

Supporting Information for

Enhancing the reversible capacity and cycling stability of sodium cathode materials by Li⁺ reversible migration

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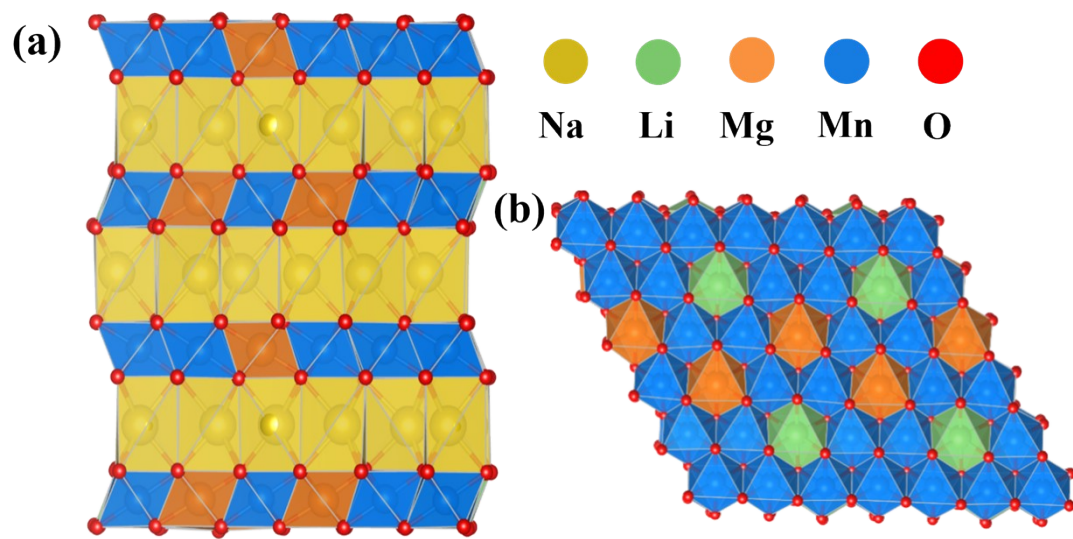


Figure S1. The cell structure model of NLMMO for DFT calculation. (a) The structure diagram obtained along the a-axis. (b) The structure diagram obtained along the c-axis.

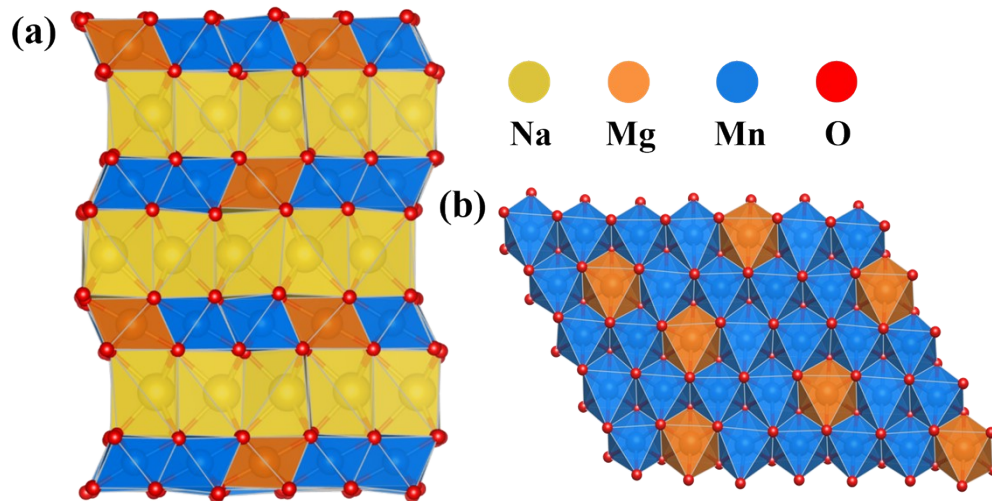


Figure S2. The cell structure model of NMMO for DFT calculation. (a) The structure diagram obtained along the a-axis. (b) The structure diagram obtained along the c-axis.

