

Supporting Information

Enhanced Catalytic Activity of Perovskite $\text{La}_{1-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{MnO}_{3+\delta}$ for Oxygen Reduction Reaction

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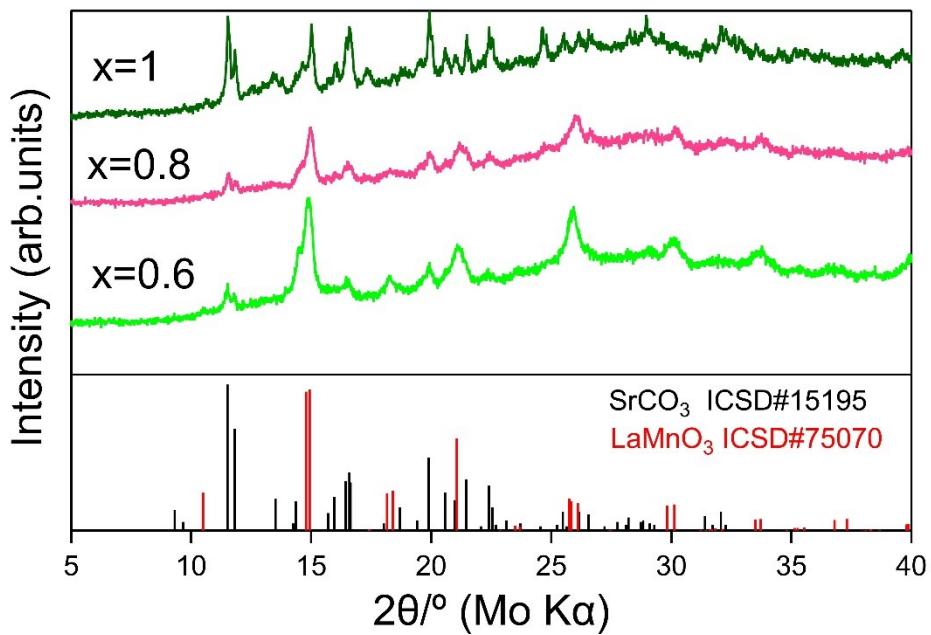


Figure S1. XRD patterns of $\text{La}_{1-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{MnO}_{3+\delta}$ ($x = 0.6, 0.8$, and 1.0) measured using Mo K α radiation (wavelength: 0.7107 Å).

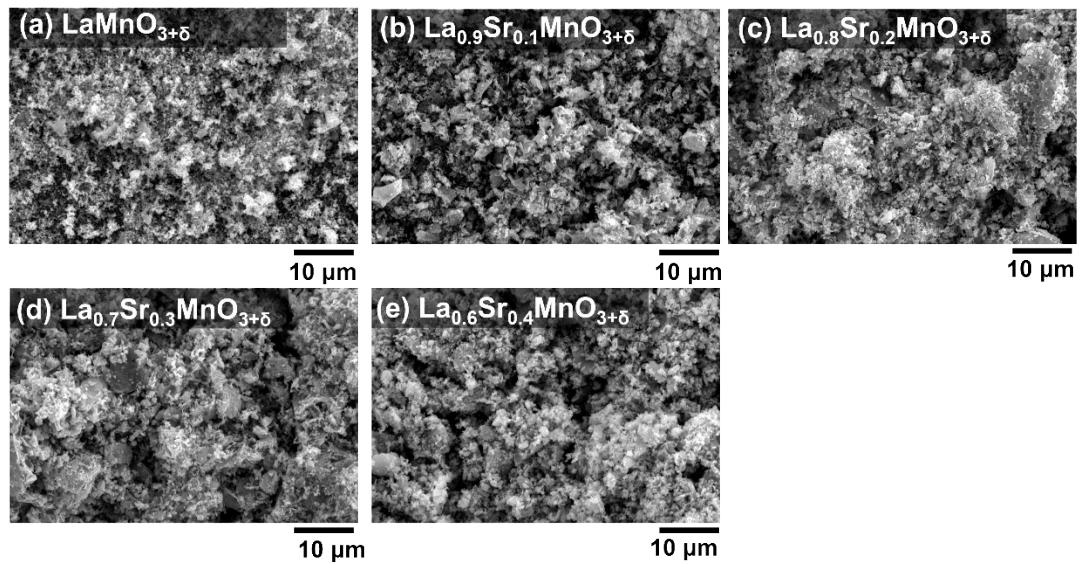


Figure S2. SEM images of $\text{La}_{1-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{MnO}_{3+\delta}$.

