**Supporting Information** 

## Transport Properties of Ba(Zr,Ce,Y,Yb)O<sub>3-δ</sub> Proton Conductor: the Real Role of Co-Substitution of Y and Yb

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## 1. XRD Patterns



Figure S1 Powder XRD patterns of (a)  $BaZr_{0.8}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (b)  $BaZr_{0.7}Ce_{0.1}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (c)  $BaZr_{0.6}Ce_{0.2}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (d)  $BaZr_{0.5}Ce_{0.3}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (e)  $BaZr_{0.4}Ce_{0.4}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (f)  $BaZr_{0.3}Ce_{0.5}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (g)  $BaZr_{0.2}Ce_{0.6}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (h)  $BaZr_{0.1}Ce_{0.7}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$  and (i)  $BaCe_{0.8}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$  after sintering.



Figure S2 Powder XRD patterns of (a)  $BaZr_{0.1}Ce_{0.7}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (b)  $BaZr_{0.1}Ce_{0.7}Y_{0.15}Yb_{0.05}O_{3-\delta}$ , (c)  $BaZr_{0.1}Ce_{0.7}Y_{0.1}Yb_{0.1}O_{3-\delta}$ , (d)  $BaZr_{0.1}Ce_{0.7}Y_{0.05}Yb_{0.15}O_{3-\delta}$  and (e)  $BaZr_{0.1}Ce_{0.7}Yb_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$  after sintering.



Figure S3 Powder XRD patterns of (a)  $BaCe_{0.8}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (b)  $BaCe_{0.8}Y_{0.1}Yb_{0.1}O_{3-\delta}$  and (c)  $BaCe_{0.8}Yb_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$  after sintering.



Figure S4 Powder XRD patterns of (a)  $BaZr_{0.8}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (b)  $BaZr_{0.8}Y_{0.1}Yb_{0.1}O_{3-\delta}$  and (c)  $BaZr_{0.8}Yb_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$  after sintering.

## 2. SEM Images



Figure S5 SEM images of fractured cross-section of as-sintered (a)  $BaZr_{0.8}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (b)  $BaZr_{0.7}Ce_{0.1}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (c)  $BaZr_{0.6}Ce_{0.2}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (d)  $BaZr_{0.5}Ce_{0.3}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (e)  $BaZr_{0.4}Ce_{0.4}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (f)  $BaZr_{0.3}Ce_{0.5}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (g)  $BaZr_{0.2}Ce_{0.6}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (h)  $BaZr_{0.1}Ce_{0.7}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$  and (i)  $BaCe_{0.8}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ .



Figure S6 SEM images of fractured cross-section of as-sintered (a)  $BaZr_{0.1}Ce_{0.7}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (b)  $BaZr_{0.1}Ce_{0.7}Y_{0.15}Yb_{0.05}O_{3-\delta}$ , (c)  $BaZr_{0.1} Ce_{0.7}Y_{0.1}Yb_{0.1}O_{3-\delta}$ , (d)  $BaZr_{0.1}Ce_{0.7}Y_{0.05}Yb_{0.15}O_{3-\delta}$  and (e)  $BaZr_{0.1}Ce_{0.7}Yb_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ .



Figure S7 SEM images of fractured cross-section of as-sintered (a)  $BaCe_{0.8}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (b)  $BaCe_{0.8}Y_{0.1}Yb_{0.1}O_{3-\delta}$  and (c)  $BaCe_{0.8}Yb_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ .



Figure S8 SEM images of fractured cross-section of as-sintered (a)  $BaZr_{0.8}Y_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ , (b)  $BaZr_{0.8}Y_{0.1}Yb_{0.1}O_{3-\delta}$  and (c)  $BaZr_{0.8}Yb_{0.2}O_{3-\delta}$ .

## **3. EMF Measurements**



**Figure S9** Change of voltage of  $BaZr_{0.1}Ce_{0.7}Y_{0.1}Yb_{0.1}O_{3-\delta}$  with the elapsed time during switching the gas fed to the two electrodes at 600 °C.