

Supporting Information for:

***In Situ* Neutron Diffraction Study of the High-Temperature Redox Chemistry of $\text{Ln}_{3-x}\text{Sr}_{1+x}\text{CrNiO}_{8-\delta}$ ($\text{Ln} = \text{La}, \text{Nd}$) under Hydrogen**

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Figure S1. Thermogravimetric analysis (heating rate of $2\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C min}^{-1}$) under 5 % H_2 in N_2 for $\text{Nd}_{2.25}\text{Sr}_{1.75}\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$

Figure S2. XRD pattern fit at room temperature of $\text{La}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$; (a) as-prepared, (b) after hydrogen reduction (in 5% H_2 at $700\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, 8h)

Figure S3. XRD pattern fit at room temperature of $\text{Nd}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$; (a) as-prepared, (b) after hydrogen reduction (in 5% H_2 at $700\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, 8h)

Figure S4. XRD pattern fit at room temperature of $\text{Nd}_{2.25}\text{Sr}_{1.75}\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$; (a) as-prepared, (b) after hydrogen reduction (in 5% H_2 at $700\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ 8h)

Figure S5. Neutron Powder Diffraction pattern fit of $\text{Nd}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$; (a) at $20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ before hydrogen reduction, (b) at $710\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ after reduction, (c) at $90\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ after reduction and cooling

Figure S6. Neutron Powder Diffraction pattern fit of $\text{Nd}_{2.25}\text{Sr}_{1.75}\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$; (a) at $20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ before hydrogen reduction, (b) at $450\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ after reduction, (c) at $80\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ after reduction

Figure S7. Occupancy factor of oxygen sites in (a) $\text{Nd}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$ and (b) $\text{Nd}_{2.25}\text{Sr}_{1.75}\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$ as a function of temperature under hydrogen flow. Green and black squares represent the occupancy of O1 (axial) and O2 (equatorial) sites during heating; blue and red triangles represent O1 and O2 on cooling. The blue line corresponds to the Ni (II) composition

Figure S8. Temperature dependence of the unit cell parameters of (a) $\text{Nd}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$ and (b) $\text{Nd}_{2.25}\text{Sr}_{1.75}\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$ under hydrogen flow. Squares (triangles) represent data collected on heating (cooling).

Figure S9. (a) Occupancy factor of oxygen sites in $\text{Nd}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$ as a function of temperature under oxidizing conditions after reduction. Green and black squares represent the occupancy of O1 (axial) and O2 (equatorial) sites during heating; blue and red triangles represent O1 and O2 during cooling;

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(b) temperature dependence of the unit cell parameters of $\text{Nd}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$ under oxidizing conditions. Squares (triangles) represent data collected on heating (cooling)

Figure S10 Rietveld refinements of the X ray diffraction pattern of $\text{Nd}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CrNiO}_{7.38}$ between $2\theta = 76.6^\circ$ and 81.1° (a) with a single profile for all peaks, (b) with anisotropic peak-broadening taken into account.

Figure S11. Temperature dependence of the (a) Cr/Ni-O1, (b) Nd/Sr-O1 (along the *c*-axis) and (c) Nd/Sr-O2 bond lengths under hydrogen flow, in $\text{Nd}_2\text{Sr}_2\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$. Squares (triangles) represent data collected on heating (cooling)

Figure S12. Temperature dependence of the (a) Cr/Ni-O1, (b) Nd/Sr-O1 (along the *c*-axis) and (c) Nd/Sr-O2 bond lengths under hydrogen flow, in $\text{Nd}_{2.25}\text{Sr}_{1.75}\text{CrNiO}_{8.6}$. Squares (triangles) represent data collected on heating (cooling)

