

Supplementary Information

Thermal and electrochemical interface compatibility of a hydroborate solid electrolyte with 3 V-class cathodes for all-solid-state sodium batteries

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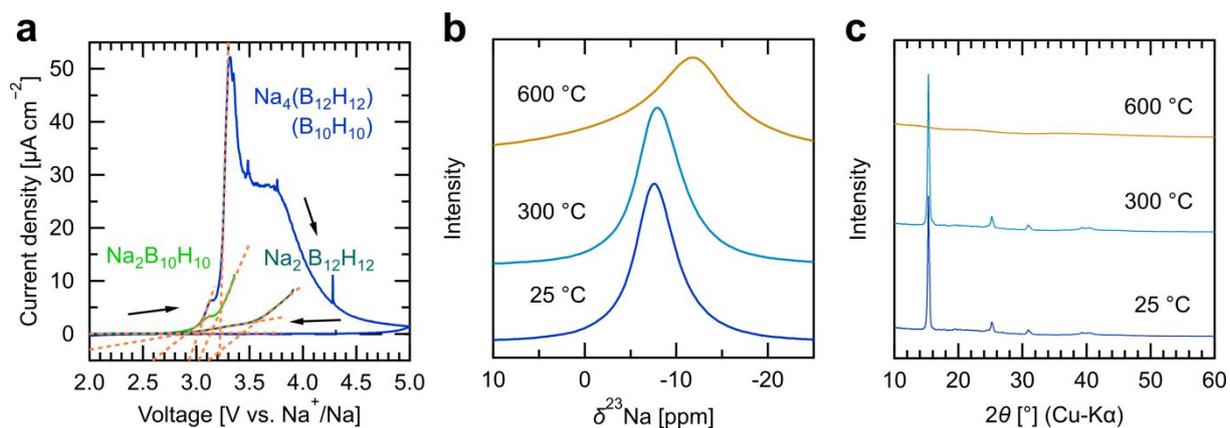


Fig. S1 (a) Full voltammograms of Na₂B₁₂H₁₂ (dark green) (Asakura, R. et al. *Energy Environ. Sci.* **2020**, *13* (12), 5048–5058), Na₂B₁₀H₁₀ (light green), and Na₄(B₁₂H₁₂)(B₁₀H₁₀) (blue) (Asakura, R. et al. *ACS Appl. Energy Mater.* **2019**, *2* (9), 6924–6930) in Pt/SE-carbon/SE/Na cells (SE:carbon = 75:25 in weight) at a scan rate of 10 μV s⁻¹ at 60 °C. (b) ²³Na MAS solid-state NMR spectra and (c) XRD patterns of Na₄(B₁₂H₁₂)(B₁₀H₁₀) at 25 °C and after heating at 300 °C and 600 °C for >1 h under vacuum.

