA})$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$
12.9711(4)	7.5269(2)	13.9813(4)	$90^\circ$	$117.281(1)^\circ$	$90^\circ$



**Figure S3.** Band structure of  $\text{Cr}_{2.5}\text{Ga}_3\text{Se}_8$  with spin polarization. Due to Cr vacancy on  $2b$  site, Fermi level of  $\text{Cr}_{2.37}\text{Ga}_3\text{Se}_8$  should be shifted to the red dash line.