

Supporting Information for

Metal fluorophosphate polyanionic insertion hosts as efficient bifunctional electrocatalysts for oxygen evolution and reduction reactions

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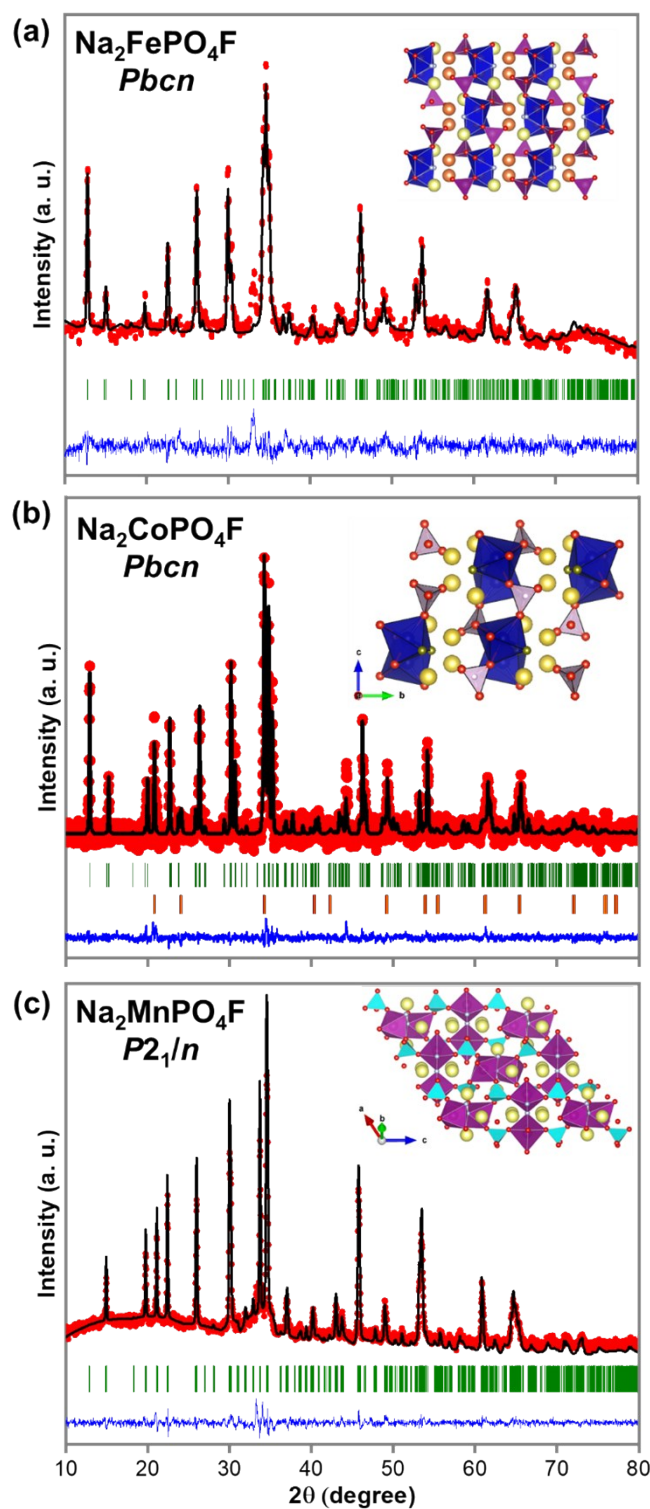


Fig. S1 Rietveld refinement of high resolution X-ray diffraction patterns ($\lambda = 1.5418 \text{ \AA}$) of (a) $\text{Na}_2\text{FePO}_4\text{F}$, (b) $\text{Na}_2\text{CoPO}_4\text{F}$ and (c) $\text{Na}_2\text{MnPO}_4\text{F}$ synthesized at 600°C in 6 hours respectively. The experimental data points (red dots), calculated diffraction pattern (black line), their difference (blue line) and the Bragg positions (green ticks) are shown. Inset: (Right) Corresponding crystal structure of the fluorophosphate materials.

Table S1. Crystallographic data, lattice parameter and atomic coordinates of Na₂FePO₄F compound derived from Rietveld refinement.

