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CRYSTAL CHEMISTRY OF IMPORTANT POLYANIONIC MATERIALS USED AS CATHODES IN REAL SODIUM-ION BATTERIES: THE DECISIVE IMPACT OF SYNCHROTRON X-RAY DIFFRACTION



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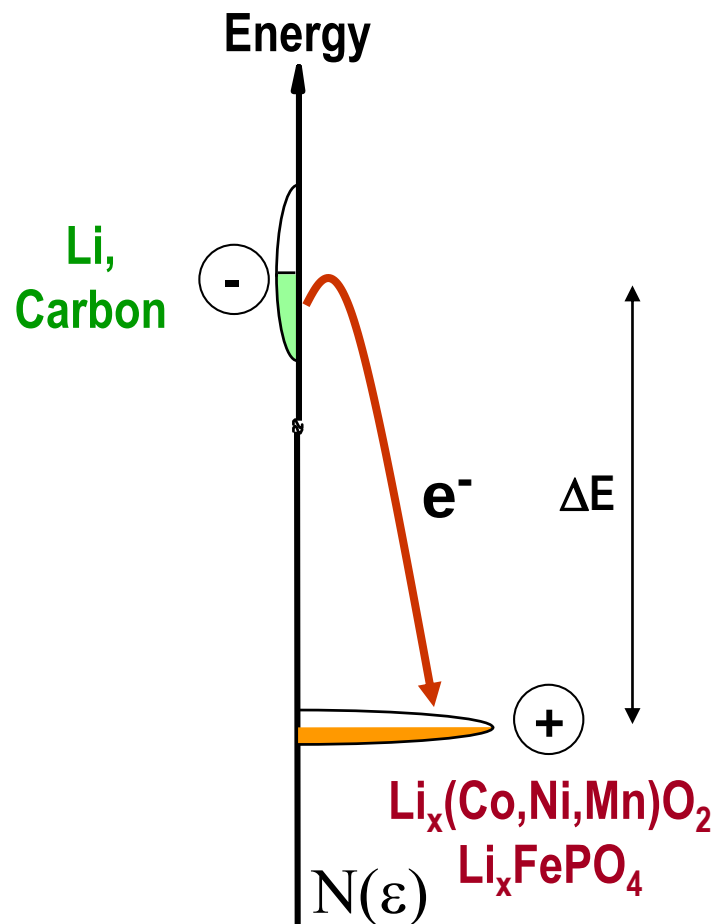


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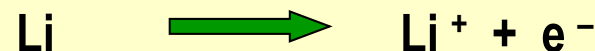


Discharge of a battery :

Transformation of chemical energy into electric energy



Oxidation at the **negative** electrode



Reduction at the **positive** electrode



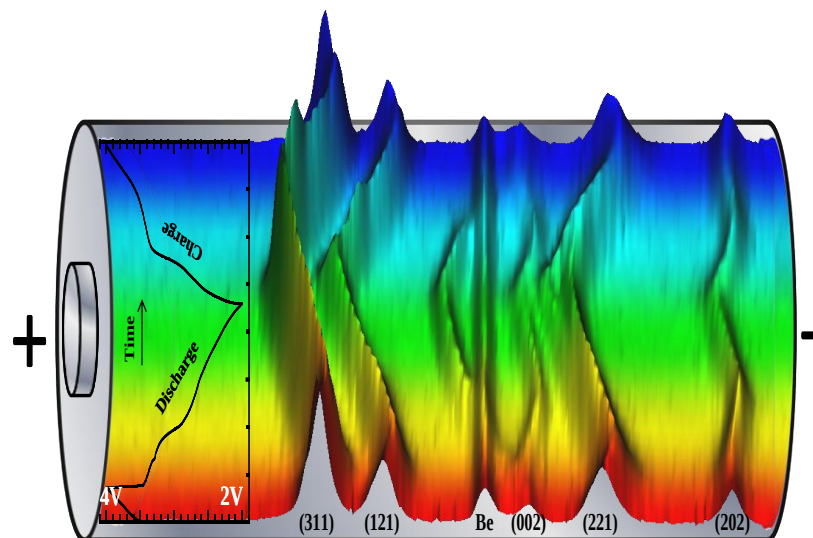
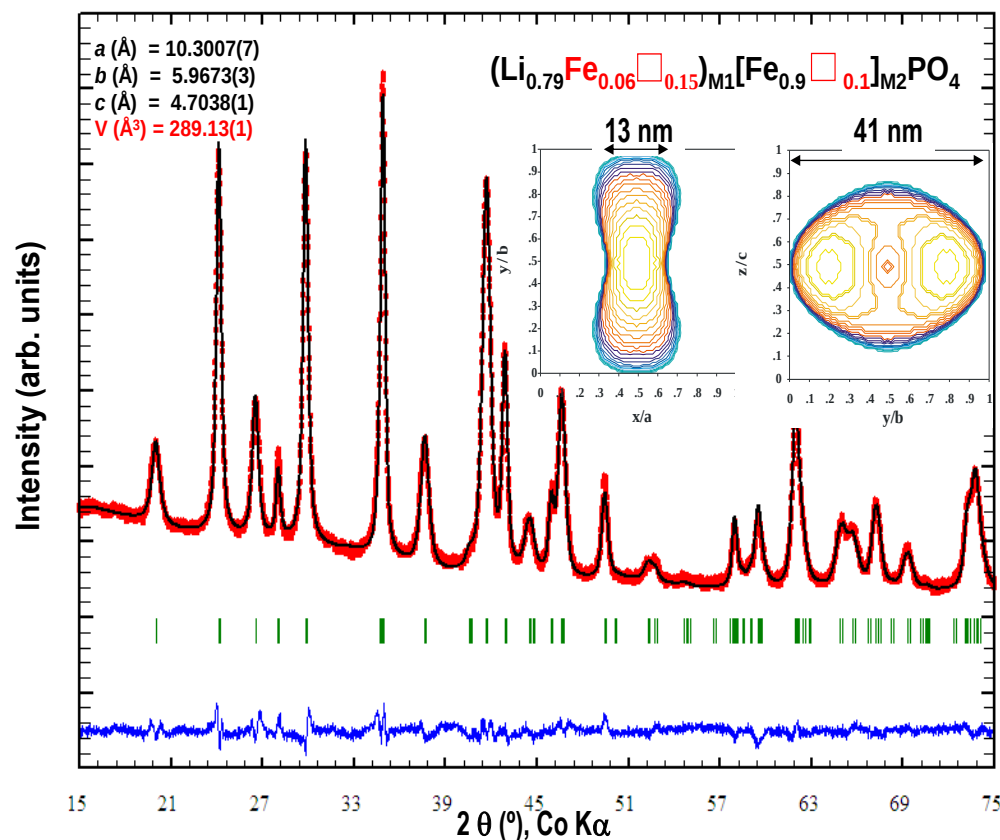
The associated structural transformations should be, preferably, REVERSIBLE
The Crystal structure of the positive electrode material plays a MAJOR ROLE

Extensive use of Diffraction (X-Ray and/or Neutrons)

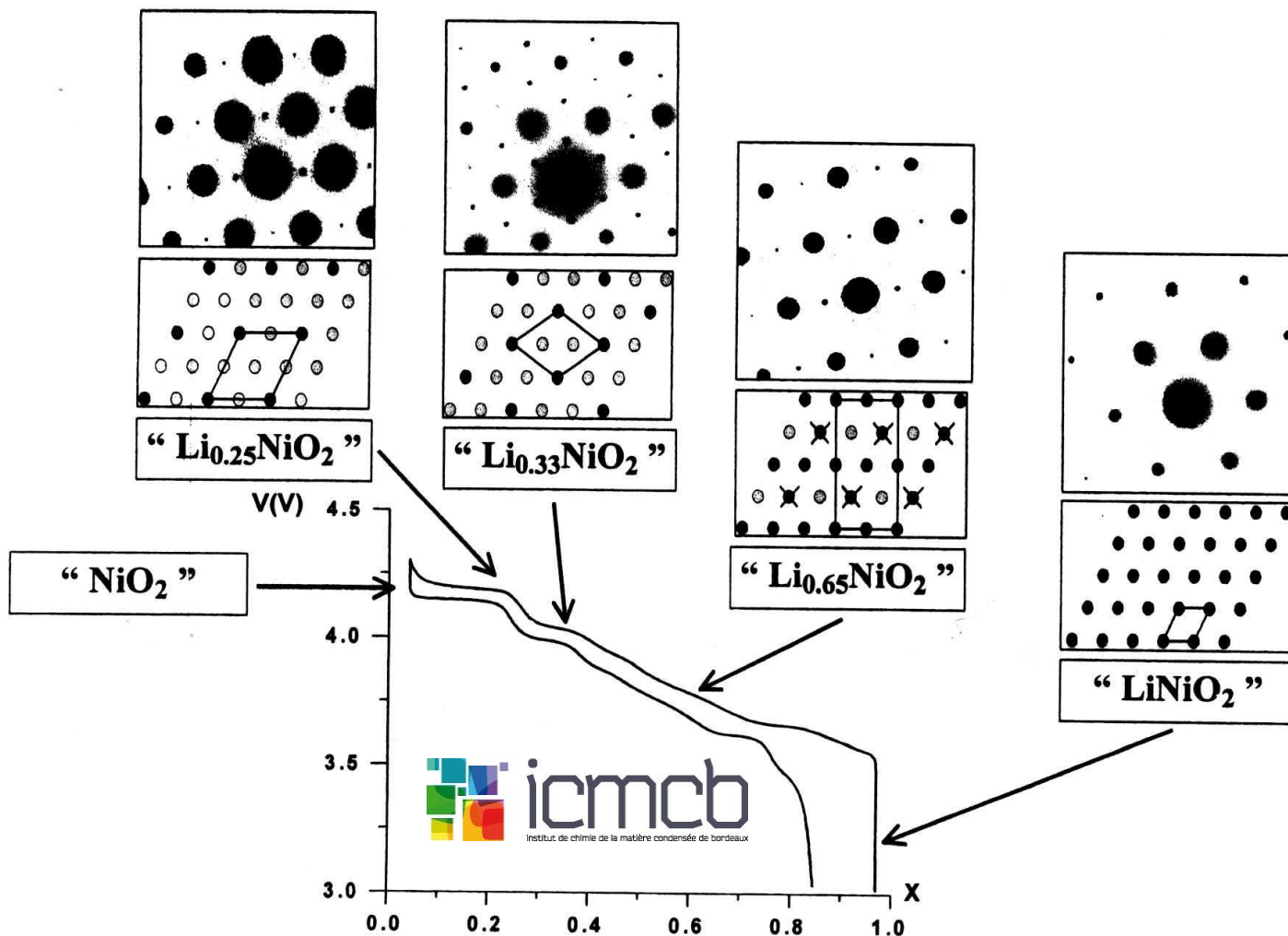
Characterization of **New Phases** synthesized and of **Phase Transitions**

In Situ / Operando techniques for mechanisms of Li^+ insertion / extraction

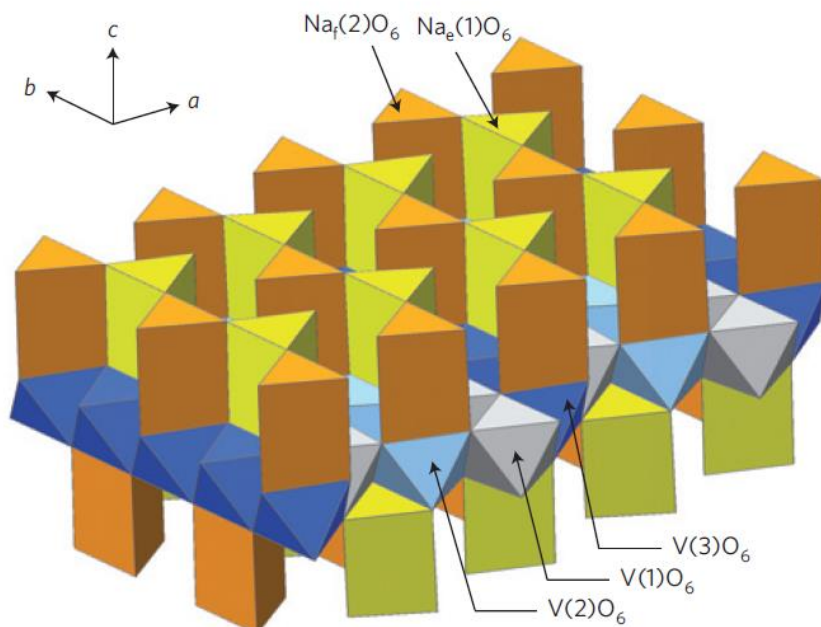
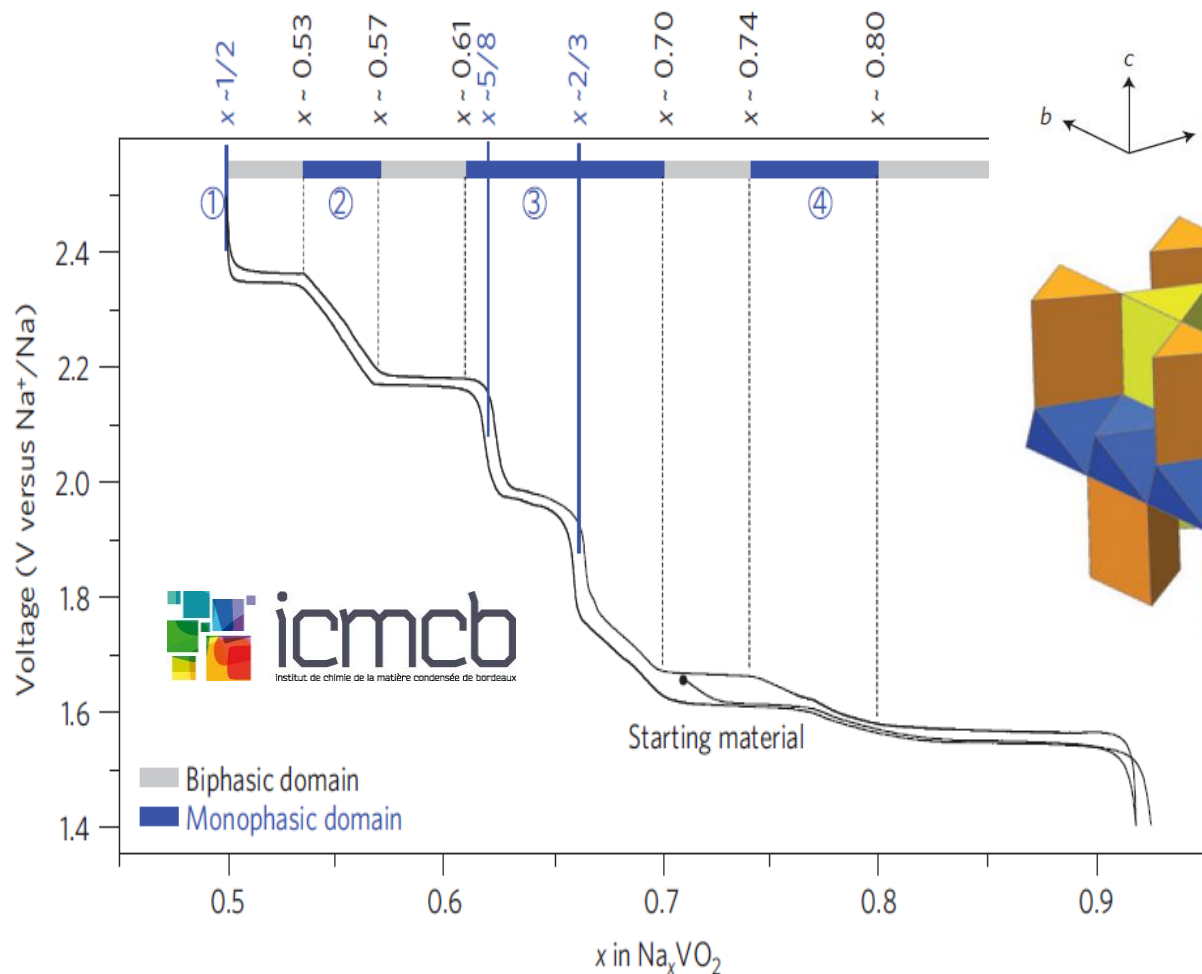
Also with : TEM, NMR, Mössbauer, XAS, EELS, DSC, conductivity ...



Complex series of phase transitions spotted through electron diffraction In $\text{Li}_{1-x}\text{NiO}_2$

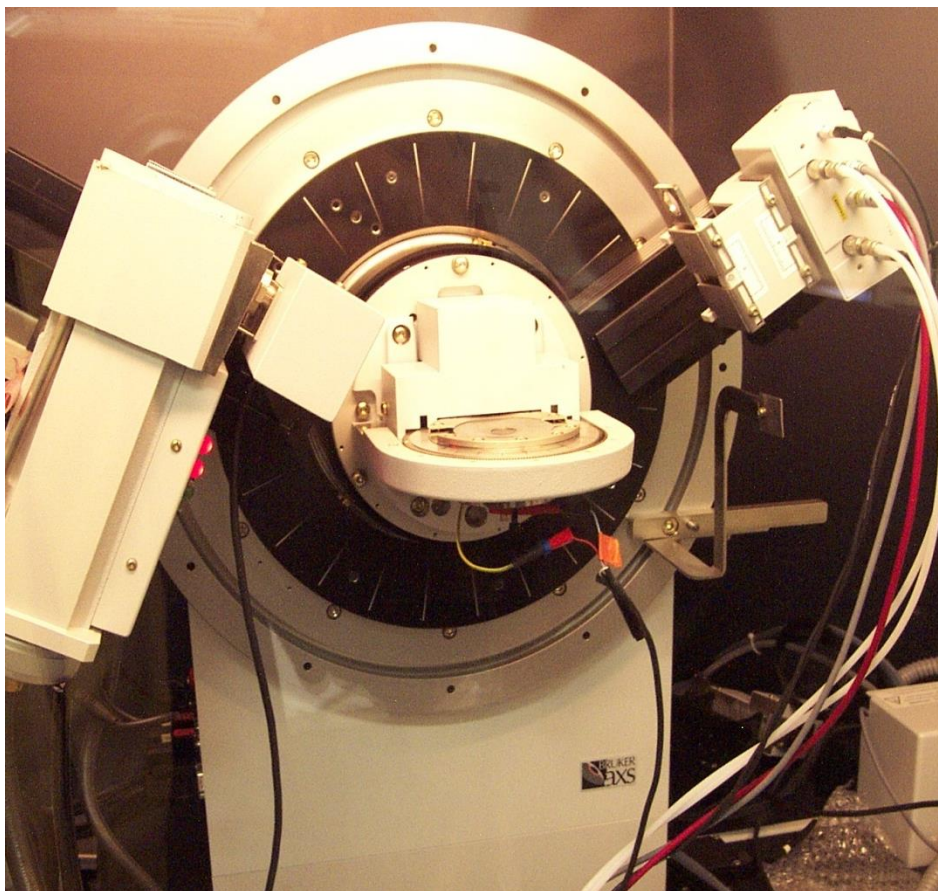


Complex series of phase transitions spotted through in situ diffraction



In Situ X-Ray Diffraction during battery operation (Reflexion)

Co K_{α} Radiation,
Réflexion θ - θ geometry, PSD counter
Within a Be-capped cell



Invented at LRCS (2005), commercialized worldwide by BRUKER
(new ones (much better !!), designed by Jean-Noël Chotard, are also sold now.....)

