

Supporting information for

## Phase Formation and Ionic Conduction in Na-Doped $\text{Sr}_2\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_7$ Melilite-type Silicate

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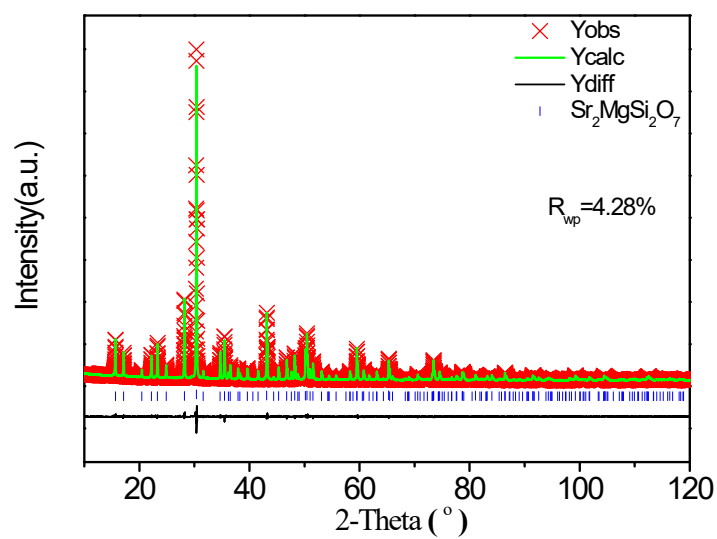
**Table S1.** Final refined structural parameters of Sr<sub>1.6</sub>Na<sub>0.4</sub>MgSi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6.8</sub>.\*

| Atom | Site | <i>x</i>   | <i>y</i>   | <i>z</i>   | Occupancy | B <sub>iso</sub> (Å <sup>2</sup> ) |
|------|------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| Sr   | 4e   | 0.33454(4) | 0.16546(4) | 0.50837(3) | 0.984(2)  | 0.63(2)                            |
| Na   | 4e   | 0.33454(4) | 0.16546(4) | 0.50837(3) | 0.016(2)  | 0.63(2)                            |
| Mg   | 2a   | 0          | 0          | 0          | 1         | 0.65(6)                            |
| Si   | 4e   | 0.1387(1)  | 0.3613(1)  | 0.9437(2)  | 1         | 0.53(5)                            |
| O1   | 2c   | 0.5        | 0          | 0.16001(3) | 1         | 0.49(7)                            |
| O2   | 4e   | 0.1413(2)  | 0.3587(2)  | 0.2544(5)  | 1         | 0.49(7)                            |
| O3   | 8f   | 0.0809(2)  | 0.1893(2)  | 0.7996(4)  | 1         | 0.49(7)                            |

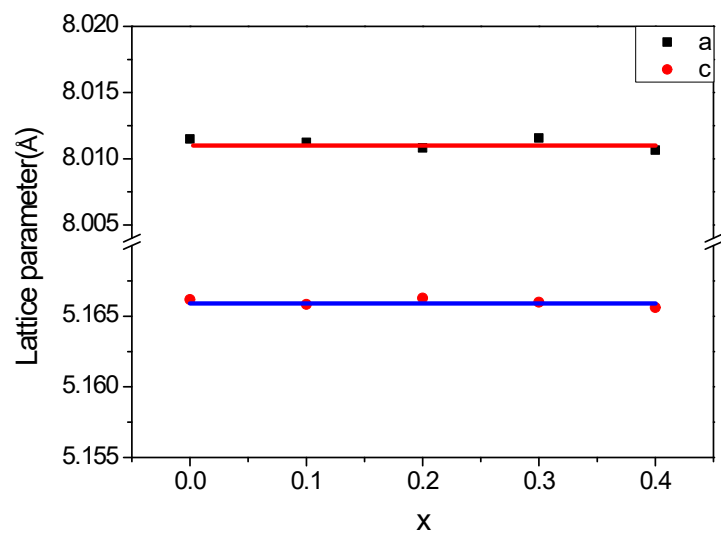
\* $a = b = 8.00087(3)$  Å,  $c = 5.169(1)$  Å,  $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$ ,  $Z = 2$ ,  $V = 330.889(3)$  Å<sup>3</sup>, space group: P<sup>4</sup><sub>2</sub><sub>1</sub>m; Reliability factors are  $R_{wp} \sim 2.79\%$ ,  $R_p \sim 2.04\%$ ,  $R_B \sim 0.83\%$ .