Na₂FePO₄F	
Formula Weight	Na ₂ FePO ₄ F [215.79 g mol ⁻¹]
Temperature (K)	298
Crystal System	Orthorhombic
Space group	<i>Pbcn</i>
Unit cell parameter (Å)	$a = 5.206(5)$, $b = 13.810(0)$, $c = 11.755(5)$
	$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$
Unit cell volume (Å ³)	845.8(3)
Fitness parameters (R values)	$R_p = 9.09$, $R_{wp} = 9.302$, $\chi^2 = 2.42$

Atoms	X	y	Z	Occ.	U_{iso}(Å²)	Wykoff position
Fe1	0.24030	0.01310	0.32550	1	0.000	8d
P1	0.20890	0.38740	0.08360	1	0.004	8d
Na1	0.24300	0.24980	0.32610	1	1.000	8d
Na2	0.26200	0.12610	0.07800	1	0.000	8d
F1	0.00000	0.12550	0.25000	1	1.000	4c
F2	0.50000	0.10390	0.25000	1	1.000	4c
O1	0.25700	0.38750	-0.04280	1	1.000	8d
O2	0.27750	0.27960	0.13590	1	1.000	8d
O3	-0.08430	0.39470	0.10020	1	1.000	8d
O4	0.33950	0.46730	0.15150	1	1.000	8d

Table S2. Crystallographic data, lattice parameter and atomic coordinates of Na₂CoPO₄F compound derived from Rietveld refinement.

Na ₂ CoPO ₄ F	
Formula Weight	Na ₂ CoPO ₄ F [218.88 g mol ⁻¹]
Temperature (K)	298
Crystal System	Orthorhombic
Space group	<i>Pbcn</i>
Unit cell parameter (Å)	$a = 5.246(4)$, $b = 13.785(3)$, $c = 11.677(5)$
	$\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90^\circ$, $Z = 8$
Unit cell volume (Å ³)	844.5(7)
Fitness parameters (R values)	$R_p = 3.24$, $R_{wp} = 6.53$, $\chi^2 = 3.683$

Atoms	X	y	Z	Occ.	U _{iso} (Å ²)	Wykoff position
Co1	0.2413(0)	0.4819(6)	0.6722(7)	1	0.012	8d
P1	-0.2865(8)	0.6177(9)	0.5928(3)	1	0.093	8d
Na1	0.2543(1)	0.6353(9)	0.4189(9)	1	0.019	8d
Na2	0.2484(8)	0.2484(5)	0.6682(3)	1	0.048	8d
F1	0.5000(0)	0.3963(8)	0.7500(0)	1	0.101	4c
F2	0	0.3772(8)	0.7500(0)	1	0.203	4c
O1	-0.2073(4)	0.5406(9)	0.6754(7)	1	0.074	8d
O2	-0.2370(4)	0.7216(7)	0.6238(4)	1	0.016	8d
O3	0.4136(6)	0.6130(8)	0.5967(5)	1	0.036	8d
O4	0.2327(7)	0.3872(1)	0.5355(1)	1	0.043	8d

Table S3. Crystallographic data, lattice parameter and atomic coordinates of Na₂MnPO₄F compound derived from Rietveld refinement.

Na₂MnPO₄F	
Formula Weight	Na ₂ MnPO ₄ F [214.89 g mol ⁻¹]
Temperature (K)	298
Crystal System	Monoclinic
Space group	<i>P2₁/n</i>
Unit cell parameter (Å)	<i>a</i> = 13.69(3), <i>b</i> = 5.31(5), <i>c</i> = 13.71(7)
	$\alpha = \gamma = 90^\circ$, $\beta = 119.67^\circ$, <i>Z</i> = 8
Unit cell volume (Å ³)	867.2(4)
Fitness parameters (R values)	<i>R</i> _p = 6.42, <i>R</i> _w <i>p</i> = 4.38, χ^2 = 2.23

Atoms	X	y	Z	Occ.	U_{iso}(Å²)	Wyckoff position
Mn1	0.0925(3)	0.2732(3)	0.6761(2)	1	0.010	4e
Mn2	0.3259(9)	0.2330(0)	0.4020(0)	1	0.008	4e
P1	0.0807(1)	0.2121(2)	0.4154(5)	1	0.007	4e
P2	0.4148(9)	0.7119(9)	0.5788(8)	1	0.006	4e
Na1	0.5817(7)	0.2278(8)	0.6739(9)	1	0.013	4e
Na2	0.1718(9)	0.7527(7)	0.5877(7)	1	0.013	4e
Na3	0.3331(1)	0.2519(9)	0.6679(9)	1	0.013	4e
Na4	0.1629(1)	0.7298(9)	0.3291(1)	1	0.013	4e
F1	0.2251(1)	0.0027(7)	0.2367(7)	1	0.010	4e
F2	0.2464(5)	-0.0024(4)	0.7585(6)	1	0.011	4e
O1	0.3420(0)	0.8296(6)	0.4444(4)	1	0.011	4e

