

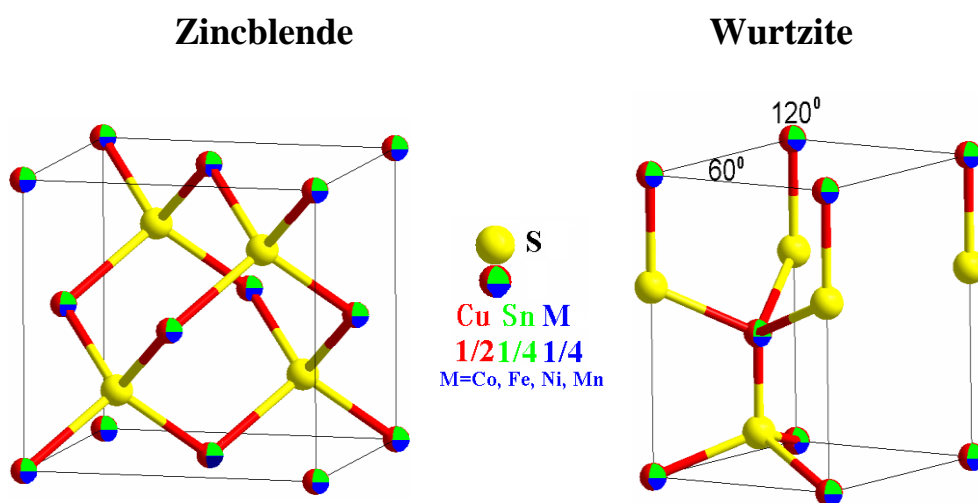
Electronic supplementary information

A General Strategy for Synthesis of Quaternary Semiconductor

$\text{Cu}_2\text{MSnS}_4$  ( $\text{M}=\text{Co}^{2+}, \text{Fe}^{2+}, \text{Ni}^{2+}, \text{Mn}^{2+}$ ) Nanocrystals

Yong Cui, Ruiping Deng, Gang Wang,\* Daocheng Pan\*

State Key Laboratory of Rare Earth Resource Utilization, Changchun Institute of Applied  
Chemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Changchun, Jilin, 130022, China



**Figure S1.** Unit cells of zincblende (left) and wurtzite (right)  $\text{Cu}_2\text{MSnS}_4$  ( $\text{M}=\text{Co}, \text{Fe}, \text{Ni}, \text{Mn}$ ).

**Table S1.** Comparison of experimental and simulated XRD peaks for zincblende  $\text{Cu}_2\text{CoSnS}_4$ .

hkl	Observed $2\theta$	Simulated $2\theta$	$\Delta 2\theta$
111	28.656	28.676	-0.020
220	47.741	47.706	+0.035
311	56.555	56.613	-0.058

### **Crystal data**

Formula  $\text{Cu}_2\text{CoSnS}_4$   
Crystal system Zincblende  
Space group  $F-43m$  (No. 216)  
Unit cell dimensions  $a = b = c = 5.3877 \text{ \AA}$

### **Atomic coordinates**

Atom	Wyck.	x/a	y/b	z/c
S	4c	1/4	1/4	1/4
Sn	4a	0	0	0
Co	4a	0	0	0
Cu	4a	0	0	0

Note that  $\text{Cu}^+$ ,  $\text{Co}^{2+}$ , and  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$  ions occupy the same position, and the occupancy possibilities of  $\text{Cu}^+$ ,  $\text{Co}^{2+}$ , and  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$  are 1/2, 1/4 and 1/4, respectively.

**Table S2.** Comparison of experimental and simulated XRD peaks for zincblende  $\text{Cu}_2\text{FeSnS}_4$ .

hkl	Observed $2\theta$	Simulated $2\theta$	$\Delta 2\theta$
111	28.693	28.706	-0.013
220	47.769	47.759	+0.010
311	56.652	56.678	-0.026

### **Crystal data**

Formula  $\text{Cu}_2\text{FeSnS}_4$

Crystal system Zincblende

Space group  $F\text{-}43\text{m}$  (No. 216)

Unit cell dimensions  $a = b = c = 5.3821 \text{ \AA}$

### **Atomic coordinates**

Atom	Wyck.	x/a	y/b	z/c
S	4c	1/4	1/4	1/4
Sn	4a	0	0	0
Fe	4a	0	0	0
Cu	4a	0	0	0

Note that  $\text{Cu}^+$ ,  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ , and  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$  ions occupy the same position, and the occupancy possibilities of  $\text{Cu}^+$ ,  $\text{Fe}^{2+}$ , and  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$  are 1/2, 1/4 and 1/4, respectively.