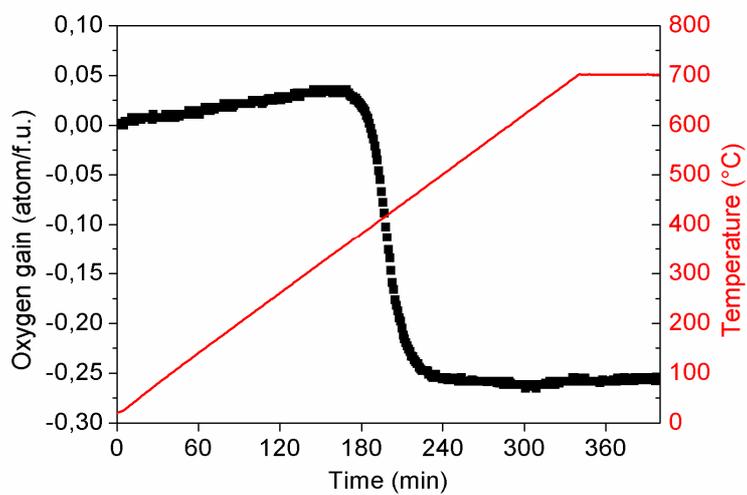


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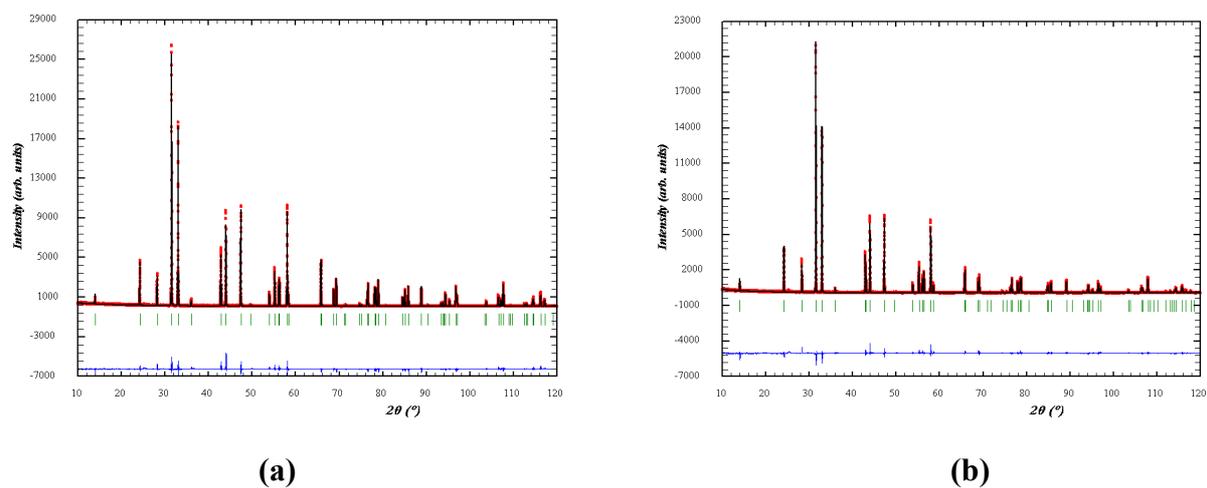


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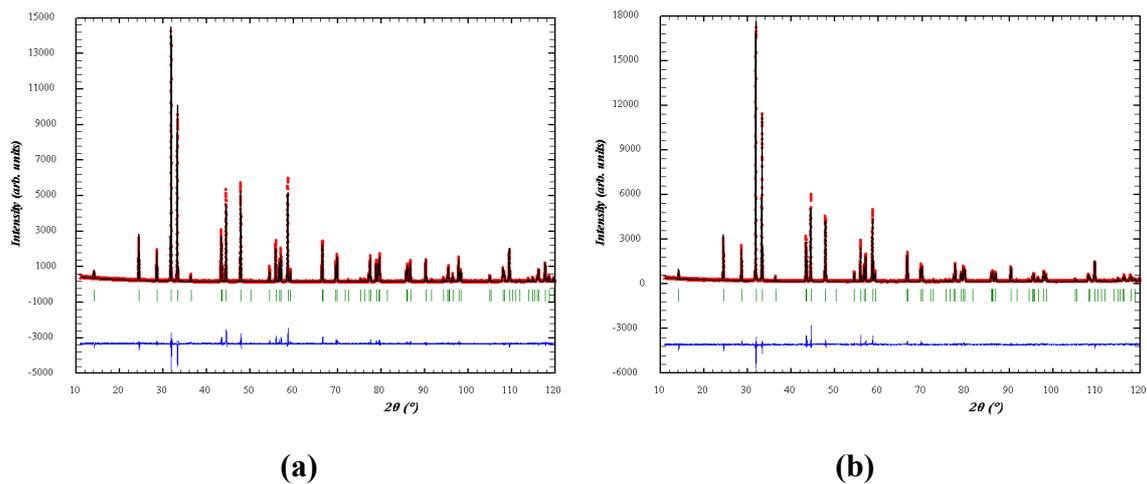


