

Supplementary Materials for
“Long-ranged charge order conspired by magnetism and lattice in an
antiferromagnetic Kagome metal”

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1. Short-ranged charge order in sample #1

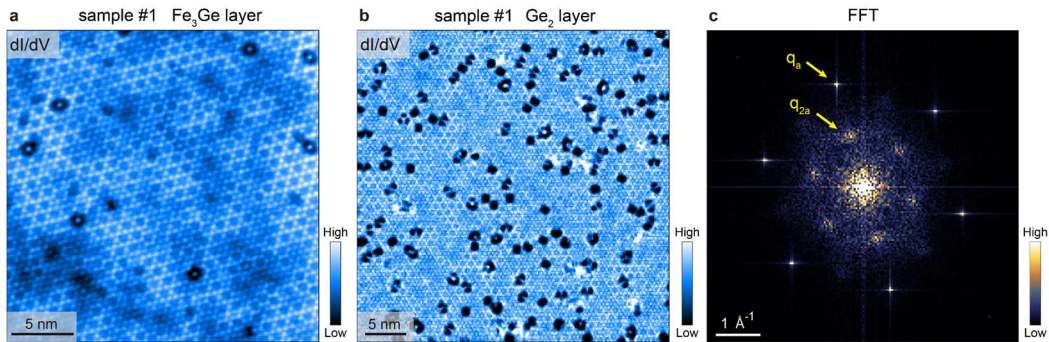


Fig. S1 | Short-ranged CO in sample #1. **a,b**, Typical dI/dV maps of the Fe_3Ge and Ge_2 layers of sample #1, showing a short-ranged CO in both surfaces. Panel **a** is adapted from ref. 1. **c**, FFT image of panel **a**, with the Bragg spots of underlying lattice and the CO spots labeled as q_a and q_{2a} , respectively. The q_{2a} spots are much more broadened than the q_a spots, further demonstrating the short-ranged behavior of the CO in sample #1. Measurement conditions: **a**, $V_b = 0.3$ V, $I_t = 300$ pA, $\Delta V = 30$ mV; **b**, $V_b = 0.4$ V, $I_t = 200$ pA, $\Delta V = 5$ mV.