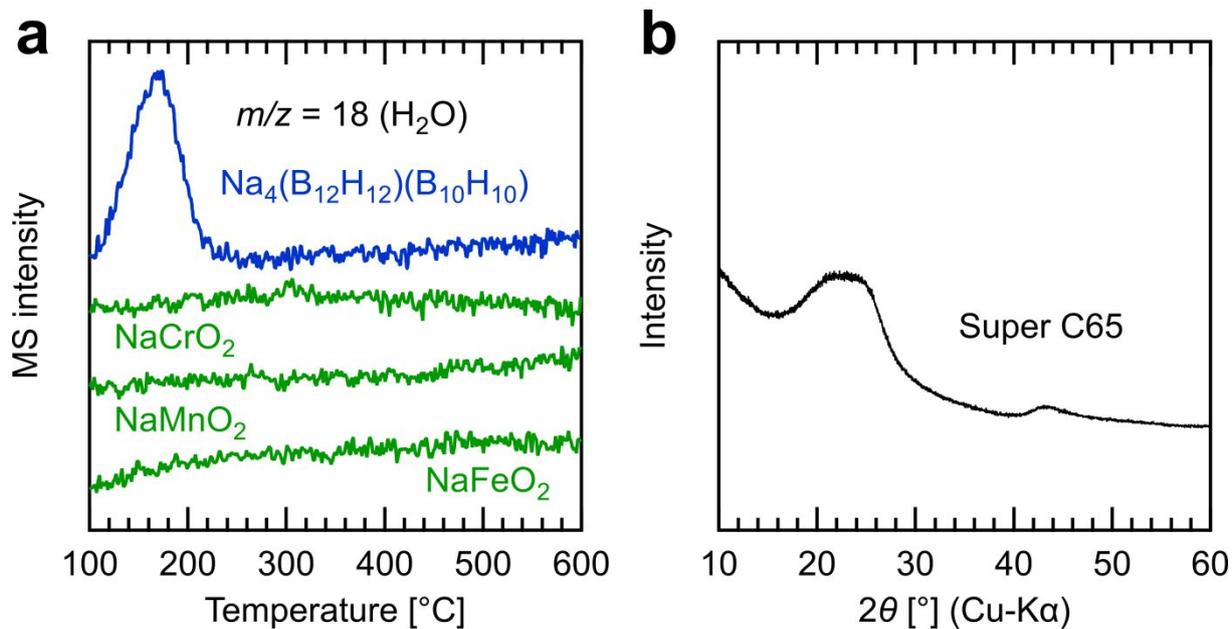


Fig. S2 (a) MS data ($m/z = 18$) of NaCrO_2 , NaMnO_2 , and NaFeO_2 at a heating rate of 5 K min^{-1} , plotted with $\text{Na}_4(\text{B}_{12}\text{H}_{12})(\text{B}_{10}\text{H}_{10})$ for comparison. (b) XRD pattern of the conductive carbon Super C65 at 25°C in a borosilicate glass capillary.

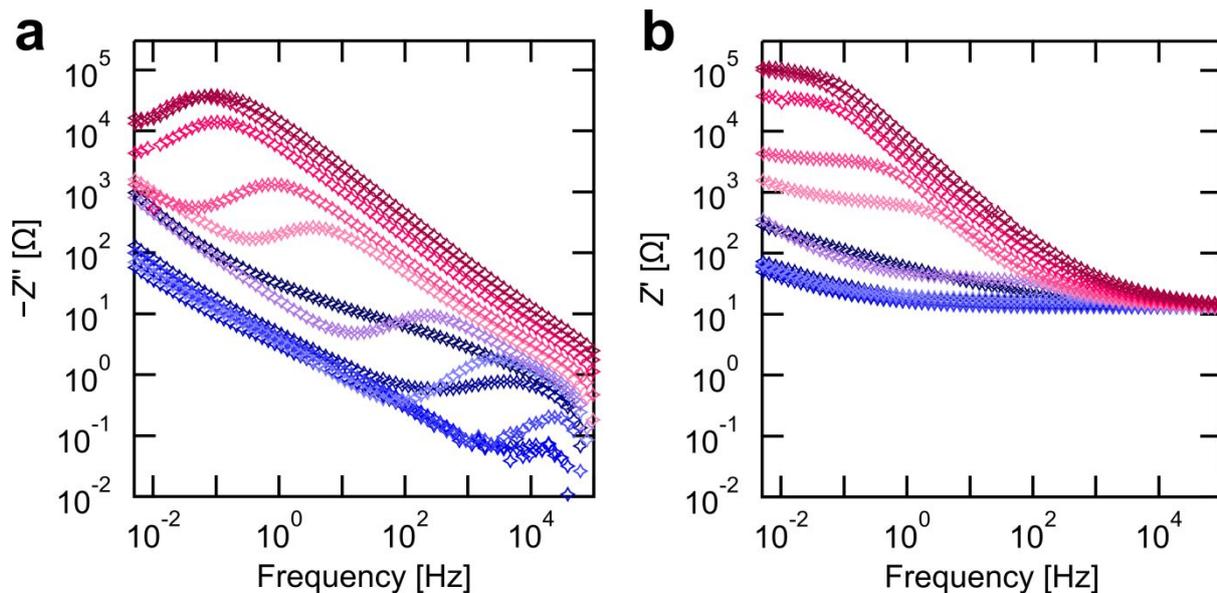


Fig. S3 (a) Imaginary part and (b) real part of the impedance spectra recorded after the constant voltage step at each upper cut-off voltage from 2.8 V to 3.9 V vs. Na⁺/Na during the first charge of a NaCrO₂|Na₄(B₁₂H₁₂)(B₁₀H₁₀)|Na all-solid-state cell at 60 °C. Each color represents the corresponding upper cut-off voltage shown in Fig. 3a.