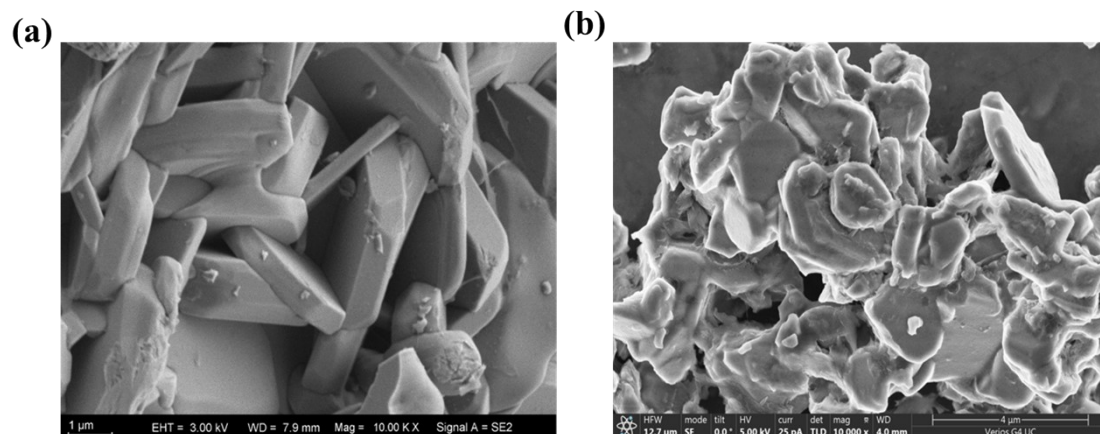


Figure S3. SEM images of (a) P2-NLMMO and (b) P2-NMMO. The surface of NLMMO is relatively smooth, while the surface of NMMO will have particles attached to it.

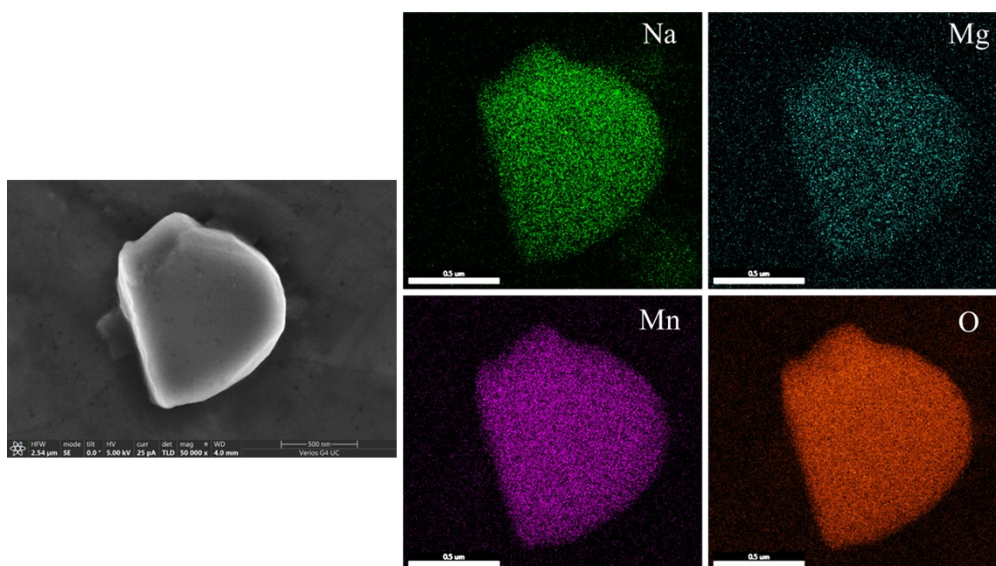


Figure S4. SEM image of P2-NMMO and the corresponding EDS mappings. The Na, Mg, Mn and O elements are uniformly distributed in the sample.