In Situ X-Ray Diffraction during battery operation (Transmission)

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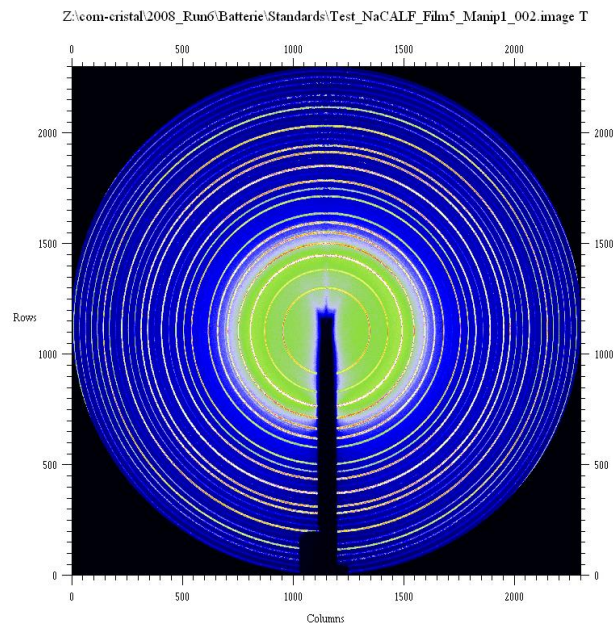
An Electrochemical Cell for *Operando* Study of Lithium Batteries Using Synchrotron Radiation

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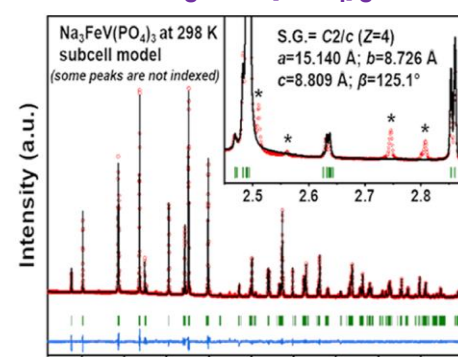
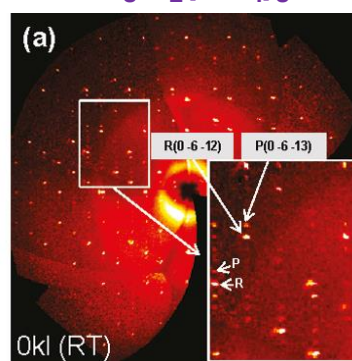
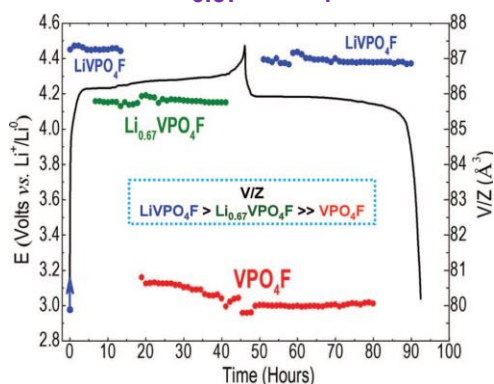
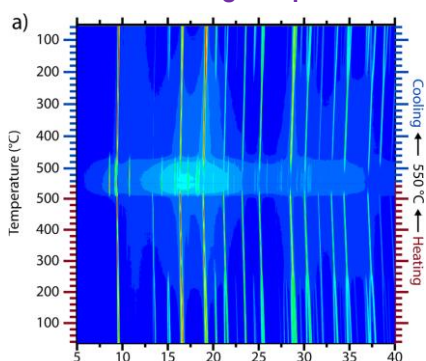
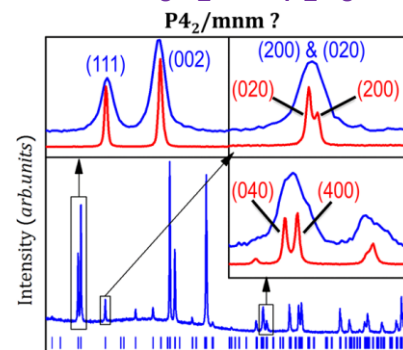
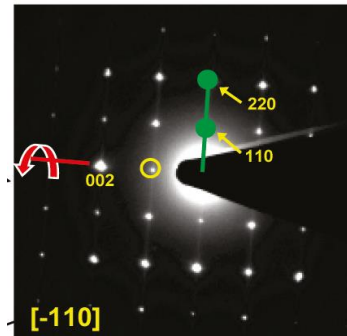
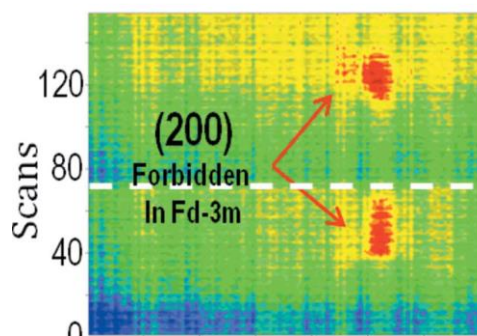
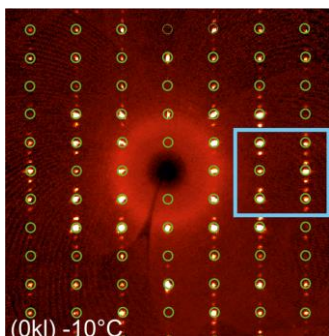
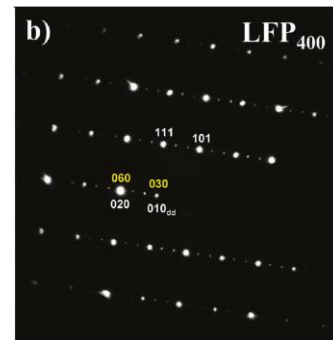
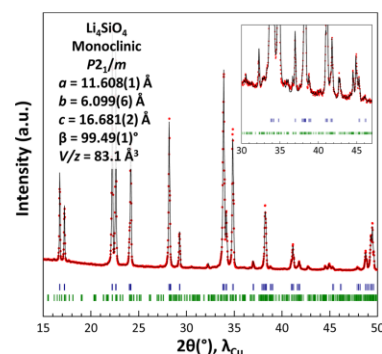
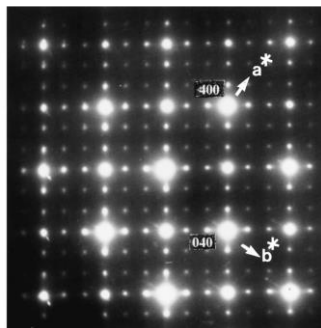
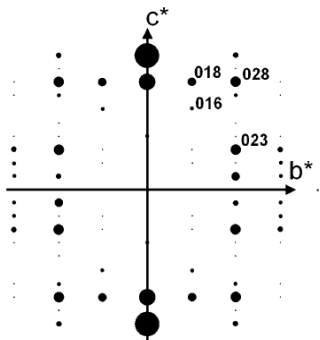
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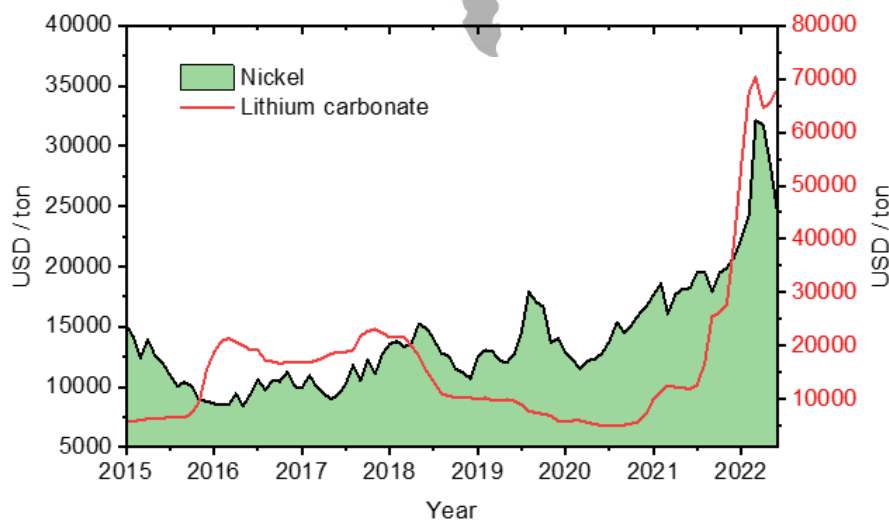
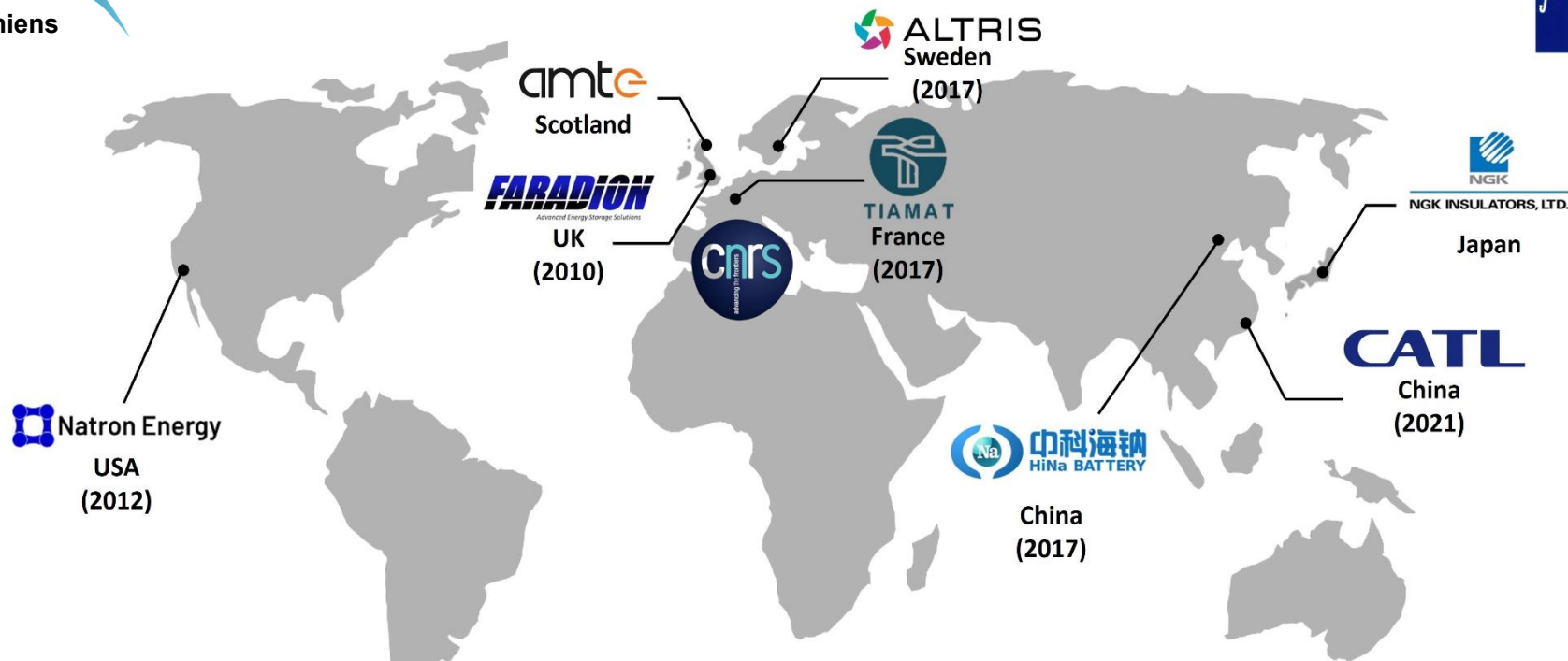
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The growing activity around Na Batteries....



Challenges of today for Na-based batteries of the future

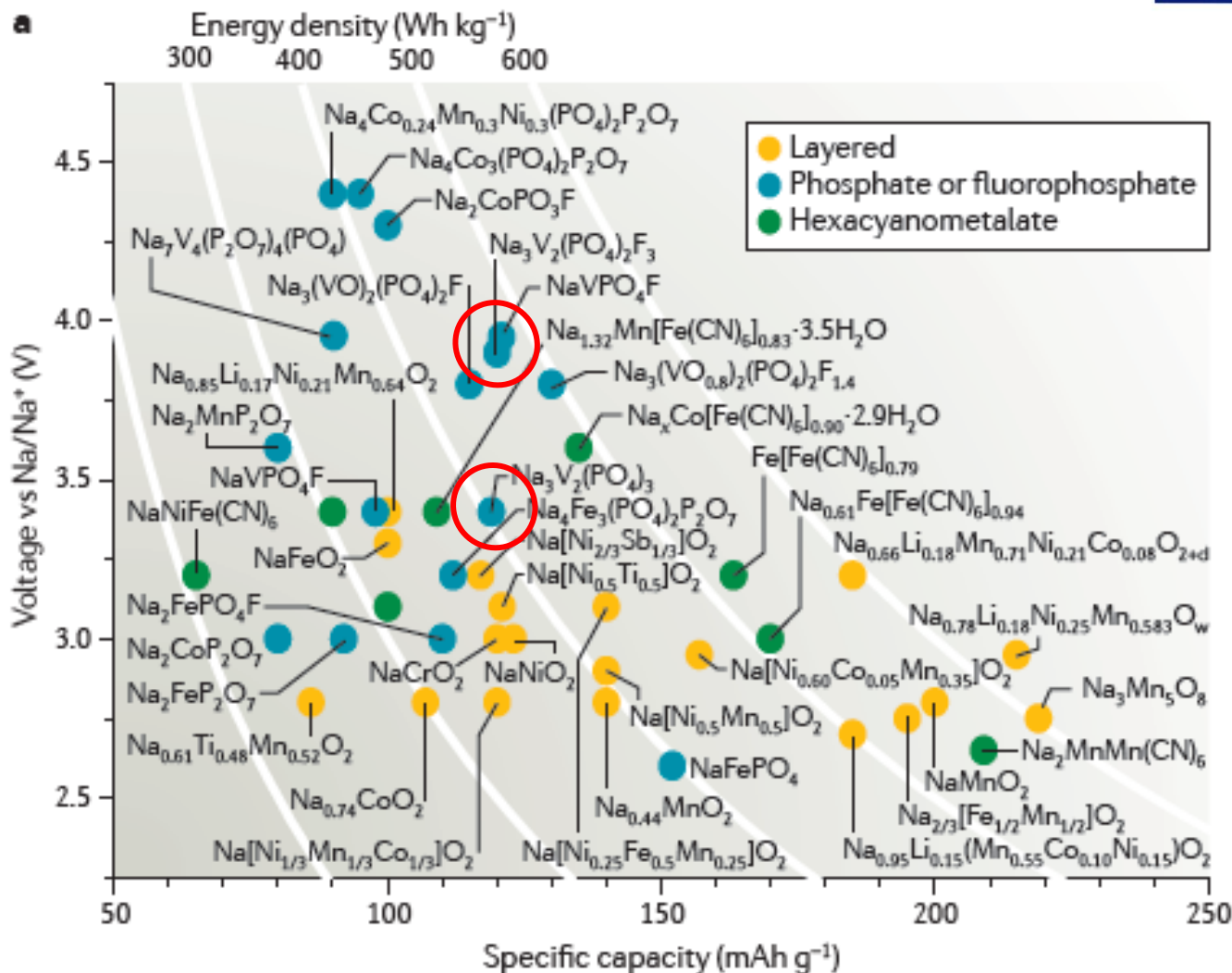
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Abundance of Na

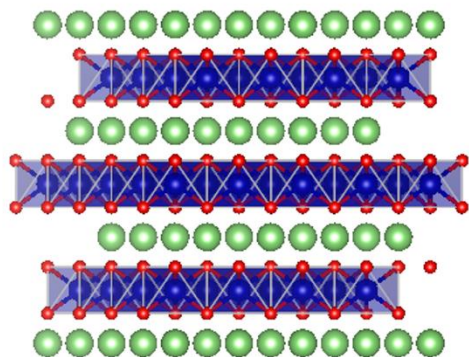
Analogous
intercalation
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- Layered oxides

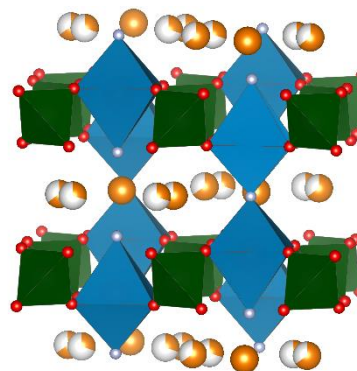
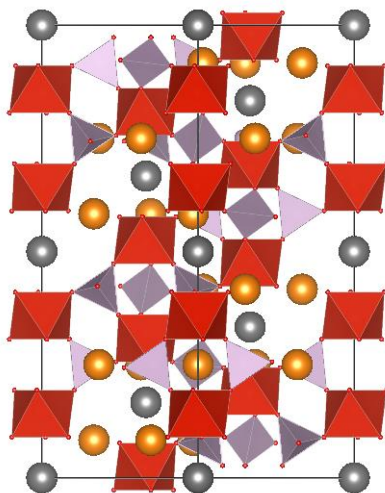


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Advanced Energy Storage Solutions

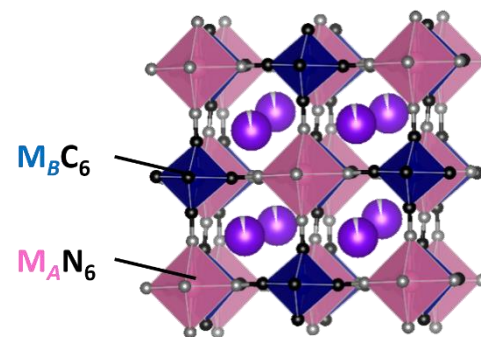
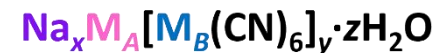


Polyanions



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- Prussian blue/white

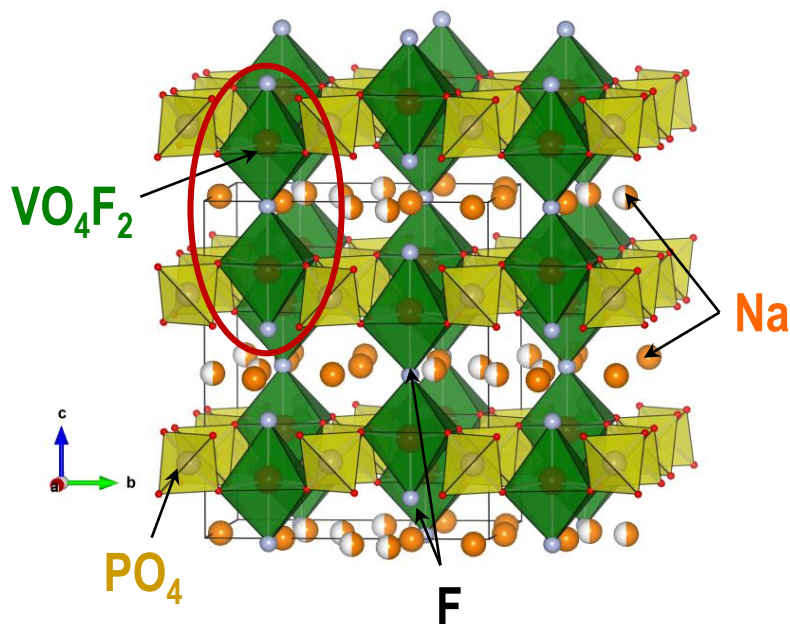


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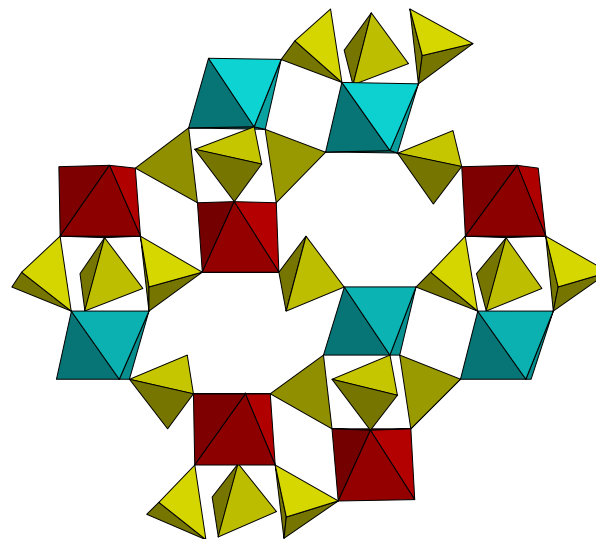
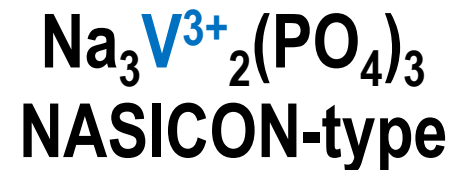
 Natron Energy