2. Density of defects in more sample regions of samples #1 and #2

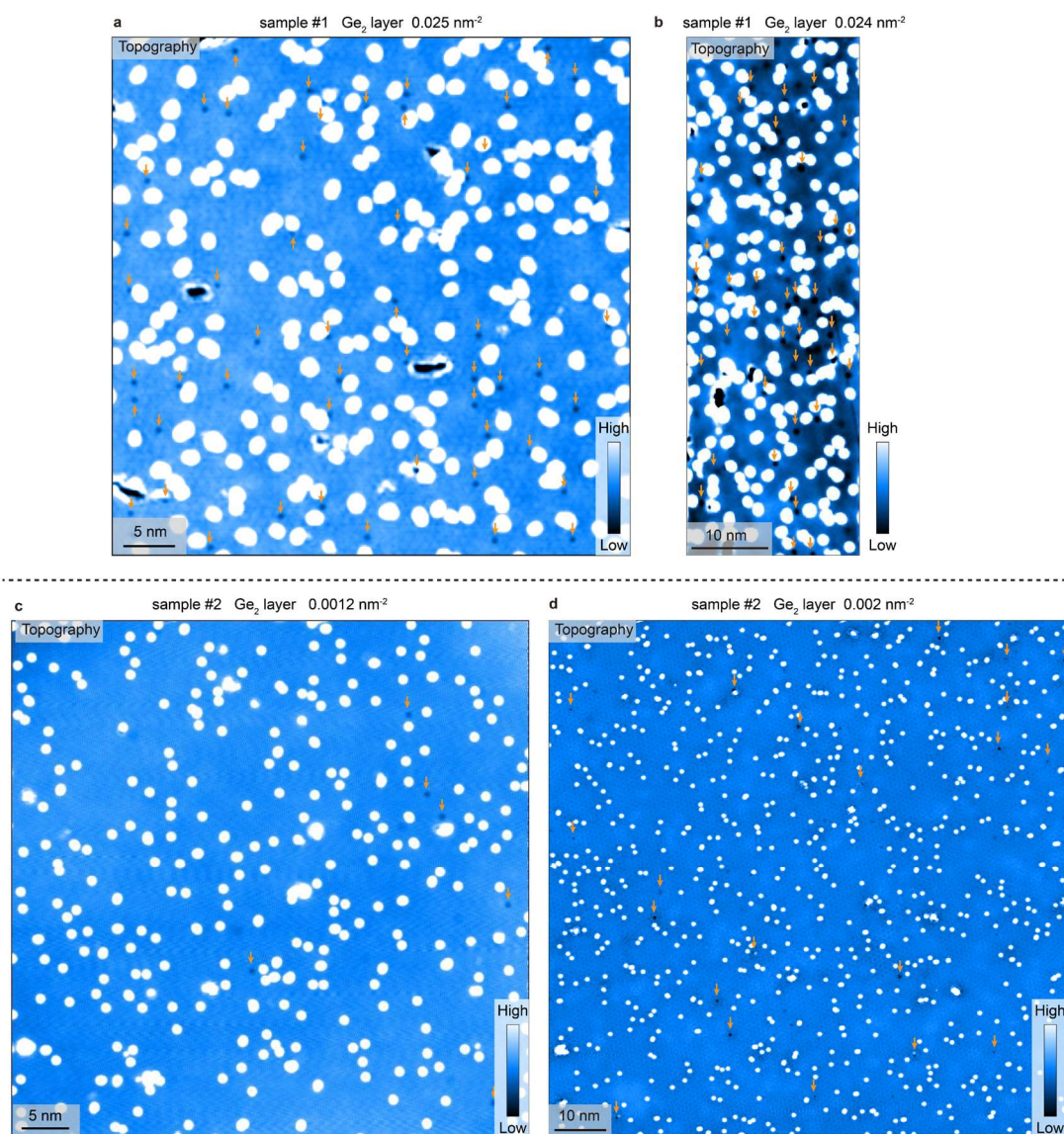


Fig. S2 | More datasets for defect distribution in the Ge₂ layers of samples #1 and #2. a,b, Typical topographic images of Ge₂ layer in sample #1. c,d, Typical topographic images of Ge₂ layer in sample #2. The native defects are indicated by the orange arrows and their total densities are shown. Measurement conditions: a,b, $V_b = 1.0$ V, $I_t = 10$ pA; c, $V_b = 1.0$ V, $I_t = 100$ pA; d, $V_b = 12$ mV, $I_t = 300$ pA.