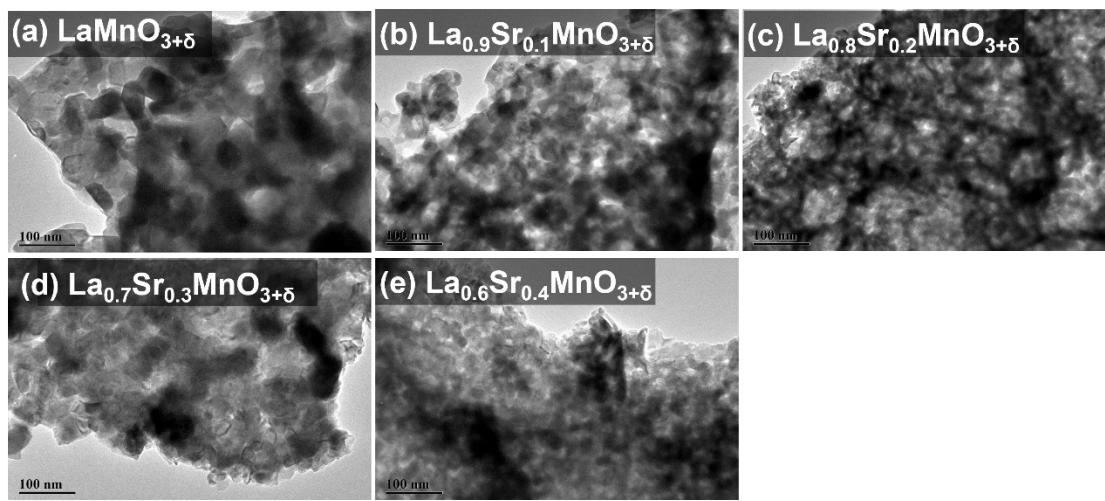


Figure S3. TEM images of $\text{La}_{1-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{MnO}_{3+\delta}$.

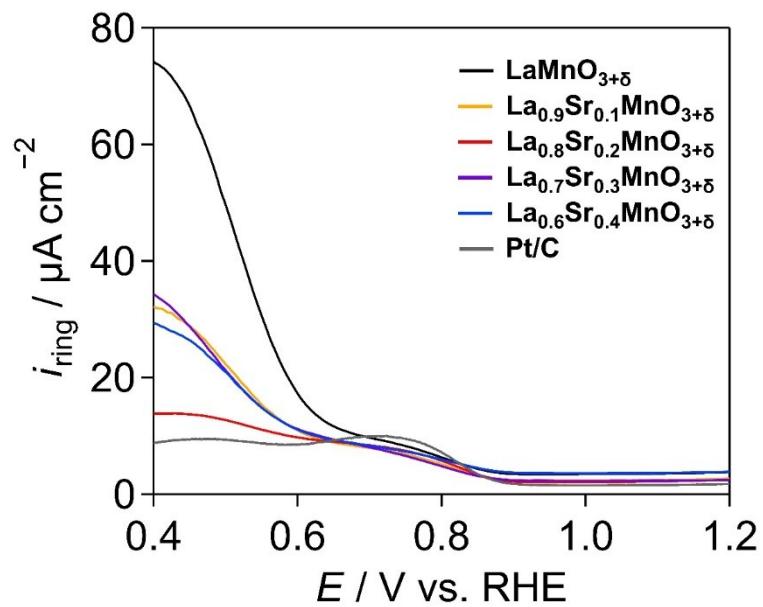


Figure S4. Ring currents for the different $\text{La}_{1-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{MnO}_{3+\delta}$ ($x = 0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3$, and 0.4)

perovskites measured in 0.1 M KOH aqueous solutions at a scan rate of 10 mV s^{-1} for a

speed of 1600 rotations per min (rpm). Pt/C served as the reference electrode.