Among the 2 best contenders for Na-Ion Batteries

Menu of Today

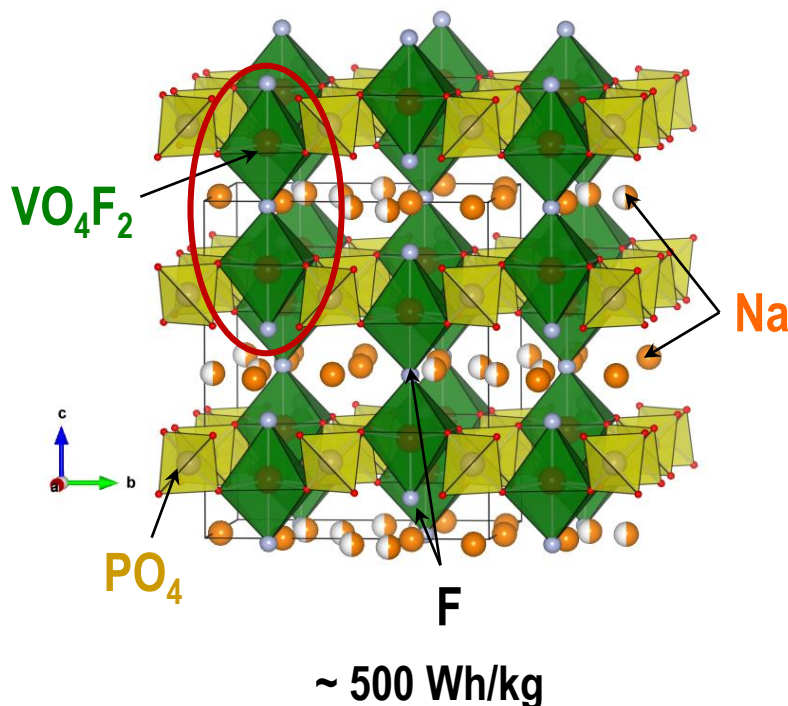


~ 500 Wh/kg



~ 400 Wh/kg

Menu of Today - 1



A very **high rate** material

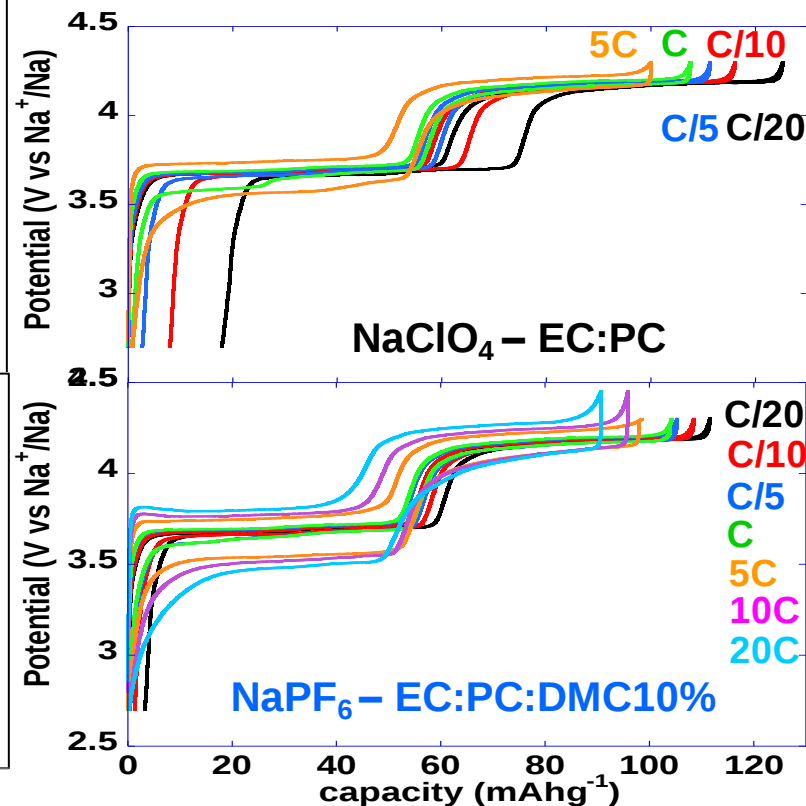
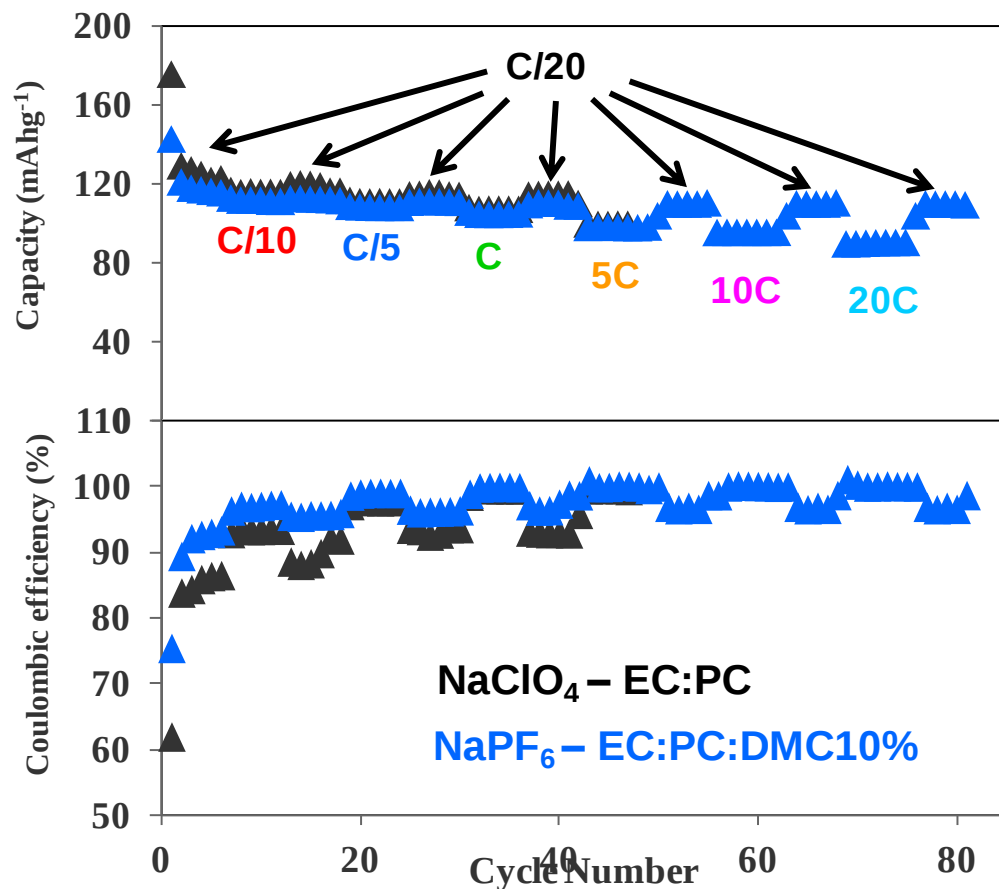
Subtle **orthorhombic** distortion

Fluorine / Oxygen content $\text{V}^{3+} \rightarrow (\text{VO})^{2+}$

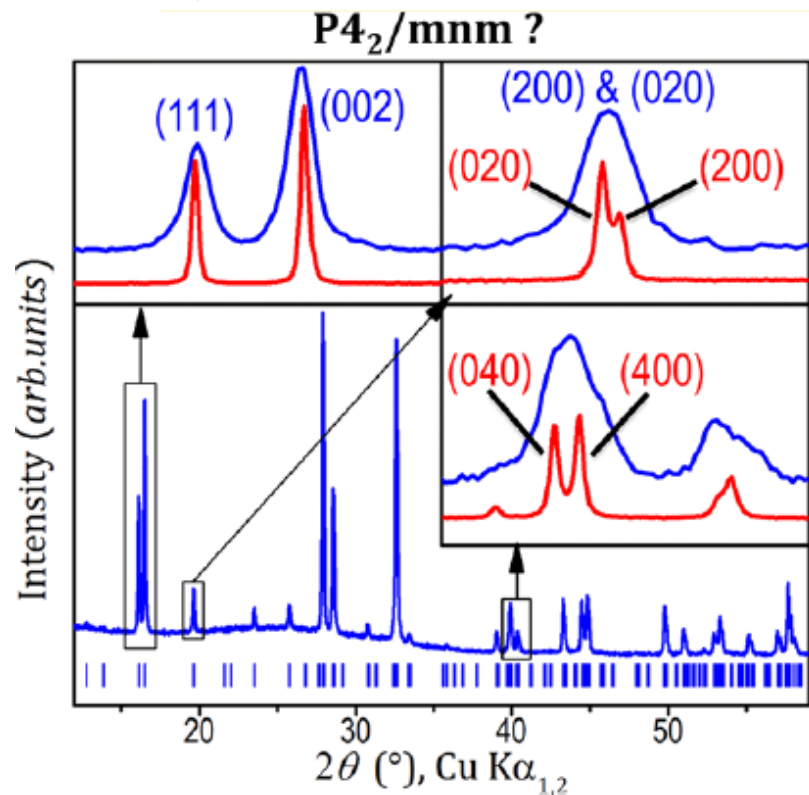
Ionic transport as a function of T

Operando XRD under high rate and at various temperatures

CEA-CNRS **Patents** Licenced by **TIAMAT**, a RS2E-funded Start-Up, now a Company, a Gigafactory starting in 2025 !!

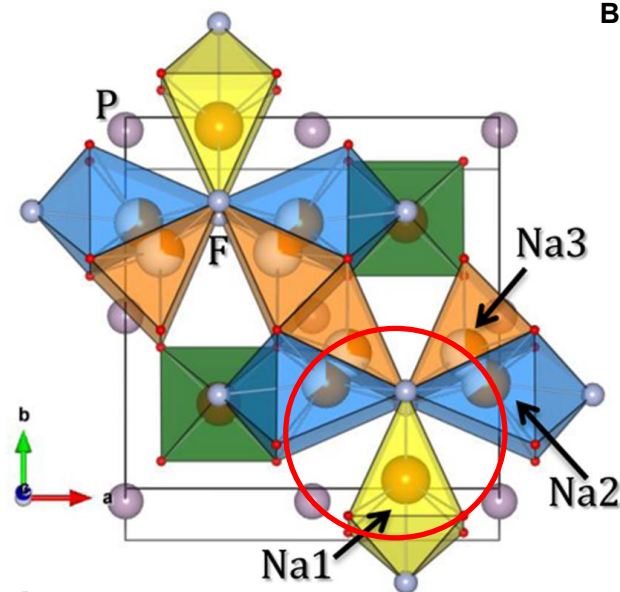
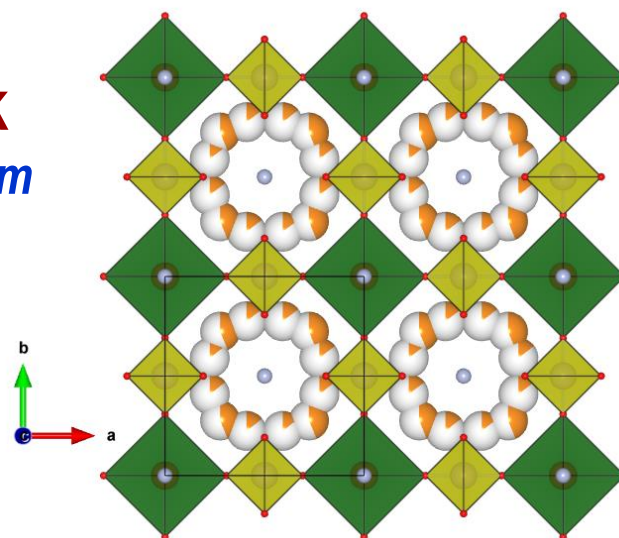


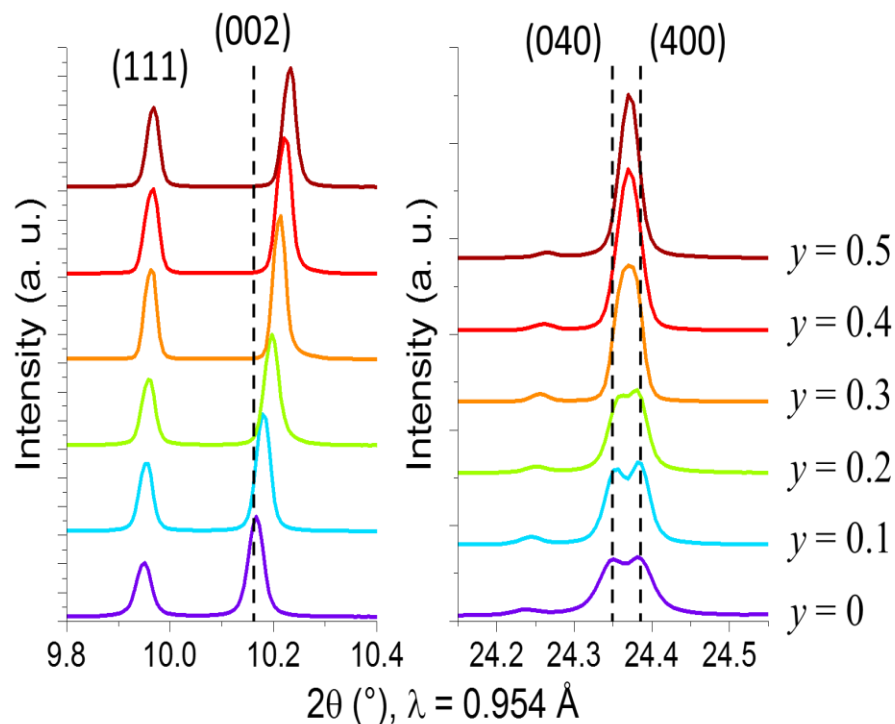
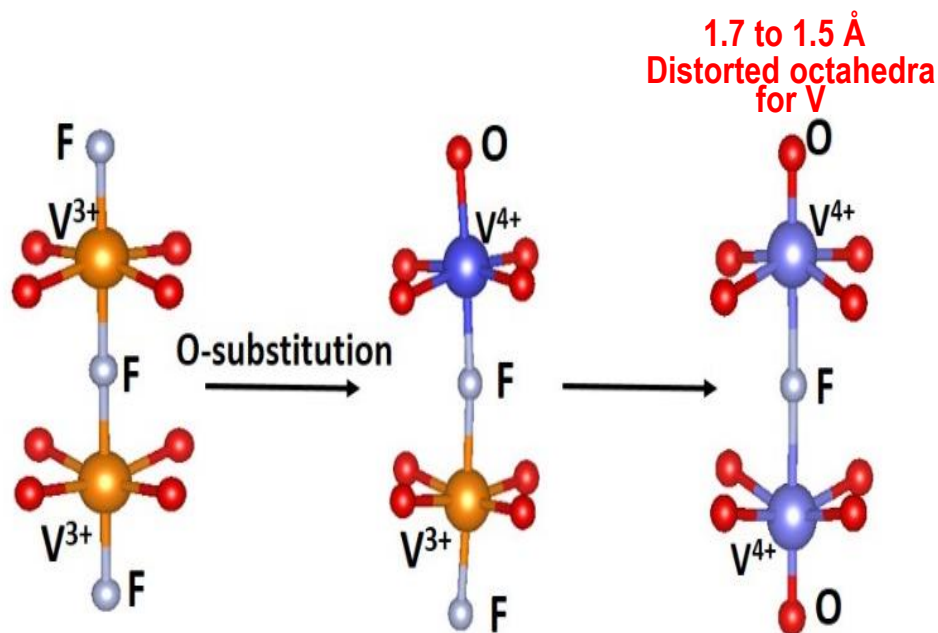
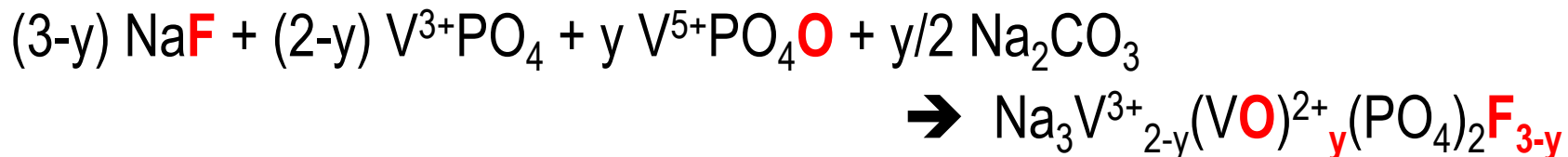
Interesting performance spotted, especially at high rate

**Amam**

$$a = 9.0285 \text{ \AA} ; b = 9.0444 \text{ \AA} ; c = 10.7467 \text{ \AA}$$

$$a \neq b \text{ (} b/a \sim 1.002 \text{)}$$

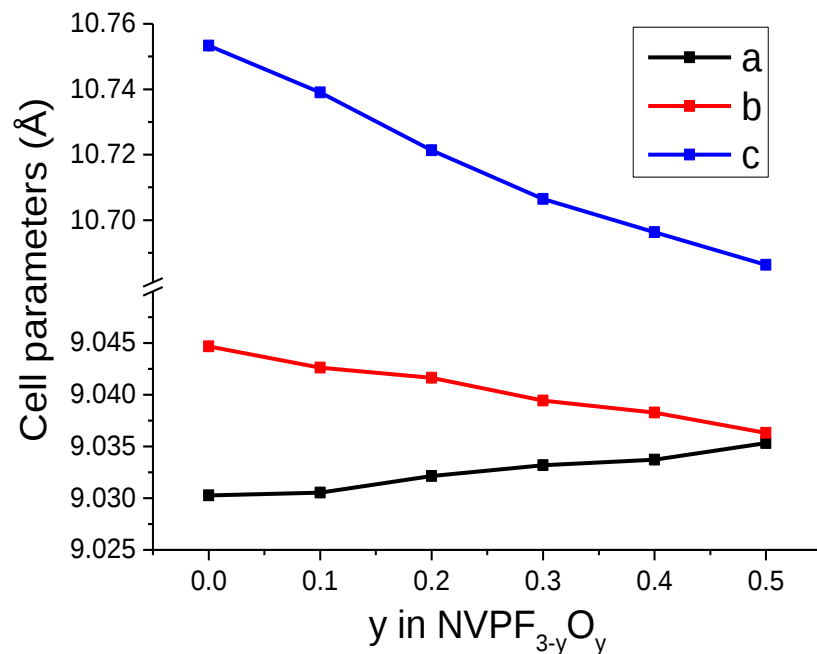
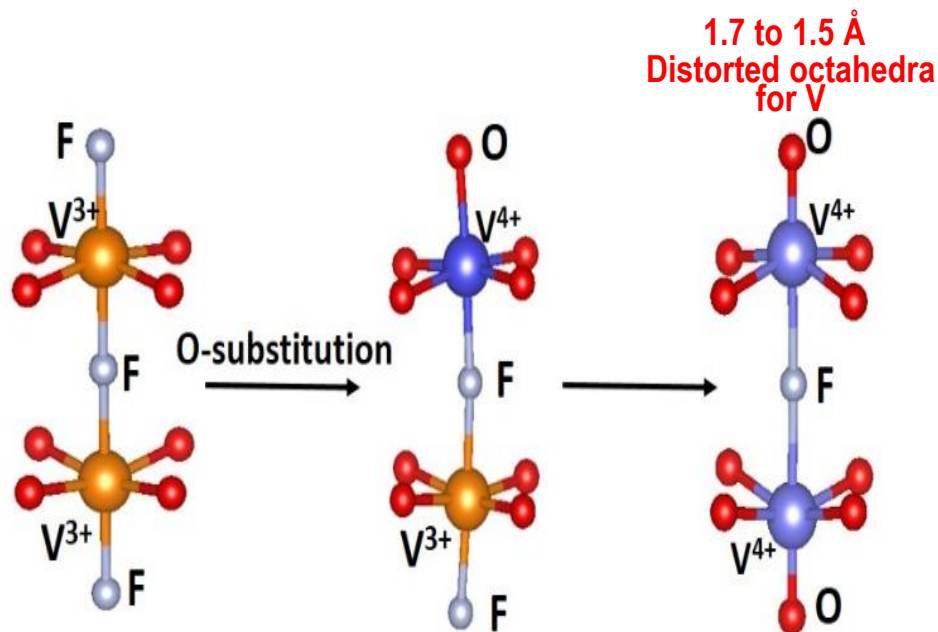
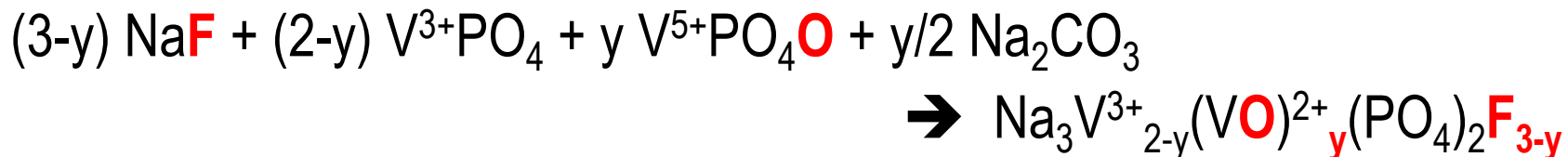
SMALL Orthorhombic distortion**298 K****Amam****400 K** **$I4/mmm$** 



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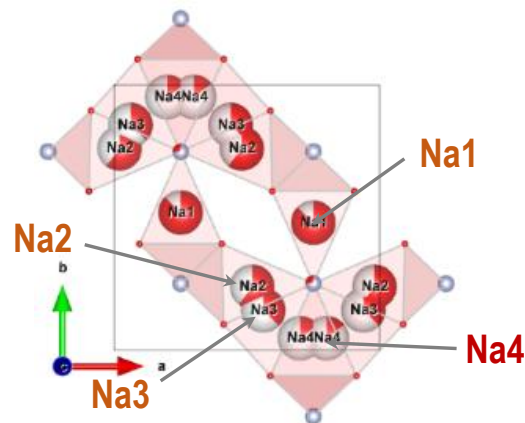
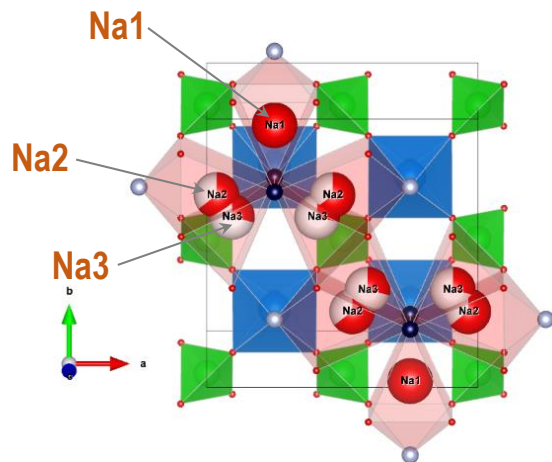
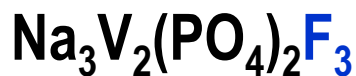


b/a = 1.002 to 1.0002 !!!