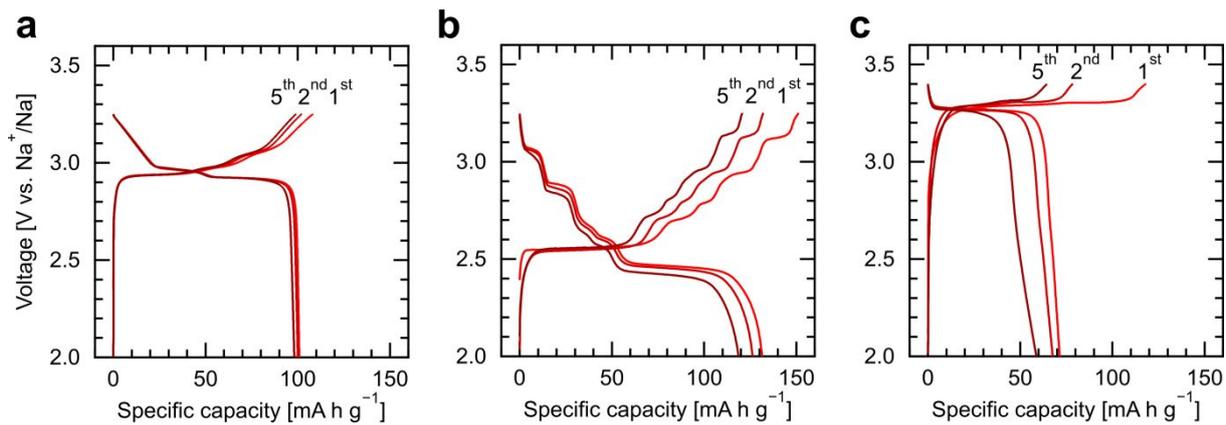


Fig. S4 Galvanostatic charge–discharge curves of $\text{NaTMO}_2|\text{Na}_4(\text{B}_{12}\text{H}_{12})(\text{B}_{10}\text{H}_{10})|\text{Na}$ all-solid-state cells with (a) NaCrO_2 , (b) NaMnO_2 , and (c) NaFeO_2 , cycled between 2.00 V and 3.25 V (for NaCrO_2 and NaMnO_2) or 3.40 V (for NaFeO_2) vs. Na^+/Na at $C/20$ at 60°C . The higher upper cut-off voltage was used for NaFeO_2 to reach its $\text{Fe}^{3+}/\text{Fe}^{4+}$ redox potential.