O2	0.1459(9)	0.3146(6)	0.5477(7)	1	0.013	4e
O3	-0.0330(0)	0.3515(5)	0.3541(1)	1	0.011	4e
O4	0.4186(6)	0.4155(6)	0.5799(0)	1	0.011	4e
O5	0.5377(8)	0.8177(8)	0.6368(8)	1	0.012	4e
O6	0.3435(6)	0.7679(9)	0.6400(1)	1	0.013	4e
O7	0.0683(3)	-0.0724(0)	0.4112(3)	1	0.012	4e
O8	0.1513(4)	0.2699(0)	0.3590(0)	1	0.012	4e

Table S4: ORR/OER electrocatalytic performance of various reported (non-noble metal-based) bifunctional materials.

Catalyst	Loading (mg cm ⁻²)	E _{1/2, ORR} (V vs. RHE)	E _{OER, J=10 mA cm⁻²} (V vs. RHE)	ΔE (V vs. RHE)	Reference
NiCo ₂ O ₄	0.15	0.75	1.55	0.8	1
MnCo ₂ O ₄	0.20	0.8	1.63	0.83	2
Mn _x Co _{3-x} O ₄ @NCNTs	0.28	0.76	1.70	0.94	3
MnO@Co-N/C	0.134	0.83	1.76	0.93	4
CoMnPO ₄ @P, N Co-doped carbon	0.30	0.81	1.56	0.75	5
CuCo ₂ S ₄ NSs	-	0.74	1.567	0.835	6
Co ₉ S ₈ /CNT	-	0.82	1.599	0.779	7
CoMn ₂ O ₄ porous microspheres	0.051	0.75	1.83	1.08	8
Fe doped CoV ₂ O ₄	0.198	0.66	1.53	0.87	9
5% Ni doped Co ₃ O ₄	0.408	0.83	1.61	0.78	10
NiMnO ₃ /NiMn ₂ O ₄ heterojunction	0.24	0.75	1.61	0.86	11
Co ₂ P ₂ O ₇ /NPGA	0.20	0.80	1.57	0.77	12
Co ₃ FeS _{1.5} (OH) ₆	0.255	0.721	1.588	0.867	13
Co-N@HCS	1.52	0.864	1.72	0.856	14
CuCo ₂ O ₄ /N-CNTs	0.20	0.798	1.699	0.901	15
NaCoPO ₄ *	0.398	0.69	1.61	0.92	16
Na ₂ CoP ₂ O ₇ *	0.398	0.70	1.59	0.89	16
Na ₂ FePO ₄ F	0.398	0.770	1.80	1.03	Present work
Na ₂ CoPO ₄ F	0.398	0.831	1.73	0.899	Present work
Na ₂ MnPO ₄ F	0.398	0.845	-	-	Present work