**Table S3.** Comparison of experimental and simulated XRD peaks for wurtzite  $\text{Cu}_2\text{NiSnS}_4$ .

hkl	Observed $2\theta$	Simulated $2\theta$	$\Delta 2\theta$
100	26.690	26.694	-0.004
002	28.123	28.071	+0.052
101	30.198	30.231	-0.033
102	39.143	39.124	+0.019
110	47.164	47.137	+0.027
103	51.050	51.043	+0.007
112	55.786	55.763	+0.023

### Crystal data

Formula  $\text{Cu}_2\text{NiSnS}_4$

Crystal system Wurtzite

Space group  $P6_3mc$  (No. 186)

Unit cell dimensions  $a = b = 3.8530 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $c = 6.3523 \text{ \AA}$

### Atomic coordinates

Atom	Wyck.	x/a	y/b	z/c
S	2b	1/3	2/3	0
Sn	2b	1/3	2/3	0.3752
Ni	2b	1/3	2/3	0.3752
Cu	2b	1/3	2/3	0.3752

Note that  $\text{Cu}^+$ ,  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$ , and  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$  ions occupy the same position, and the occupancy possibilities of  $\text{Cu}^+$ ,  $\text{Ni}^{2+}$ , and  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$  are 1/2, 1/4 and 1/4, respectively.

**Table S4.** Comparison of experimental and simulated XRD peaks for wurtzite  $\text{Cu}_2\text{MnSnS}_4$ .

hkl	Observed $2\theta$	Simulated $2\theta$	$\Delta 2\theta$
100	26.941	26.945	-0.004
002	28.211	28.235	-0.024
101	30.488	30.492	-0.004
102	39.433	39.425	+0.008
110	47.622	47.598	+0.024
103	51.431	51.411	+0.020
112	56.264	55.266	-0.002

### **Crystal data**

Formula  $\text{Cu}_2\text{MnSnS}_4$

Crystal system Wurtzite

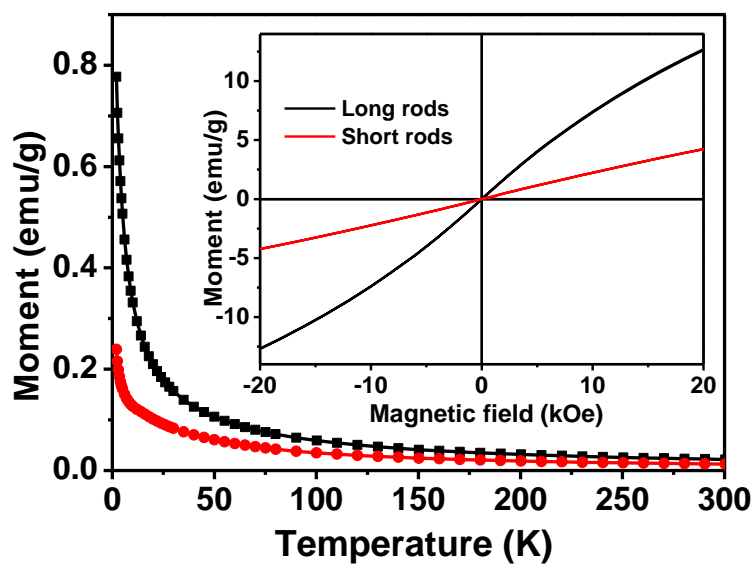
Space group  $P6_3mc$  (No. 186)

