

## Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI)

### **Electrochemical properties and structural evolution of O3-type layered sodium mixed transition metal oxides with trivalent nickel**

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**Table S1.** Lattice parameters of  $\text{NaNi}_{0.5}\text{Co}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  and  $\text{NaNi}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  obtained from Rietveld refinement using C2/m symmetry.  $c_h$  is derived from refinement with  $\bar{R}3\text{m}$  symmetry.

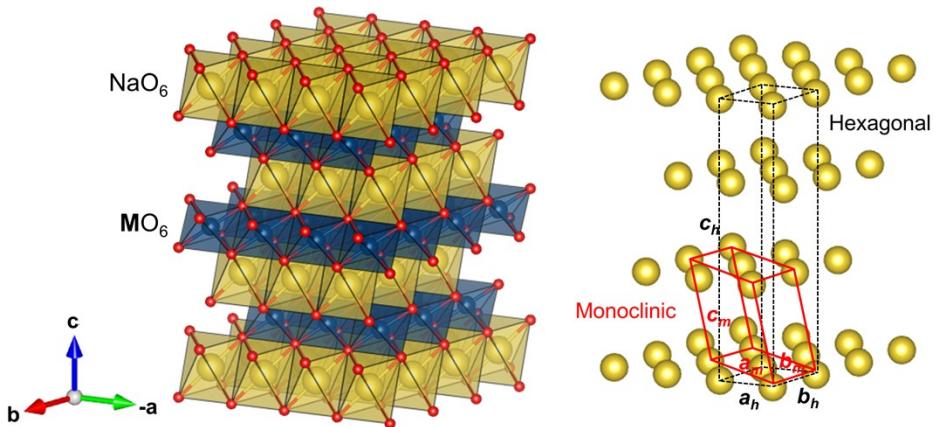
Composition	$a_m$ (Å)	$b_m$ (Å)	$c_m$ (Å)	$\beta$ (°)	$a_m / b_m$	$c_m \cdot 3\sin\beta$ (Å)	$c_h$ (Å)
$\text{NaNi}_{0.5}\text{Co}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$	5.0580(2)	2.9130(2)	5.4774(2)	107.93(7)	1.736	15.6342	15.6441
$\text{NaNi}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$	5.1776(2)	2.9882(1)	5.5792(2)	107.918(2)	1.733	15.9256	15.9236

**Table S2.**  $a_m$  to  $b_m$  ratio of  $\text{Na}_{1-x}\text{Ni}_{0.5}\text{Co}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  obtained from Rietveld refinement using the C2/m symmetry. (Site occupancy, atomic coordination, and B-factors are not refined.)

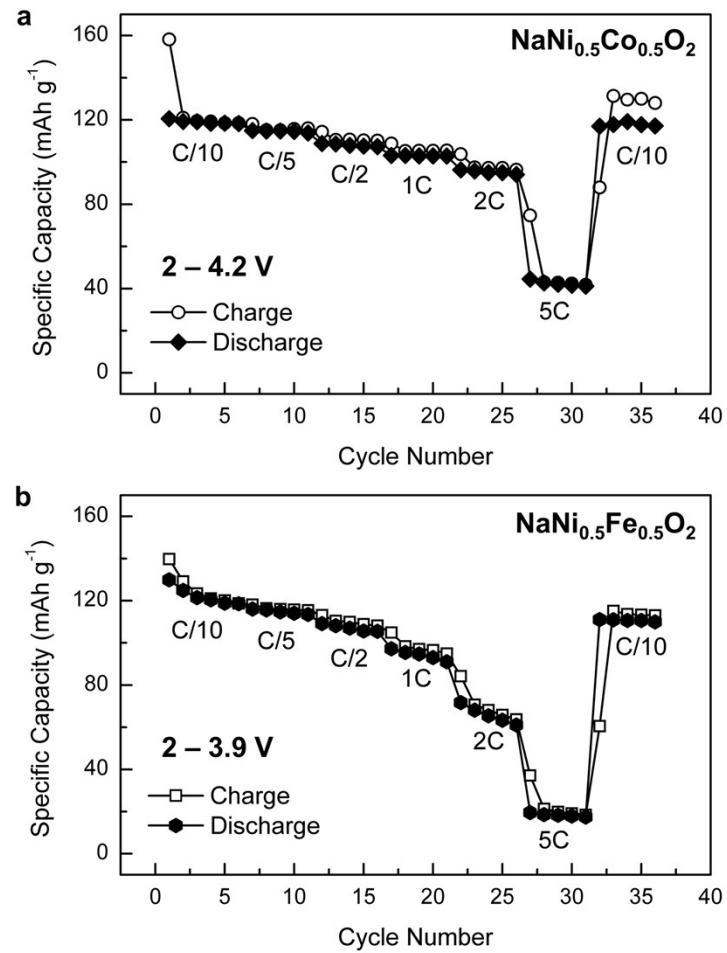
$x$ in $\text{Na}_{1-x}\text{Ni}_{0.5}\text{Co}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$	$a_m$ (Å)	$b_m$ (Å)	$a_m / b_m$	Symmetry
0.15	4.9140	2.8849	1.703	C2/m (O'3)
0.30	4.9032	2.8238	1.755	C2/m (P'3)
0.38	4.8769	2.8179	1.730	$\bar{R}3\text{m}$ (P3)
0.49	4.8805	2.8000	1.743	C/2m (P"3)
0.63	5.3450	2.7998	1.909	C/2m (O"3)