* Electrolyte: 1 M NaOH; E_{ORR} @ -1 mA cm⁻²

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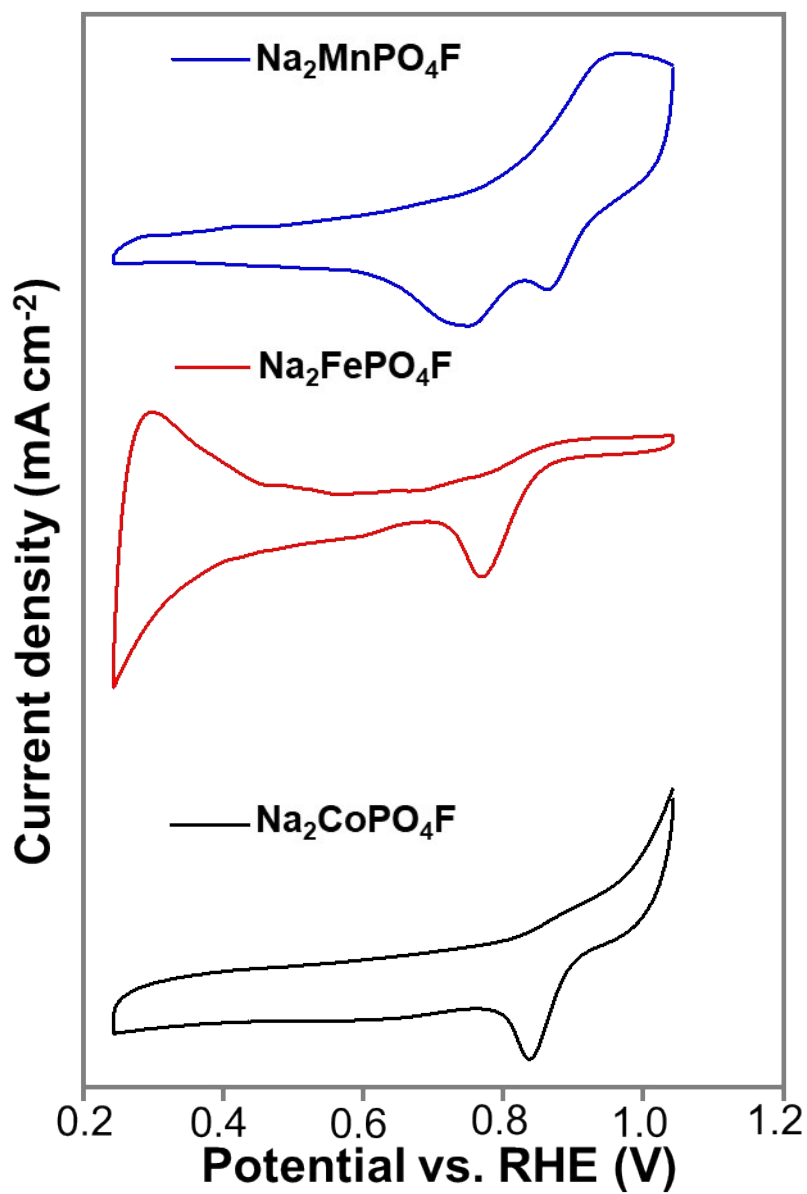


Fig. S2 Cyclic voltammograms of $\text{Na}_2\text{FePO}_4\text{F}$, $\text{Na}_2\text{CoPO}_4\text{F}$ and $\text{Na}_2\text{MnPO}_4\text{F}$ (for ORR process) recorded in alkaline medium (0.1 M KOH) in the voltage range of 0.1 to -0.7 V vs. Hg/HgO (later scaled to RHE).