**Table S2.** Selected interatomic bond lengths of Sr<sub>1.6</sub>Na<sub>0.4</sub>MgSi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6.8</sub>.

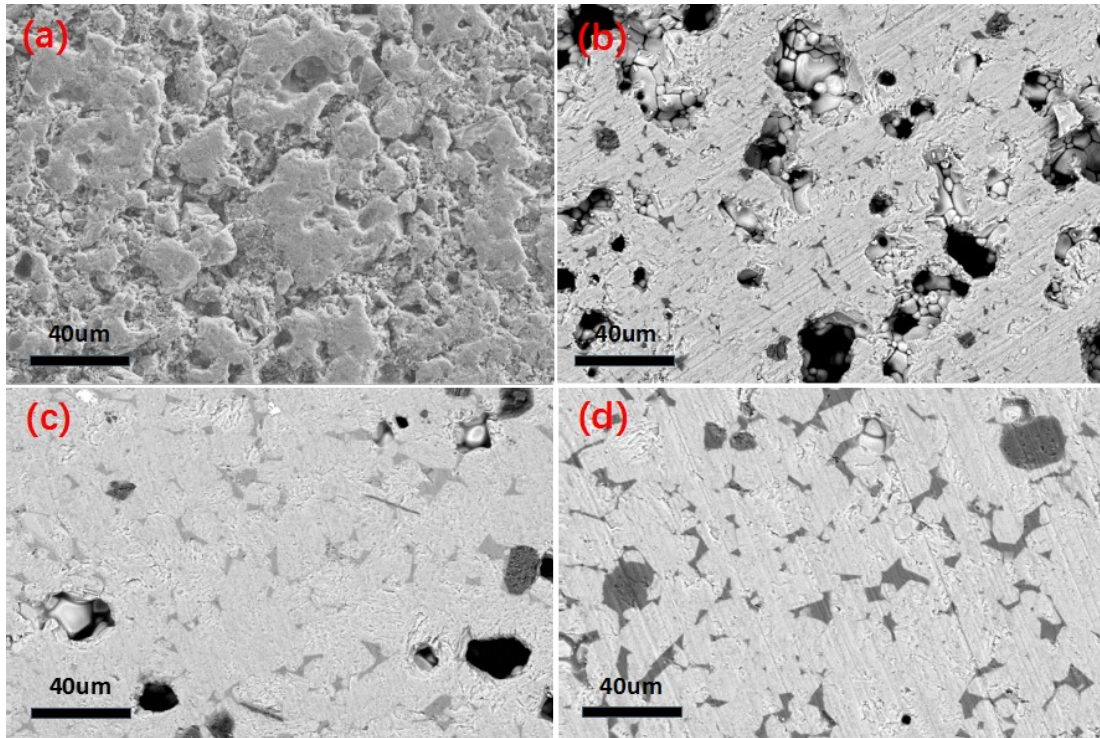
| Bond            | Length (Å) | Bond        | Length (Å) |
|-----------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| Sr1/Na1-O3 (×2) | 2.534(2)   | Mg1-O3 (×4) | 1.962(2)   |
| Sr1/Na1-O2 (×1) | 2.550(3)   | Si1-O2 (×1) | 1.606(3)   |
| Sr1/Na1-O1 (×1) | 2.598(1)   | Si1-O3 (×2) | 1.632(2)   |
| Sr1/Na1-O2 (×2) | 2.750(2)   | Si1-O1 (×1) | 1.659(2)   |
| Sr1/Na1-O3 (×2) | 2.788(2)   |             |            |