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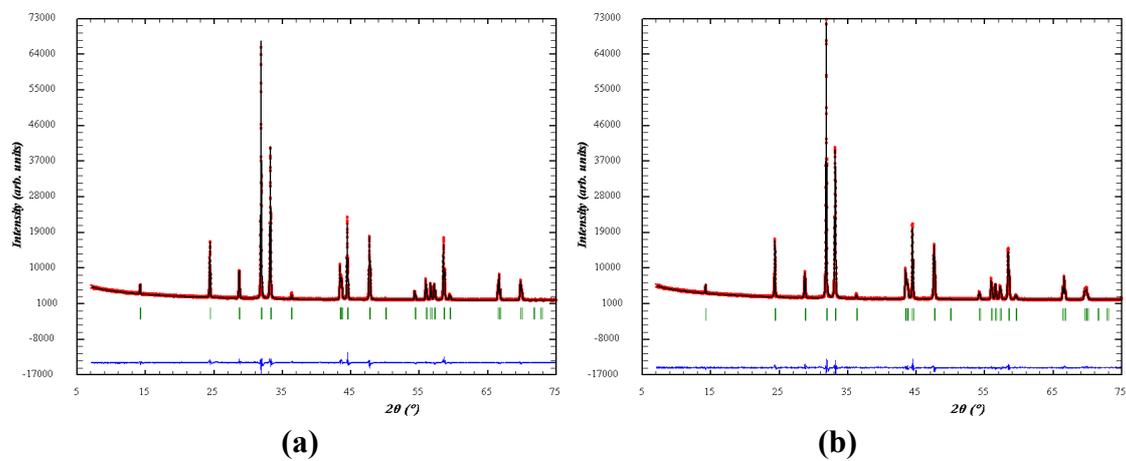


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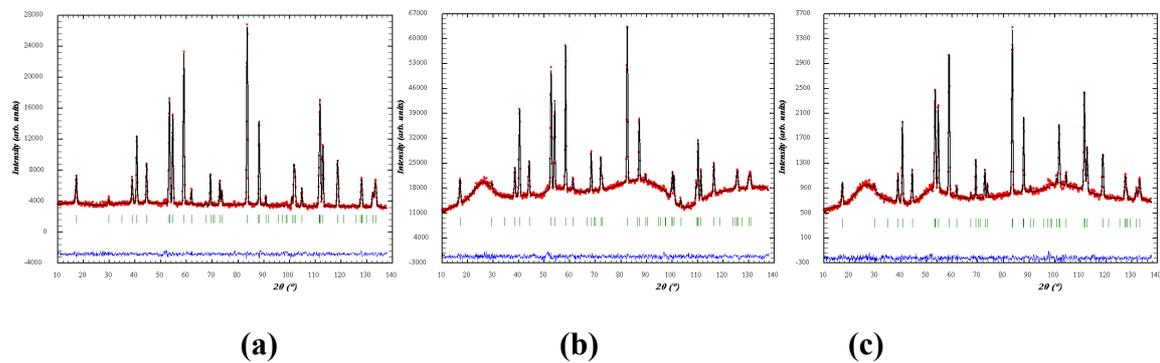


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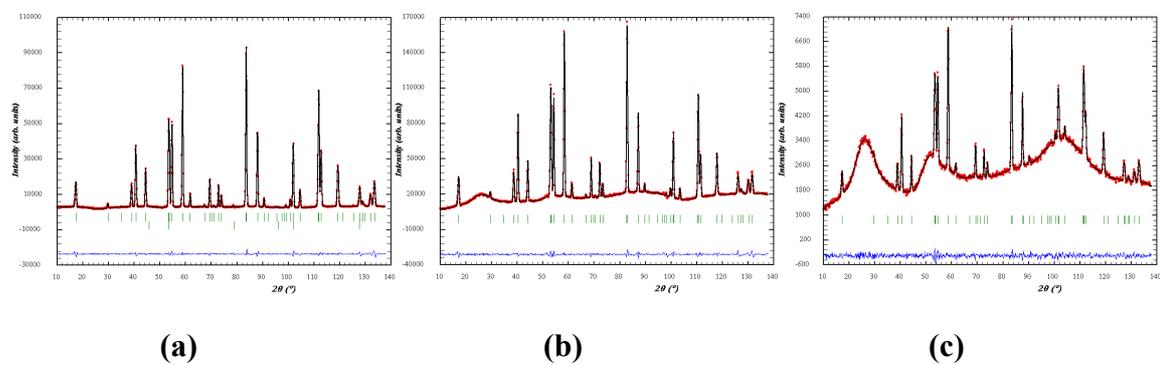


