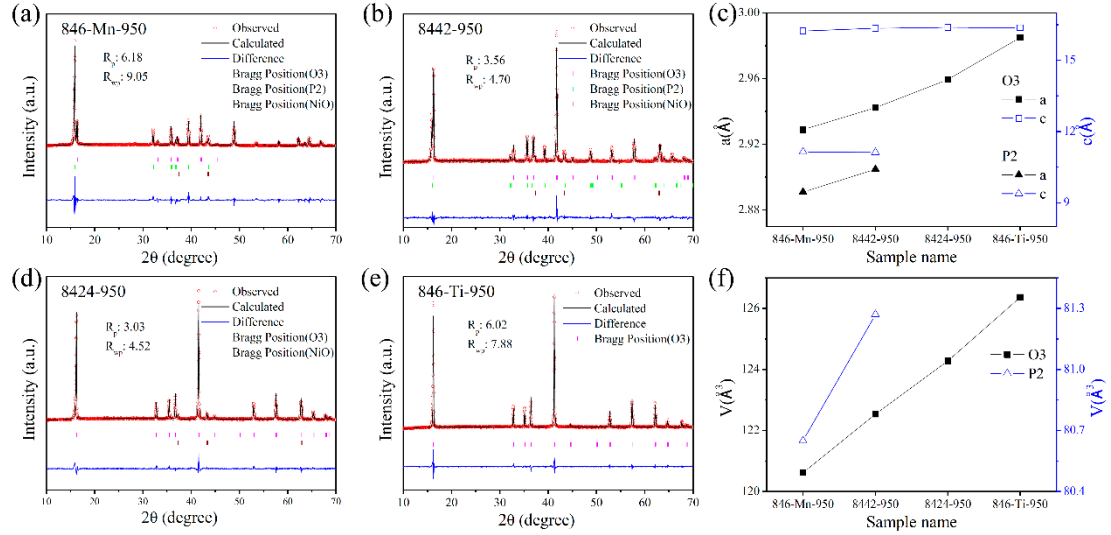


# Manipulating of P2/O3 Composite Sodium Layered Oxide Cathode through Ti Substitution and Synthesis Temperature



**Figure S1.** XRD patterns and refinement results of (a)  $\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.6}\text{O}_2$ -950, (b)  $\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$ -950, (d)  $\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.2}\text{Ti}_{0.4}\text{O}_2$ -950, and (e)  $\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.6}\text{O}_2$ -950. (c) and (f) the evolution of cell parameters  $a$ ,  $c$ , and unit cell volume  $V$  of O3 and P2 structures with the increase of Ti-substitution.

**Table S1.** Structural parameters, atomic coordinates and occupancies of the Na<sub>0.8</sub>Ni<sub>0.4</sub>Mn<sub>0.6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-950 obtained by refining XRD pattern (*R*-factors: *R*<sub>p</sub>=6.18%, *R*<sub>wp</sub>=9.05%)

Phase content	Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>g</i>	Lattice parameters
O3 (28.5 wt%)	Na	3 <i>b</i>	0	0	0.5	0.860(9)	Space group: R-3m <i>a</i> =2.9260(7)Å <i>c</i> =16.2274(7)Å
	Ni/Mn	3 <i>a</i>	0	0	0	0.4/0.6	
	O	6 <i>c</i>	0	0	0.2665(12)	1	
P2 (67.8 wt%)	Na1	2 <i>b</i>	0	0	0.25	0.374(10)	Space group: P6 <sub>3</sub> /mmc <i>a</i> =2.8896(6)Å <i>c</i> =11.1361(2)Å
	Na2	2 <i>d</i>	0.6667	0.3333	0.25	0.358(11)	
	Ni/Mn	2 <i>a</i>	0	0	0	0.4/0.6	
	O	4 <i>f</i>	0.6667	0.3333	0.0816(8)	1	

**Table S2.** Structural parameters, atomic coordinates and occupancies of the Na<sub>0.8</sub>Ni<sub>0.4</sub>Mn<sub>0.4</sub>Ti<sub>0.2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-950 obtained by refining XRD pattern (*R*-factors: *R*<sub>p</sub>=3.56%, *R*<sub>wp</sub>=4.70%)