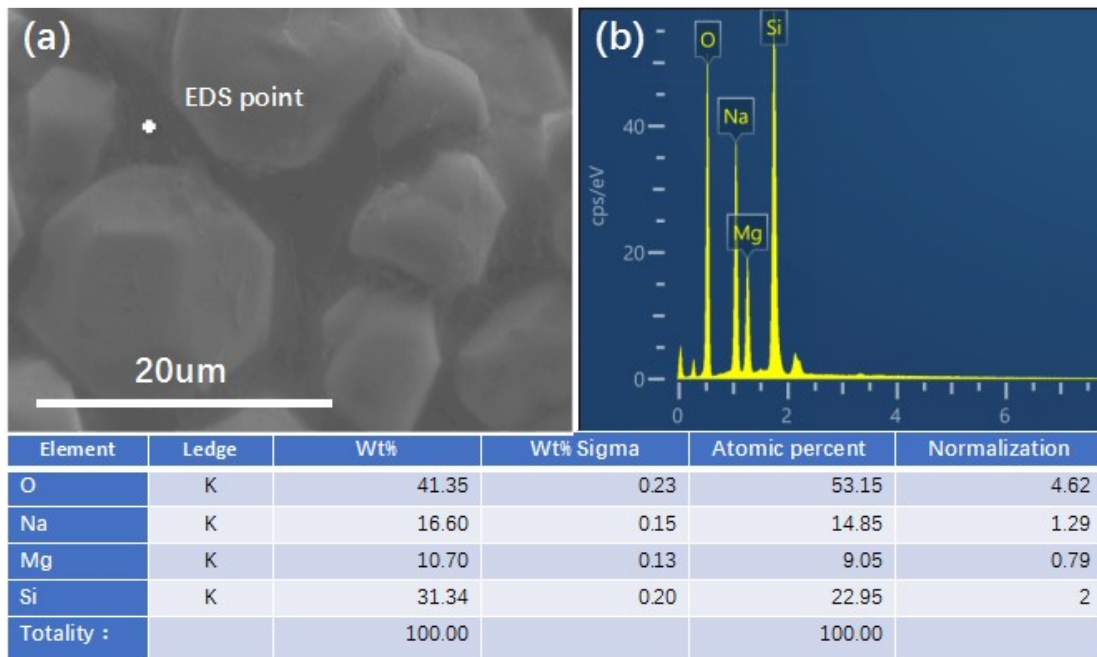
**Figure S1.** Rietveld profile of XRD data for Sr<sub>1.6</sub>Na<sub>0.4</sub>MgSi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6.8</sub>.



**Figure S2.** The refined cell parameters of Sr<sub>2-x</sub>Na<sub>x</sub>MgSi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7-0.5x</sub> (x = 0-0.4).



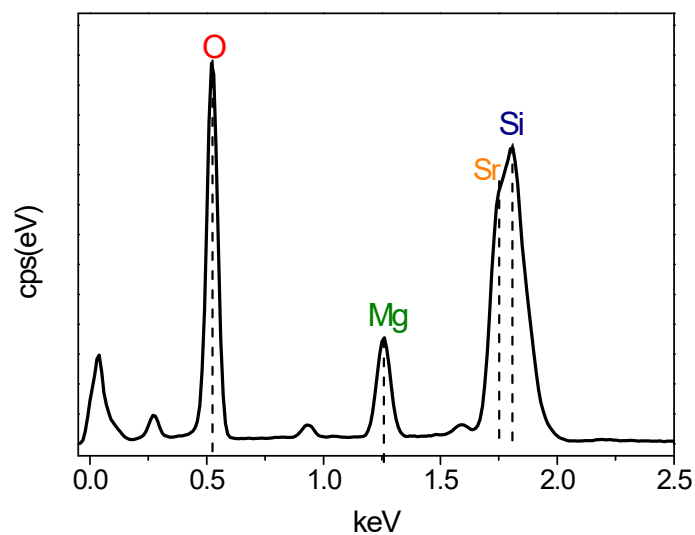
**Figure S3.** The SEM BSE images of polished surface for the (a)  $\text{Sr}_2\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_7$ , (b)  $\text{Sr}_{1.9}\text{Na}_{0.1}\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_{6.95}$ , (c)  $\text{Sr}_{1.8}\text{Na}_{0.2}\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_{6.9}$  and (d)  $\text{Sr}_{1.7}\text{Na}_{0.3}\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_{6.85}$  pellets.