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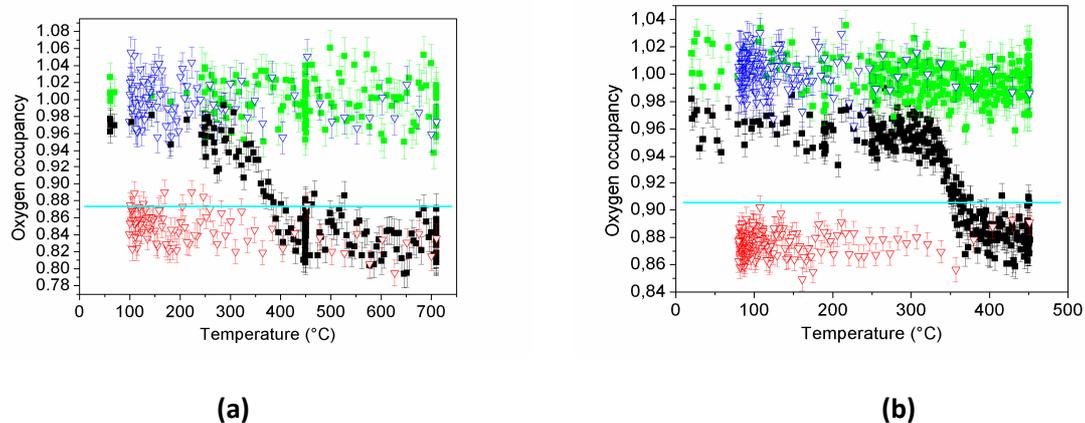


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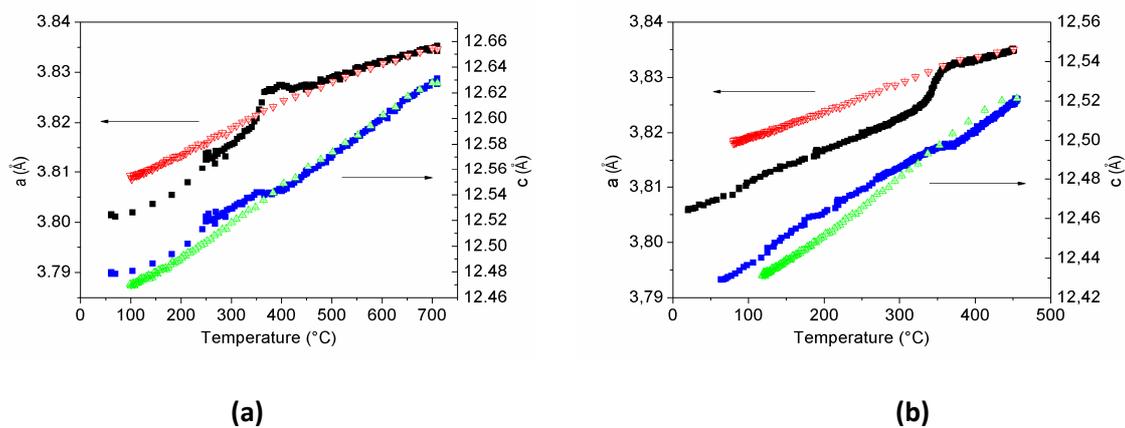
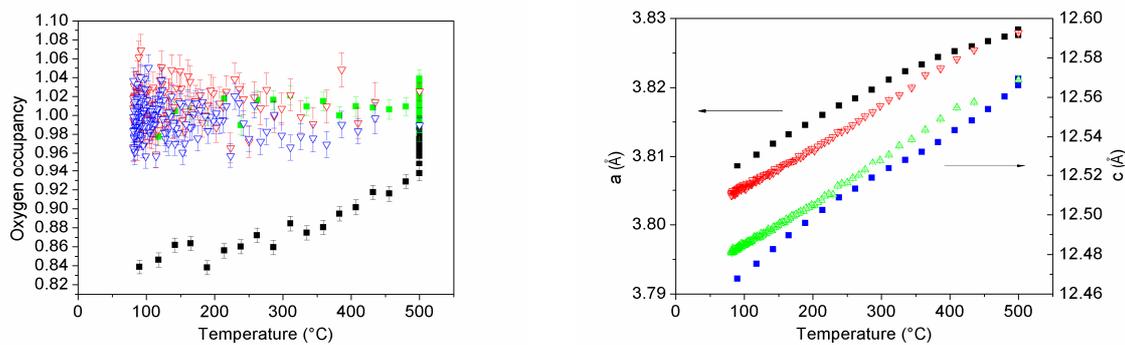