**Table S3.** Lattice parameters of  $\text{Na}_{1-x}\text{Ni}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  obtained from Rietveld refinement using the C2/m symmetry. (Site occupancy, atomic coordination, and B-factors are not refined.)

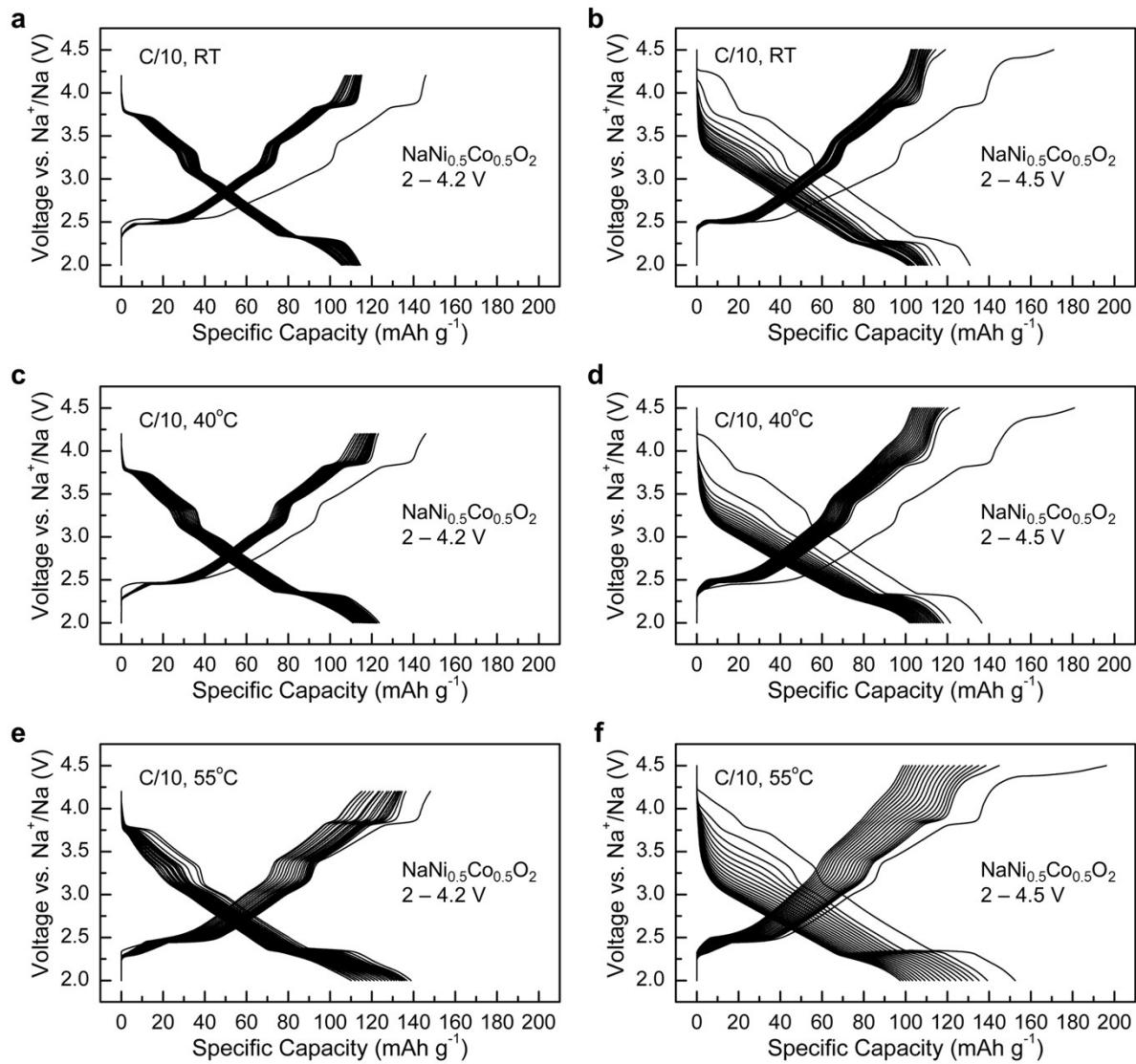
$x$ in $\text{Na}_{1-x}\text{Ni}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$	$a_m$ (Å)	$b_m$ (Å)	$c_m$ (Å)	$\beta$ (°)	$a_m / b_m$	$c_m \cdot 3\sin\beta$ (Å)	$c_h$ (Å)
0.17	5.111(3)	2.965(2)	5.644(3)	107.54(7)	1.738	16.1131	16.112(8)
0.49	4.978(1)	2.887(9)	5.870(1)	106.46(4)	1.737	16.986	16.987(7)



