

Structural and Morphological Control of Manganese Oxide Nanoparticles upon Soft Aqueous Precipitation through Mn^{2+} / MnO_4^- reaction.

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Figures.

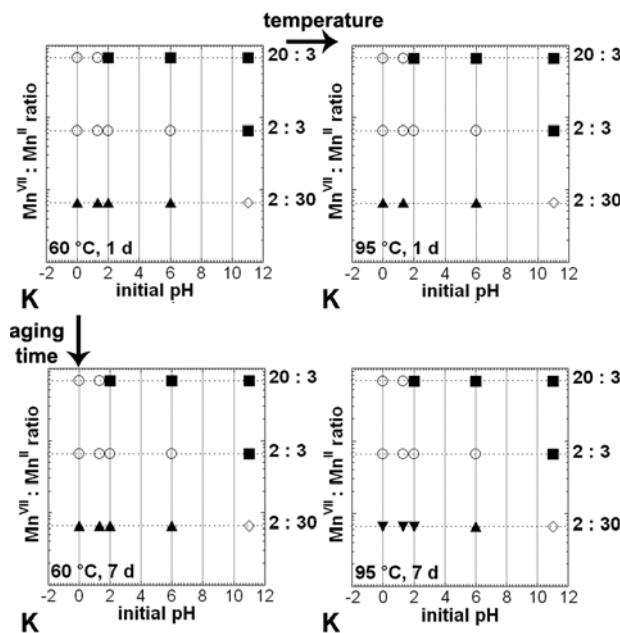


Figure SI-1. Speciation diagrams using K⁺, as a function of the initial Mn^{VII}:Mn^{II} ratio and the initial pH. Cryptomelane type α-MnO₂ (○); γ-MnO₂ (▲); β-MnO₂ (▼); birnessite-type δ-MnO₂ (■); Mn₃O₄ (◊).

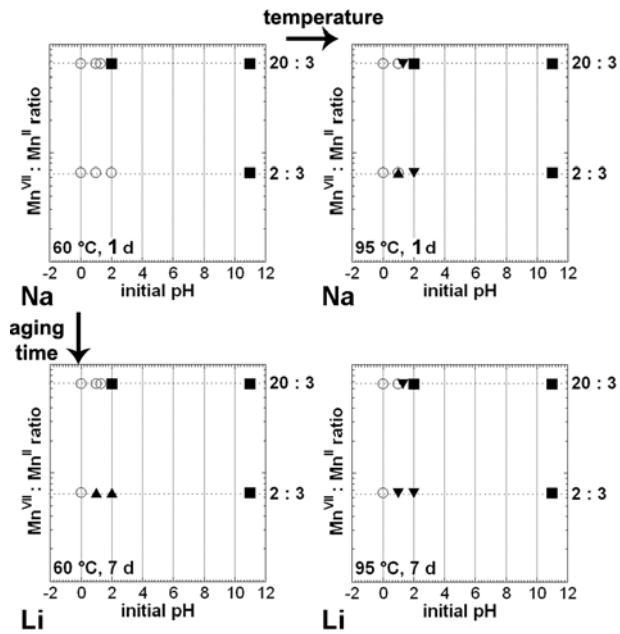


Figure SI-2. Speciation diagrams using Na^+ or Li^+ , as a function of the initial $\text{Mn}^{\text{VII}}:\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}$ ratio and the initial pH. Cryptomelane type $\alpha\text{-MnO}_2$ (\circ); $\gamma\text{-MnO}_2$ (\blacktriangle); $\beta\text{-MnO}_2$ (\blacktriangledown); birnessite-type $\delta\text{-MnO}_2$ (\blacksquare); Mn_3O_4 (\diamond).

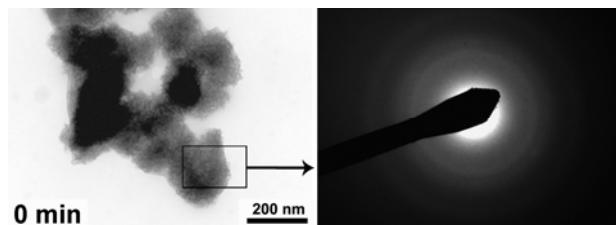


Figure SI-3. TEM micrograph and corresponding SAED pattern of the early precipitate obtained from an initial acidic solution, with $\text{Mn}^{\text{VII}}:\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}$ ratio 20:3, $1.0 \text{ mol L}^{-1} \text{ H}_2\text{SO}_4$ solution.

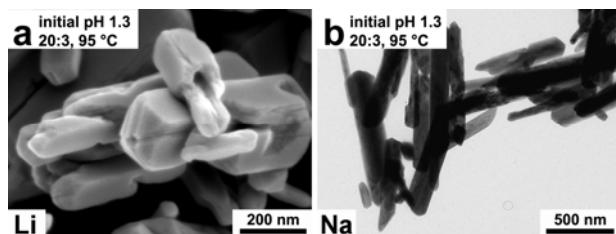


Figure SI-4. FESEM and TEM images of $\beta\text{-MnO}_2$ submicrorods obtained after aging 7 days with $\text{Mn}^{\text{VII}}:\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}$ ratio 20:3.

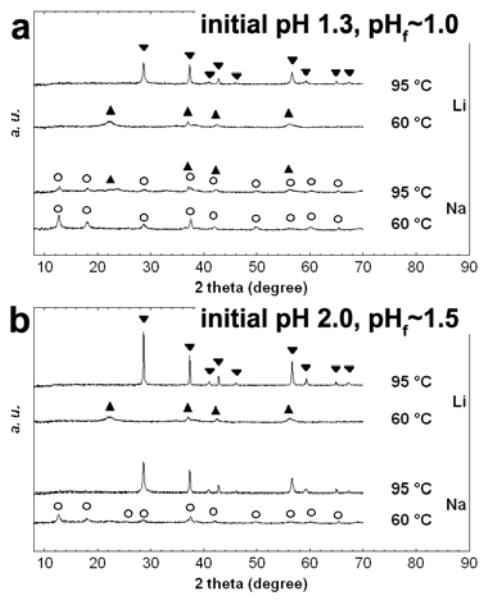


Figure SI-5. XRD patterns of manganese oxides obtained after aging 7 days at 60 or 95 °C, with ratio 2:3, Li^+ or Na^+ ions and various initial acidic conditions: initial pH 1.3 (a) and initial pH 2.0 (b). Cryptomelane type $\alpha\text{-MnO}_2$ (○); $\gamma\text{-MnO}_2$ (▲); pyrolusite $\beta\text{-MnO}_2$ (▼).