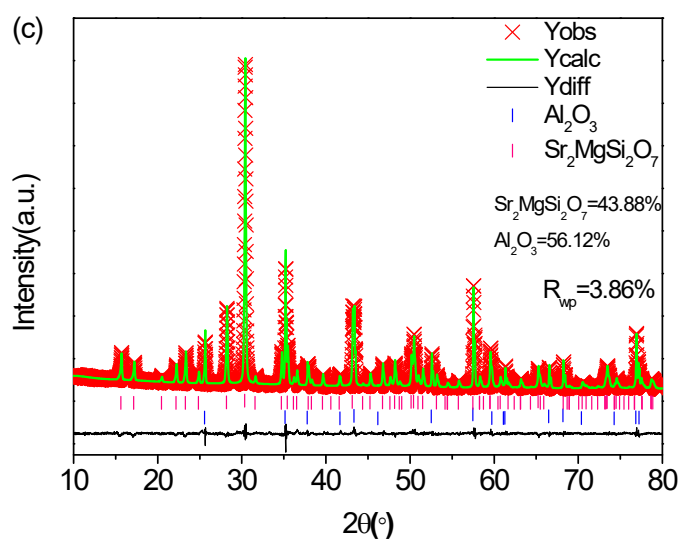
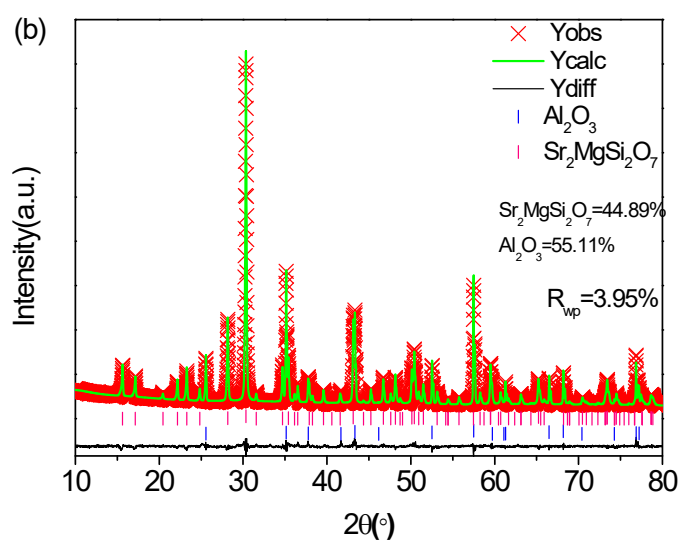
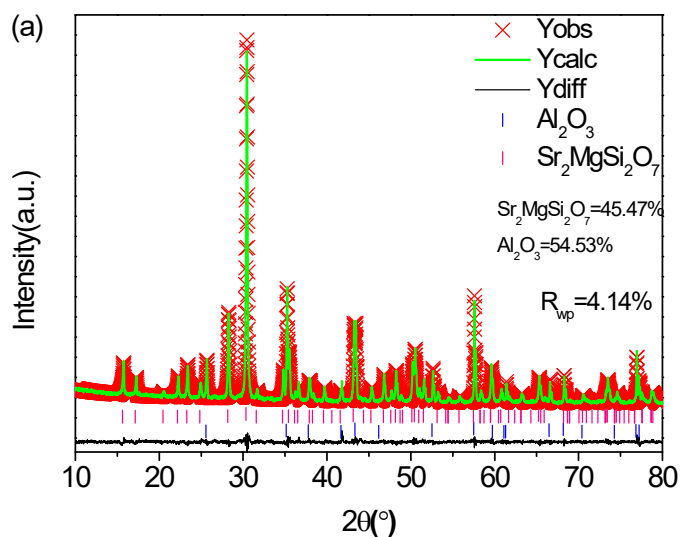
**Figure S4.** Typical SEM-EDS elemental quantitative analysis of the glassy phase in the  $\text{Sr}_{1.6}\text{Na}_{0.4}\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_{6.8}$  pellet: (a) SEM image, (b) EDS spectrum and the table for atomic contents.