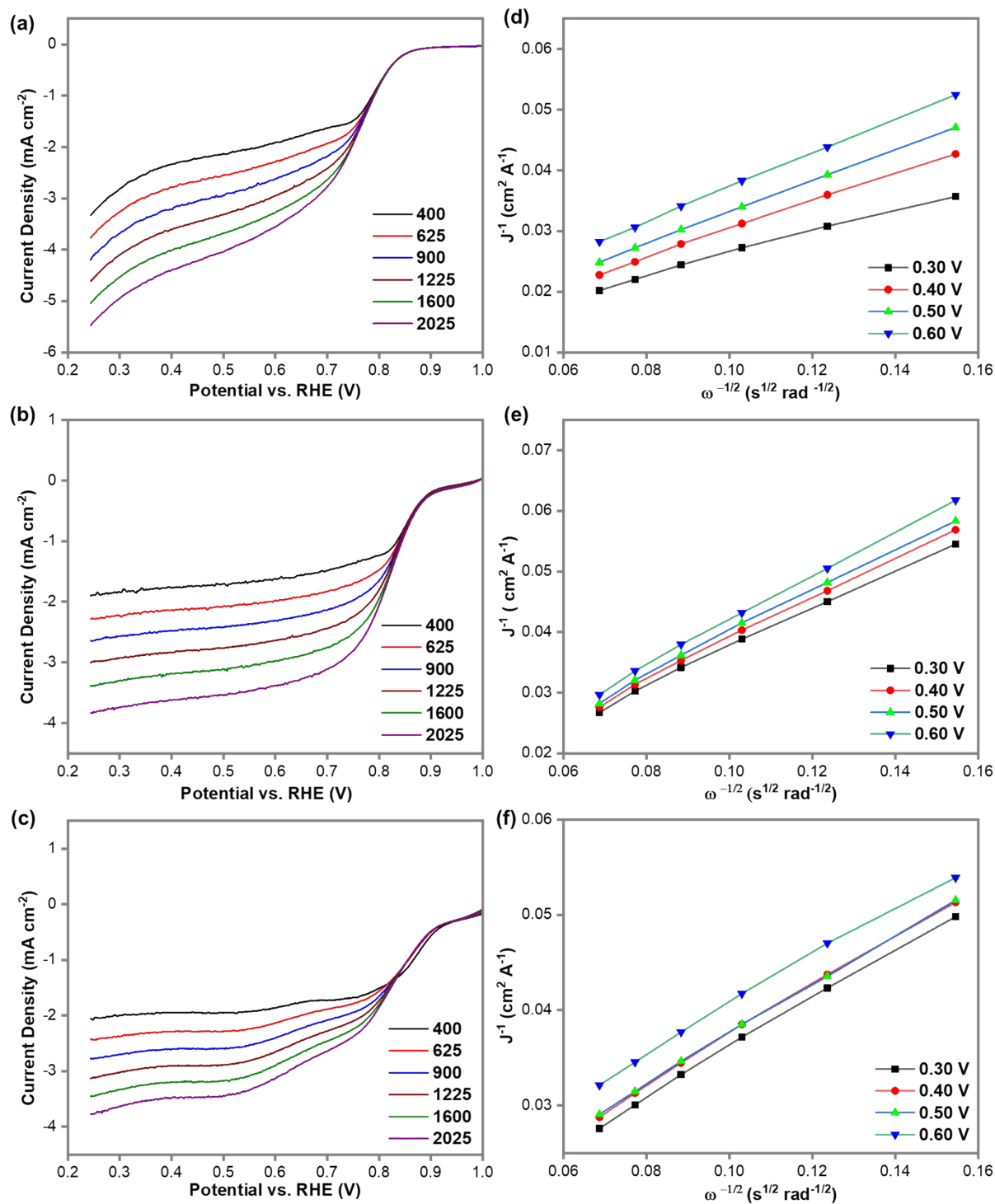


Fig. S3 Linear sweep voltammograms for ORR process recorded at different rotations per minute (rpm) and corresponding Koutecky-Levich (K-L) plots for (a, d) $\text{Na}_2\text{FePO}_4\text{F}$, (b, e) $\text{Na}_2\text{CoPO}_4\text{F}$, and $\text{Na}_2\text{MnPO}_4\text{F}$ respectively.

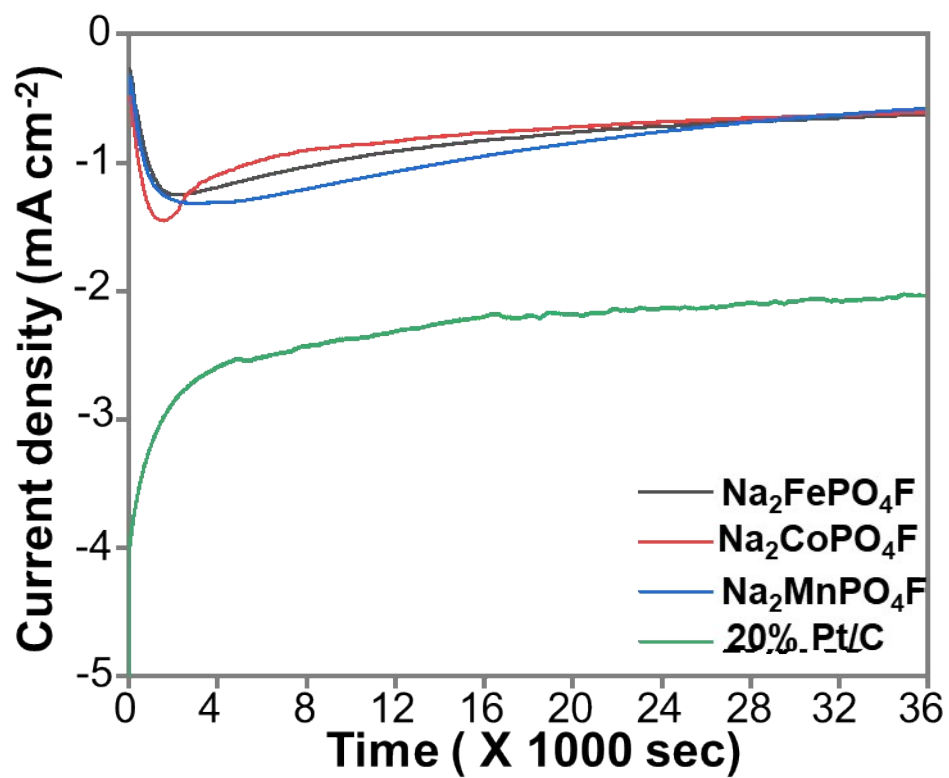


Fig. S4 Stability test of Na₂FePO₄F, Na₂CoPO₄F, Na₂MnPO₄F and 20% Pt/C recorded for 10 hours using chronoamperometry technique.