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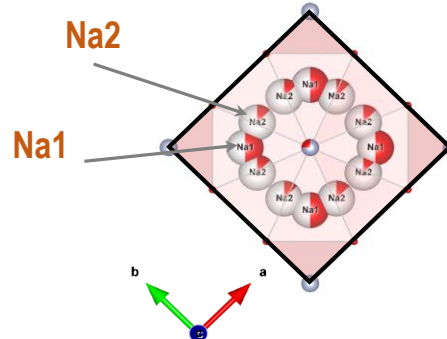
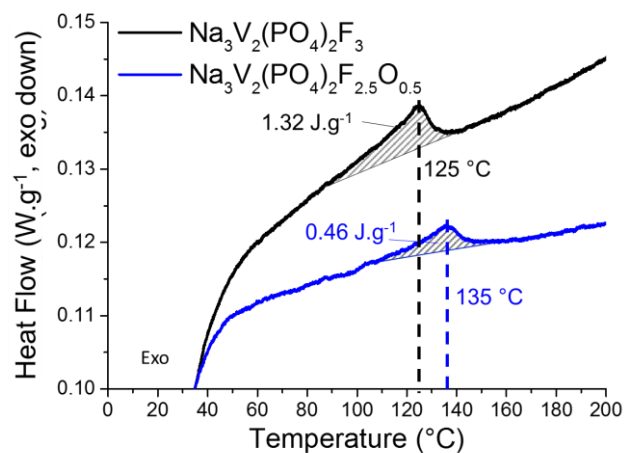
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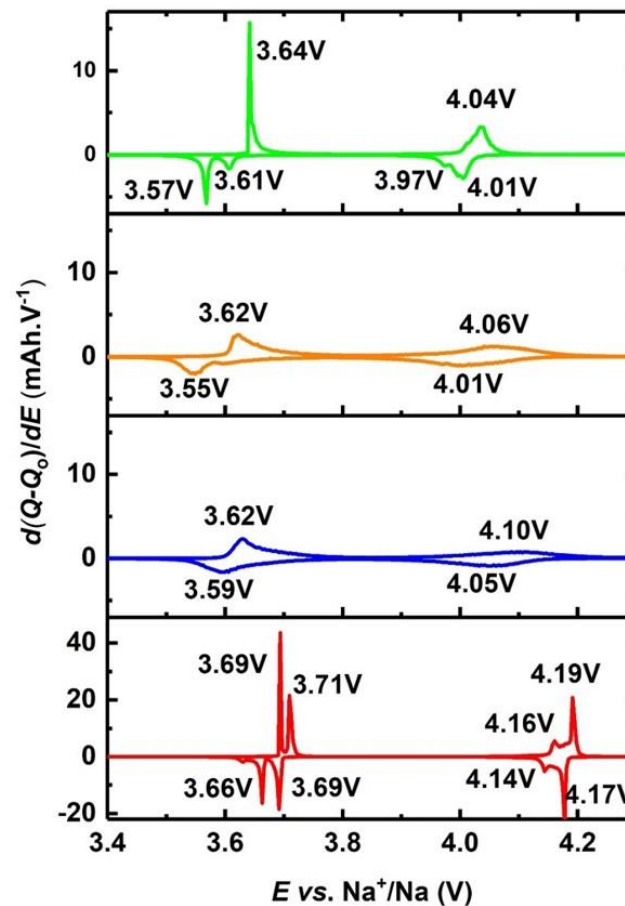
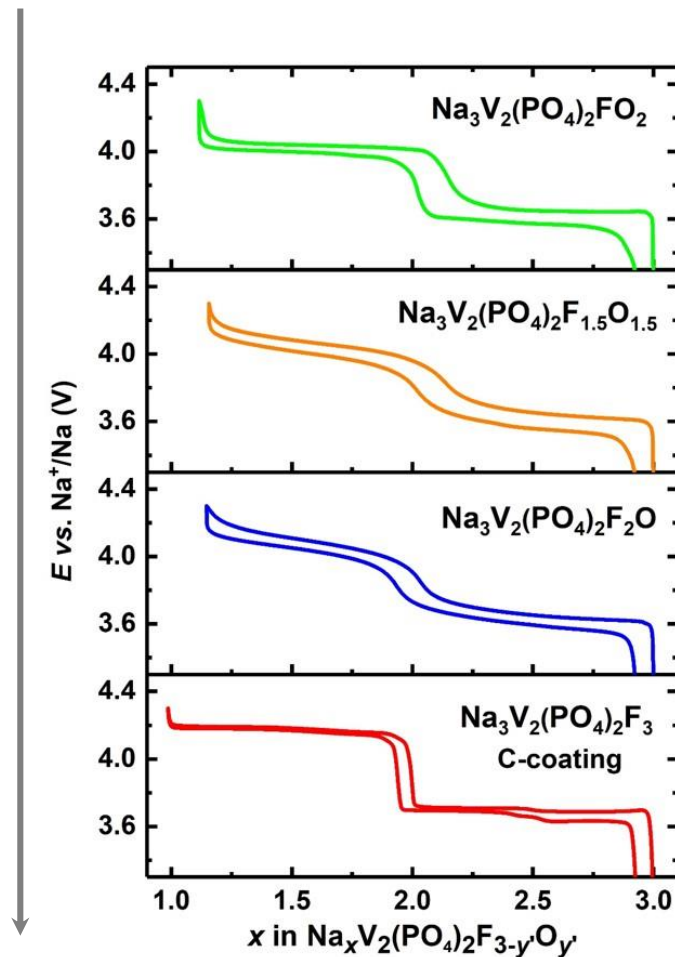
Orthorhombic
to tetragonal
phase
transition:
change in the
sodium ions
distribution

F substituted by O : $\text{Na}_3\text{V}^{3+}_{2-y}(\text{VO})^{2+}_y(\text{PO}_4)_2\text{F}_{3-y}$

Increasing
fluorine
content

=

Increasing
operating
voltage



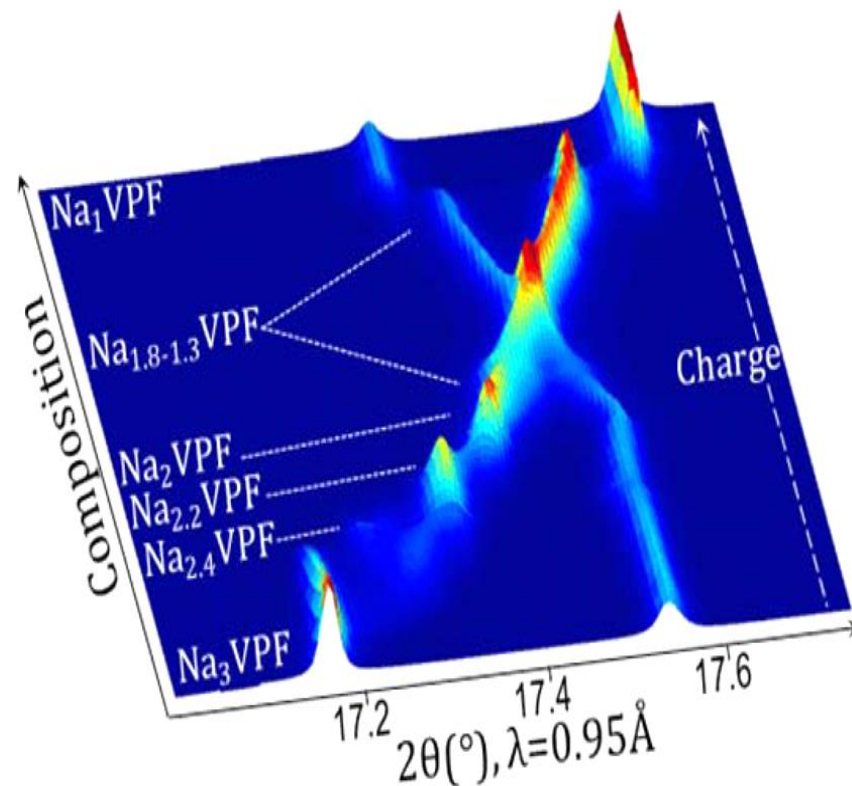
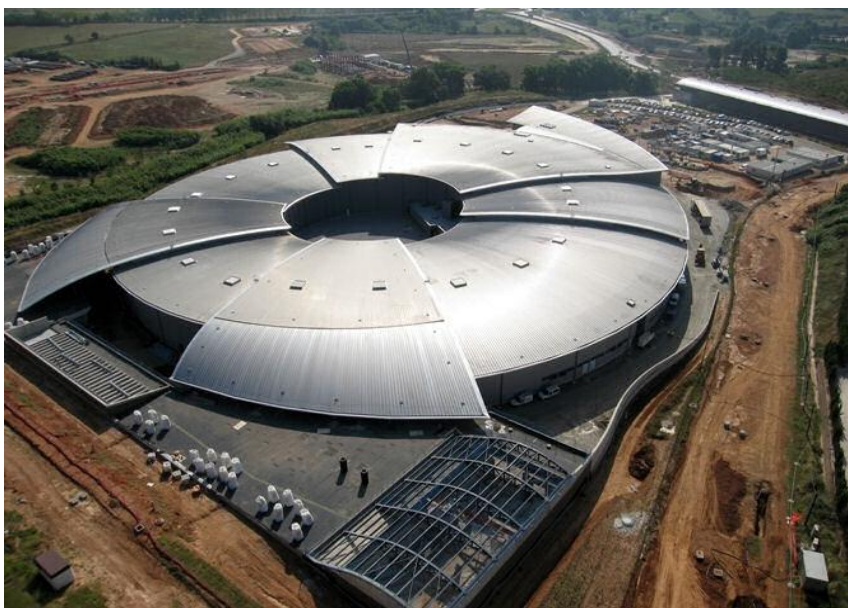
$\text{V}^{5+}=\text{O}$
/
 $\text{V}^{4+}=\text{O}$

$\text{V}^{4+}-\text{O}(\text{F})$
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Mechanism of Na⁺ extraction



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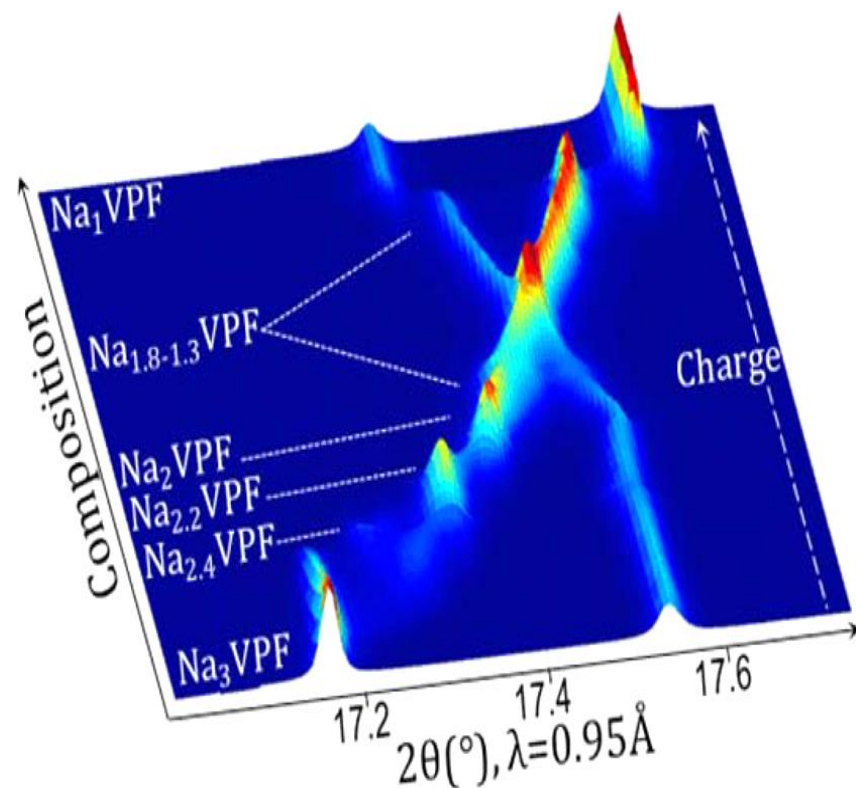
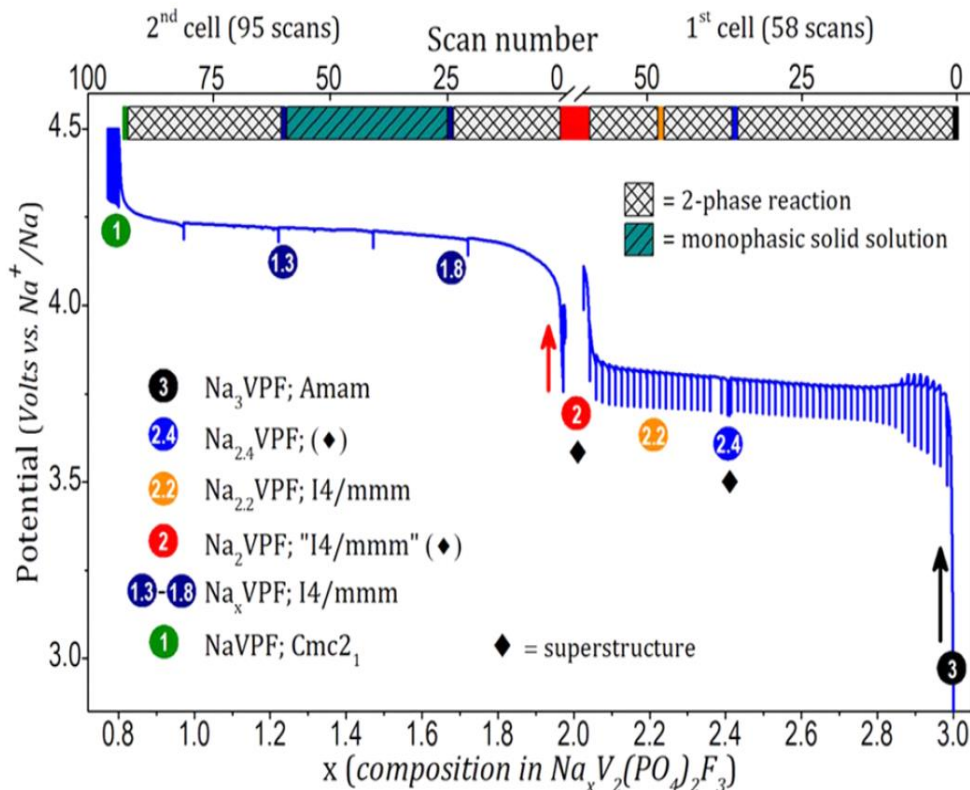
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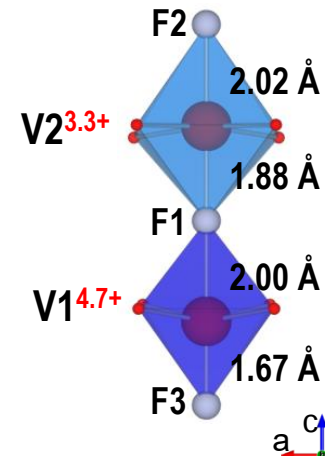
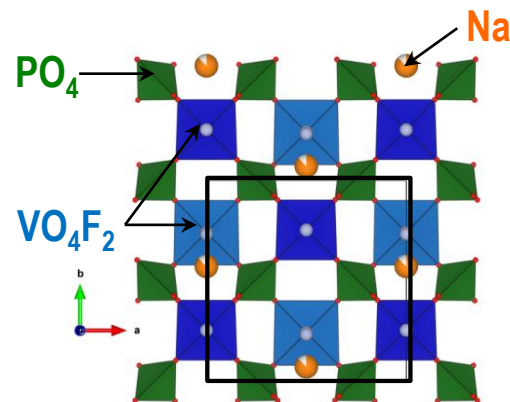
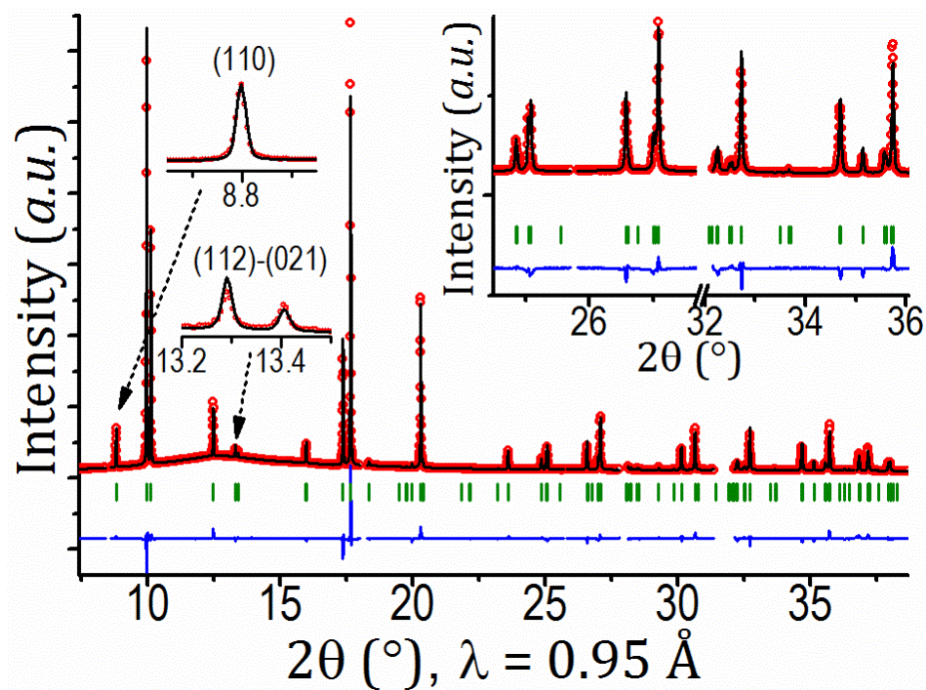
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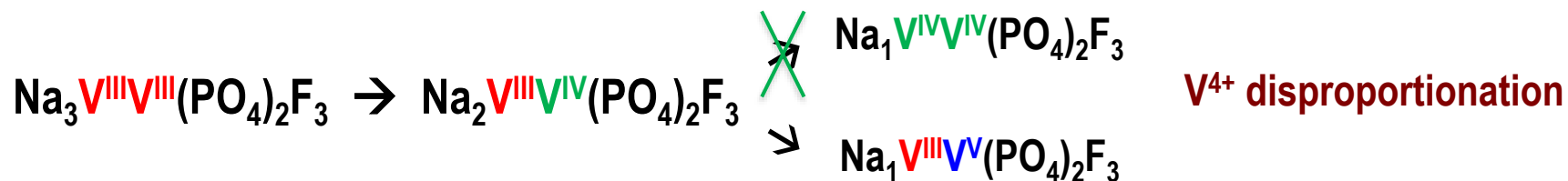
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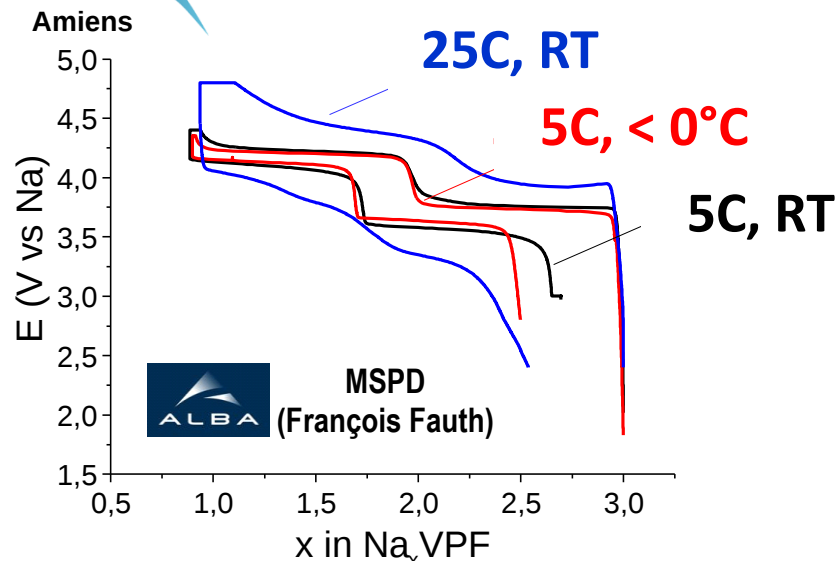
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Ion and charge ordering
Formation of V³⁺ - V⁵⁺ pairs