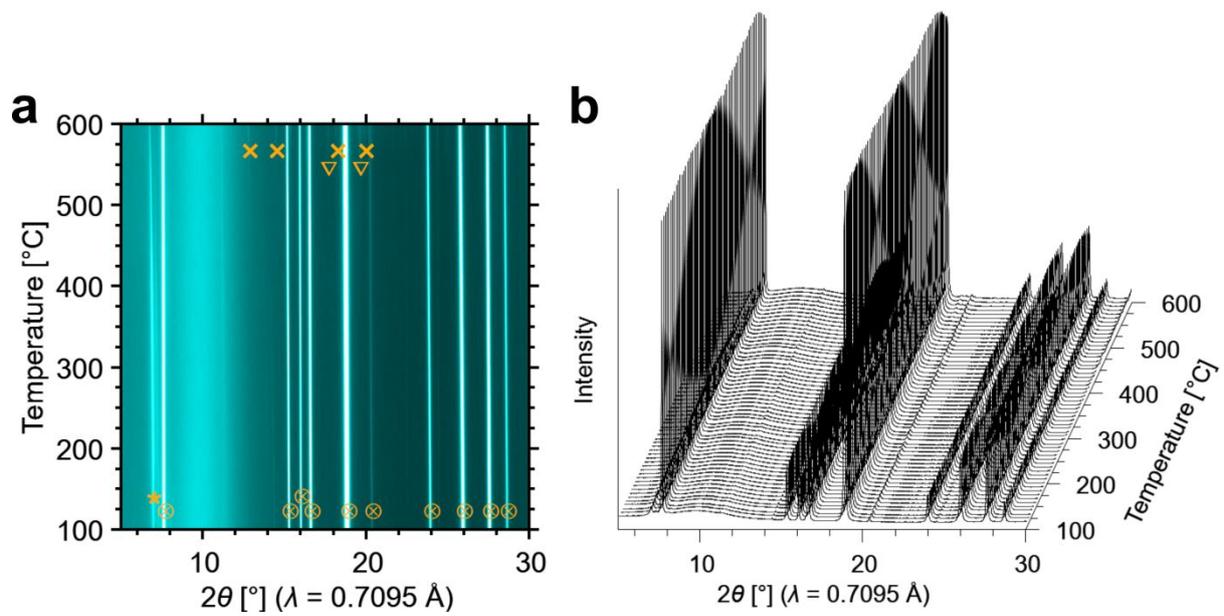


Fig. S5 (a, b) Temperature-dependent synchrotron XRD patterns of the NaCrO₂ cathode composite (NaCrO₂:Na₄(B₁₂H₁₂)(B₁₀H₁₀):carbon = 70:20:10 in weight) at a heating rate of 20 °C min⁻¹. Each symbol corresponds to the phase observed in Fig. 2c.