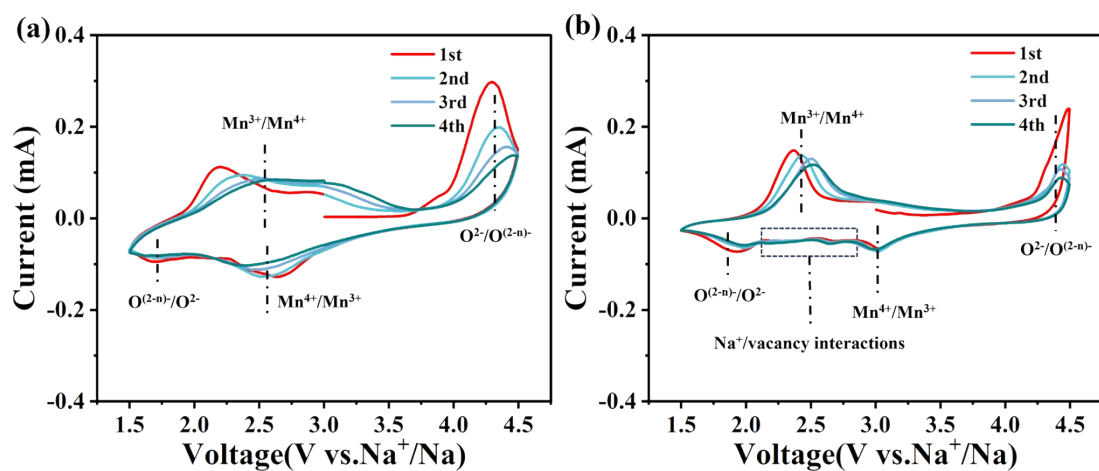


Figure S5. CV curves of (a) NLMMO and (b) NMMO at a scan rate of 0.1 mV s⁻¹. The CV CURVES of NLMMO and NMMO all reflected the redox reactions of Mn³⁺/Mn⁴⁺ and O²⁻/O⁽²⁻ⁿ⁾⁻. In addition, NMMO had the presence of Na⁺/vacancy interactions.

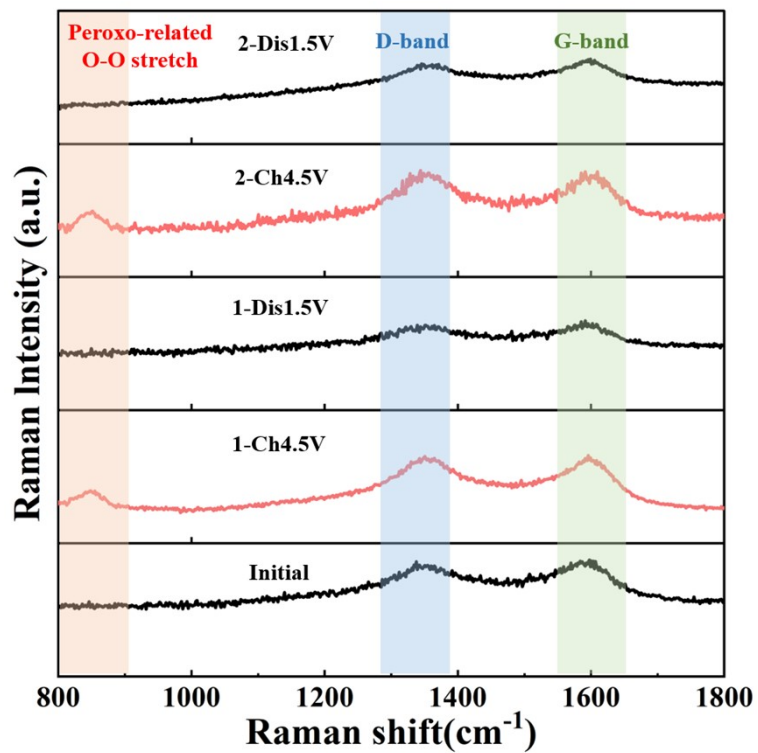


Figure S6. The *ex-situ* Raman spectra of NLMMO in the first two cycles. When charged to 4.5 V, the appearance of a new peak at 850 cm^{-1} represents the oxidation of O species. In the first two cycles, the change of peaks in the peroxo-related O-O stretching region demonstrated the redox activity of oxygen.