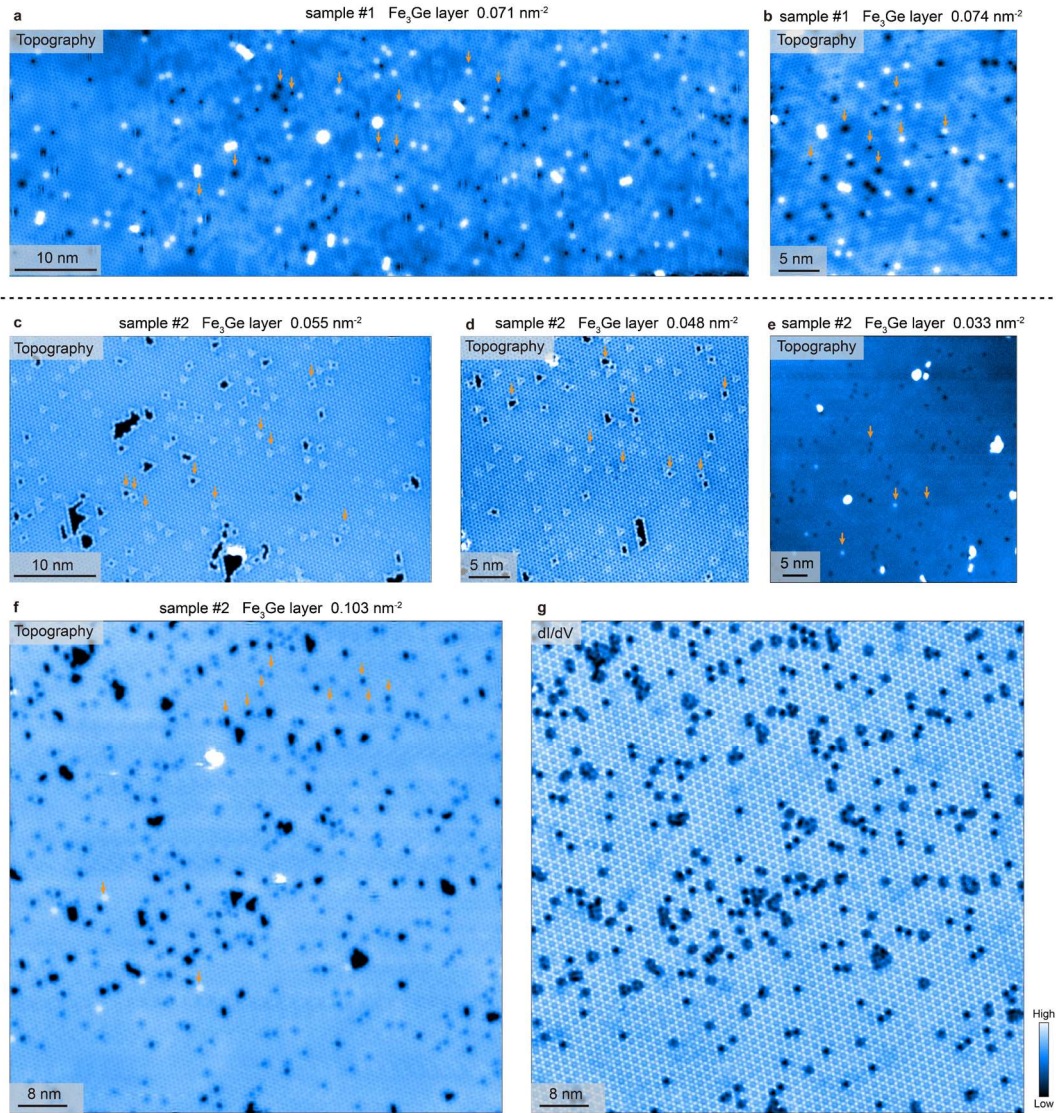


Fig. S3 | More datasets for defect distribution in the Fe_3Ge layers of samples #1 and #2. **a,b**, Typical topographic images of Fe_3Ge layer in sample #1. **c-f**, Typical topographic images of Fe_3Ge layer in sample #2. **g**, dI/dV map in the region shown in panel **f**, exhibiting a long-ranged CO. Partial native defects are indicated by the orange arrows and the total densities of defects are shown. Measurement conditions: **a**, $V_b = 1.0 \text{ V}$, $I_t = 20 \text{ pA}$; **b**, $V_b = 1.0 \text{ V}$, $I_t = 10 \text{ pA}$; **c,d**, $V_b = -40 \text{ mV}$, $I_t = 300 \text{ pA}$; **e**, $V_b = 1.0 \text{ V}$, $I_t = 50 \text{ pA}$; **f**, $V_b = 1.0 \text{ V}$, $I_t = 300 \text{ pA}$; **g**, $V_b = 0.2 \text{ V}$, $I_t = 300 \text{ pA}$, $\Delta V = 20 \text{ mV}$.

3. More datasets for the long-ranged $2 \times 2 \times 2$ CO in sample #2

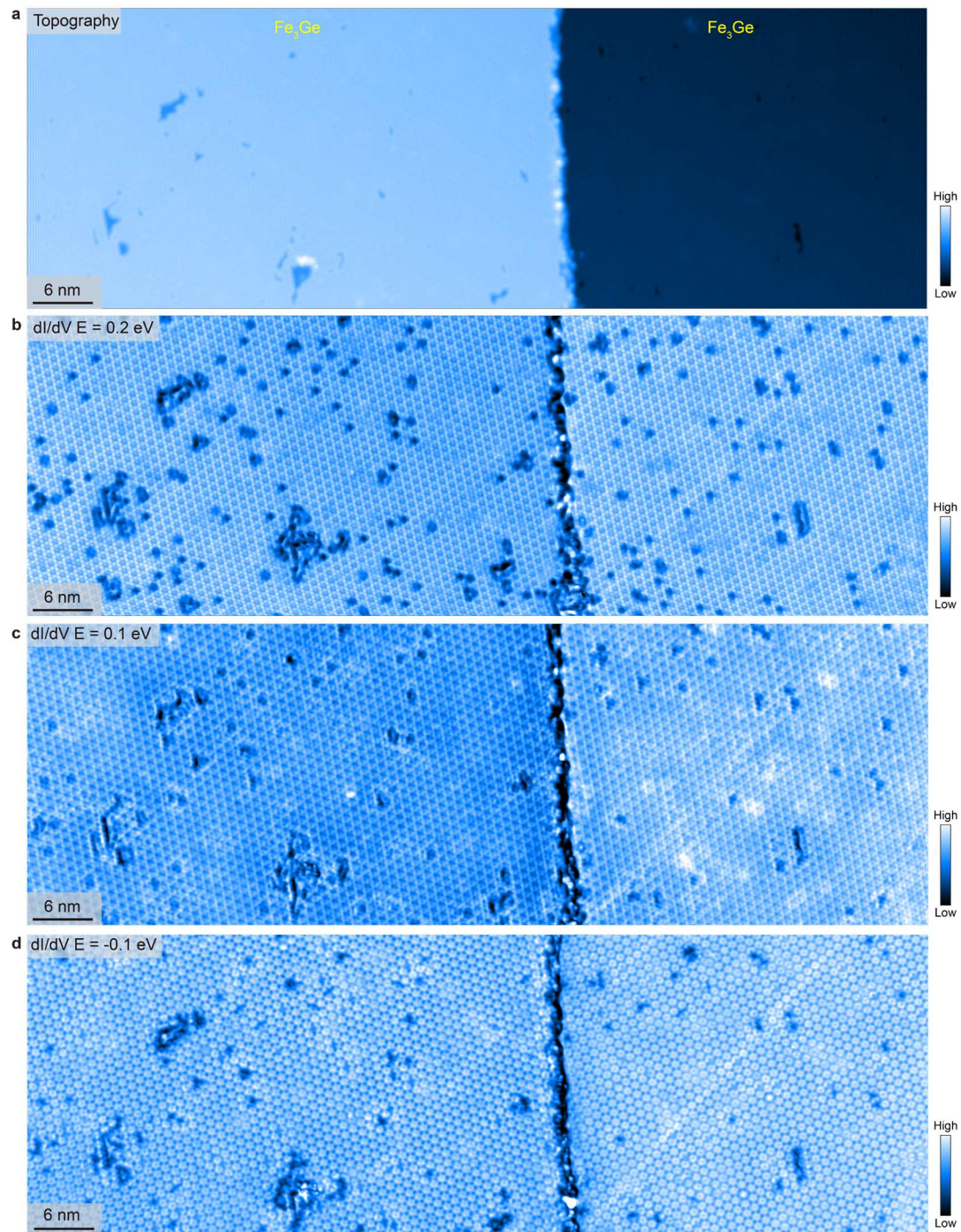


Fig. S4 | Topographic image and more dI/dV maps under various energies for a Fe_3Ge region. A long-ranged CO is obvious for all the maps, although the detailed CO patterns vary with energy. Measurement conditions: **a**, $V_b = 0.3$ V, $I_t = 300$ pA; **b**, $V_b = 0.2$ V, $I_t = 300$ pA, $\Delta V = 20$ mV; **c**, $V_b = 0.1$ V, $I_t = 300$ pA, $\Delta V = 20$ mV; **d**, $V_b = -0.1$ V, $I_t = 300$ pA, $\Delta V = 20$ mV.