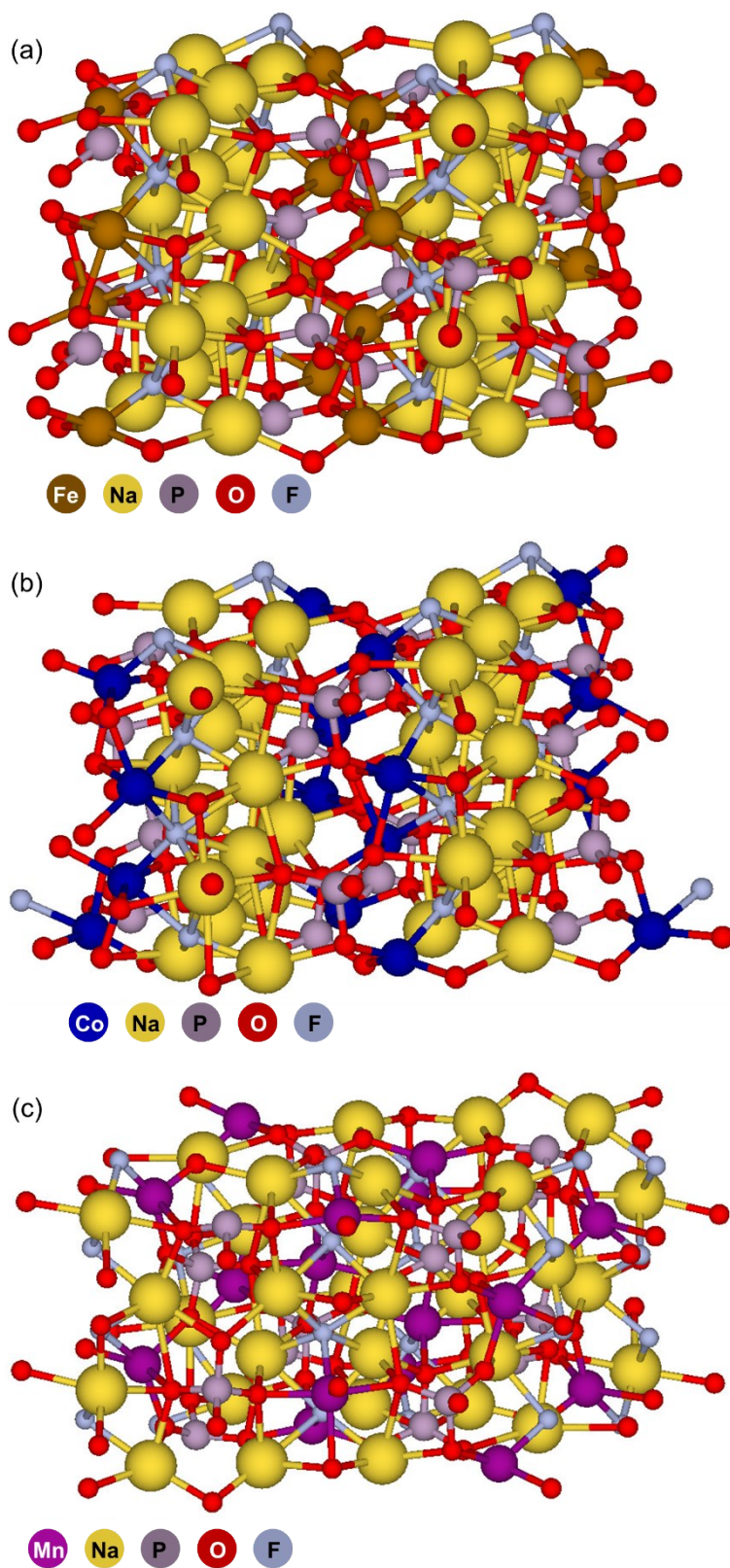


Fig. S5 The (100) active surface for (a) $\text{Na}_2\text{FePO}_4\text{F}$, (b) $\text{Na}_2\text{CoPO}_4\text{F}$ and (010) active surface for (c) $\text{Na}_2\text{MnPO}_4\text{F}$ used for theoretical calculations.