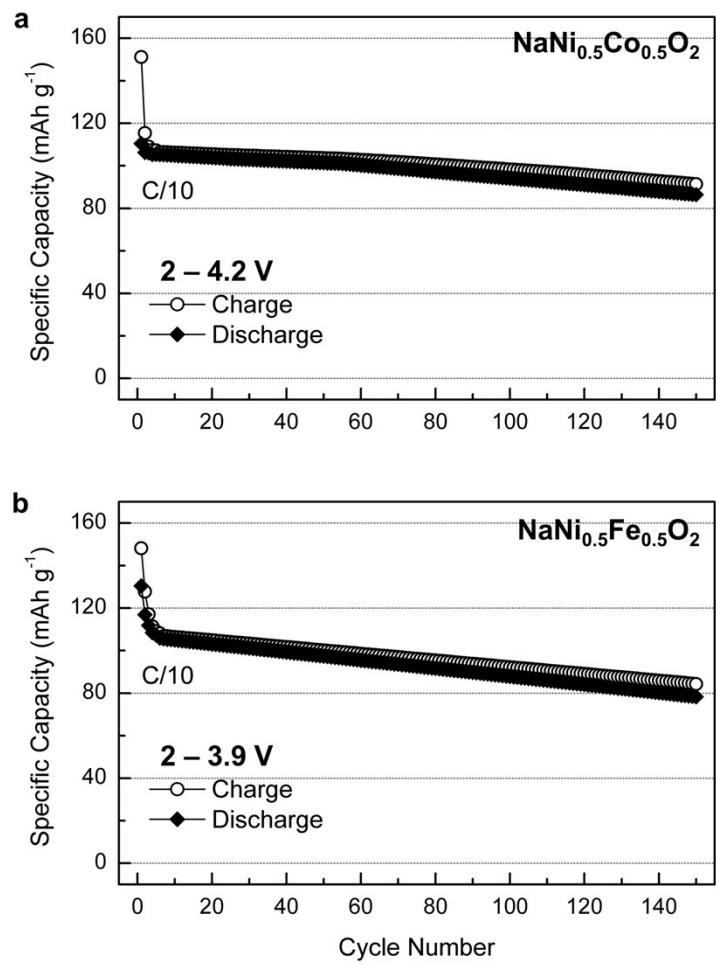
**Figure S1.** Hexagonal ( $\bar{R}\bar{3}m$ ) and monoclinic ( $C2/m$ ) unit cells in O3-type layered rock-salt structure.