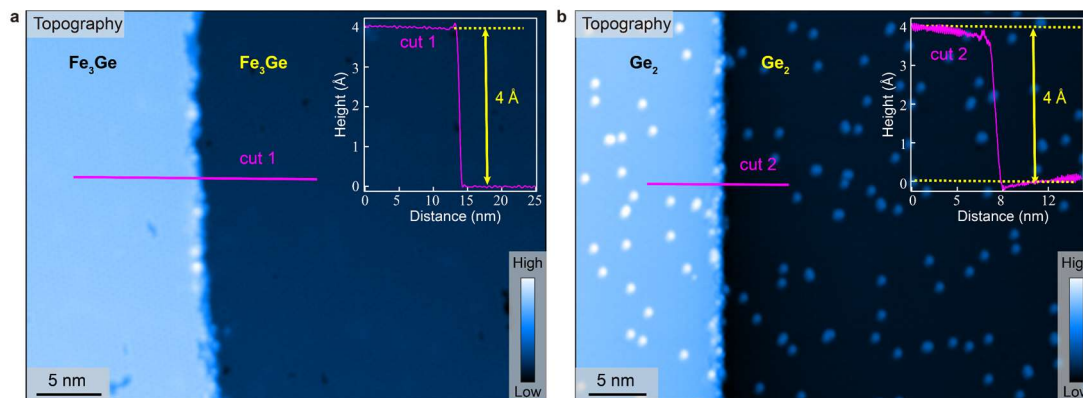


Fig. S5 | Topographic images of Fig. 2a,b. Insets: height profiles obtained along the magenta lines shown in panels a,b. The heights of the Fe_3Ge - Fe_3Ge and Ge_2 - Ge_2 single-unit-cell-height steps are $\sim 4 \text{ \AA}$. Measurement conditions: **a**, $V_b = 0.3 \text{ V}$, $I_t = 300 \text{ pA}$; **b**, $V_b = 0.2 \text{ V}$, $I_t = 300 \text{ pA}$.

4. Detailed SCXRD results for samples #1 and #2

SCXRD measurements were carried out on both samples #1 and #2 at 300 K and 85 K, respectively. The diffraction patterns of these two samples are the same at 300 K, but vary significantly at 85 K, as displayed in Fig. 3, S6 and S7. At 85 K, new spots are observed for sample #2 and signal a structural modulation with a wave vector of $(-0.5, 0.5, 0.5)$, while they are absent in sample #1. By using Olex2 software with Shlex program^{2,3}, the corresponding crystal structures are solved and refined, as shown in Tables S1-S6 and Fig. S8. For both samples at 300 K, high quality refinements are achieved with the space group $P6/mmm$. The refined atomic coordinates are listed in Tables S2 and S5, and the corresponding crystal structure is sketched in Fig. 3c and S8a-d, which is consistent with the previous report⁴. The same space group and atomic coordinates can also describe the diffraction patterns of sample #1 at 85 K (Table S3). However, for the diffraction patterns of sample #2 at 85 K, a higher quality refinement is achieved with the space group $P-6m2$. The $P-6m2$ unit cell presented in Table S4 is eight times larger than the primitive unit cell at 300 K, with the lattice doubling along all three lattice directions. The related atomic coordinates are listed in Table S6, and the corresponding crystal structure is sketched in Fig. 3d and S8e-h. The largest distortion occurs at the $\text{Ge}1a$ sites in the Kagome layers, where the $\text{Ge}1a$ atoms in the adjacent two layers dimerize and deviate from the Kagome layer by $\sim 0.7 \text{ \AA}$. Other atoms in the Kagome layer also undergo small distortions ($< 5 \text{ pm}$), and are out-of-phase between adjacent Kagome layers. $\text{Ge}1b$ atoms mainly distort along the c -axis, the Fe atoms are distorted both within the plane and along the c -axis. The distortion of Ge_2 layer is simpler, showing a deformed Kekulé-type distortion and is out-of-phase between adjacent Ge_2 layers.