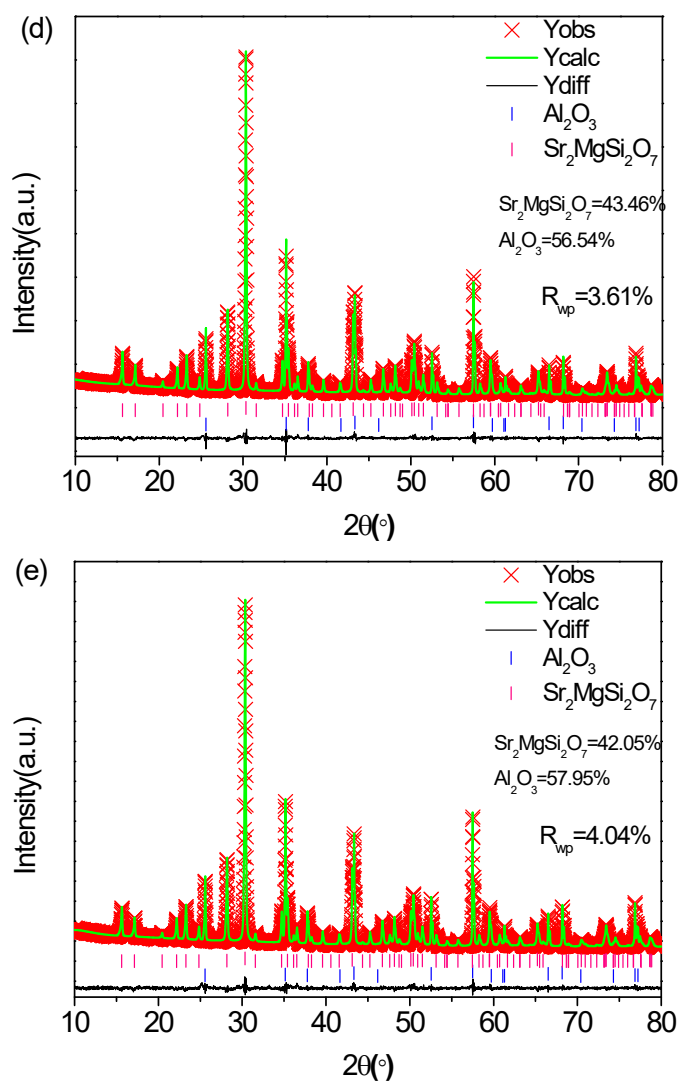
**Table S3.** The TEM-EDS element analysis results for the  $\text{Sr}_{1.6}\text{Na}_{0.4}\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_{6.8}$  sample on the crystal shown in Figure 3c.

| Element          | Edge | Wt% Sigma | Atomic percent | Normalization |
|------------------|------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
| <b>O</b>         | K    | 31.9      | 58.0           | 6.2           |
| <b>Na</b>        | K    | 0         | 0              | 0             |
| <b>Mg</b>        | K    | 7.7       | 9.3            | 1             |
| <b>Si</b>        | K    | 17.9      | 18.6           | 2             |
| <b>Sr</b>        | K    | 42.4      | 14.1           | 1.5           |
| <b>Totality:</b> |      | 100.0     | 100.0          |               |

