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**Raman Studies of Doped Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> and Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> Nanosheets**<sup>1</sup> COURTNEY KEISER, ZHIPENG YE, CONOR DELANEY, Univ of Northern Iowa, CHEE HUEI LEE, SUKRIT SUCHARITAKUL, XUAN GAO, Case Western Reserve Univ, RUI HE, Univ of Northern Iowa — Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> and Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> are two representative topological insulator (TI) materials. Doping is an important way to control the bulk carrier density and surface properties of these materials. We study surface modified and doped Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> and Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> nanostructures by Raman spectroscopy. In Sb doped Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> nanosheets, we found that a phase transformation in the host Bi<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> lattice occurs when the doping level  $x$  approaches 0.18. This is revealed by the emergence of Sb-Sb and Sb-Se bond vibrations in the Raman spectra. The phase transformation is consistent with a metal-insulator transition at  $x$  0.20 revealed in the temperature dependent electrical transport measurement. Raman characterization of Bi<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>3</sub> nanoplates with sulfur surface passivation will also be discussed.

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