Unit cell dimensions  $a = b = 3.8178 \text{ \AA}$ ,  $c = 6.3163 \text{ \AA}$

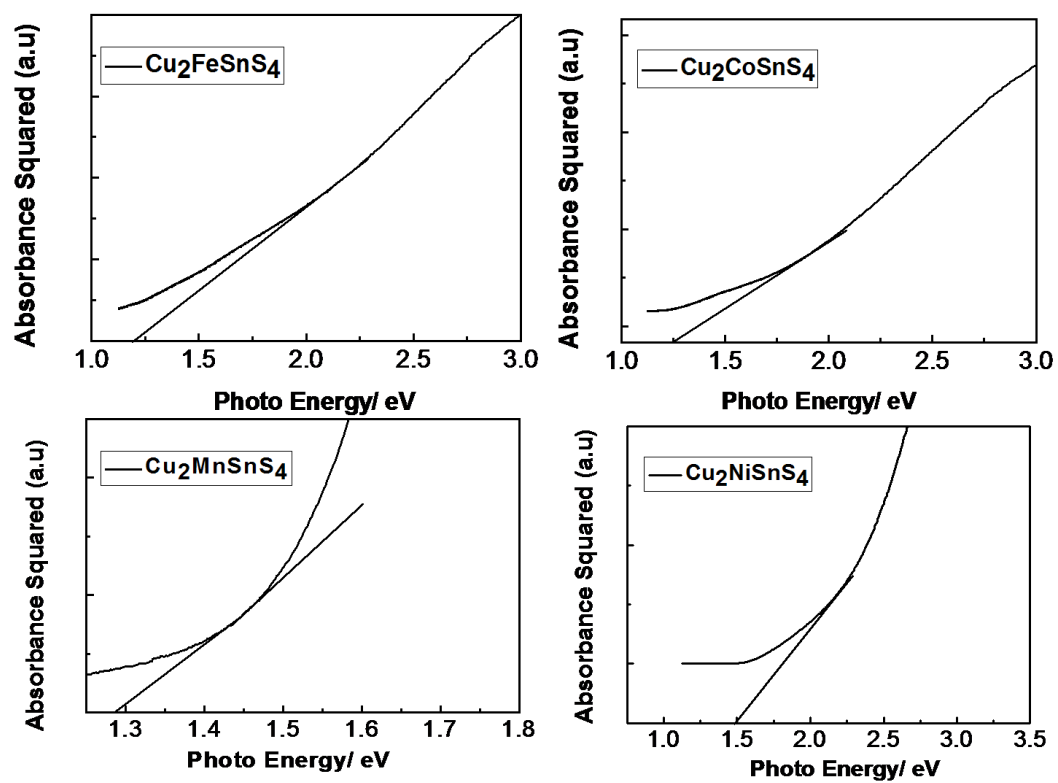
### **Atomic coordinates**

Atom	Wyck.	x/a	y/b	z/c
S	2b	1/3	2/3	0
Sn	2b	1/3	2/3	0.3752
Mn	2b	1/3	2/3	0.3752
Cu	2b	1/3	2/3	0.3752

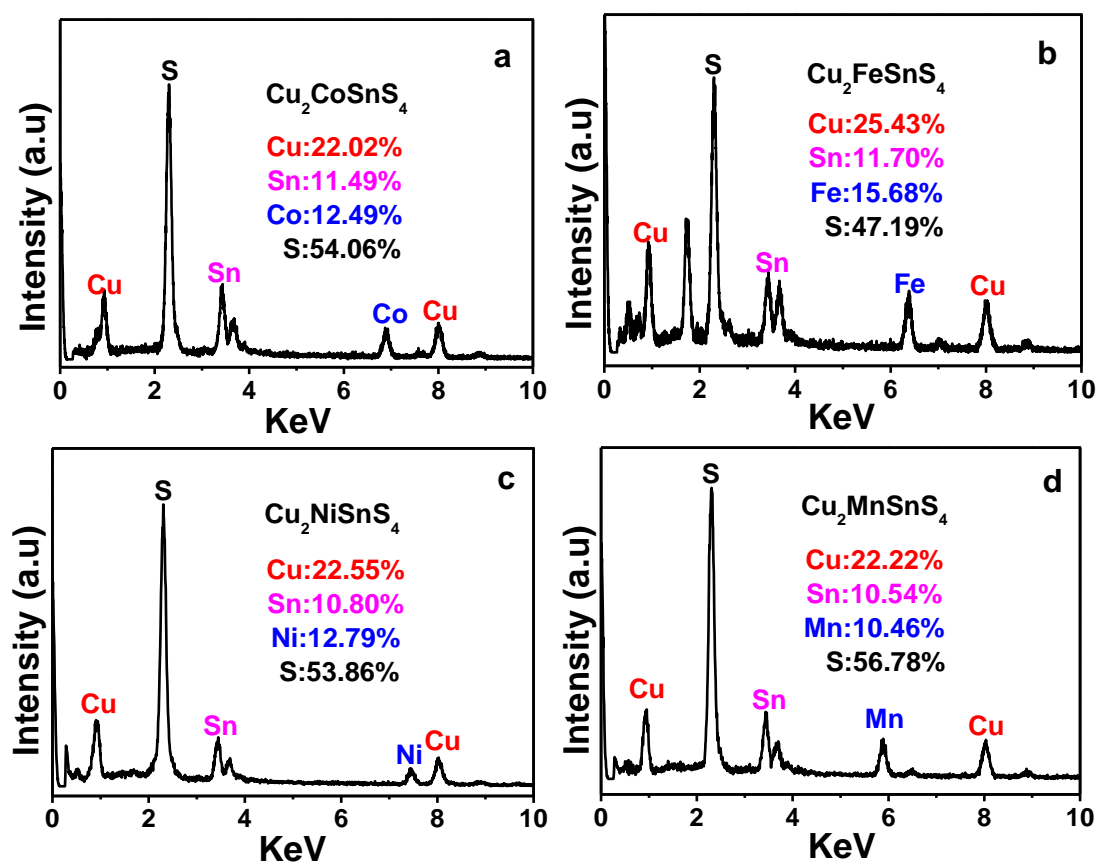
Note that  $\text{Cu}^+$ ,  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ , and  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$  ions occupy the same position, and the occupancy possibilities of  $\text{Cu}^+$ ,  $\text{Mn}^{2+}$ , and  $\text{Sn}^{4+}$  are 1/2, 1/4 and 1/4, respectively.