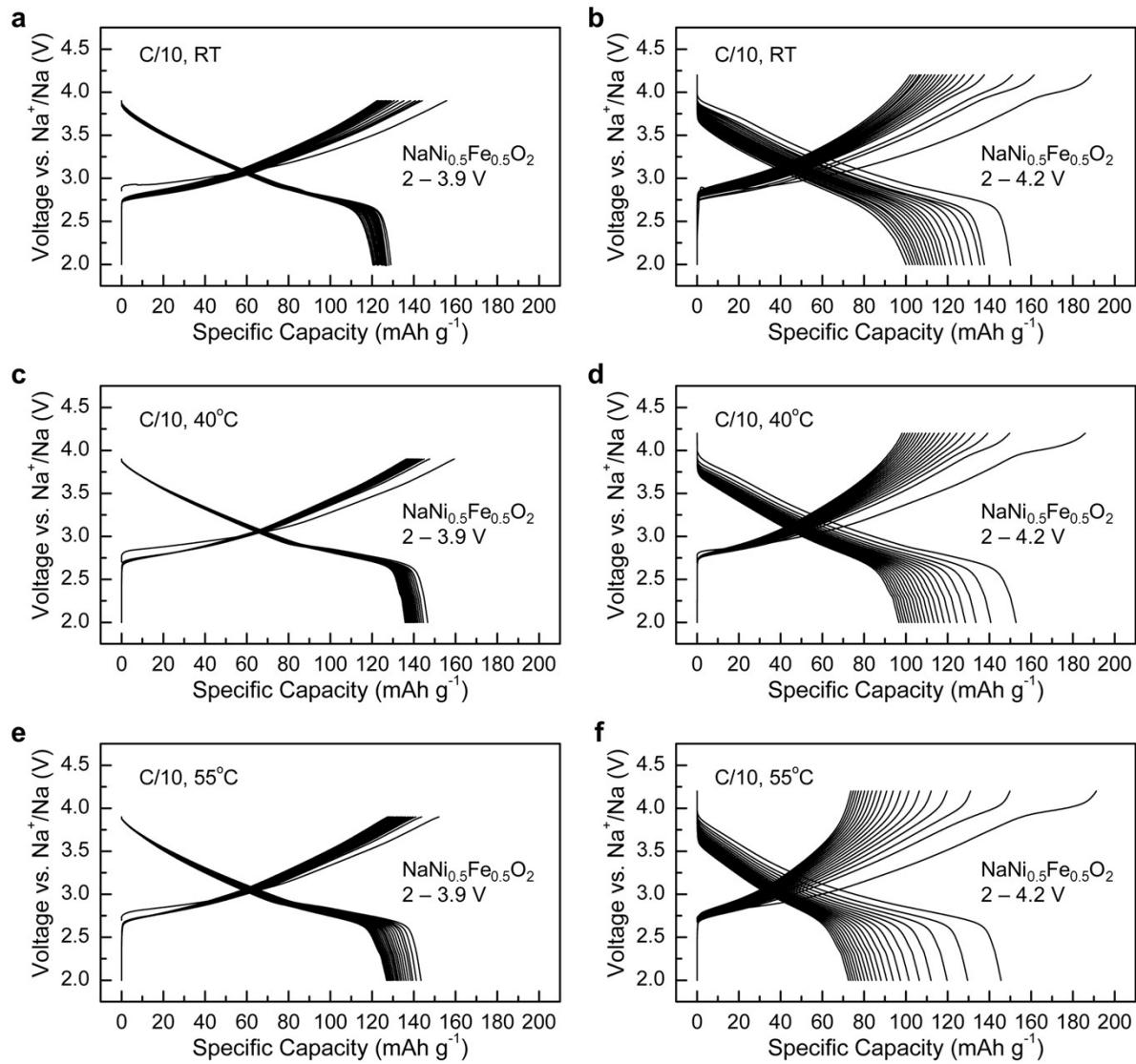
**Figure S2.** Charge and discharge capacities of (a)  $\text{NaNi}_{0.5}\text{Co}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  and  $\text{NaNi}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  at various rates at RT