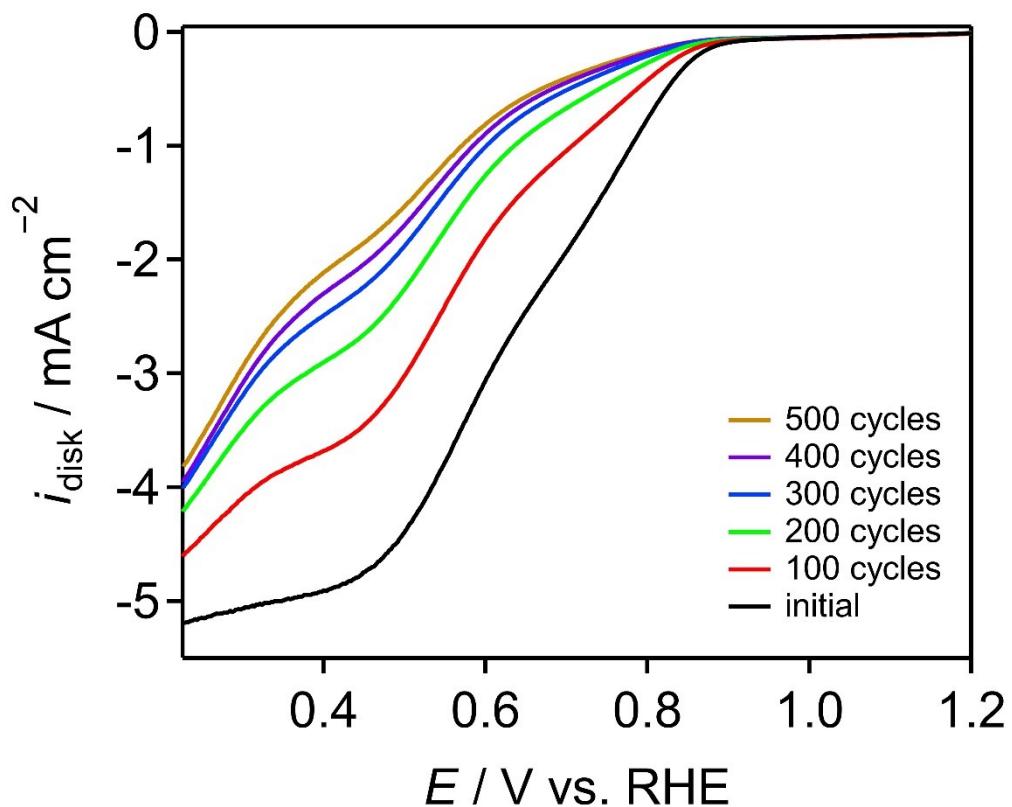


Figure S5. LSV curves of the disk electrodes modified with the $\text{La}_{0.8}\text{Sr}_{0.2}\text{MnO}_3$ perovskite catalyst measured in 0.1 M KOH aqueous solutions at a scan rate of 10 mV s^{-1} at a speed of 1600 rpm.