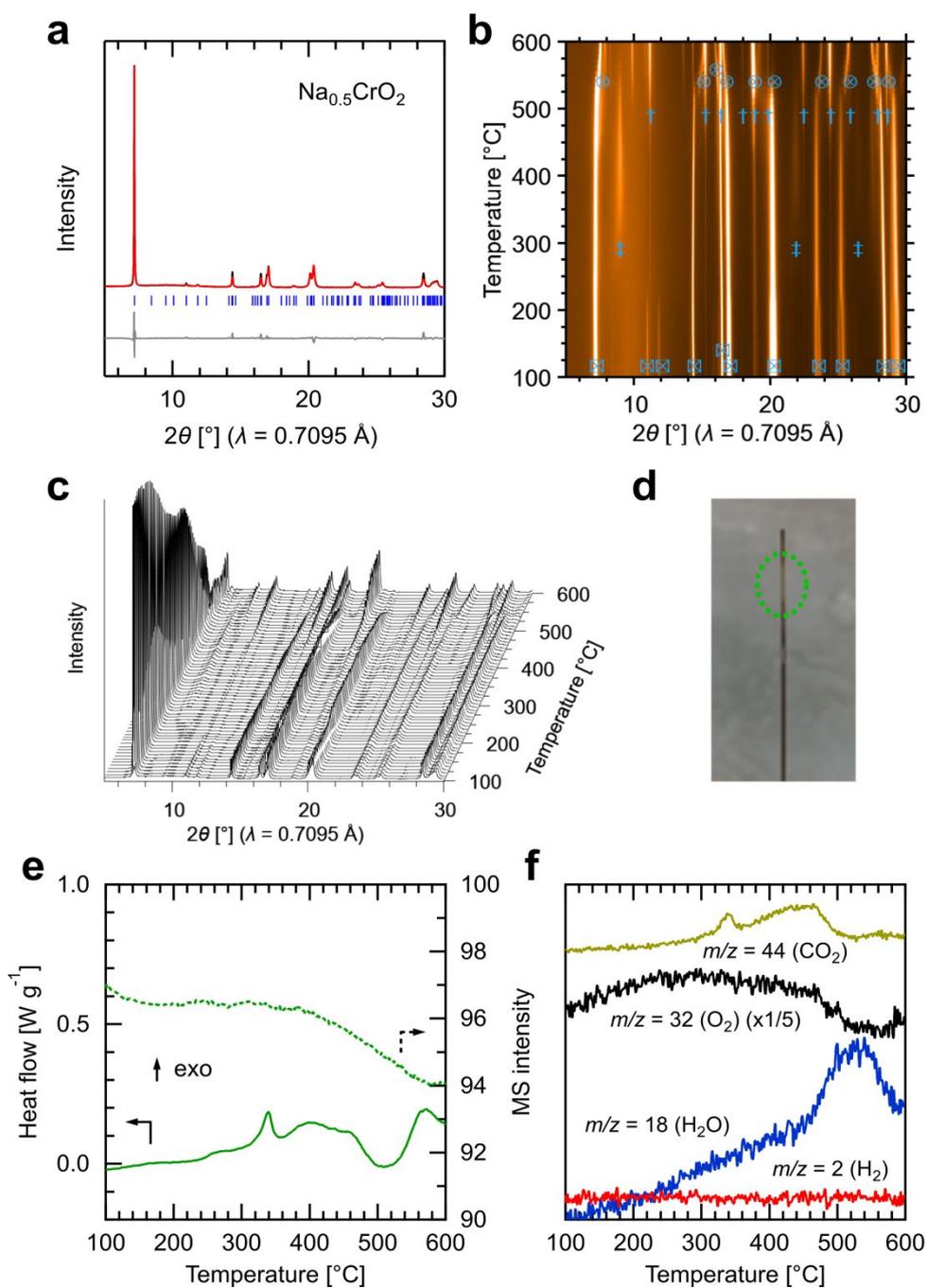


Fig. S6 (a) Synchrotron XRD pattern and Rietveld refinement of $\text{Na}_{0.5}\text{CrO}_2$ ($R_{\text{wp}} = 8.43\%$, $\chi^2 = 5.49$) at $30\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. (b, c) Temperature-dependent synchrotron XRD patterns of $\text{Na}_{0.5}\text{CrO}_2$ at a heating rate of $20\text{ }^\circ\text{C min}^{-1}$. (d) Capillary image of $\text{Na}_{0.5}\text{CrO}_2$ after the temperature-dependent synchrotron XRD measurements. The green circle depicts a color change to green in the heated sample region, indicating the formation of Cr_2O_3 and NaCrO_2 . Each symbol corresponds to the phase observed in Fig. 4c. (e) DSC data (left axis) and TG (right axis) of $\text{Na}_{0.5}\text{CrO}_2$ recorded at a heating rate of $5\text{ }^\circ\text{C min}^{-1}$. (f) MS data of $\text{Na}_{0.5}\text{CrO}_2$.

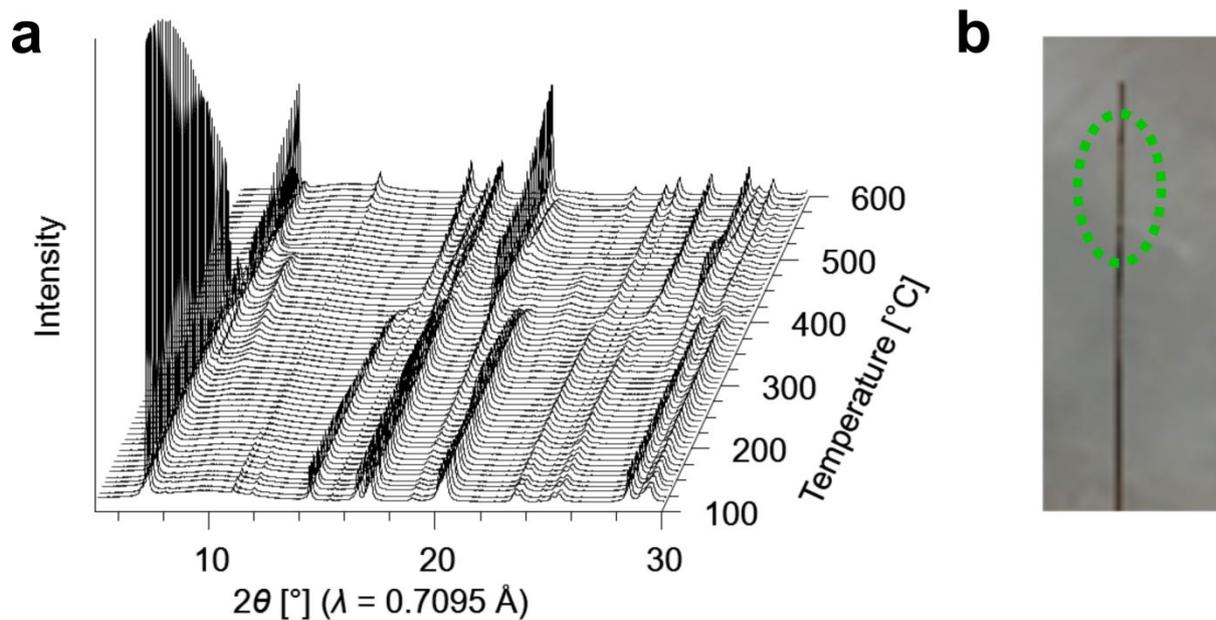


Fig. S7 (a) Temperature-dependent synchrotron XRD patterns of the $\text{Na}_{0.5}\text{CrO}_2$ cathode composite recorded at a heating rate of $20\text{ }^\circ\text{C min}^{-1}$. (b) Capillary image of the cathode composite after the temperature-dependent synchrotron XRD measurements. The green circle depicts a color change to green in the heated sample region, indicating the formation of Cr_2O_3 and NaCrO_2 .