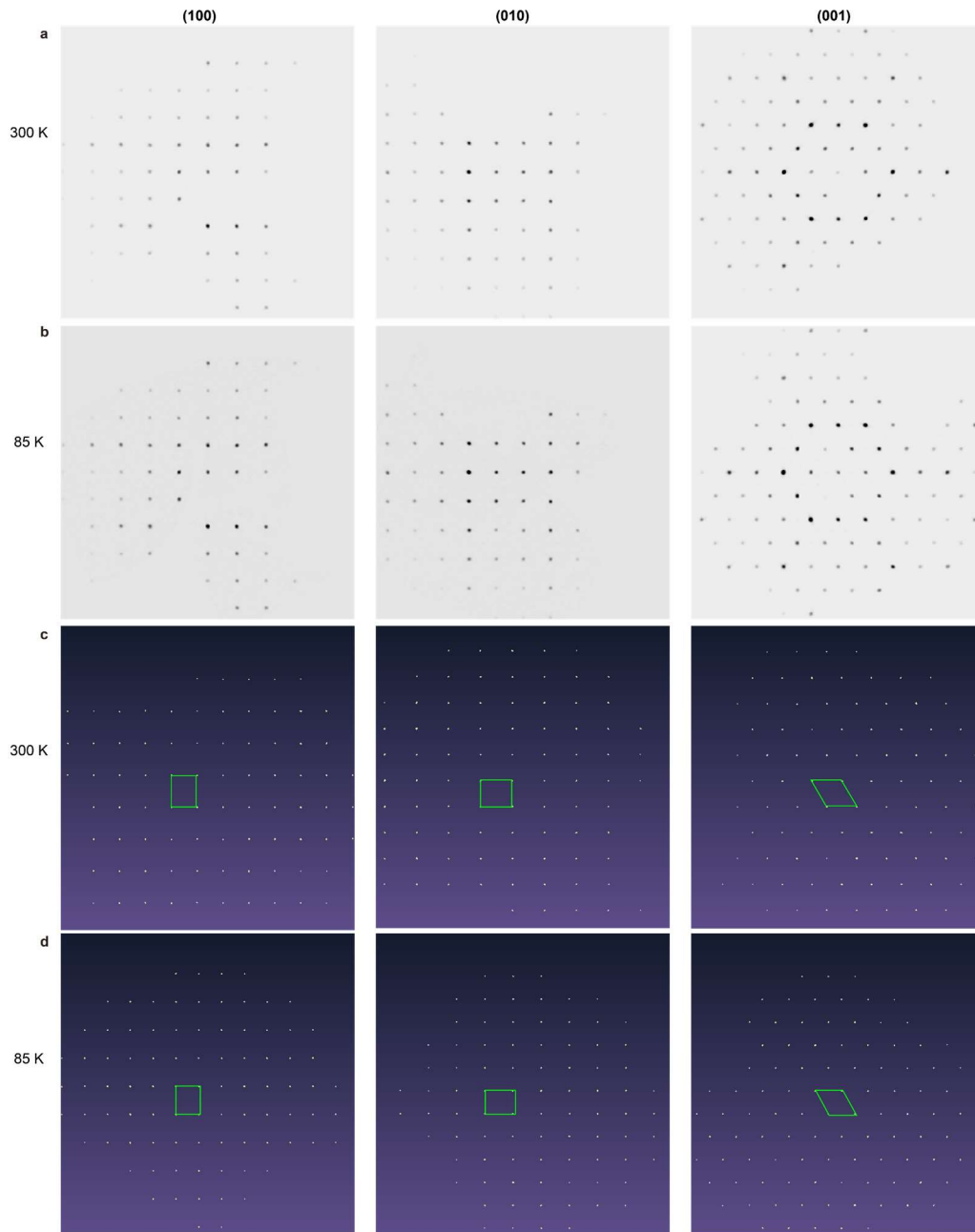


Fig. S6 | Diffraction patterns (a and b) and lattice peaks (c and d) along the *a*-, *b*- and *c*-axes for sample #1, measured at 300 K and 85 K, respectively. Unit cells are indicated by the green rectangular and rhombic boxes. There are no obvious superstructure spots appeared at 85 K.

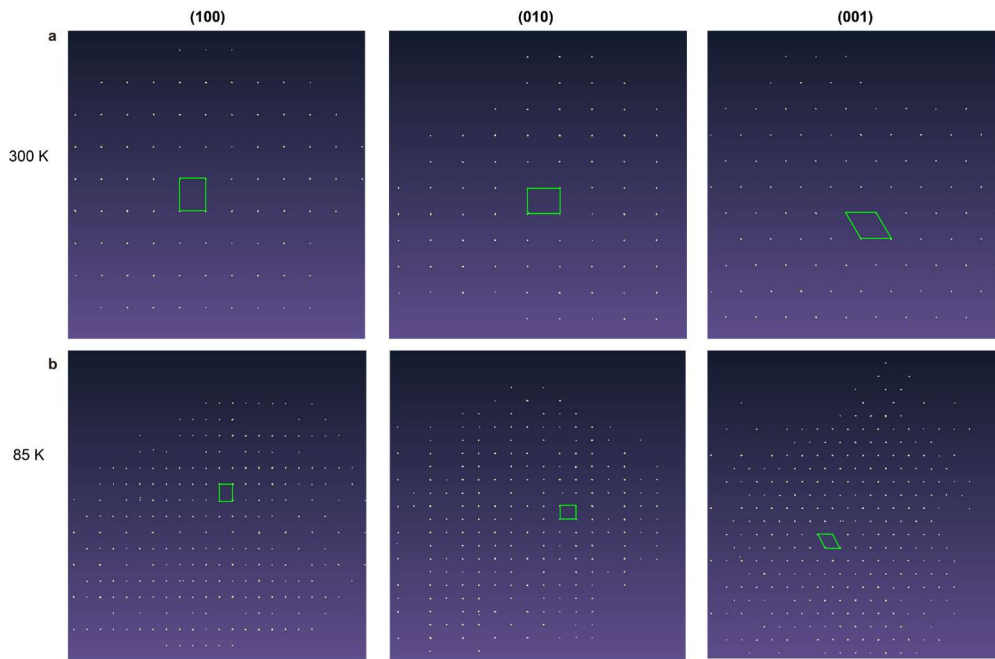


Fig. S7 | Lattice peaks along the a -, b -, and c -axes for sample #2 measured at 300 K and 85 K, respectively. Unit cells are indicated by the green rectangular and rhombic boxes. New spots appear at 85 K, signaling that the lattice doubles along all three lattice directions.