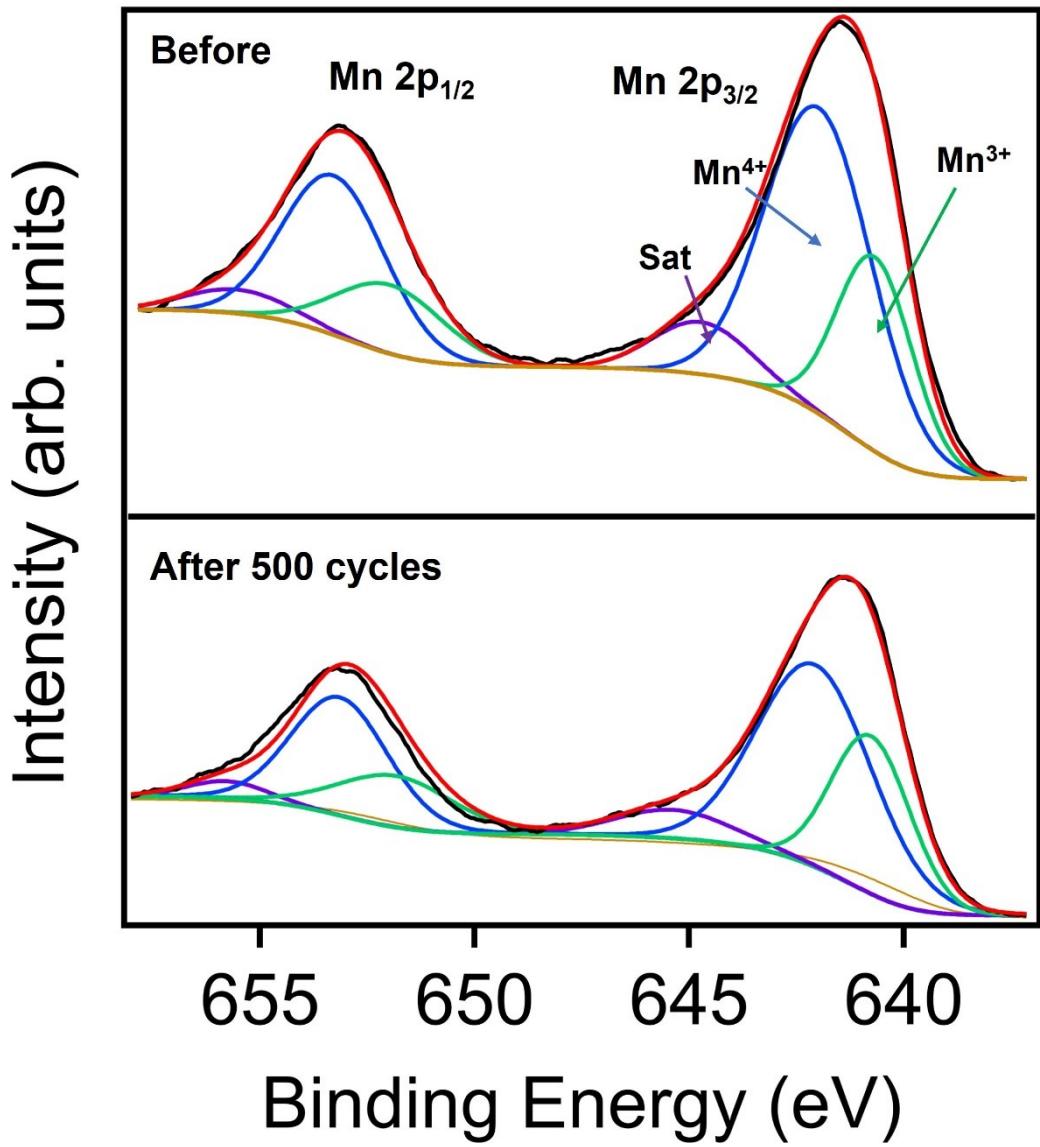


Figure S6. Mn 2p XPS profiles for $\text{La}_{0.8}\text{Sr}_{0.2}\text{MnO}_{3+\delta}$ before and after 500 cycles of cyclic voltammetry at 10 mV s^{-1} using 0.1 M KOH aqueous solution ($\text{pH} \sim 13$).