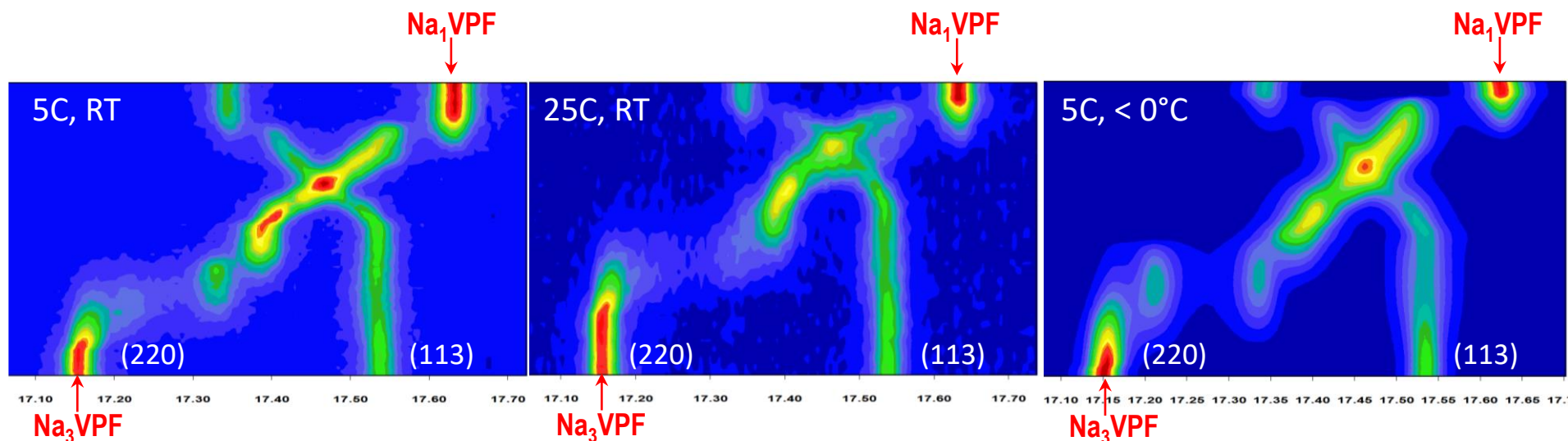
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NaPF_6 in EC : DMC (1:1)

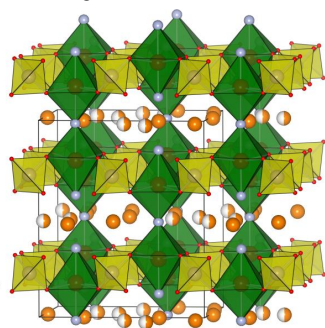
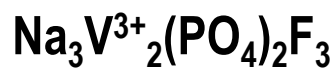
Active material/Carbon additive/Binder (35/55/10wt.%)

Similar phase diagram
whatever the **rate** and/or
the **temperature**

2D representation of the SXRD patterns obtained during the charge

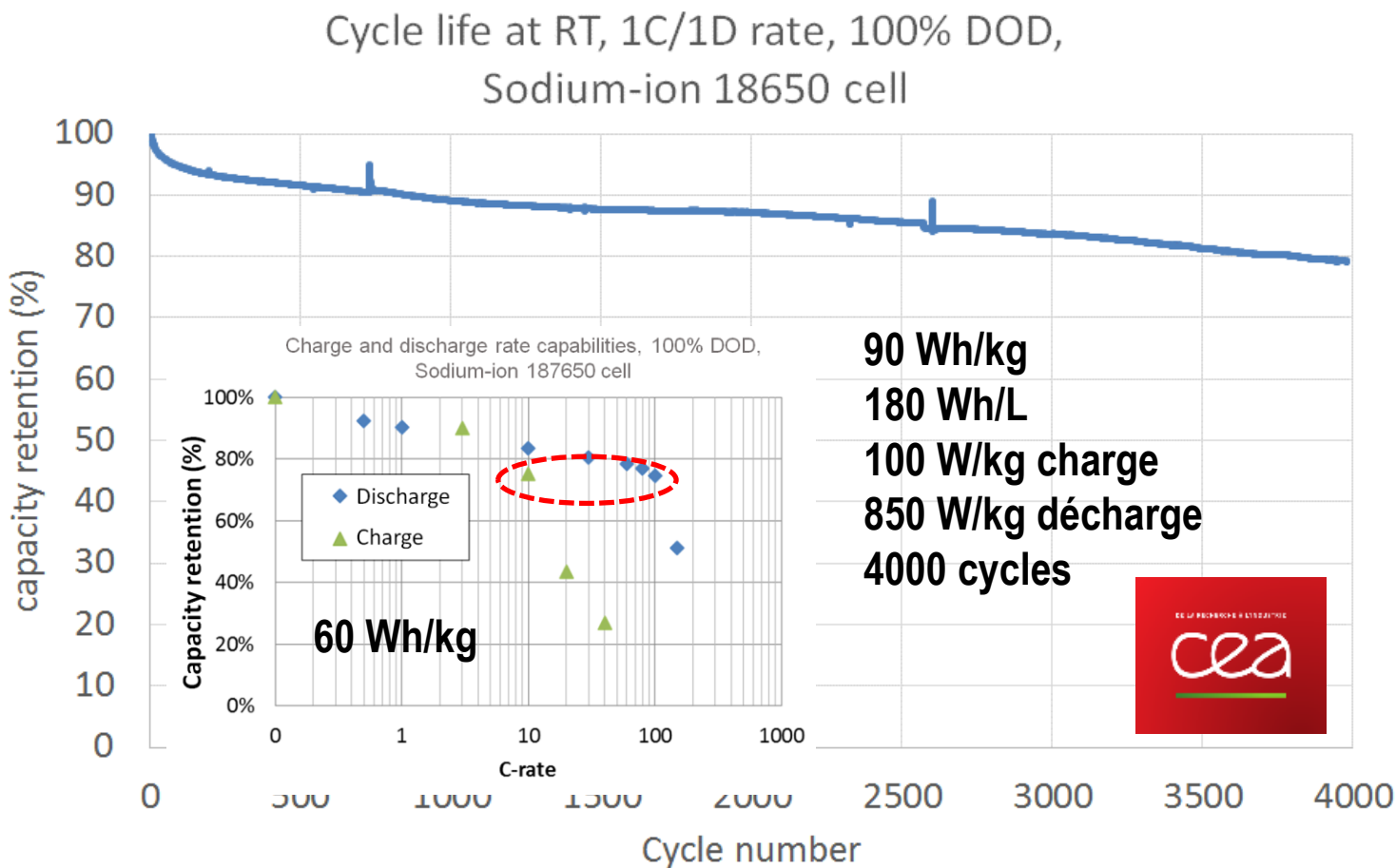


Performances in « tough » conditions



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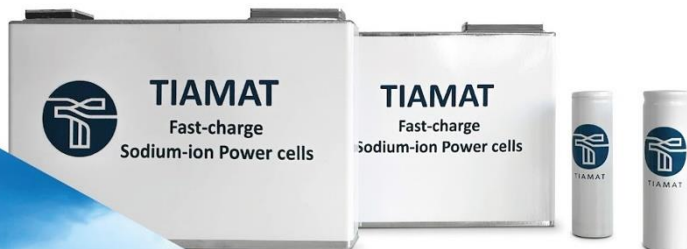
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The growing activity around Na Batteries....



1st Na-ion 18650 cell in 2015



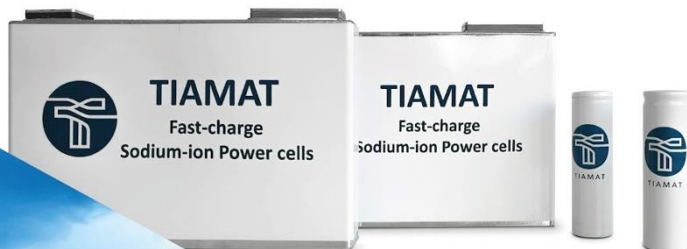
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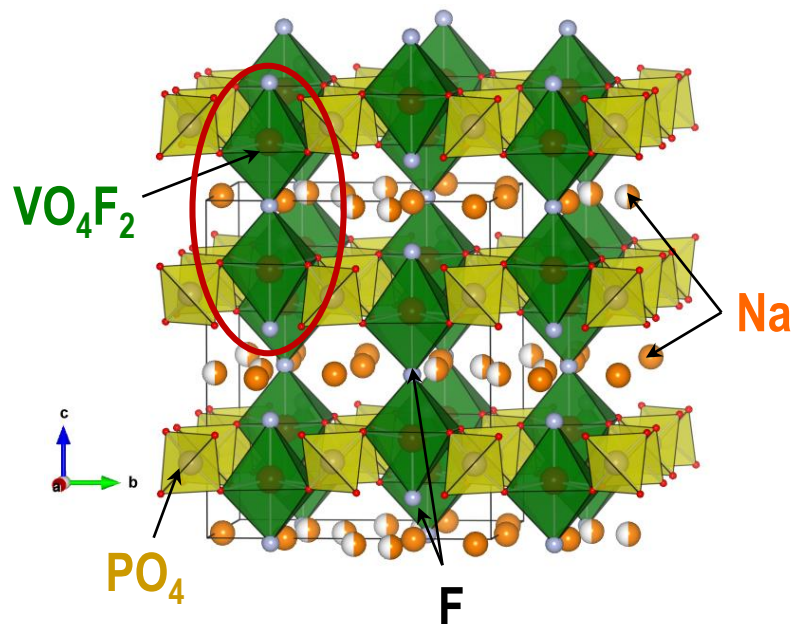


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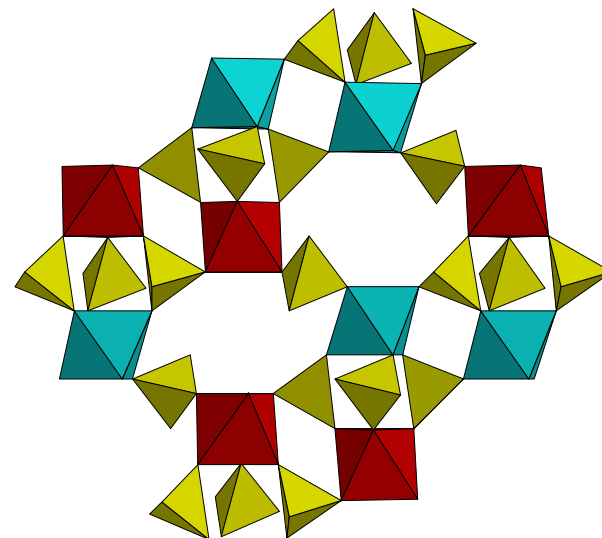
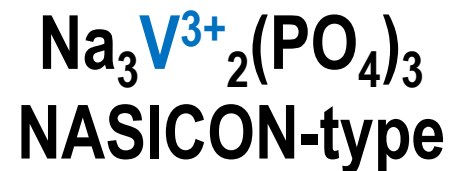


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~ 400 Wh/kg

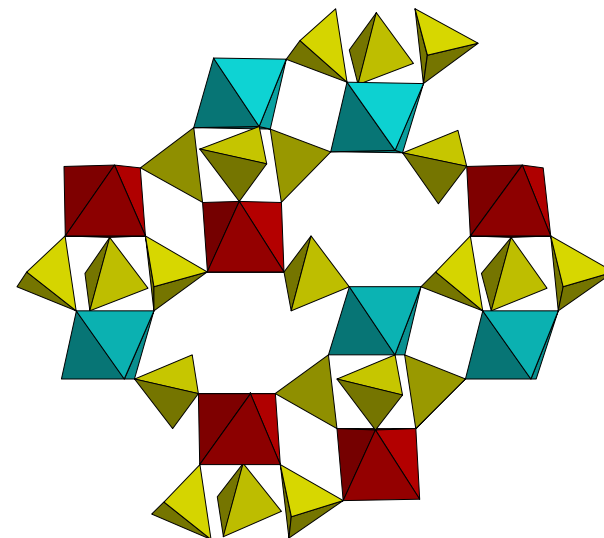
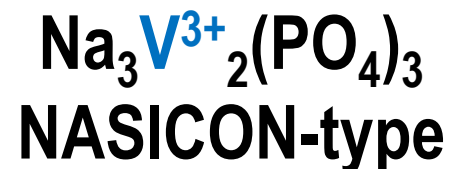
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Very high structural stability

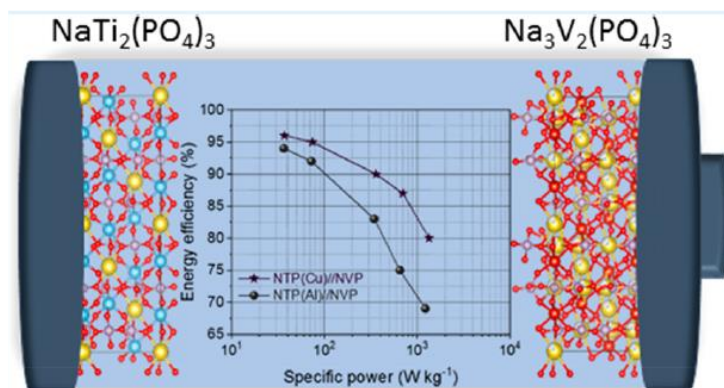
A great playground for chemical substitutions and **voltage monitoring** through the inductive effect

Na^+ **order-disorder phenomena** (as a function of T and depending on Na^+ content) lead to complex distortions and superstructures

Interesting, as well, for all **solid-state batteries** due to the high 3-D ionic conductivity



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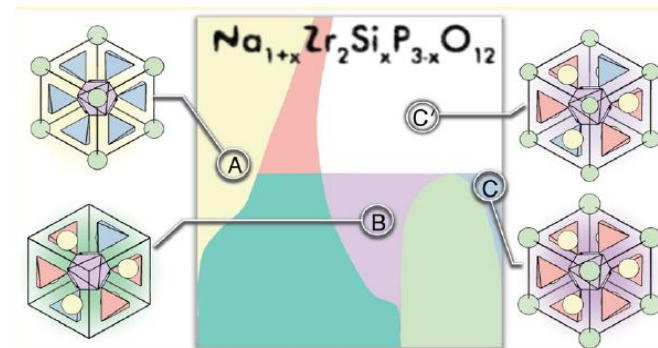
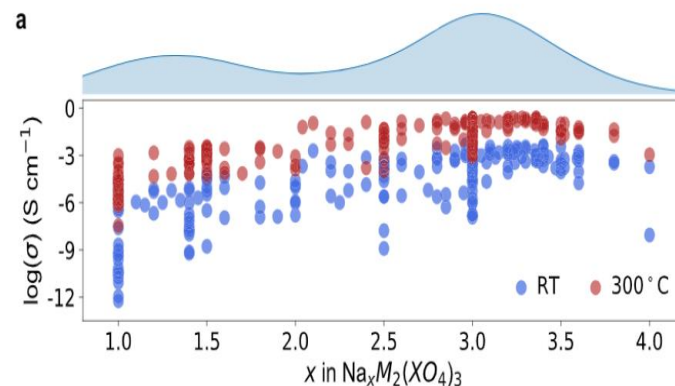
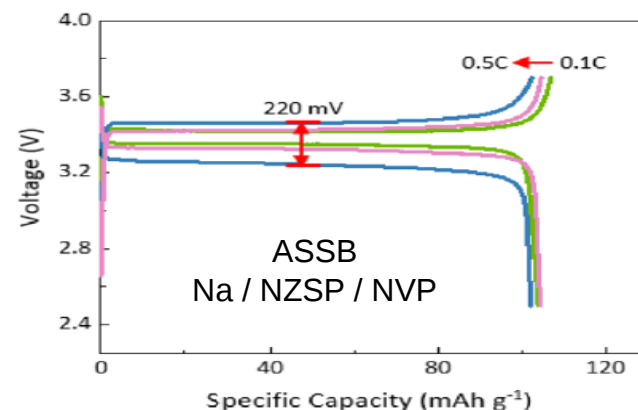
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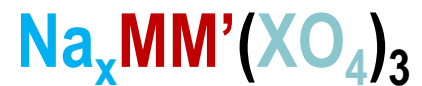
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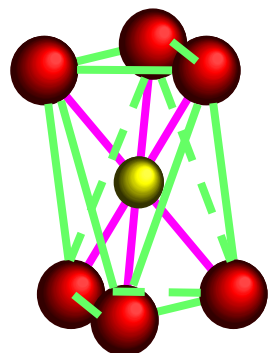
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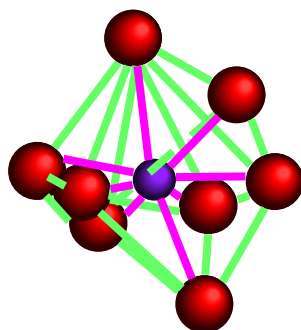
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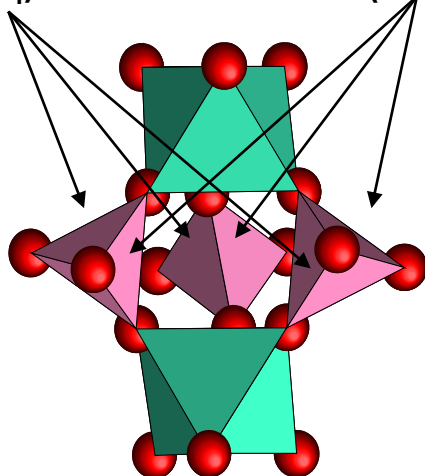


3 sites Na(2)



$(\text{PO}_4)^{3-}$

$(\text{SiO}_4)^{4-}$



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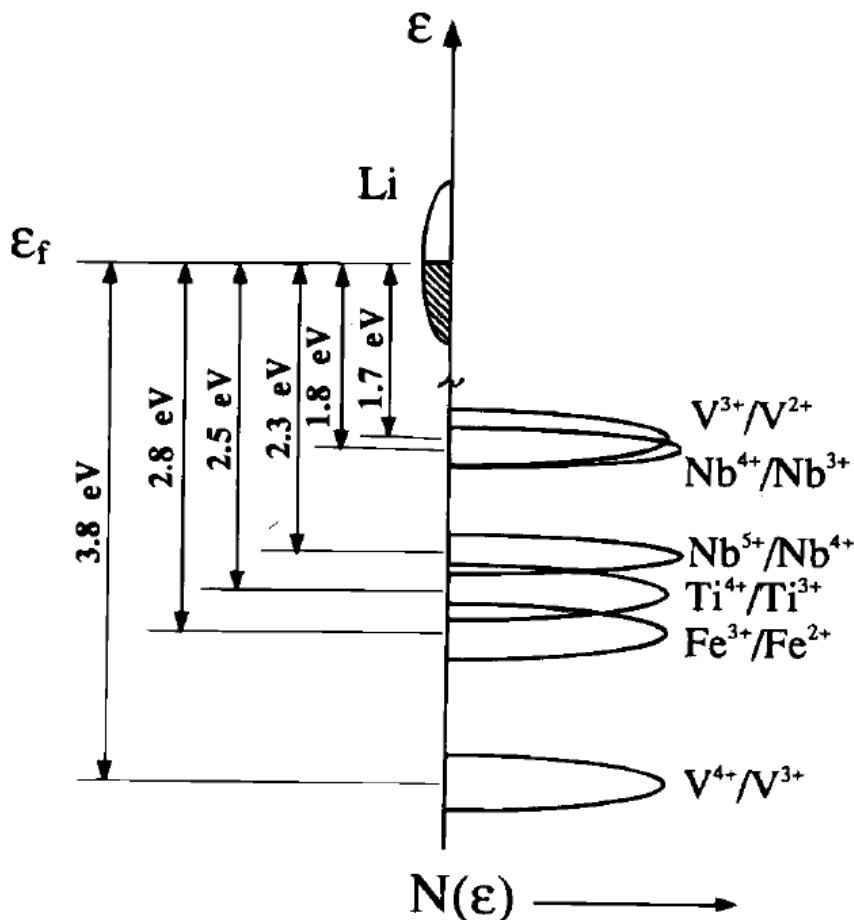