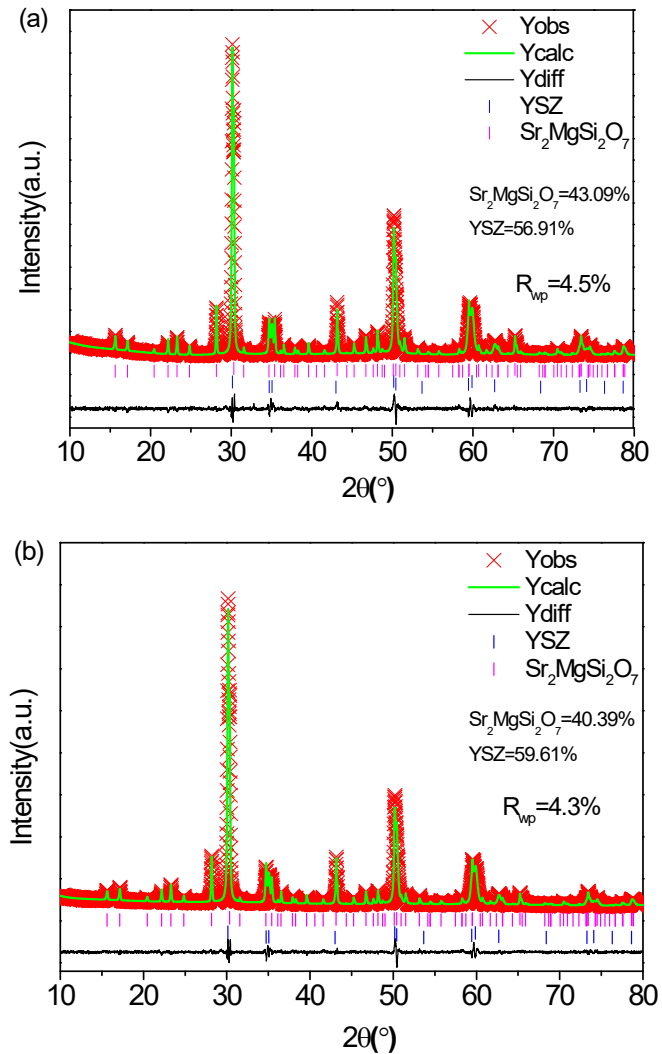


**Figure S5.** The TEM-EDS spectrum for the  $\text{Sr}_{1.6}\text{Na}_{0.4}\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_{6.8}$  sample on the crystal shown in Figure 3c.