*Figure S2.* Temperature dependence of the magnetization for wurtzite  $\text{Cu}_2\text{MnSnS}_4$  nanocrystals with different aspect ratios, measured in a magnetic field of 1000 Oe; Inset: The field dependence of the magnetization for the same samples at 2 K.

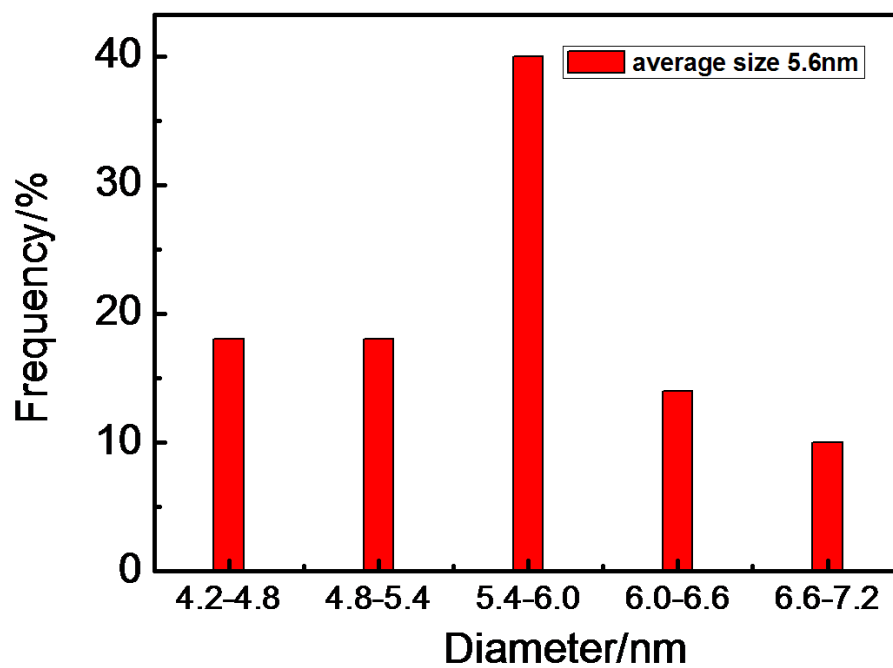


**Figure S3.** Plots of  $(abs^2)$  vs  $h\nu$  for the Cu<sub>2</sub>MSnS<sub>4</sub> (M=Co, Fe, Ni, Mn) nanocrystals with the band gap