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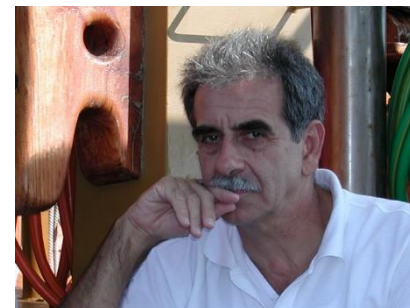
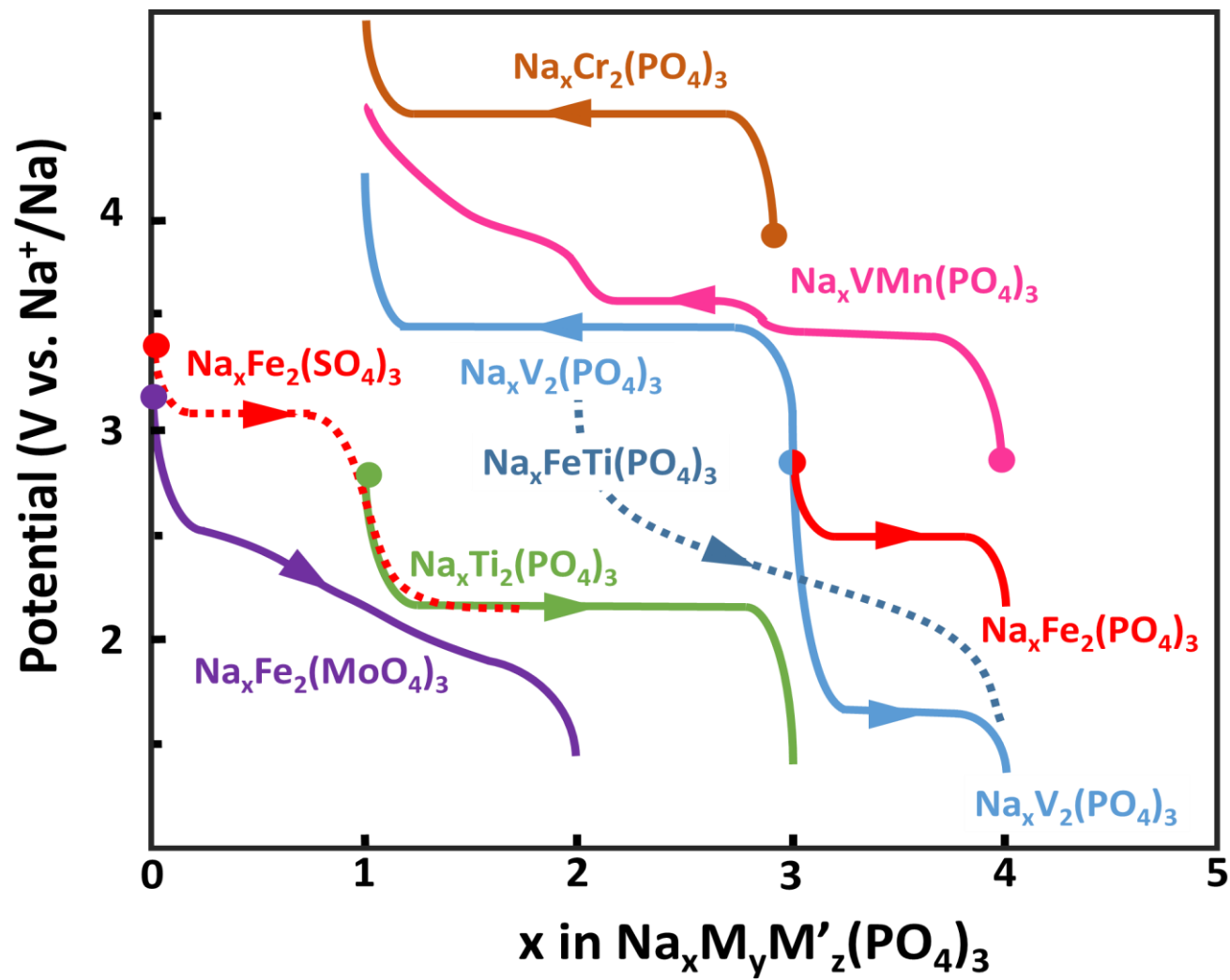
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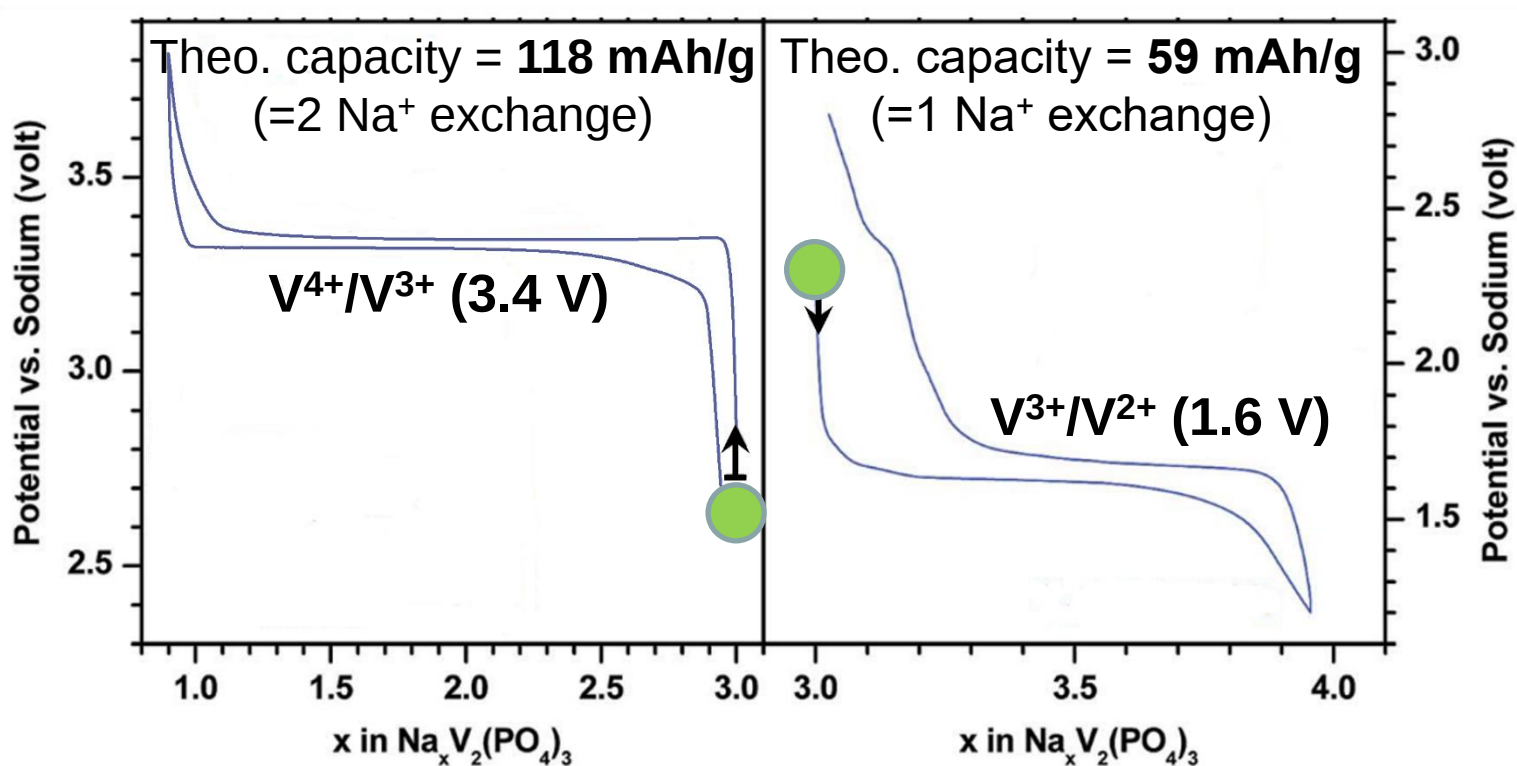
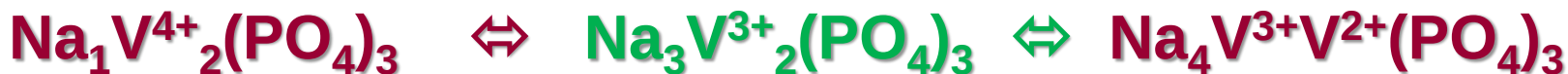


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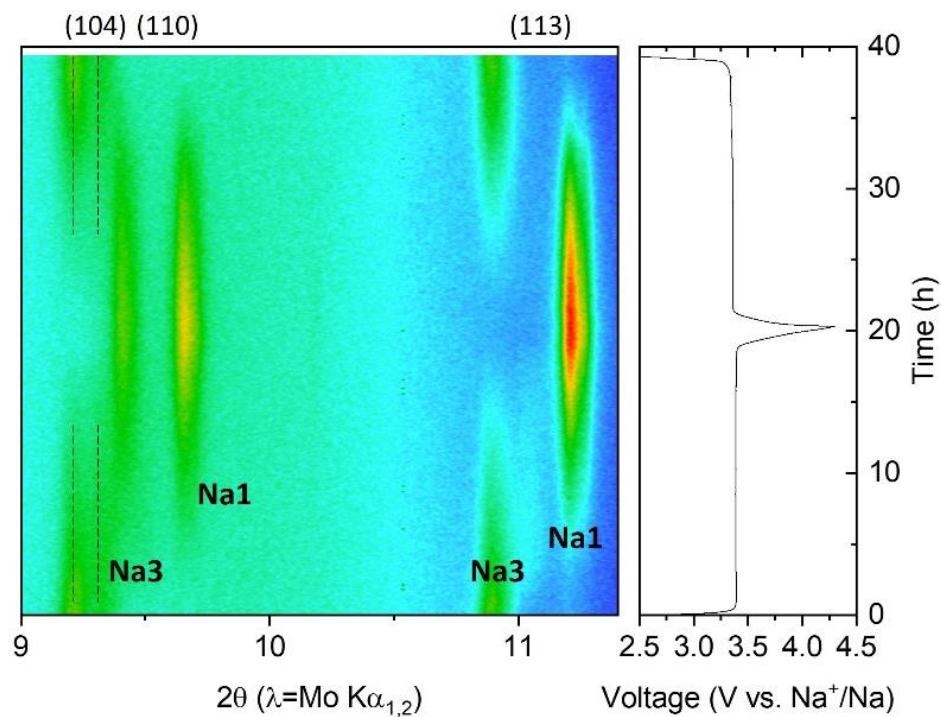
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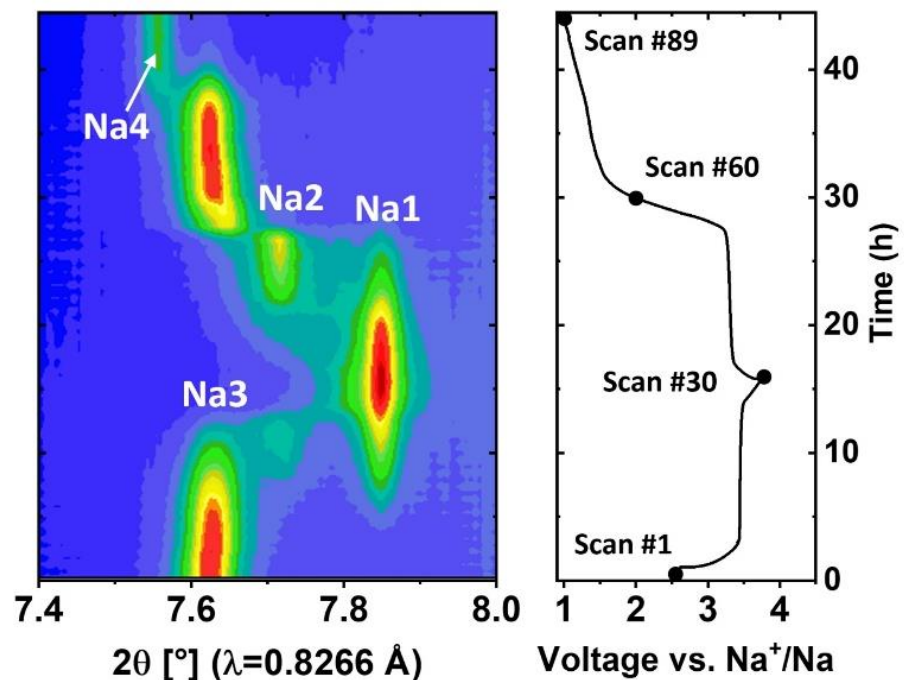
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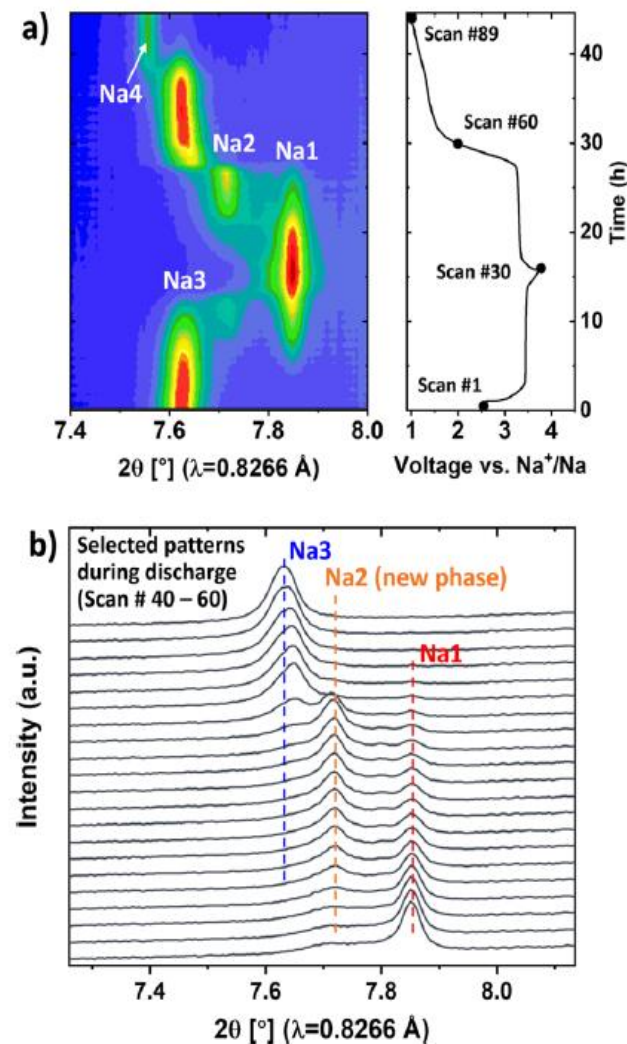
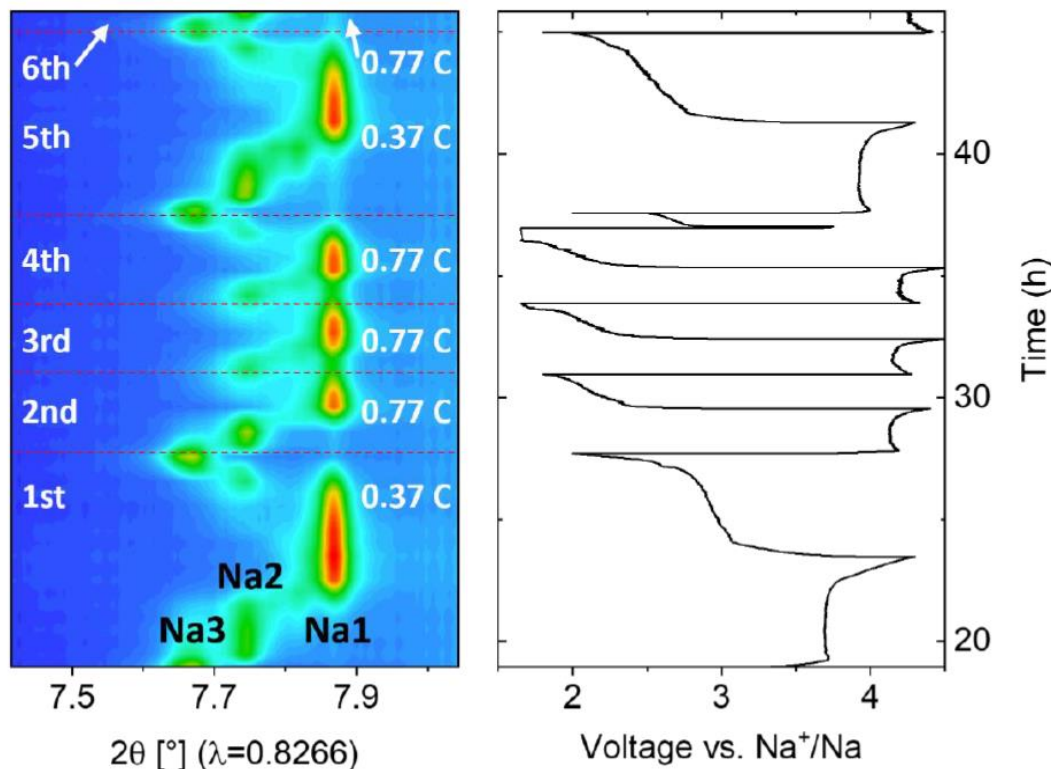
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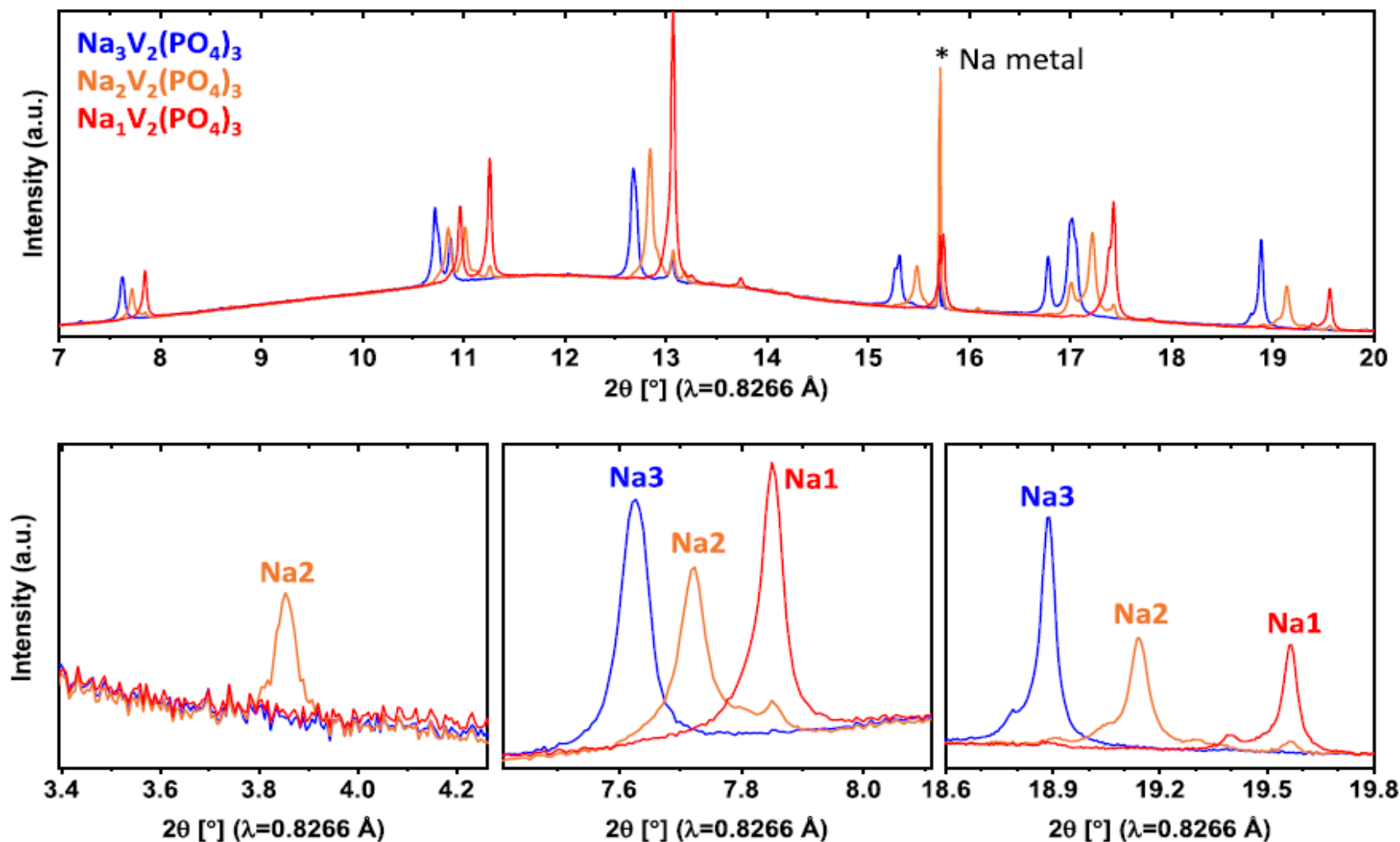
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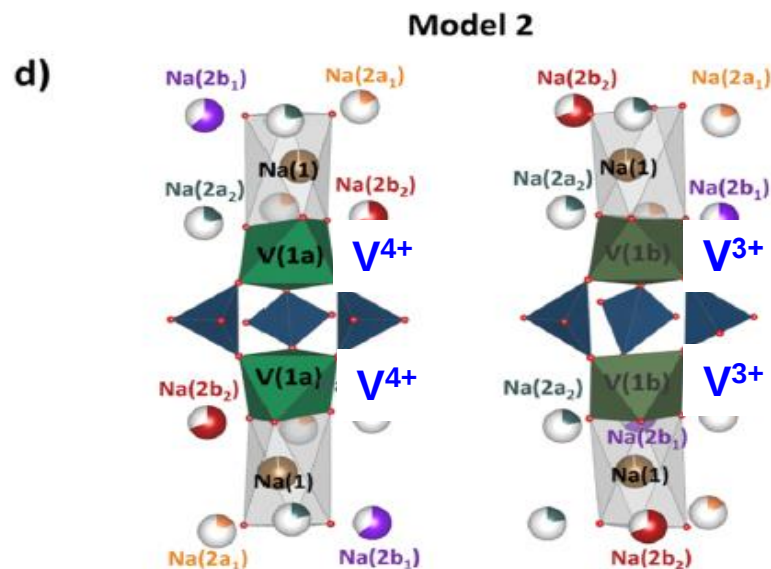
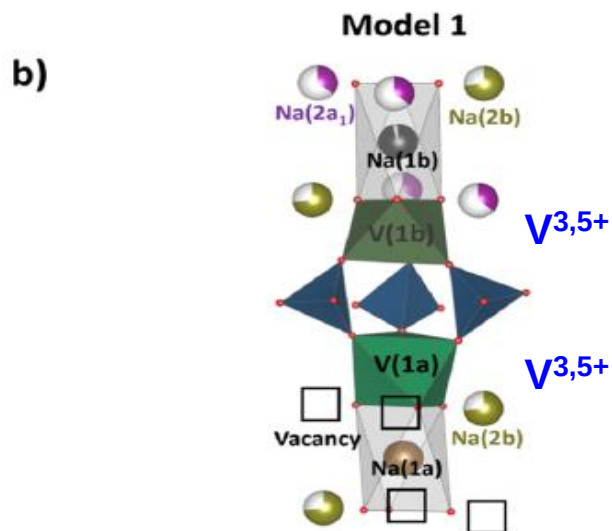
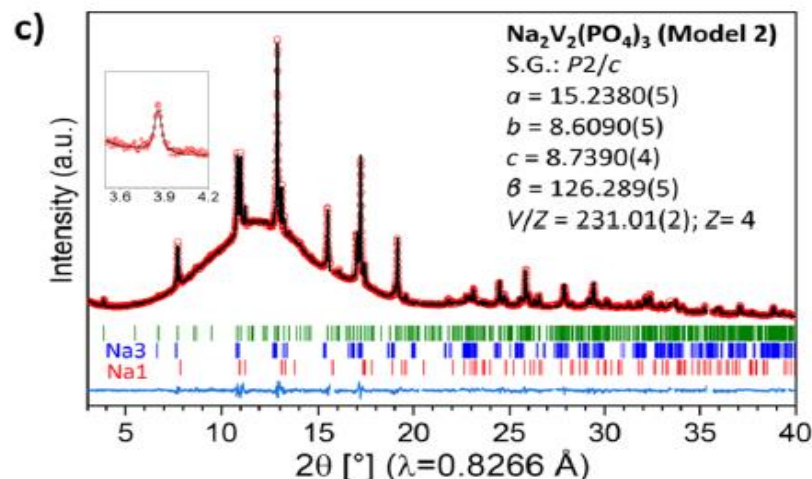
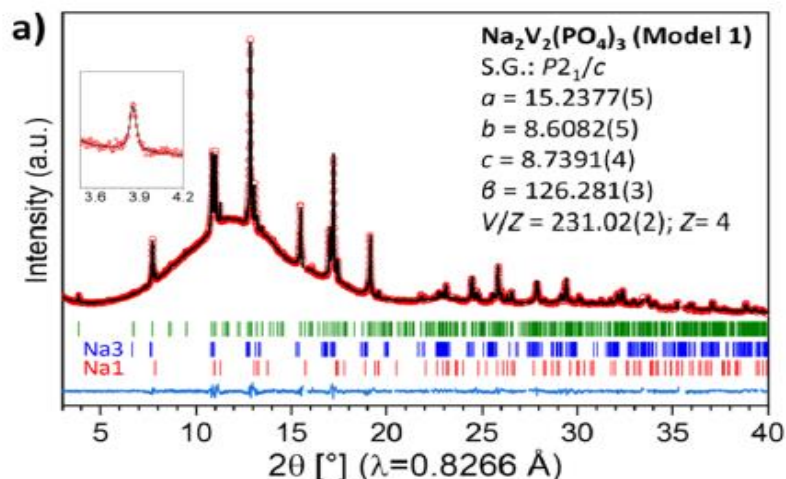