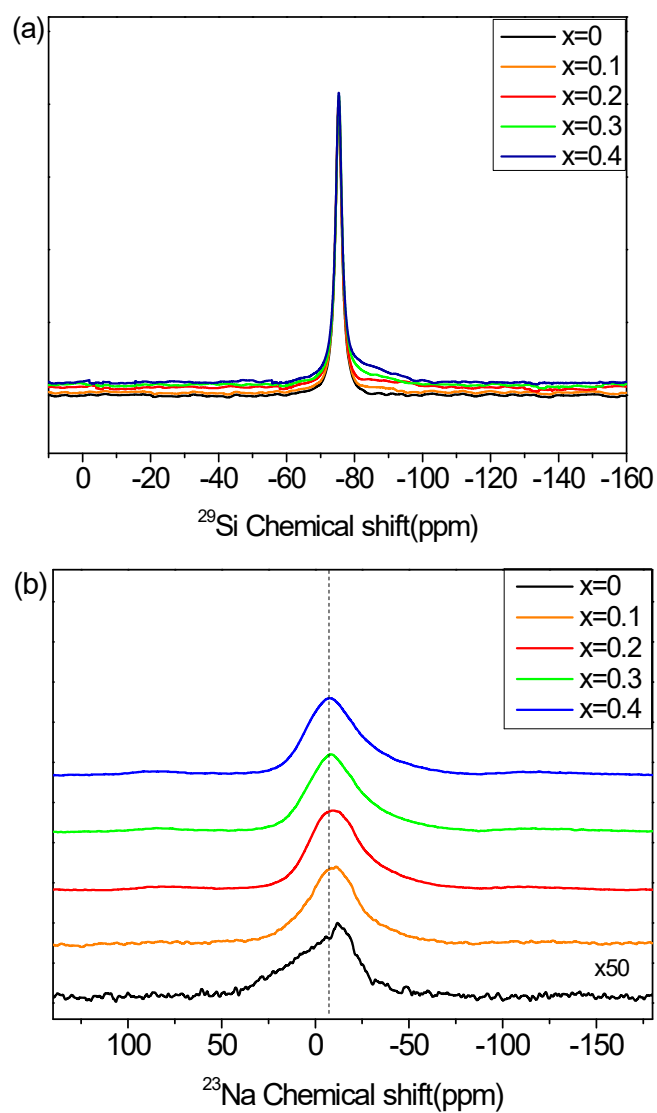


**Figure S6.** Two-phase Rietveld refinement of the mixture containing  $\text{Sr}_{2-x}\text{Na}_x\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_7$  and  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  phases as internal standard with mass percentages of 50%: (a)  $x = 0$ , (b)  $x = 0.1$ , (c)  $x = 0.2$ , (d)  $x = 0.3$ , (e)  $x = 0.4$ .

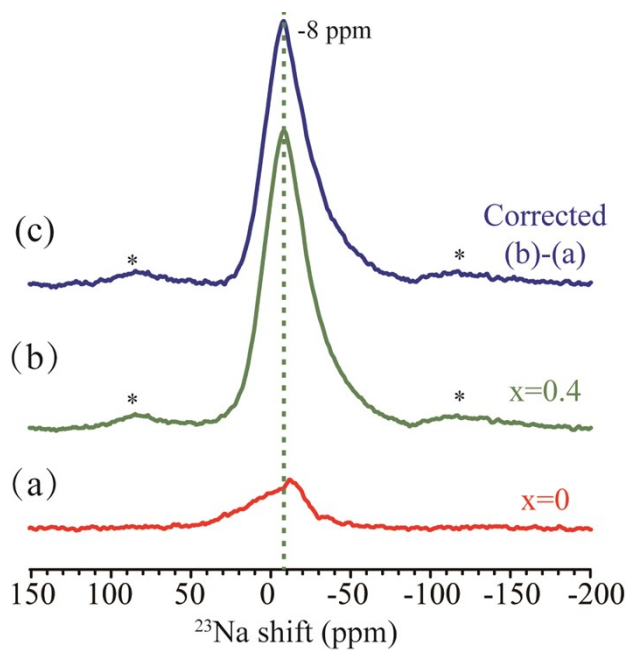


**Figure S7.** Rietveld plots of (a)  $\text{Sr}_2\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_7$  and (b)  $\text{Sr}_{1.7}\text{Na}_{0.3}\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_{6.85}$  with YSZ as internal standard. The glassy phase contents from the two-phase Rietveld analysis are 24(1) wt% and 32(1) wt% in  $\text{Sr}_2\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_7$  and  $\text{Sr}_{1.7}\text{Na}_{0.3}\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_{6.85}$ , respectively. Although the difference between their glassy phase content 7.9 % is close to that (6.9%) from the analysis using the  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  standard, the systematic error (24.3 wt%) is even higher than that (16.6 wt%) from the analysis using  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  as standard.