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for sample #1 at 300 and 85 K.

Temperature/K	300	85
Empirical formula	FeGe	FeGe
Formula weight	128.44	128.44
Crystal system	hexagonal	hexagonal
Space group	P6/mmm	P6/mmm
a/Å	4.9956(8)	4.9859(4)
b/Å	4.9956(8)	4.9859(4)
c/Å	4.0606(7)	4.0471(4)
α /°	90	90
β /°	90	90
γ /°	120	120
Volume/Å ³	87.76(3)	87.131(17)
Z	3	3
$\rho_{\text{calc}}/\text{cm}^3$	7.291	7.343
μ/mm^{-1}	37.158	37.426
F(000)	174	174
Crystal size/mm ³	0.16 × 0.14 × 0.14	0.16 × 0.14 × 0.14
Radiation	Mo K α (λ = 0.71073)	Mo K α (λ = 0.71073)
2 θ range for data collection/°	9.424 to 58.64	9.442 to 58.496
Index ranges	-6 ≤ h ≤ 5, -4 ≤ k ≤ 6, -5 ≤ l ≤ 4	-6 ≤ h ≤ 6, -6 ≤ k ≤ 6, -4 ≤ l ≤ 5
Reflections collected	505	591
Independent reflections	68 [R _{int} = 0.0335, R _{sigma} = 0.0218]	67 [R _{int} = 0.0408, R _{sigma} = 0.0200]
Data/restraints/parameters	68/0/8	67/0/9
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.154	1.213
Final R indexes [I ≥ 2 σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0359, wR ₂ = 0.0923	R ₁ = 0.0569, wR ₂ = 0.1371
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.0359, wR ₂ = 0.0923	R ₁ = 0.0569, wR ₂ = 0.1371
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	3.97/-1.75	9.64/-4.79

Table S2. Refined atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement (U_{eq}) parameters for sample #1 at 300 K.

Atom	x	y	z	U _{eq}	Occ.
Ge1	2/3	1/3	1/2	0.007	1.0
Ge2	0	0	0	0.012	1.0
Fe1	1/2	1/2	0	0.006	1.0

Table S3. Refined atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement (U_{eq}) parameters for sample #1 at 85 K.

Atom	x	y	z	U_{eq}	Occ.
Ge1	2/3	1/3	1/2	-0.003	1.0
Ge2	0	0	0	0.011	1.0
Fe1	1/2	1/2	0	-0.001	1.0

Table S4. Crystal data and structure refinement for sample #2 at 300 and 85 K.

Temperature/K	300	85
Empirical formula	FeGe	FeGe
Formula weight	128.44	128.44
Crystal system	hexagonal	hexagonal
Space group	P6/mmm	P-6m2
a/Å	4.9948(6)	9.9552(8)
b/Å	4.9948(6)	9.9552(8)
c/Å	4.0534(5)	8.0817(7)
α /°	90	90
β /°	90	90
γ /°	120	120
Volume/Å ³	87.57(2)	693.64(13)
Z	3	24
$\rho_{\text{calc}}/\text{cm}^3$	7.306	7.379
μ/mm^{-1}	37.237	37.610
F(000)	174.0	1392.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.08 × 0.07 × 0.14	0.08 × 0.07 × 0.14
Radiation	Mo K α (λ = 0.71073)	Mo K α (λ = 0.71073)
2 θ range for data collection/°	9.424 to 58.664	6.91 to 58.65
Index ranges	-6 ≤ h ≤ 6, -6 ≤ k ≤ 6, -5 ≤ l ≤ 5	-11 ≤ h ≤ 12, -12 ≤ k ≤ 13, -10 ≤ l ≤ 9
Reflections collected	607	3493
Independent reflections	69 [R _{int} = 0.0329, R _{sigma} = 0.0158]	705 [R _{int} = 0.0256, R _{sigma} = 0.0206]
Data/restraints/parameters	69/0/9	705/0/55
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.278	1.092
Final R indexes [I ≥ 2 σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0180, wR ₂ = 0.0388	R ₁ = 0.0317, wR ₂ = 0.0724
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.0180, wR ₂ = 0.0388	R ₁ = 0.0385, wR ₂ = 0.0777
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	2.29/-1.20	3.38/-1.68

Table S5. Refined atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement (U_{eq}) parameters for sample #2 at 300 K.

Atom	x	y	z	U_{eq}	Occ.
Ge1	2/3	1/3	1/2	0.007	1.0
Ge2	0	0	0	0.011	1.0
Fe1	1/2	1/2	0	0.006	1.0

Table S6. Refined atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement (U_{eq}) parameters for sample #2 at 85 K.