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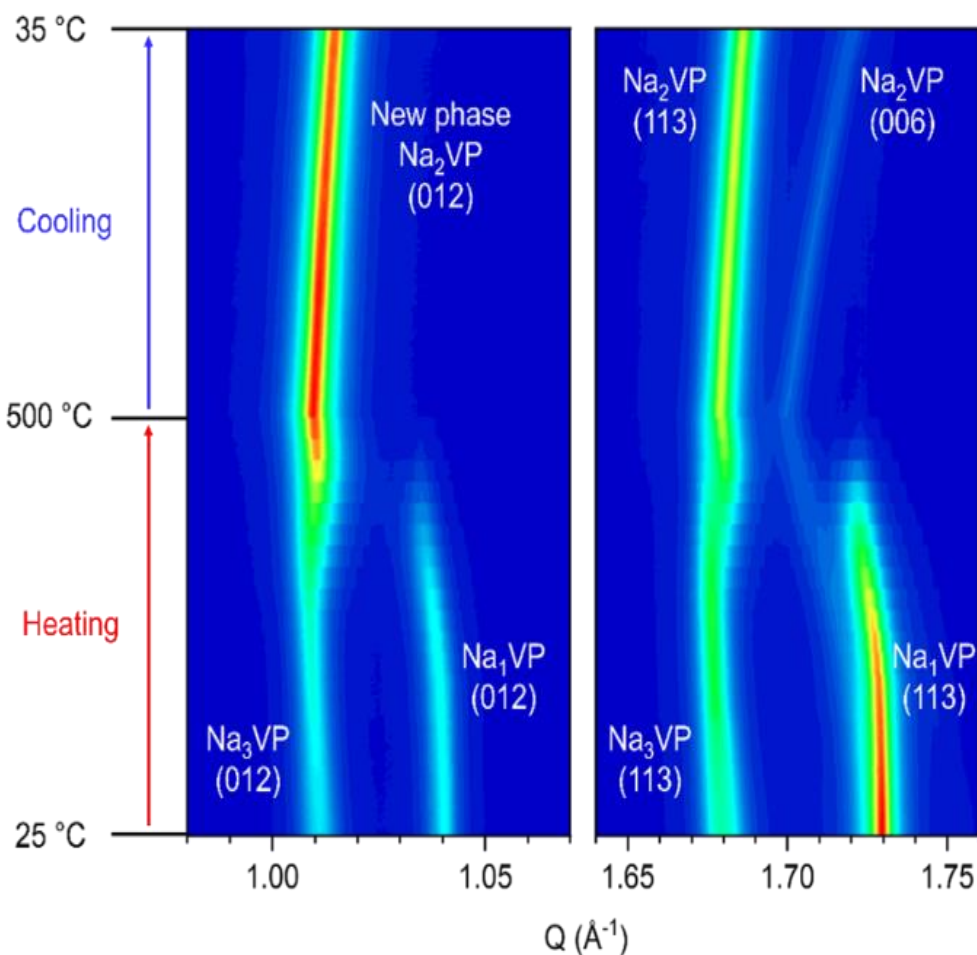
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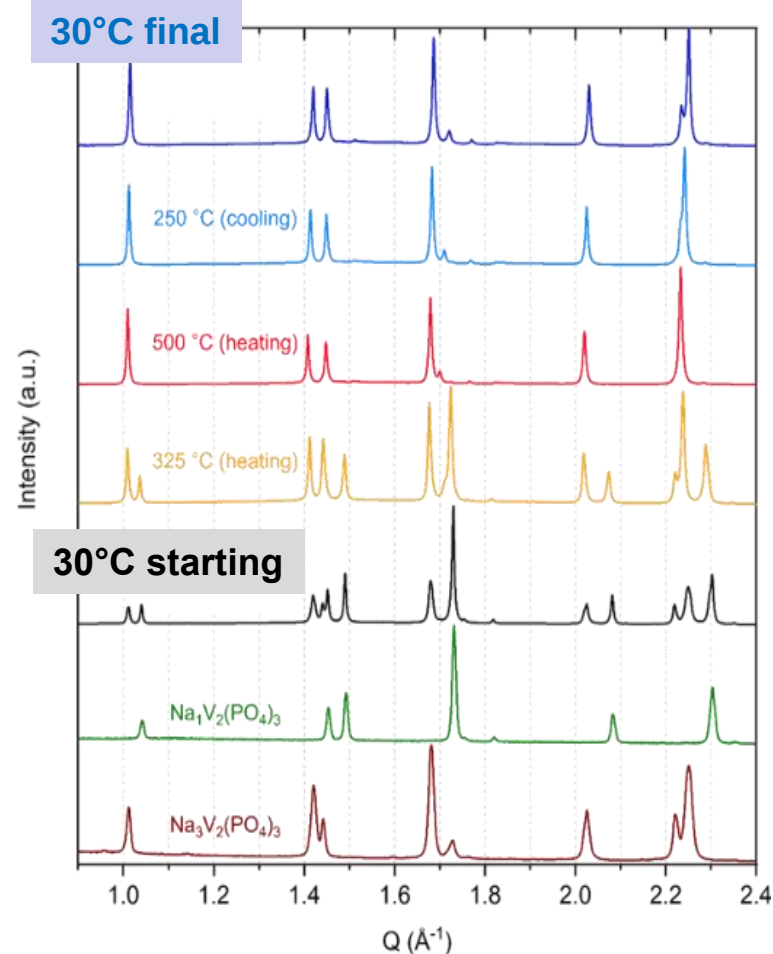


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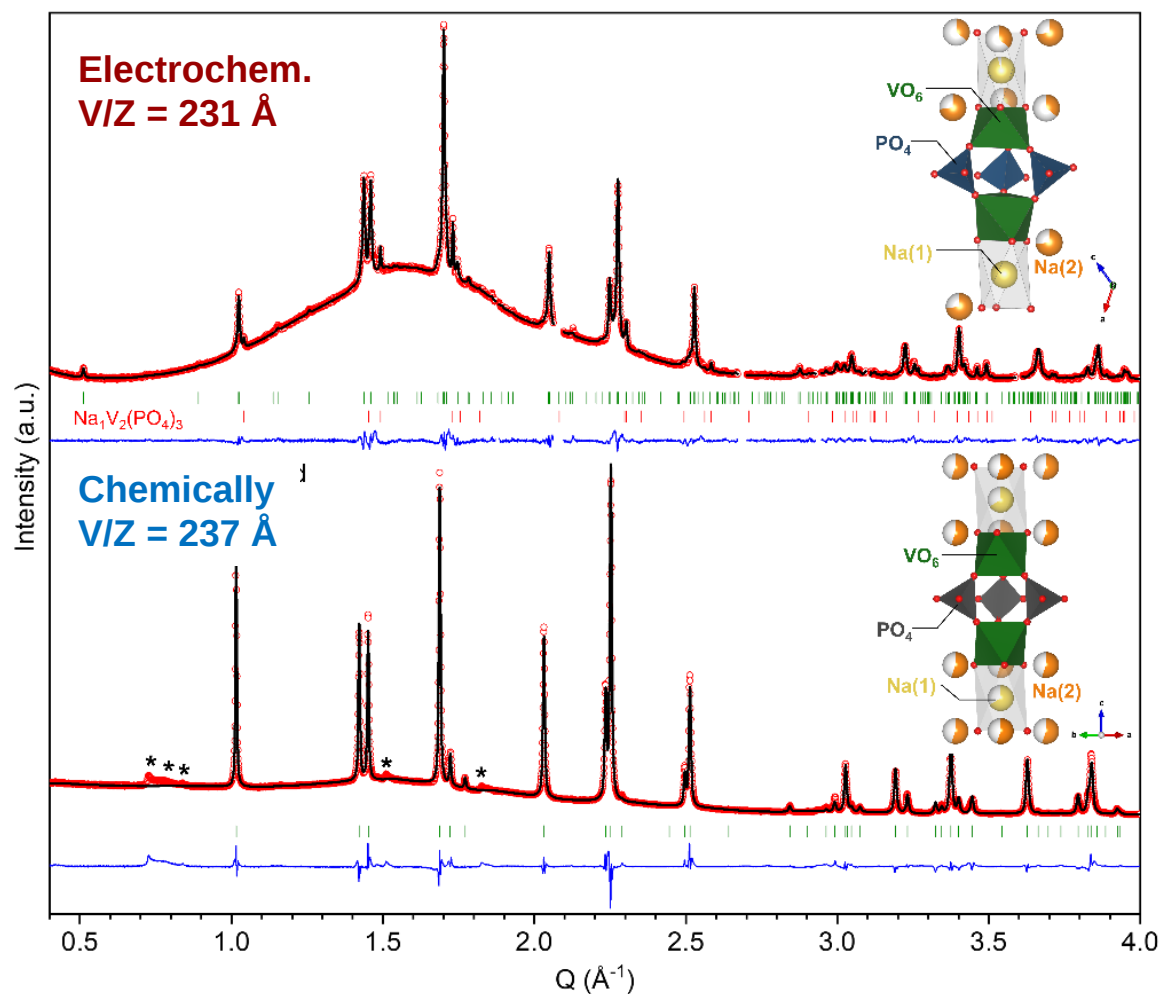


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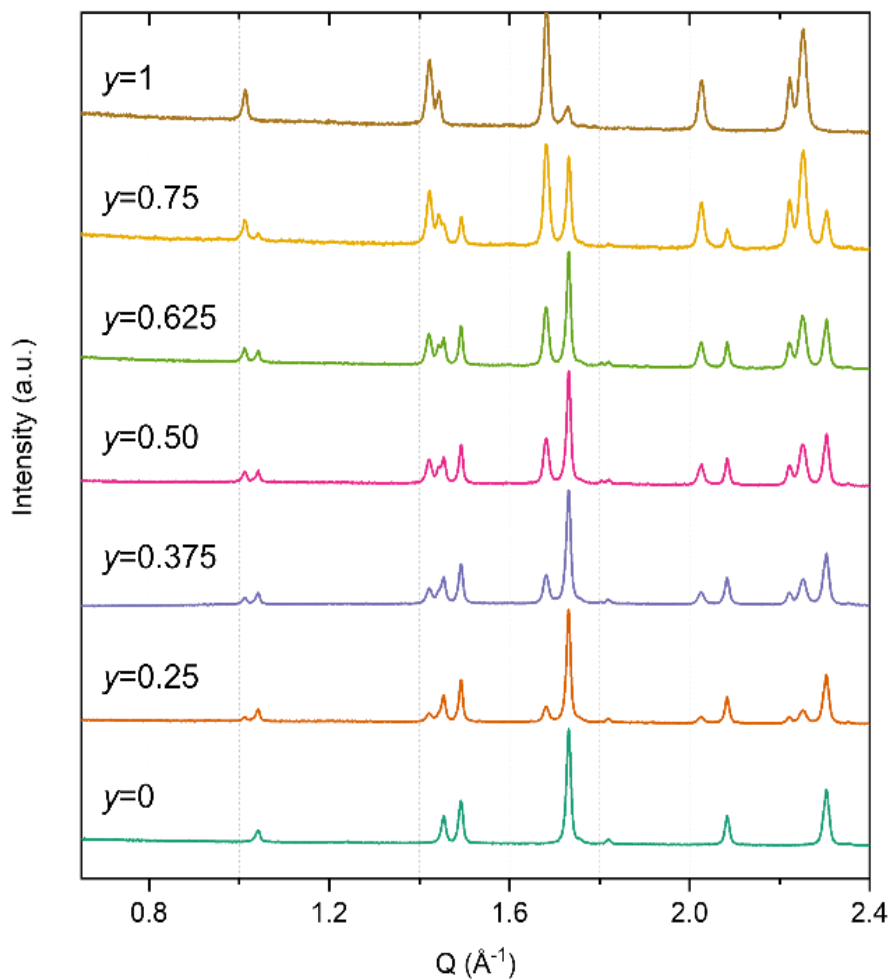


	Na(1) Occ.	Na(2) Occ.
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Chemically	0.66(4)	0.55(3)

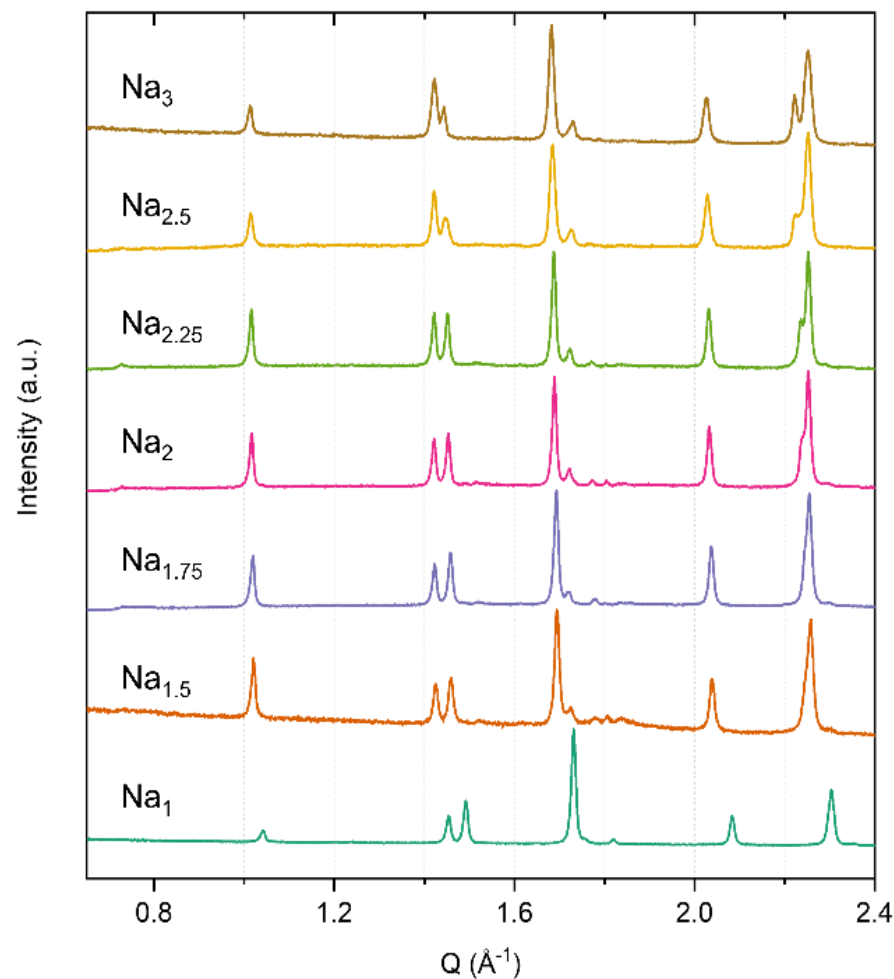
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a $y\text{Na}_3\text{V}_2(\text{PO}_4)_3 + (1-y)\text{Na}_1\text{V}_2(\text{PO}_4)_3$
before annealing