Phase content	Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>g</i>	Lattice parameters
O3 (74.9 wt%)	Na	3 <i>b</i>	0	0	0.5	0.809(18)	Space group: R-3m <i>a</i> =2.9417(3)Å <i>c</i> =16.3478(3)Å
	Ni/Mn/Ti	3 <i>a</i>	0	0	0	0.4/0.4/0.2	
	O	6 <i>c</i>	0	0	0.2629(3)	1	
P2 (20.8 wt%)	Na1	2 <i>b</i>	0	0	0.25	0.242(13)	Space group: P6 <sub>3</sub> /mmc <i>a</i> =2.9050(1)Å <i>c</i> =11.1151(5)Å
	Na2	2 <i>d</i>	0.6667	0.3333	0.25	0.439(16)	
	Ni/Mn/Ti	2 <i>a</i>	0	0	0	0.4/0.4/0.2	
	O	4 <i>f</i>	0.6667	0.3333	0.0913(11)	1	

**Table S3.** Structural parameters, atomic coordinates and occupancies of the Na<sub>0.8</sub>Ni<sub>0.4</sub>Mn<sub>0.2</sub>Ti<sub>0.4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-950 obtained by refining XRD pattern

O3 phase					
Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>g</i>
Na	3 <i>b</i>	0	0	0.5	0.773(18)
Ni/Mn/Ti	3 <i>a</i>	0	0	0	0.4/0.2/0.4
O	6 <i>c</i>	0	0	0.2666(3)	1

Space group: R-3m, *a*= 2.9594(3) Å, *c*= 16.3852(3) Å, phase fraction 96.8 wt%  
*R*-factors: *R*<sub>p</sub>=3.03%, *R*<sub>wp</sub>=4.52%

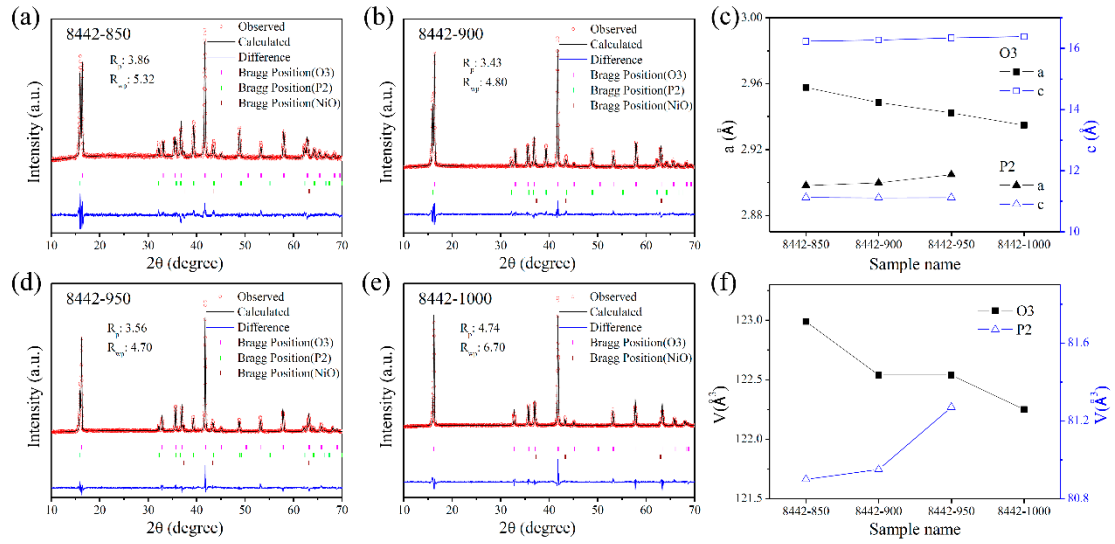
**Table S4.** Structural parameters, atomic coordinates and occupancies of the Na<sub>0.8</sub>Ni<sub>0.4</sub>Ti<sub>0.6</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-950 obtained by refining XRD pattern

O3 phase					
Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>g</i>
Na	3 <i>b</i>	0	0	0.5	0.809(15)
Ni/Ti	3 <i>a</i>	0	0	0	0.4/0.6
O	6 <i>c</i>	0	0	0.2679(3)	1

Space group: R-3m, *a*= 2.9849(19) Å, *c*= 16.3748(2) Å, phase fraction 100 wt%  
*R*-factors: *R*<sub>p</sub>=6.02%, *R*<sub>wp</sub>=7.88%