Atom	x	y	z	U_{eq}	Occ.
Ge1a	2/3	1/3	0.1656	0.006	1
Ge1b	0.1666	0.3332	0.2526	0.003	1
Fe1a	0.1661	0.0830	0.2530	0.001	1
Fe1b	0.4161	0.3343	0.2469	0.002	1
Fe1c	0.4171	0.5829	0.2530	0.002	1
Ge2a	0	0	1/2	-0.002	1
Ge2b	1/3	2/3	1/2	0.005	1
Ge2c	0.3440	0.1720	1/2	0.006	1
Ge2d	0.5043	0.4957	1/2	-0.002	1
Ge2e	0	0	0	-0.003	1
Ge2f	1/3	2/3	0	0.007	1
Ge2g	0.3268	0.1634	0	0.006	1
Ge2h	0.4967	0.5032	0	-0.003	1

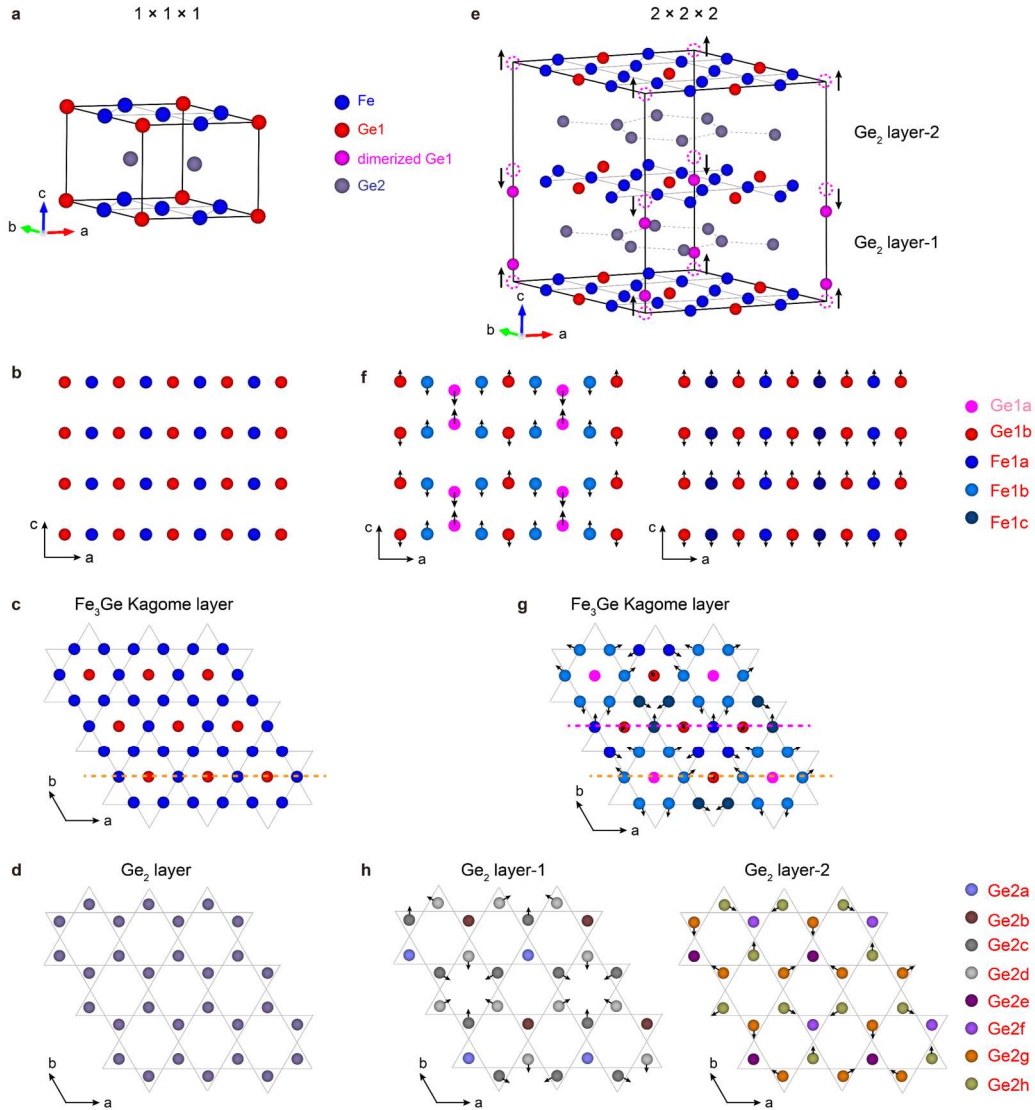


Fig. S8 | Detailed lattice distortion of the CO superstructure. **a-d**, Lattice structure of FeGe at 300 K. Panel **b** shows the projection of (010) plane along the direction indicated by the orange dashed line in panel **c**. **e-h**, Detailed lattice structure of the CO superstructure measured at 85 K. Panel **f** shows the projections of (010) planes along the directions indicated by the orange and magenta dashed lines in panel **g**, exhibiting atomic distortions along the c -axis. **g,h**, In-plane atomic distortions in the Fe_3Ge and Ge_2 layers. The black arrows indicate the direction and magnitude of atom distortion.

5. More datasets for CO disruption

Figure S9 shows the details of the $2 \times 2 \times 2$ CO (Fig. S9a-d) and the $1 \times 1 \times 1$ phase (Fig. S9e-h) obtained after CO disruption. By repeating the CO disruption process, the $2 \times 2 \times 2$ CO disappears completely, leaving a pure $1 \times 1 \times 1$ phase, as reflected more clearly in the FFT images (Fig. S9f and S9h). Moreover, we have measured the topographic images of several phase separation regions in both the Fe_3Ge and Ge_2 layers under various energies, as shown in Fig. S10. We find that in all cases, the lattice of the $1 \times 1 \times 1$ phase is slightly higher by 6-7 pm than that of the $2 \times 2 \times 2$ CO phase.