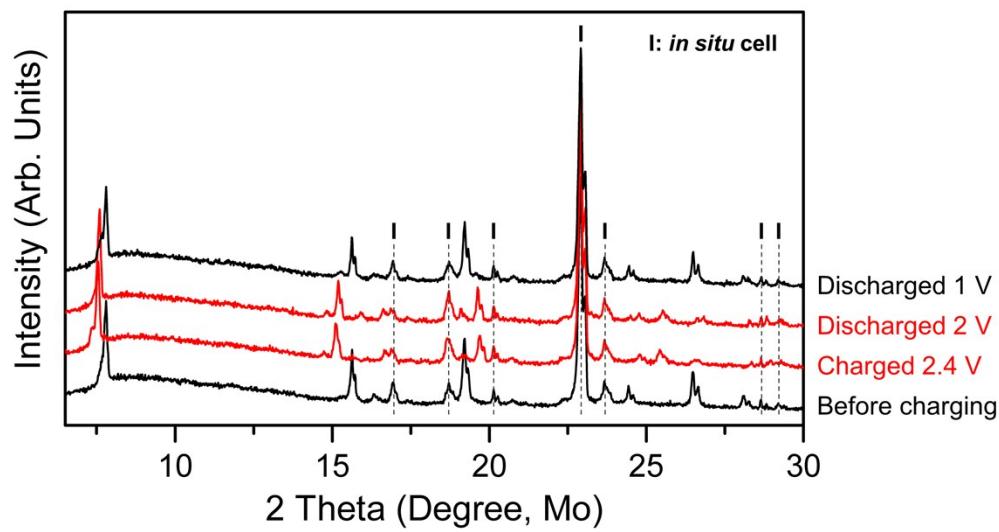
**Figure S3.** Voltage profiles of  $\text{NaNi}_{0.5}\text{Co}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  with respect to specific capacity in various conditions (20 cycles)



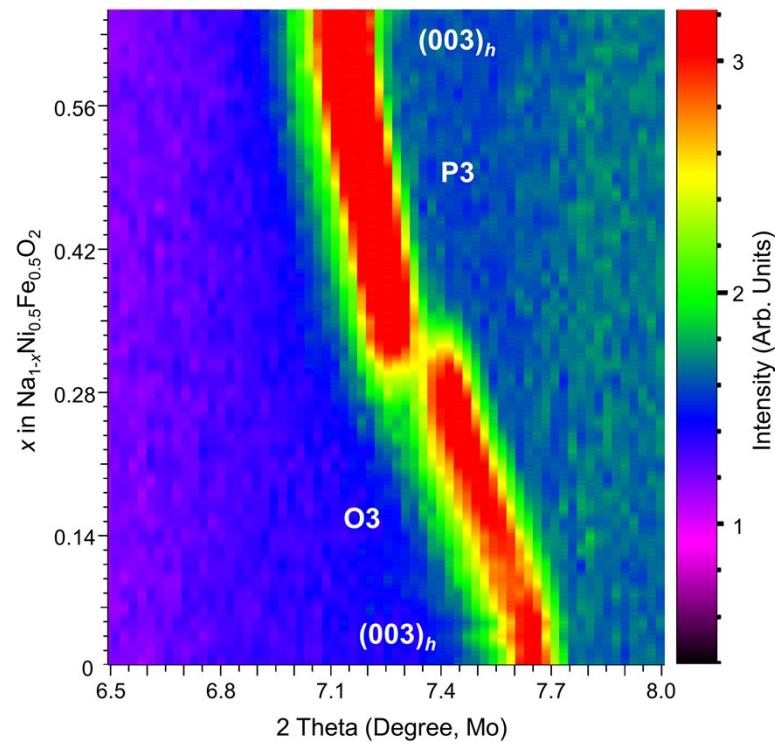
**Figure S4.** Charge and discharge capacities of (a)  $\text{NaNi}_{0.5}\text{Co}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  and  $\text{NaNi}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  at a C/10 rate at RT