**Table S5.** The designed chemical compositions of Na<sub>0.8</sub>Ni<sub>0.4</sub>Mn<sub>0.6-x</sub>Ti<sub>x</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-950 and calculated results obtained by refining XRD patterns

Sample name	designed composition	Temperature (°C)	Phase Weight Frac. (%)	
846-Mn-950	Na <sub>0.8</sub> Ni <sub>0.4</sub> Mn <sub>0.6</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	950	O3-Na <sub>0.86</sub> Ni <sub>0.4</sub> Mn <sub>0.6</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	28.5
			P2-Na <sub>0.73</sub> Ni <sub>0.4</sub> Mn <sub>0.6</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	67.8
			NiO	3.7
8442-950	Na <sub>0.8</sub> Ni <sub>0.4</sub> Mn <sub>0.4</sub> Ti <sub>0.2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	950	O3-Na <sub>0.81</sub> Ni <sub>0.4</sub> Mn <sub>0.4</sub> Ti <sub>0.2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	74.9
			P2-Na <sub>0.68</sub> Ni <sub>0.4</sub> Mn <sub>0.4</sub> Ti <sub>0.2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	20.8
			NiO	4.3
8424-950	Na <sub>0.8</sub> Ni <sub>0.4</sub> Mn <sub>0.2</sub> Ti <sub>0.4</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	950	O3-Na <sub>0.77</sub> Ni <sub>0.4</sub> Mn <sub>0.2</sub> Ti <sub>0.4</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	96.8
			NiO	3.2
846-Ti-950	Na <sub>0.8</sub> Ni <sub>0.4</sub> Ti <sub>0.6</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	950	Na <sub>0.81</sub> Ni <sub>0.4</sub> Ti <sub>0.6</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	100



**Figure S2.** XRD patterns and refinement results of (a) Na<sub>0.8</sub>Ni<sub>0.4</sub>Mn<sub>0.4</sub>Ti<sub>0.2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-850, (b) Na<sub>0.8</sub>Ni<sub>0.4</sub>Mn<sub>0.4</sub>Ti<sub>0.2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-900, (d) Na<sub>0.8</sub>Ni<sub>0.4</sub>Mn<sub>0.4</sub>Ti<sub>0.2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-950, and (e) Na<sub>0.8</sub>Ni<sub>0.4</sub>Mn<sub>0.4</sub>Ti<sub>0.2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-1000. (c) and (f) the evolution of cell parameters *a*, *c*, and unit cell volume *V* of O3 and P2 structures with the increase of synthesis temperature.

**Table S6.** Structural parameters and atomic coordinates and occupancies of the Na<sub>0.8</sub>Ni<sub>0.4</sub>Mn<sub>0.4</sub>Ti<sub>0.2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-850 obtained by refining XRD pattern (*R*-factors: *R*<sub>p</sub>=3.86%, *R*<sub>w</sub>p=5.32%)

Phase content	Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>g</i>	Lattice parameters
O3 (59.0 wt%)	Na	3 <i>b</i>	0	0	0.5	0.858(10)	Space group: R-3m <i>a</i> =2.9579(5)Å, <i>c</i> =16.2345(5)Å
	Ni/Mn/Ti	3 <i>a</i>	0	0	0	0.4/0.4/0.2	
	O	6 <i>c</i>	0	0	0.2608(4)	1	
P2 (37.1 wt%)	Na1	2 <i>b</i>	0	0	0.25	0.274(12)	Space group: P6 <sub>3</sub> /mmc, <i>a</i> =2.8980(9)Å <i>c</i> =11.1272(4)Å
	Na2	2 <i>d</i>	0.6667	0.3333	0.25	0.389(17)	
	Ni/Mn/Ti	2 <i>a</i>	0	0	0	0.4/0.4/0.2	
		4 <i>f</i>	0.6667	0.3333	0.0983(9)	1	

**Table S7.** Structural parameters and atomic coordinates and occupancies of the Na<sub>0.8</sub>Ni<sub>0.4</sub>Mn<sub>0.4</sub>Ti<sub>0.2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-900 obtained by refining XRD pattern (*R*-factors: *R*<sub>p</sub>=3.43%, *R*<sub>w</sub>*p*=4.80%)