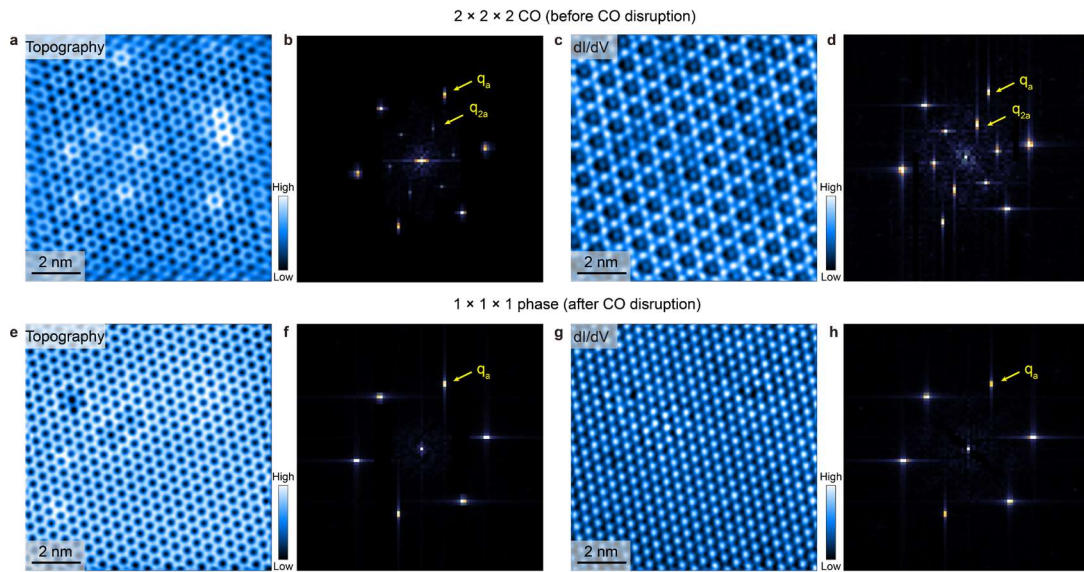


Fig. S9 | Details of the $2 \times 2 \times 2$ CO and the $1 \times 1 \times 1$ phase obtained after CO disruption. a-d, Typical topographic image, dI/dV map and corresponding FFT images of a selected Fe_3Ge region before CO disruption. e-h, Typical topographic image, dI/dV map and corresponding FFT images of the same Fe_3Ge region after CO disruption. The $2 \times 2 \times 2$ CO disappears completely after CO disruption, leaving a pure $1 \times 1 \times 1$ phase. Measurement conditions: a,e, $V_b = 0.2$ V, $I_t = 300$ pA; c,g, $V_b = 0.2$ V, $I_t = 300$ pA, $\Delta V = 30$ mV.

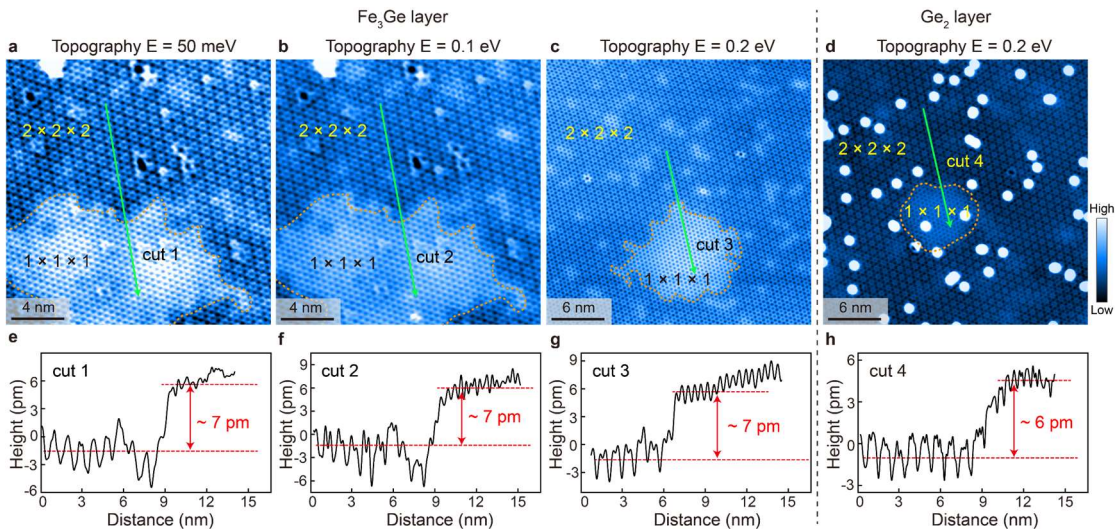


Fig. S10 | Height difference between the $2 \times 2 \times 2$ CO and the $1 \times 1 \times 1$ phase in both the Fe_3Ge and Ge_2 layers. a-c, Typical topographic images of the phase separation regions in Fe_3Ge layer, measured under different energies. d, Typical topographic image of the phase separation region in Ge_2 layer. e-h, Lattice line profiles taken along cuts 1-4, as indicated in panels a-d. A height difference of 6-7 pm is obtained for all the cases. Measurement conditions: a, $V_b = 50$ mV, $I_t = 300$ pA; b, $V_b = 0.1$ V, $I_t = 300$ pA; c,d, $V_b = 0.2$ V, $I_t = 300$ pA.

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