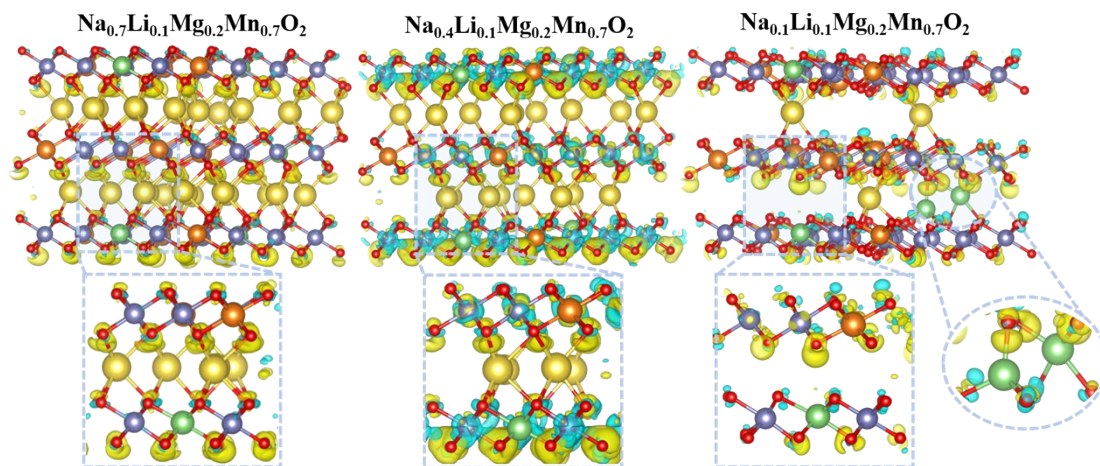


Figure S7. A plot of the charge density difference upon desodiation. The yellow portion indicates an increase in charge density and the blue portion indicates a decrease in charge density. In the desodiation process, the increased charge density of oxygen indicates the oxidation of oxygen.

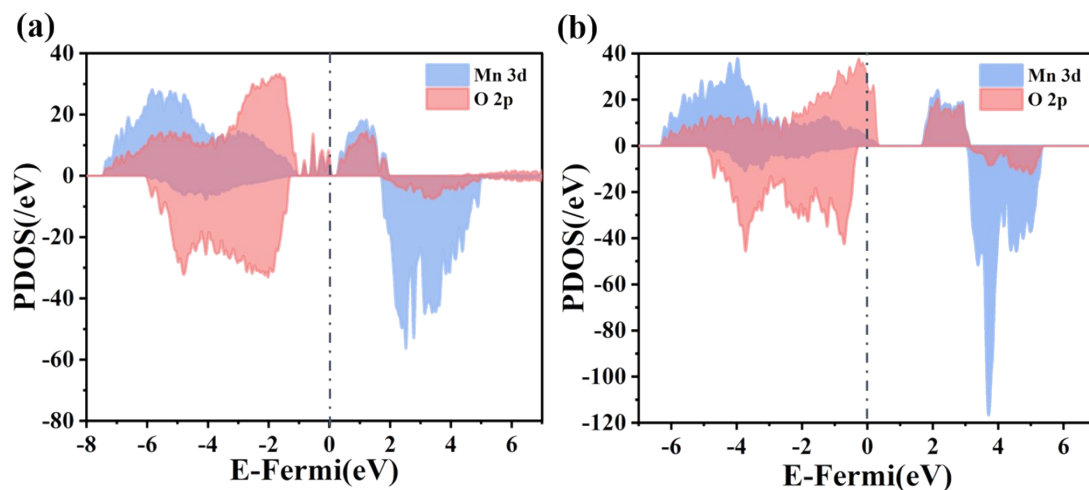


Figure S8. The pDOS of the Mn 3d and O 2p orbitals of $\text{Na}_x\text{Mg}_{0.2}\text{Mn}_{0.8}\text{O}_2$ ($x=0.7, 0.1$).