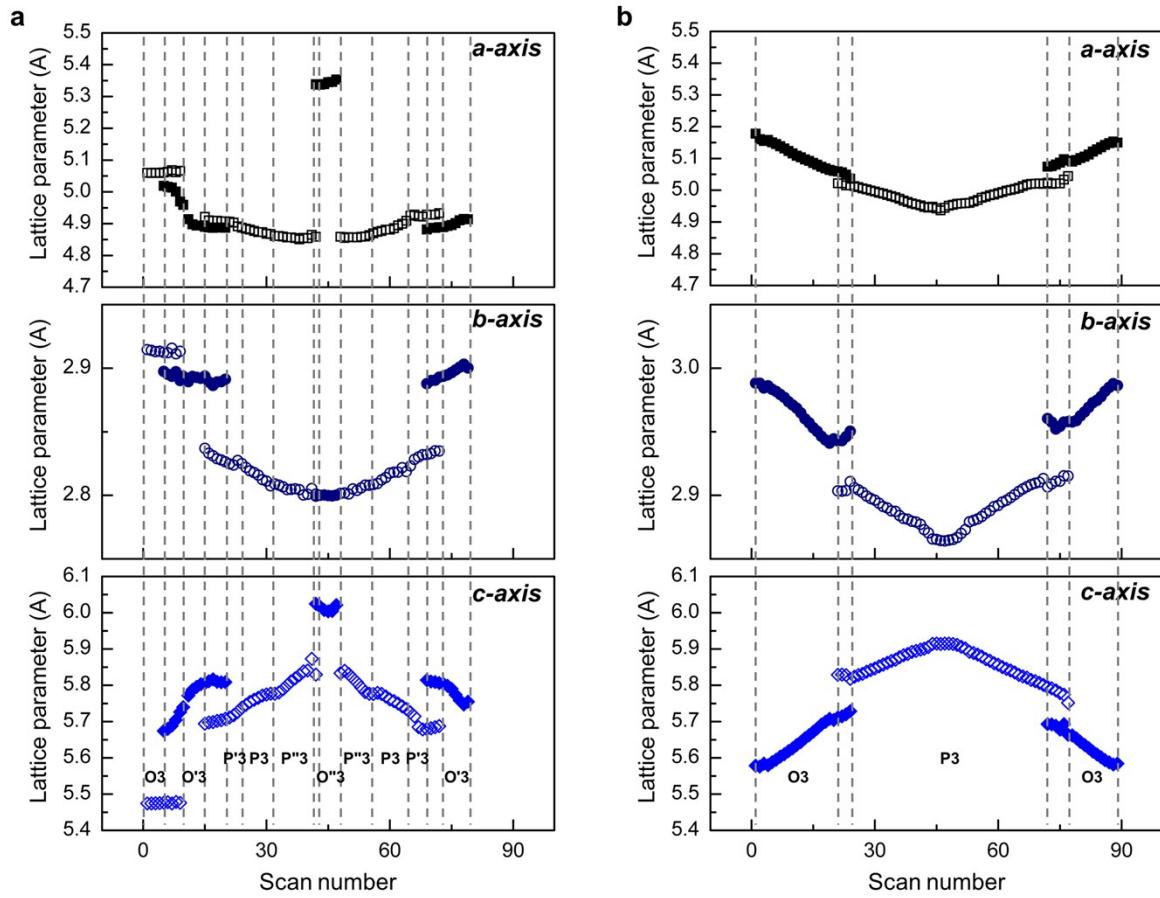
**Figure S5.** Voltage profiles of  $\text{NaNi}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  with respect to specific capacity in various conditions (20 cycles)



**Figure S6.** *In situ* XRD patterns obtained at different voltages during cycling. Tick marks indicate peaks from *in situ* cell components.



**Figure S7.** *In situ* XRD patterns of  $\text{NaNi}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  around the  $(003)_h$  peak.



**Figure S8.** Lattice parameter evolution of (a)  $\text{Na}_{1-x}\text{Ni}_{0.5}\text{Co}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  and (b)  $\text{Na}_{1-x}\text{Ni}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  in the first charge and discharge