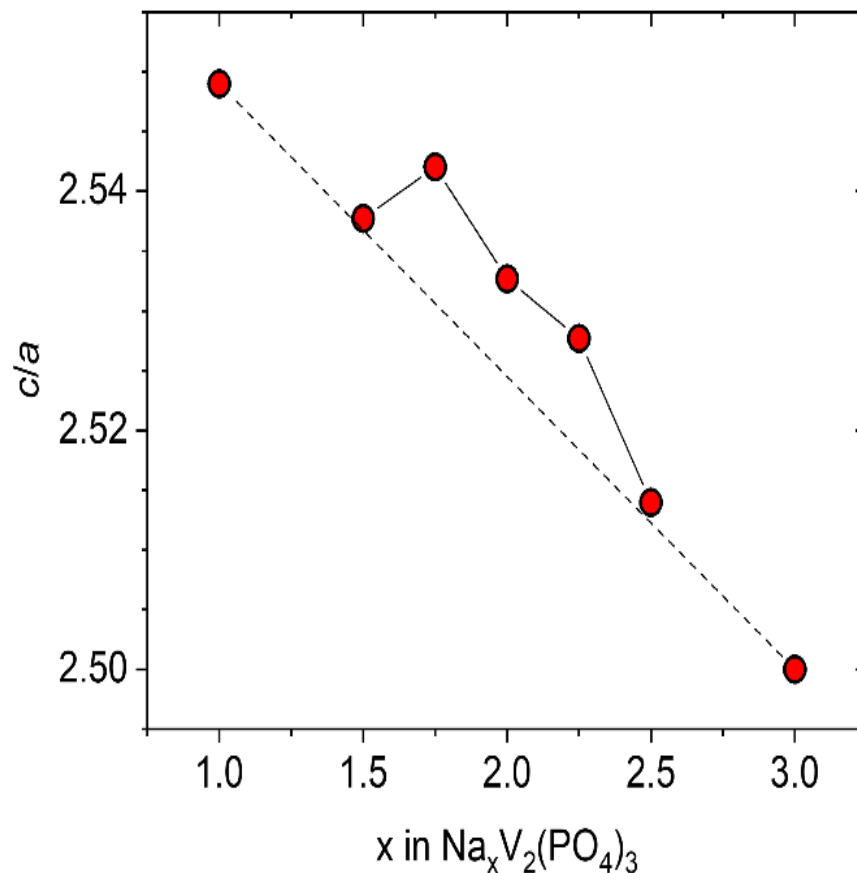
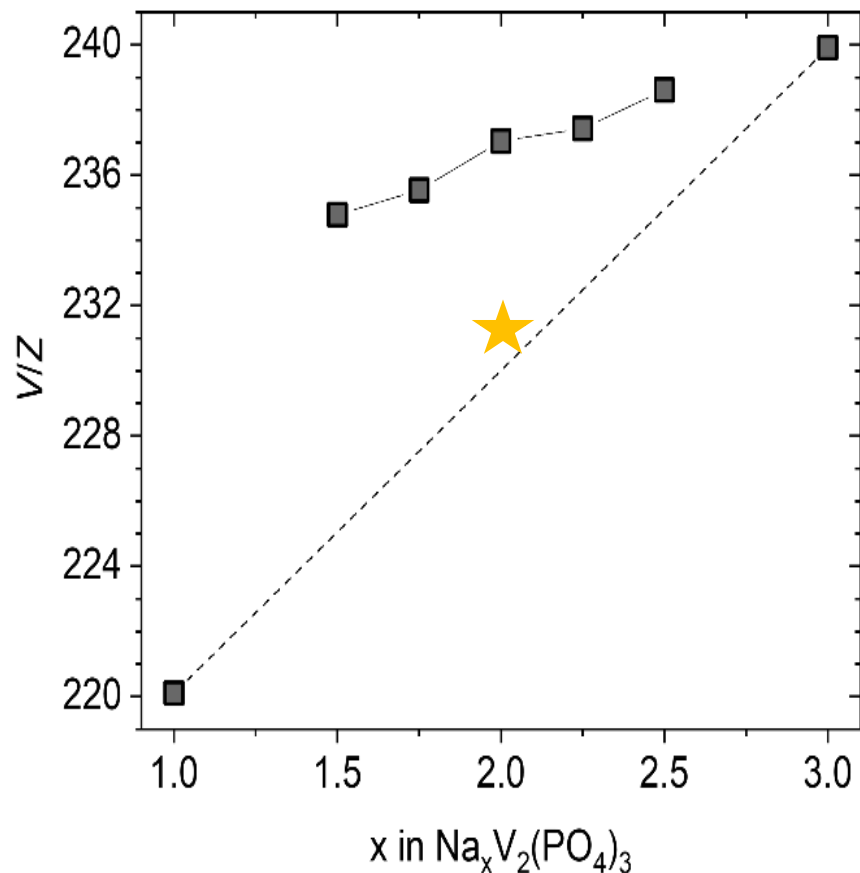


b $\text{Na}_x\text{V}_2(\text{PO}_4)_3$
after annealing at 500 °C



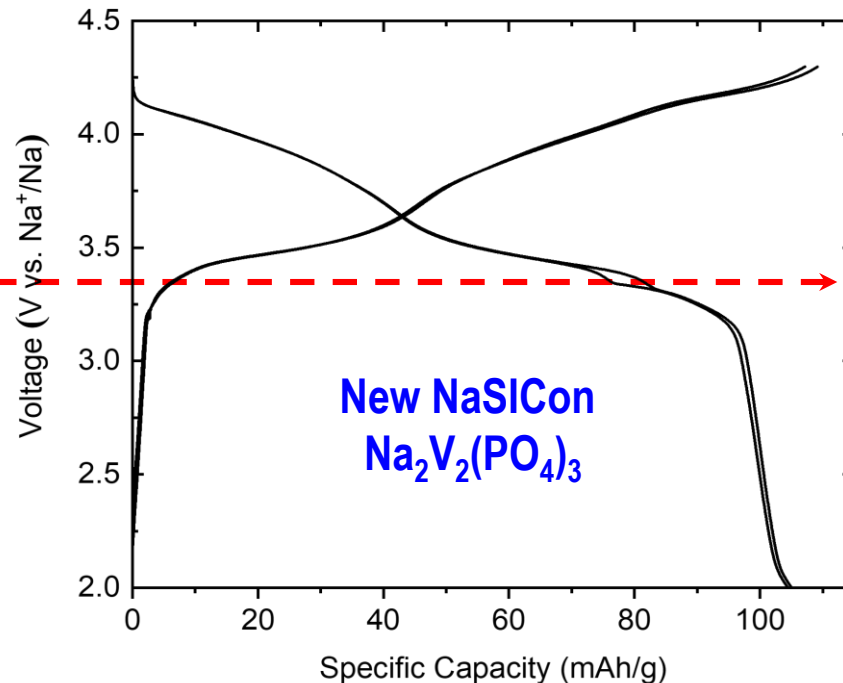
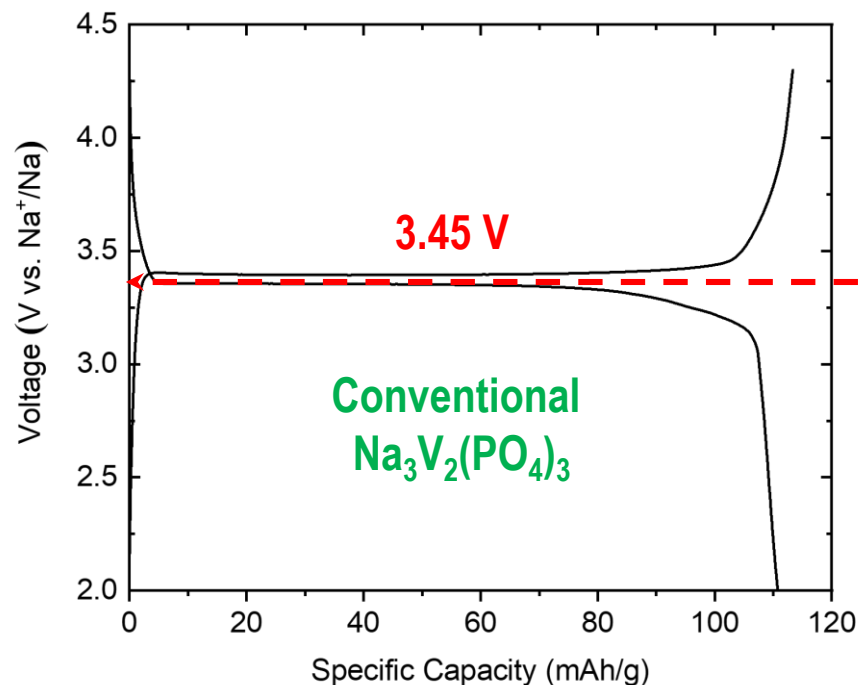
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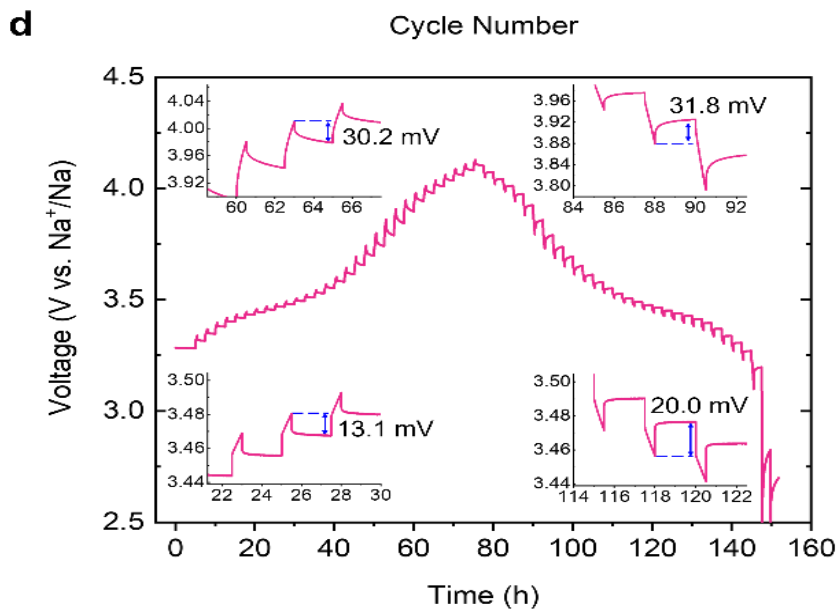
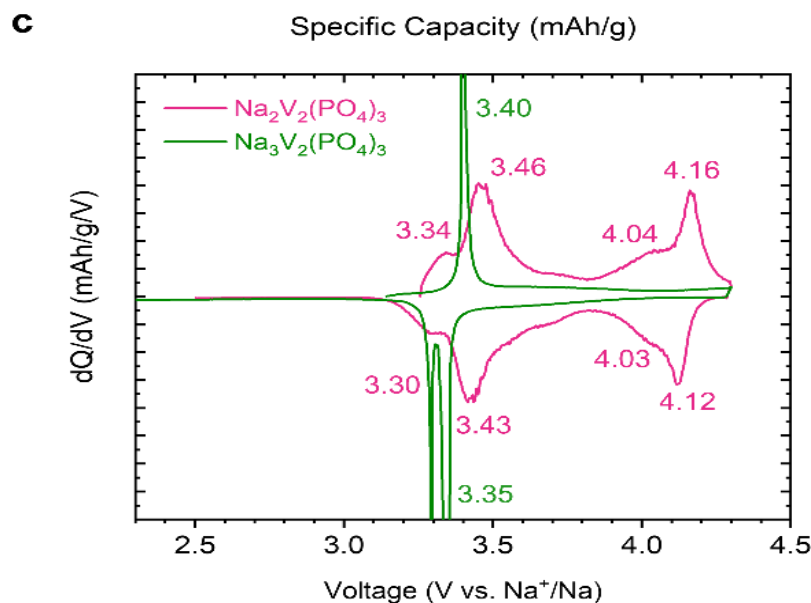
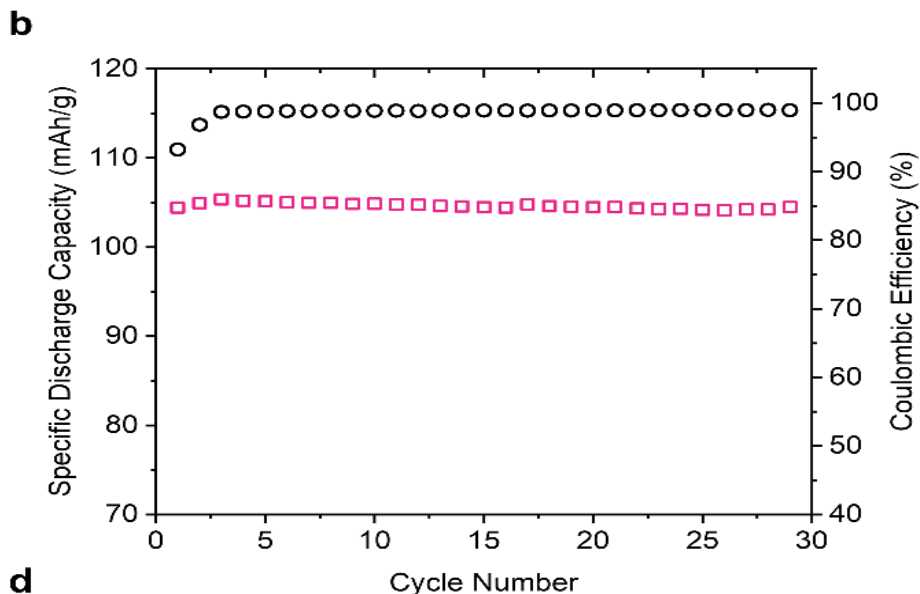
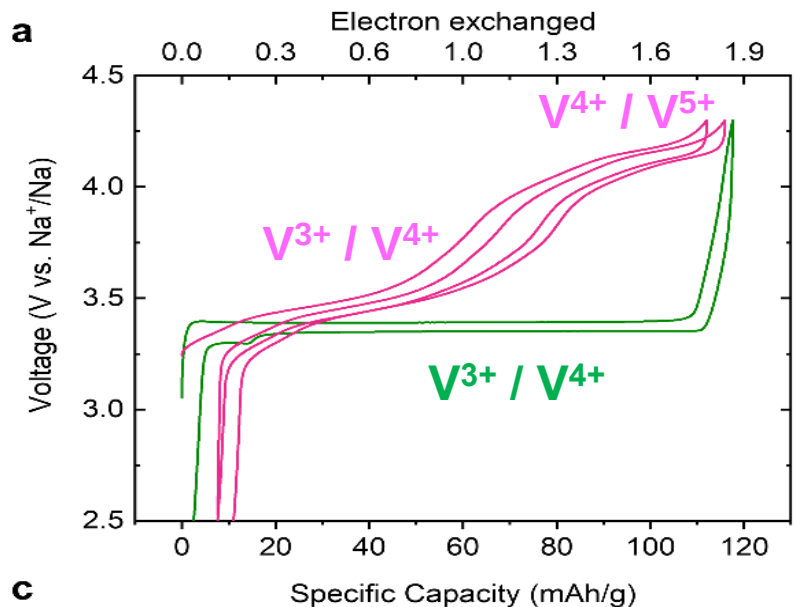
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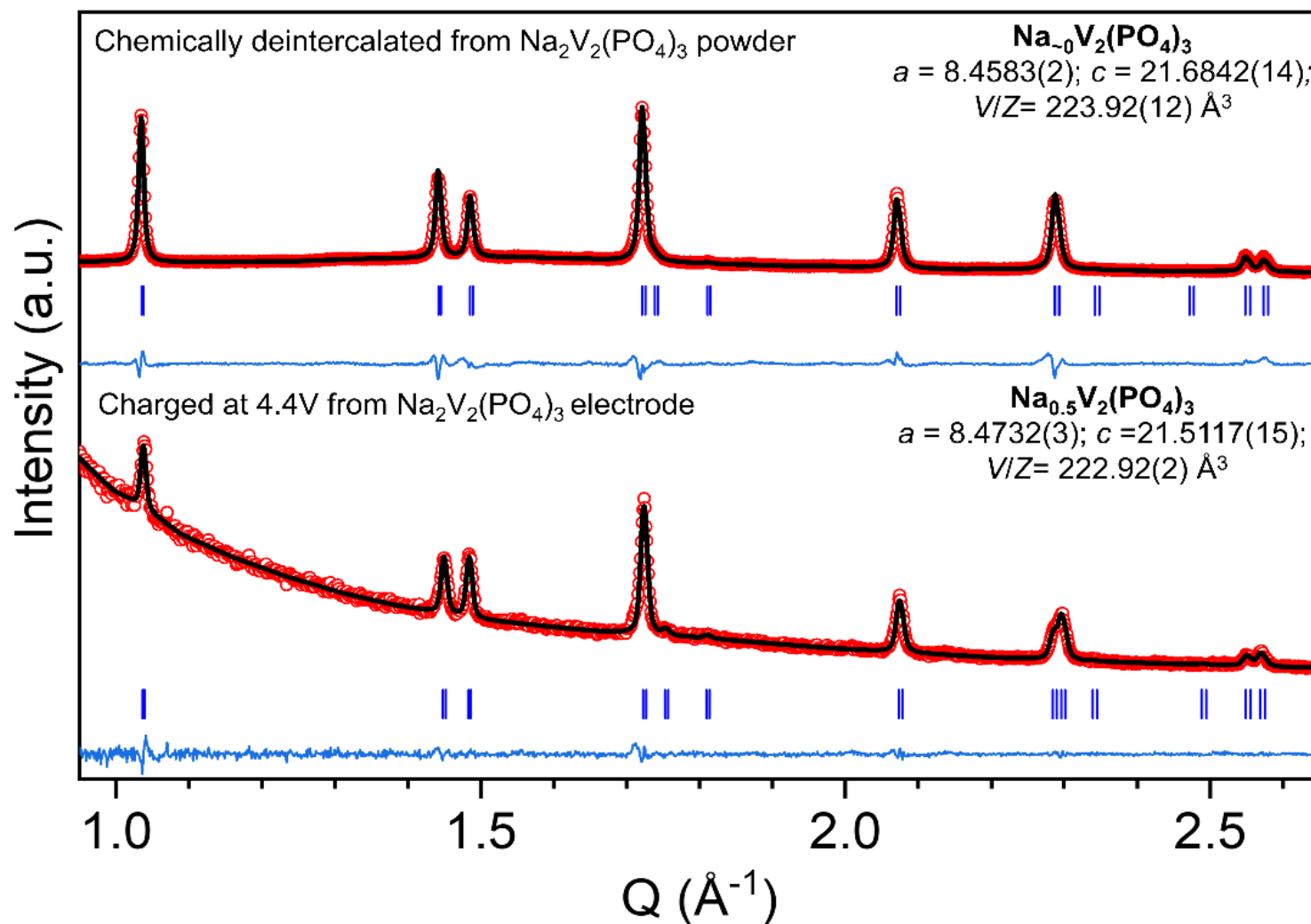


- Working voltage of ca. **3.7 V** vs. 3.45 V vs. Na⁺/Na
 - **Solid-solution** vs. biphasic reaction
- Less Volume Expansion / Contraction: **< 6 %** vs. 8.2 %

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$V_2(PO_4)_3$ spotted for the first time !!!

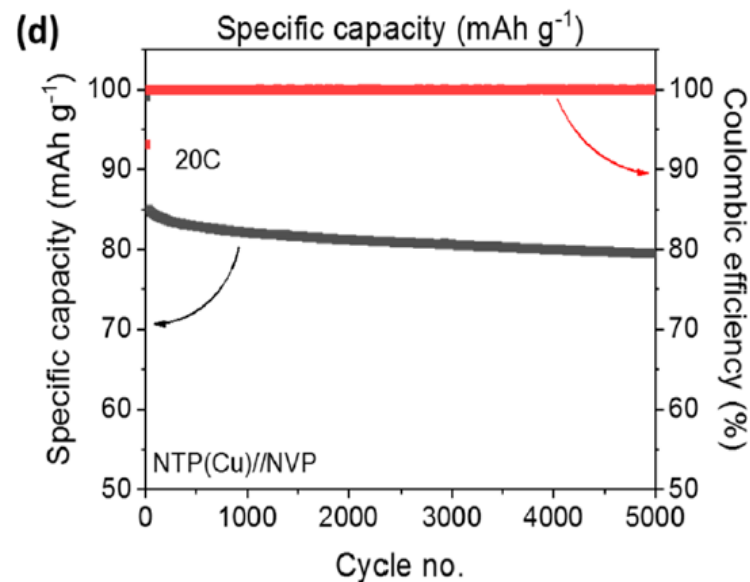
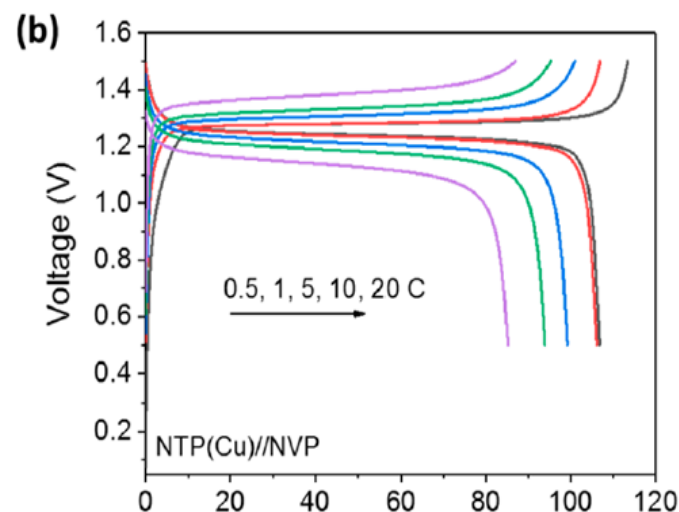
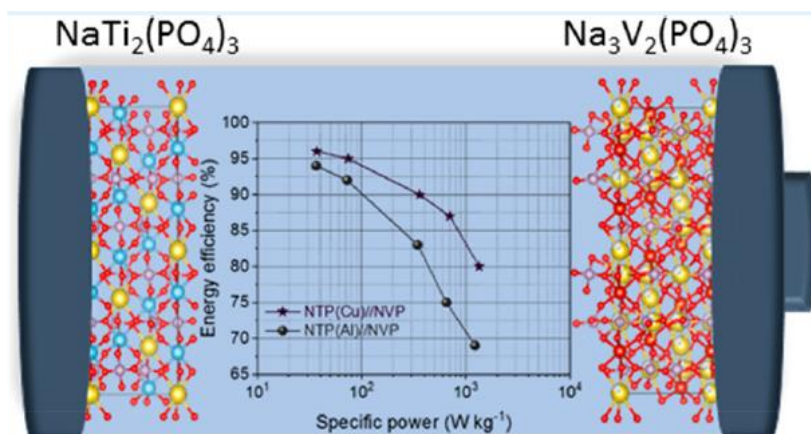


Issues, approaches, advantages, opportunities

Fast Na^+ ion transport within a framework structure → High rate, long term electrochemical cycling

Tuning the voltage → Symmetrical, all NASICON systems, for ASSBs or Aqueous-based batteries. High voltage for Fe

Mn, V → Three electron exchange possible (for 2 transition metal elements)



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