In the desodiation, the O 2p orbitals in the spin-up region move to higher energies and cross the Fermi energy level. This indicates the oxidation of O^{2-} to $\text{O}^{(2-n)-}$ upon desodiation.

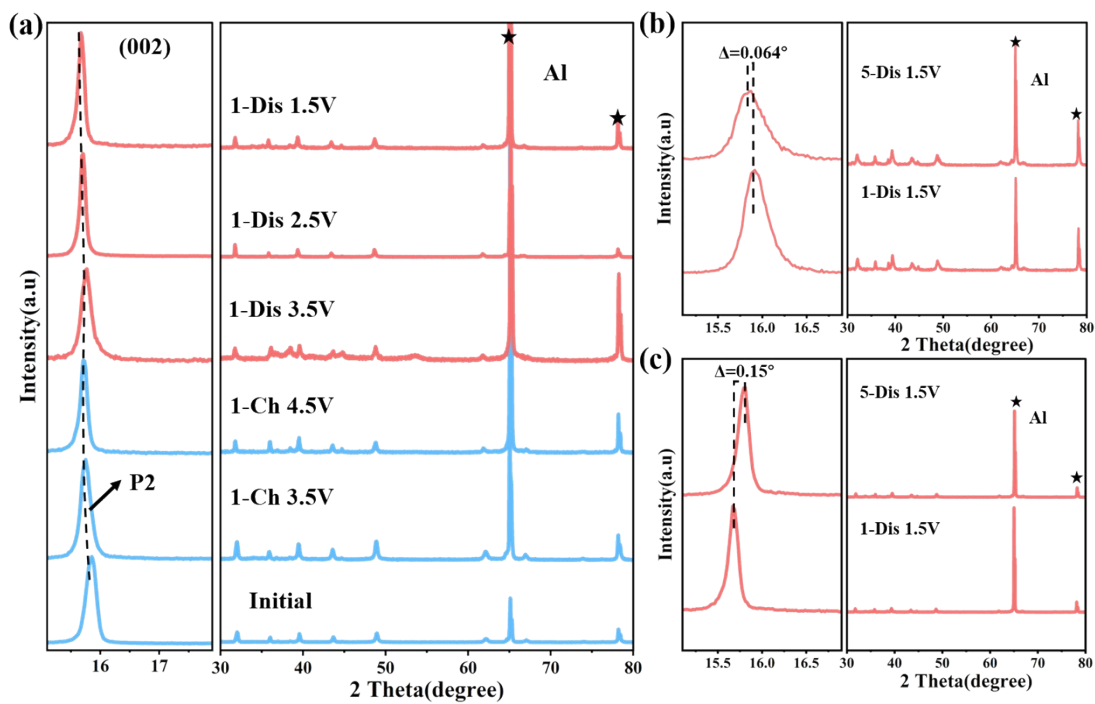


Figure S9. (a) Evolution of XRD patterns of P2-NMMO cathode during cycling. The change in the position of the main peaks (002) of NLMMO (b) and NMMO (c) can be observed from the XRD results at the end of the 1st and 5th discharges, and NLMMO was shifted by only 0.064° , while the NMMO was shifted by 0.15° .