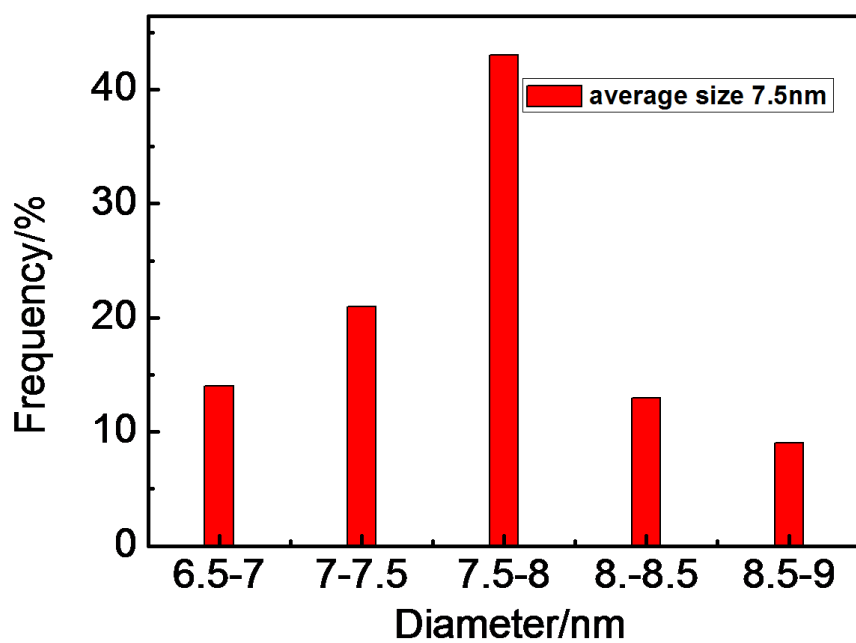


**Figure S4.** EDS spectra and chemical compositions (atomic percent) of zincblende and wurtzite  $\text{Cu}_2\text{MSnS}_4$  (M=Co, Fe, Ni, Mn) nanocrystals.