Phase content	Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>g</i>	Lattice parameters
O3 (67.8 wt%)	Na	<i>3b</i>	0	0	0.5	0.827(18)	Space group: R-3m <i>a</i> =2.9489(3)Å <i>c</i> =16.2762(3)Å
	Ni/Mn/Ti	<i>3a</i>	0	0	0	0.4/0.4/0.2	
	O	<i>6c</i>	0	0	0.2646(3)	1	
P2 (28.8 wt%)	Na1	<i>2b</i>	0	0	0.25	0.289(11)	Space group: P6 <sub>3</sub> /mmc, <i>a</i> = 2.9000(1)Å <i>c</i> =11.1191(4)Å
	Na2	<i>2d</i>	0.6667	0.3333	0.25	0.358(14)	
	Ni/Mn/Ti	<i>2a</i>	0	0	0	0.4/0.4/0.2	
	O	<i>4f</i>	0.6667	0.3333	0.0935(10)	1	

**Table S8.** Structural parameters and atomic coordinates and occupancies of the Na<sub>0.8</sub>Ni<sub>0.4</sub>Mn<sub>0.4</sub>Ti<sub>0.2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>-1000 obtained by refining XRD pattern

O3 phase						
Atom	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>g</i>	
Na	<i>3b</i>	0	0	0.5	0.778(21)	
Ni/Mn/Ti	<i>3a</i>	0	0	0	0.4/0.4/0.2	
O	<i>6c</i>	0	0	0.2653(3)	1	

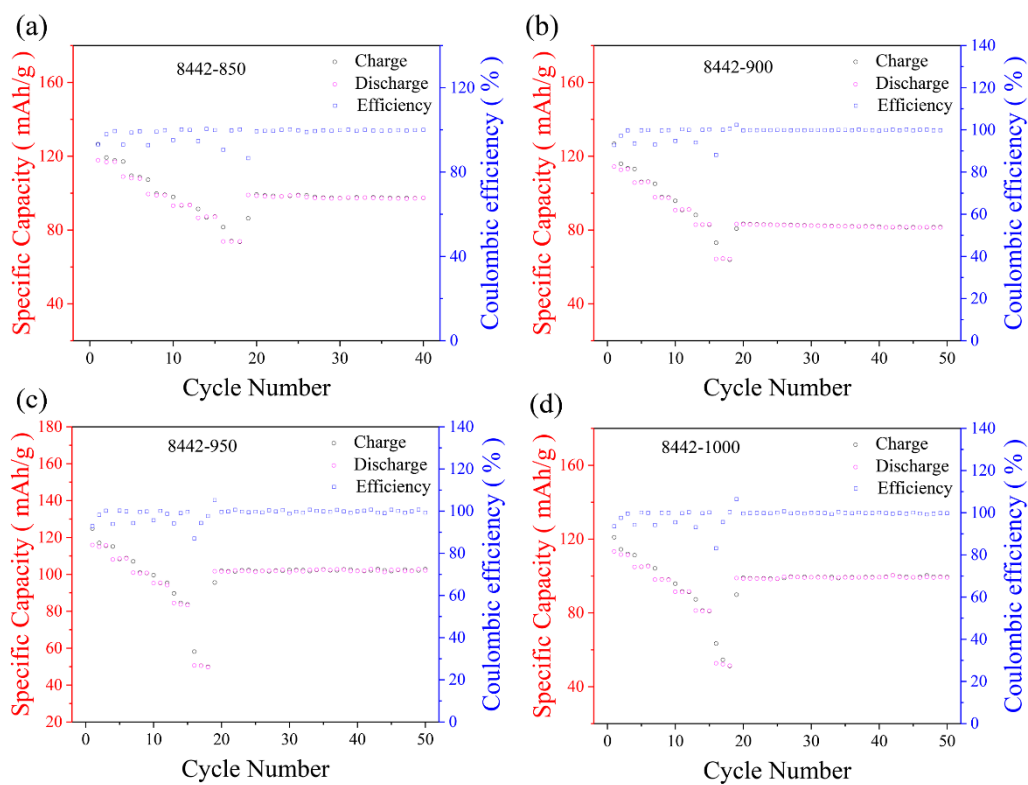
Space group: R-3m, *a*= 2.93434(3) Å, *c*= 16.3860(3) Å, phase fraction 96.0 wt%  
*R*-factors: *R*<sub>p</sub>=4.74%, *R*<sub>w</sub>*p*=6.70%