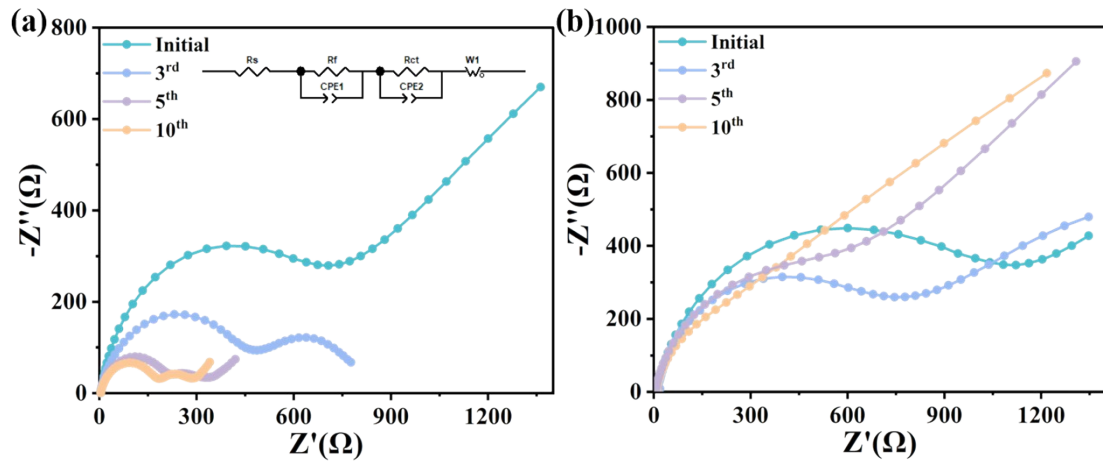


Figure S10. Impedance spectra of electrodes before cycling and after different cycles (Inset is the equivalent circuit). The fitting values of R_{ct} are listed in Table S4. Due to the formation of CEI during cycling, the impedance decreased and gradually stabilized in subsequent cycles. The resistance of the NLMMO was gradually reduced from 816 to 179.8 Ω , while the resistance of the NMMO was only reduced from 1203 to 607.8 Ω .

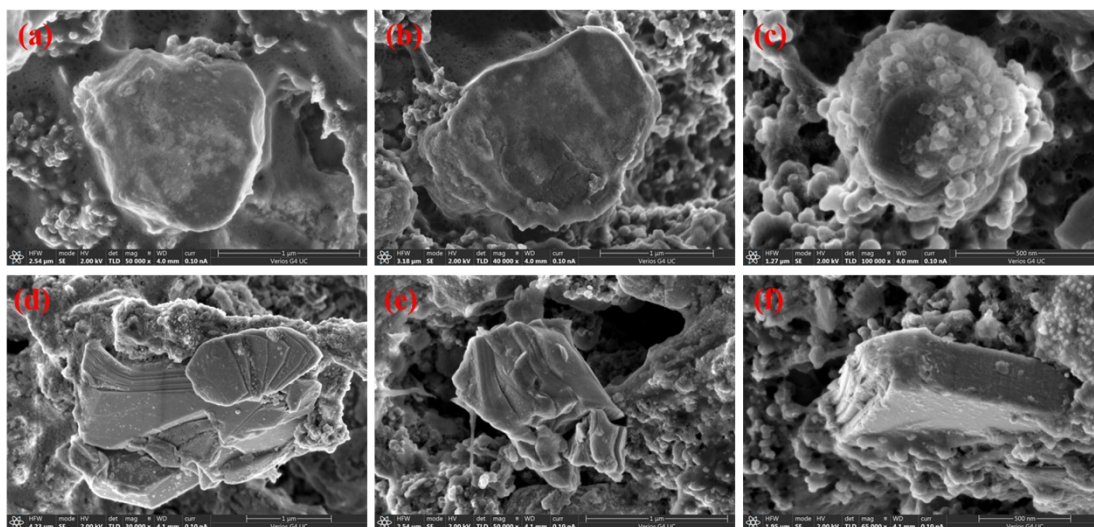


Figure S11. SEM images of NLMMO (a-c) and NMMO (d-f) after 10 cycles. The NLMMO still maintained the intact particles, while the NMMO showed a serious cracking. This increased the side reaction between NMMO and electrolyte, and also explained the decay phenomenon of its capacity.