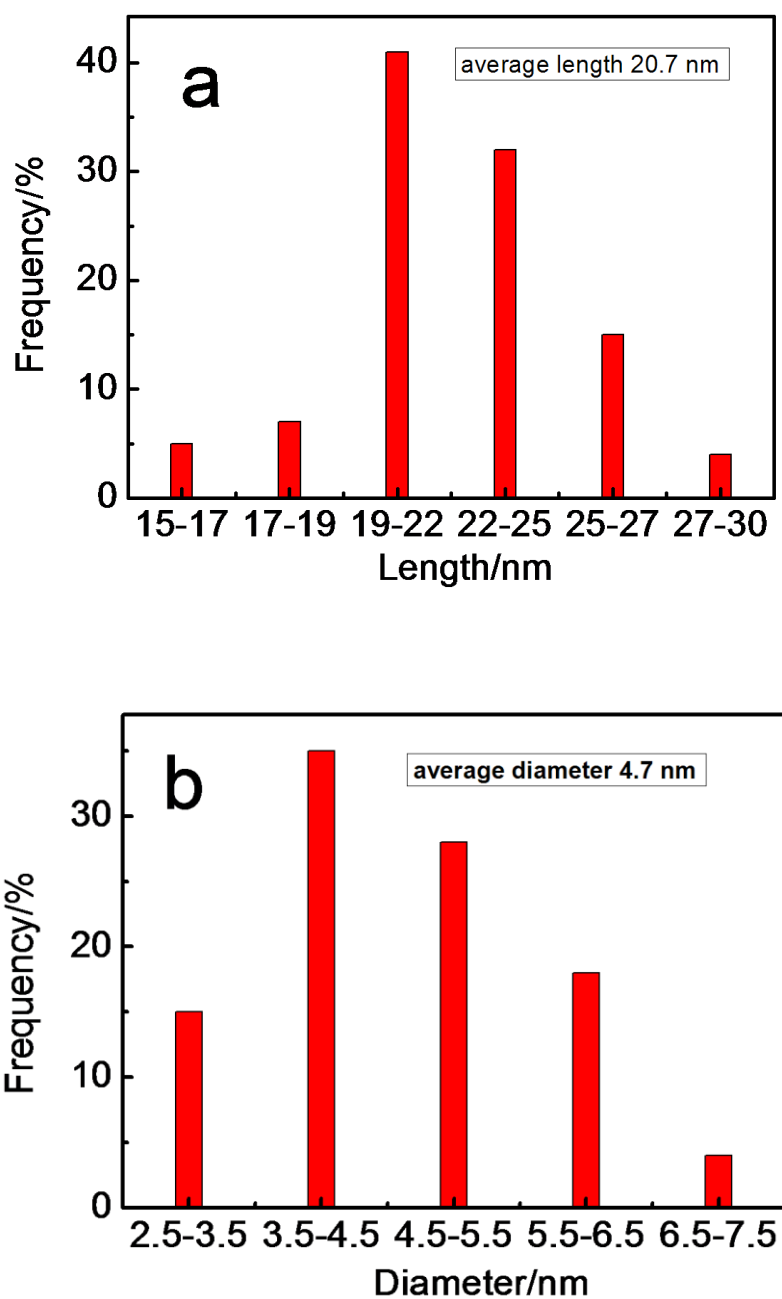




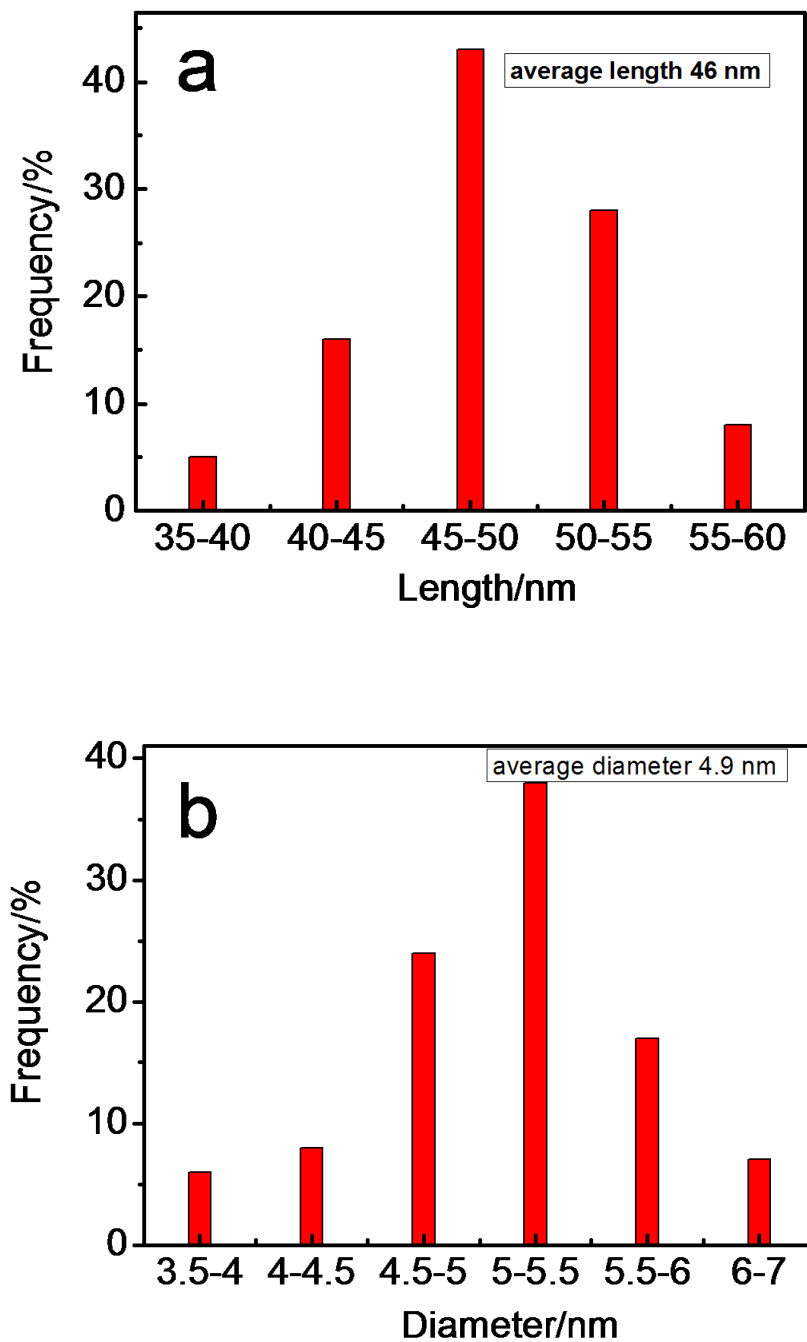
*Figure S5.* Size distribution of  $\text{Cu}_2\text{FeSnS}_4$  nanocrystals



*Figure S6.* Size distribution of  $\text{Cu}_2\text{CoSnS}_4$  nanocrystals



**Figure S7.** Size distribution of  $\text{Cu}_2\text{MnSnS}_4$  nanorods with an aspect ratio of 4.4 (a: length distribution; b: diameter distribution).



*Figure S8.* Size distribution of  $\text{Cu}_2\text{MnSnS}_4$  nanorods with an aspect ratio of 9.4 (a: length distribution; b: diameter distribution).