## **Electronic Supplementary Information for:**

## Scalable colloidal synthesis of Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>2.7</sub>Se<sub>0.3</sub> plate-like particles give access to highperforming n-type thermoelectric material for low temperature application

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Fig. S1. Sintering profile for spark plasma sintered Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>2.7</sub>Se<sub>0.3</sub>.



**Fig. S2.** Schematic representation of direction and geometry for measurement of (a) thermal, and (b) electrical characterisation.



**Fig. S3:** Repeated measurement of temperature dependent electrical transport for synthesized  $Bi_2Te_{2.7}Se_{0.3}$  alloys (a) electrical conductivity, and (b) Seebeck coefficient.



**Fig. S4.** Left: doping and temperature effect on band structure. Special points correspond to the first Brillouin zone of rhombohedral lattice.<sup>1,2</sup> Right: correspondence between conventional hexagonal (solid lines) and primitive rhombohedral lattice (dashed lines).

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