**Table S9.** The designed chemical compositions of  $\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.6-x}\text{Ti}_x\text{O}_2$ -950 and calculated results obtained by refining XRD patterns

Sample name	Designed composition	Temperature (°C)	Phase	Weight Frac. (%)
8442-850	$\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$	850	$\text{O3-Na}_{0.86}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$	59.0
			$\text{P2-Na}_{0.66}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$	37.1
			NiO	3.9
8442-900	$\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$	900	$\text{O3-Na}_{0.83}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$	67.8
			$\text{P2-Na}_{0.65}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$	28.8
			NiO	3.4
8442-950	$\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$	950	$\text{O3-Na}_{0.81}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$	74.9
			$\text{P2-Na}_{0.68}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$	20.8
			NiO	4.3
8442-1000	$\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$	1000	$\text{O3-Na}_{0.78}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$	96.0
			NiO	4

**Table S10.** Stoichiometry of  $\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$ -T (T=850, 900, 950, 1000 °C, denoted as 8442-T) samples determined by ICP-AES.

Sample name	Na	Ni	Mn	Ti
8442-850	0.794	0.404	0.410	0.186
8442-900	0.782	0.403	0.406	0.191
8442-950	0.773	0.406	0.406	0.188
8442-1000	0.768	0.409	0.404	0.187



**Figure S3.** The cycling performance of (a) 8442-850, (b) 8442-900, (c) 8442-950, (d) 8442-1000 electrode, respectively.

Table S11. The electrochemical performance comparison of P2/O3 biphasic layered oxide cathodes.

Materials	Voltage range (V)	Capacity (0.1C, mAh/g)	Rate	Cycling
$\text{Na}_{0.67}\text{Ni}_{0.33}\text{Mn}_{0.57}\text{Sn}_{0.1}\text{O}_2$ [1]	2-4.3	155.2	66%, 150mA/g	64%, 30cycle, 0.1C
$\text{Na}_{0.67}\text{Fe}_{0.425}\text{Mn}_{0.425}\text{Mg}_{0.15}\text{O}_2$ [2]	1.5-4.2	146.1	40%, 2C	95.7%, 50cycle, 1C
$\text{Na}_{0.67}\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{Mn}_{0.46}\text{Mg}_{0.04}\text{O}_2$ [3]	1.5-4.2	182(0.2C)	61%, 1C	63.9%, 70cycle, 1C
$\text{Li}_{0.2}\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.33}\text{Mn}_{0.67}\text{O}_2$ [4]	2-4.3	127.8	53%, 20C	61.5%, 200cycle, 0.1C
P2- $\text{Na}_{2/3}\text{MnO}_2$ -coated O3- $\text{NaNi}_{0.5}\text{Mn}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$ [5]	2-4	141	73%, 15C	85.3%, 150cycle, 1C
$\text{Na}_{0.85}\text{Ni}_{0.34}\text{Mn}_{0.33}\text{Ti}_{0.33}\text{O}_2$ [6]	2.2-4.4	126.6	65%, 10C	80.6, 200cycle, 1C
$\text{Na}_{0.7}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$ [7]	2-4.3	193	52%, 5C	80.04%, 300cycle, 5C
$\text{Na}_{0.766}\text{Ni}_{0.33}\text{Mn}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.1}\text{Ti}_{0.07}\text{O}_2$ [8]	2.2-4.3	144(0.2C)	64%, 10C	75.4%, 500cycle, 5C
$\text{Na}_{7/9}\text{Ni}_{2/9}\text{Mn}_{4/9}\text{Fe}_{1/9}\text{Mg}_{1/9}\text{Li}_{1/9}\text{O}_2$ [9]	2-4.4	170.5	62%, 10C	71.8%, 500cycle, 5C
$\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$ -950	2-4.2	120	54%, 5C	84%, 700cycle, 3C
$\text{Na}_{0.8}\text{Ni}_{0.4}\text{Mn}_{0.4}\text{Ti}_{0.2}\text{O}_2$ -850	2-4.2	120	65%, 5C	74%, 700cycle, 3C
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