Table S1. Lattice parameters obtained from XRD patterns using the Jade software.

| Samples | a (Å) | b (Å) | c (Å) | α (°) | β (°) | γ (°) |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| LaMnO _{3+δ} | 5.50 | 5.50 | 13.12 | | | |
| La _{0.9} Sr _{0.1} MnO _{3+δ} | 5.54 | 5.54 | 13.20 | | | |
| La _{0.8} Sr _{0.2} MnO _{3+δ} | 5.51 | 5.51 | 13.22 | 90 | 90 | 120 |
| La _{0.7} Sr _{0.3} MnO _{3+δ} | 5.45 | 5.45 | 13.44 | | | |
| La _{0.6} Sr _{0.4} MnO _{3+δ} | 5.49 | 5.49 | 13.52 | | | |

Table S2. Mn 2p_{3/2} and O 1s binding energies for La_{1-x}Sr_xMnO_{3+δ}

| | Mn 2p_{3/2} (eV) | O 1s (eV) |
|--|---------------------------------|------------------|
| LaMnO _{3+δ} | 641.2 | |
| | | 529.3 |
| | 642.5 | |
| | | 531.3 |
| La _{0.9} Sr _{0.1} MnO _{3+δ} | 645.1 | |
| | | 641.2 |
| | | 529.3 |
| | 642.5 | |
| La _{0.8} Sr _{0.2} MnO _{3+δ} | | 531.2 |
| | 644.9 | |
| | | 640.7 |
| | | 529.0 |
| La _{0.7} Sr _{0.3} MnO _{3+δ} | 642.0 | |
| | | 530.7 |
| | 644.8 | |
| | | 640.7 |
| La _{0.6} Sr _{0.4} MnO _{3+δ} | | 529.4 |
| | 642.0 | |
| | | 531.4 |
| | 645.1 | |
| La _{0.5} Sr _{0.5} MnO _{3+δ} | 640.2 | |
| | | 529.2 |
| | 641.5 | |
| | | 531.3 |
| La _{0.4} Sr _{0.6} MnO _{3+δ} | 644.2 | |
| | | 640.7 |
| | | 529.4 |
| | 642.0 | |

Table S3. EXAFS fitting results of $\text{La}_{1-x}\text{Sr}_x\text{MnO}_{3+\delta}$ assuming a rhombohedral LaMnO_3 structure with the first nearest shell model using the Artemis program integrated with the IFEFFIT package in the 1.0–2.0 Å range.

| | CN | S_0^2 | σ^2 | R |
|---|----|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| $\text{LaMnO}_{3+\delta}$ | 6 | 0.586 ± 0.09287644 | 0.00474 ± 0.00234199 | 1.92162 ± 0.00560875 |
| $\text{La}_{0.9}\text{Sr}_{0.1}\text{MnO}_{3+\delta}$ | 6 | 0.571 ± 0.09464044 | 0.00448 ± 0.00226041 | 1.91925 ± 0.00514623 |
| $\text{La}_{0.8}\text{Sr}_{0.2}\text{MnO}_{3+\delta}$ | 6 | 0.574 ± 0.09126875 | 0.00428 ± 0.00202992 | 1.91335 ± 0.00369724 |
| $\text{La}_{0.7}\text{Sr}_{0.3}\text{MnO}_{3+\delta}$ | 6 | 0.604 ± 0.05071973 | 0.00504 ± 0.00123801 | 1.91778 ± 0.00572550 |
| $\text{La}_{0.6}\text{Sr}_{0.4}\text{MnO}_{3+\delta}$ | 6 | 0.540 ± 0.08233287 | 0.00411 ± 0.00195352 | 1.91531 ± 0.00435403 |

Table S4. Atomic ratios of Mn³⁺ and Mn⁴⁺ of La_{0.8}Sr_{0.2}MnO_{3+δ} before and after 500 cycles of cyclic voltammetry estimated by fitting the XPS profiles shown in **Figure. S6.**

| | <i>Mn</i> ³⁺ (%) | <i>Mn</i> ⁴⁺ (%) | Mn average valence number |
|------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Initial | 41.1 | 58.9 | 3.59 |
| After 500 cycles | 48.4 | 51.6 | 3.52 |