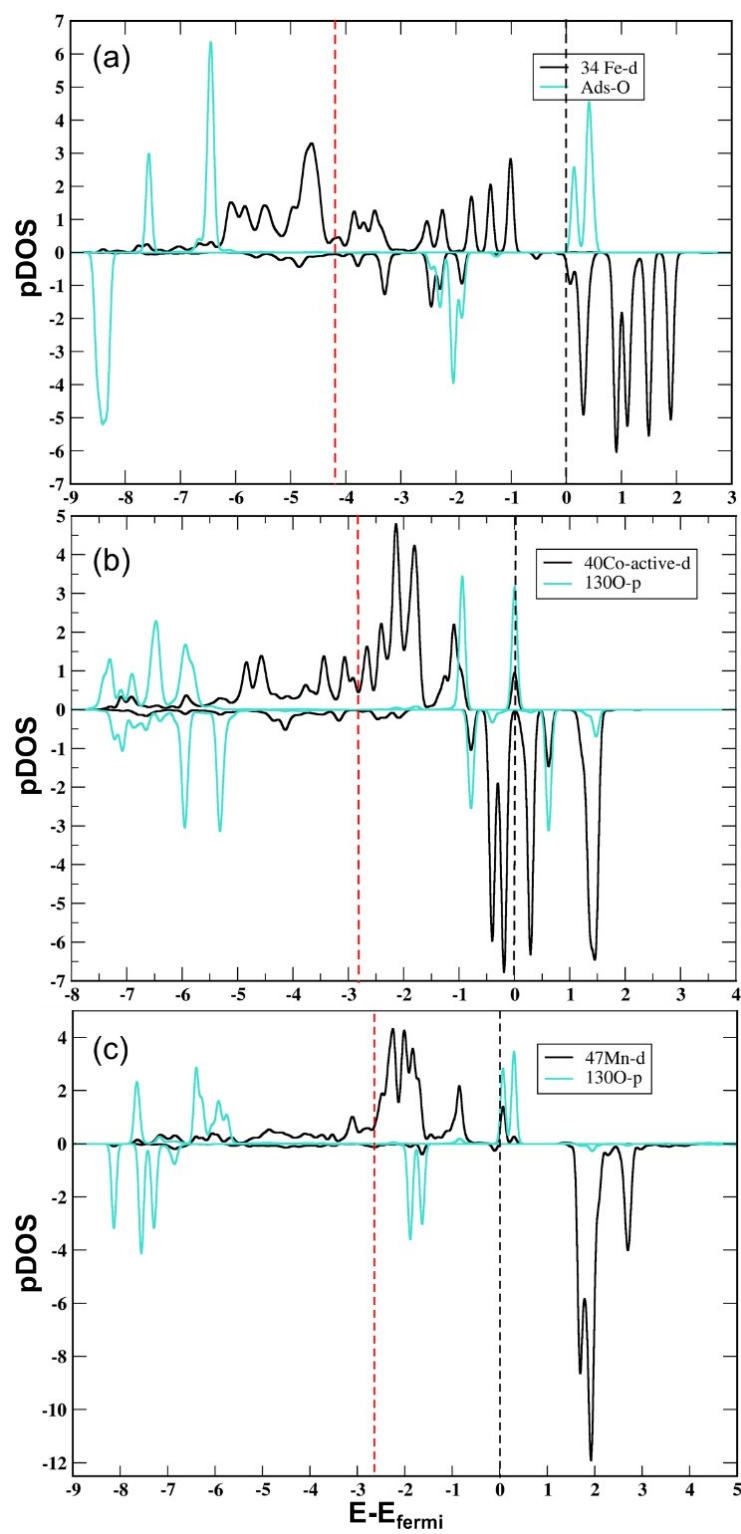


Fig. S6 Density of states (DOS) showing extent of overlapping of *d* orbitals of 3-d transition metal atom and adsorbed oxygen atom for (a) $\text{Na}_2\text{FePO}_4\text{F}$, (b) $\text{Na}_2\text{CoPO}_4\text{F}$ and (c) $\text{Na}_2\text{MnPO}_4\text{F}$ fluorophosphates respectively.