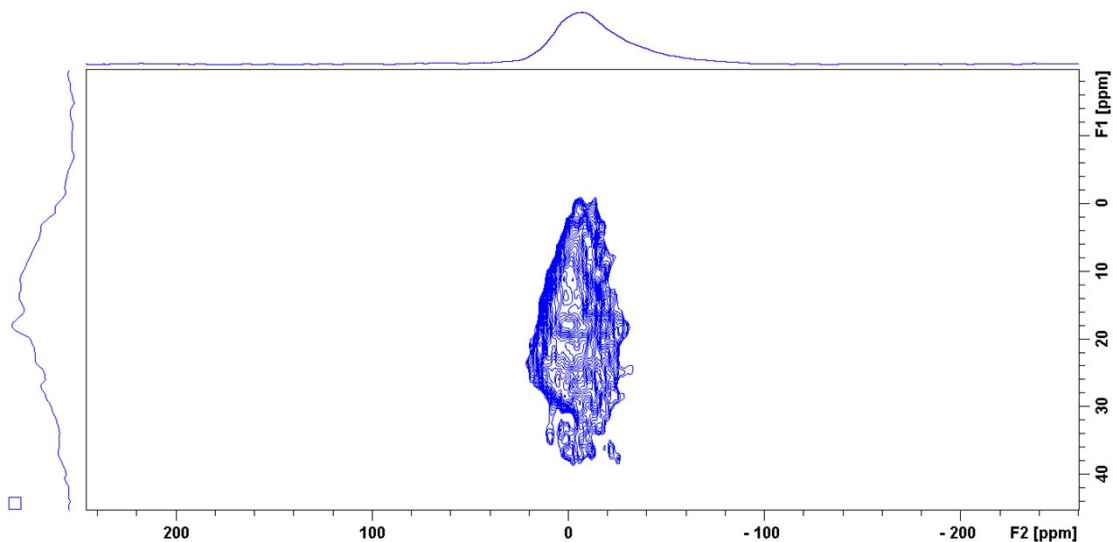




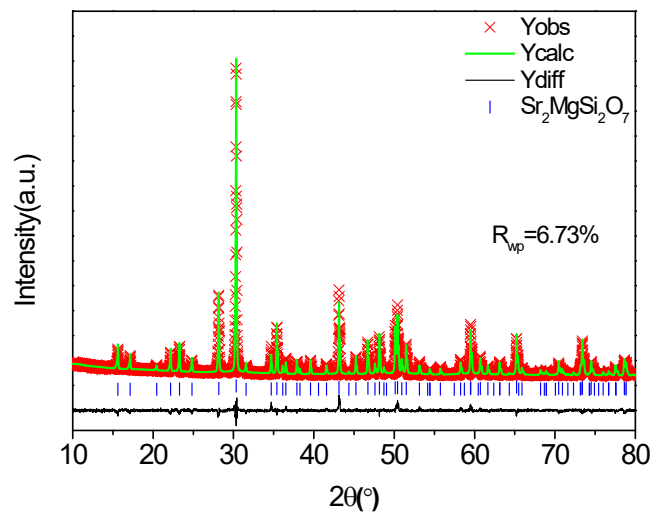
**Figure S8.** (a)  $^{29}\text{Si}$  and (b)  $^{23}\text{Na}$  solid state NMR spectra for the  $x = 0-0.4$  compositions of  $\text{Sr}_{2-x}\text{Na}_x\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_{7-0.5x}$ .



**Figure S9.** The correction of  $^{23}\text{Na}$  NMR spectrum by subtracting (a) the signal of undoped pristine composition from (b) the raw NMR spectra for  $\text{Sr}_{1.6}\text{Na}_{0.4}\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_{6.8}$ . (c) is the corrected spectrum.



**Figure S10.** Two dimensional  $^{23}\text{Na}$  MQMAS NMR spectrum of  $\text{Sr}_{1.6}\text{Na}_{0.4}\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_{6.8}$ .



**Figure S11.** Rietveld refinement of the XRD data for the  $\text{Sr}_{1.6}\text{Na}_{0.4}\text{MgSi}_2\text{O}_{6.8}$  sample at 1000 °C.