Table S1. Lattice parameters of P2-NLMMO material derived from Rietveld

refinement

atom	site	x	y	z	occ.
Nae	2d	0.66667	0.33333	0.25	0.43
Naf	2b	0	0	0.25	0.27
Li	2a	0	0	0	0.1
Mg	2a	0	0	0	0.2
Mn	2a	0	0	0	0.7
O	4f	0.66667	0.33333	0.08660	1

***P6₃/mmc*. a=b=2.88508 Å, c=11.08730 Å, Rp: 4.41 Rwp: 7.37 Rexp: 4 chi2: 2.62**

Table S2. ICP-OES results of P2-NLMMO and P2-NMMO materials

Sample	Measured atomic ration			
	Na	Li	Mg	Mn
NLMMO	0.69	0.11	0.2	0.71
NMMO	0.69		0.2	0.81

Table S3. Parameter table for button cell batteries

Materials	Cathodes' mass loading (mg)	Electrolyte amount (μl)	Radius (mm)	Thicknesses (μm)
NLMMO	2.4784	150	14	20
NMMO	2.5504	150	14	20

Table S4. The fitting values of R_{ct} for materials after different cycles

Materials	Initial	3rd	5th	10th
NLMMO	816	387.5	244.7	179.8
NMMO	1203	938.5	871.4	607.8

Table S5. Comparison of electrochemical performance (reversible capacity, capacity retention) with other ARR-involving layered sodium oxide cathodes

Materials	Operating voltage	Current Density	initial capacity	Capacity retention	Refs.
$\text{Na}_{0.65}\text{Li}_{0.22}\text{Mn}_{0.78}\text{O}_{1.99}\text{F}_{0.01}$	1.5-4.5	10 mA/g	177	87.8%	1
$\text{Na}_{0.66}\text{Li}_{0.22}\text{Mn}_{0.78}\text{O}_2$	1.5-4.5	10 mA/g	180	72%	1
$\text{Na}_{1.2}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ir}_{0.4}\text{O}_2$	1.5-4.4	0.1 C	137	72%	2
$\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Li}_{0.27}\text{Mn}_{0.68}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_2$	2-4.3	20 mA/g	143	78%	3
$\text{Na}_{2/3}\text{Mn}_{7/9}\text{Zn}_{2/9}\text{O}_2$	1.5-4.2	0.1 C	195	60%	4
$\text{Na}_{0.66}\text{Li}_{0.22}\text{Mn}_{0.775}\text{Zr}_{0.005}\text{O}_2$	1.5-4.5	0.05 C	197	81%	5
$\text{Na}_{0.75}\text{Ca}_{0.05}\text{Li}_{0.15}\text{Fe}_{0.2}\text{Mn}_{0.6}\text{O}_2$	1.5-4.5	0.1 C	208	42.3%	6
$\text{Na}_{2/3}[\text{Zn}_{1/9}\text{Mn}_{7/9}\square_{1/9}]\text{O}_2$	1.5-4.4	20 mA/g	204	63.41%	7
$\text{Na}_{0.67}\text{Mg}_{0.2}\text{Mn}_{0.8}\text{O}_2$	1.5-4.5	0.1 C	219.5	64.46%	8
$\text{Na}_{0.67}\text{Zn}_{0.2}\text{Mn}_{0.8}\text{O}_2$	1.5-4.5	0.1 C	208	64.9%	8
$\text{Na}_{0.73}\text{Li}_{0.11}\text{Mg}_{0.12}\text{Mn}_{0.77}\text{O}_2$	1.5-4.5	0.1 C	220	62%	9
$\text{Na}_{0.67}\text{Ni}_{0.2}\text{Fe}_{0.15}\text{Mn}_{0.65}\text{O}_2$	1.5-4.3	15 mA/g	207	31.4%	10
$\text{Na}_{0.7}\text{Li}_{0.1}\text{Mg}_{0.2}\text{Mn}_{0.7}\text{O}_2$	1.5-4.5	0.1C	217	84.3%	this work

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