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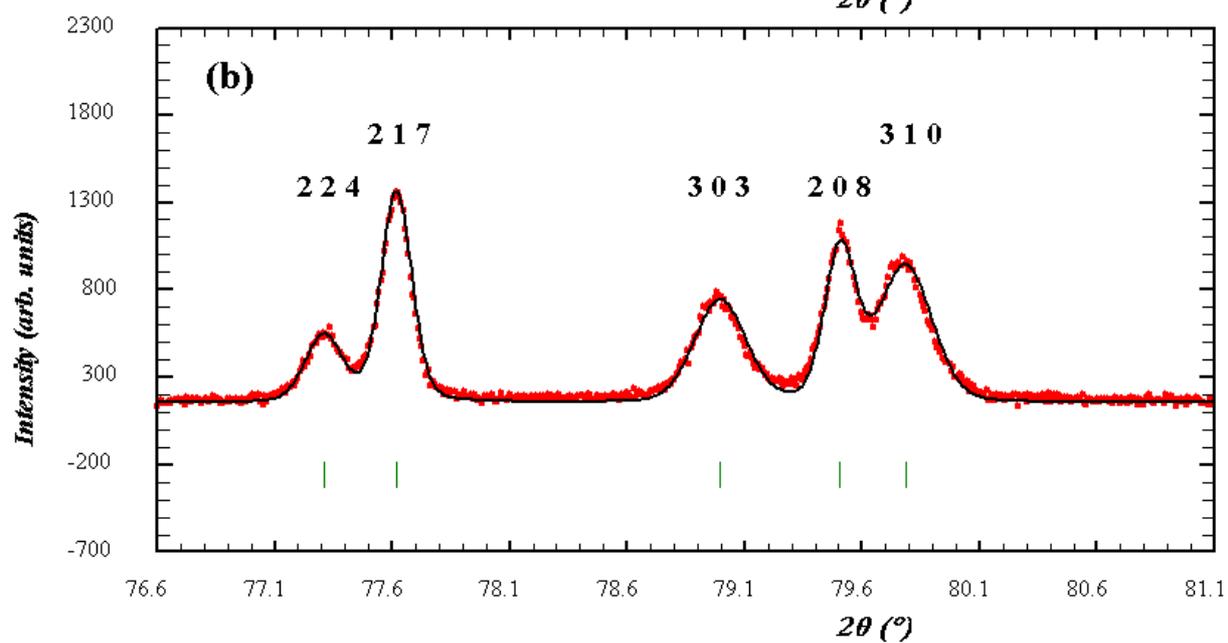
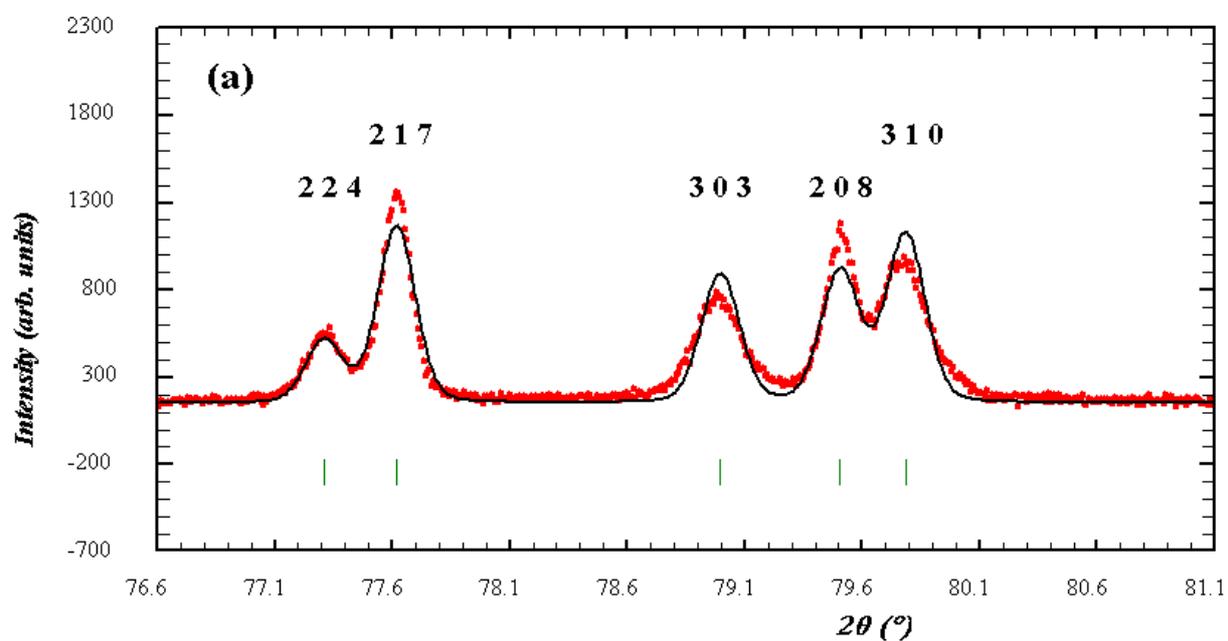
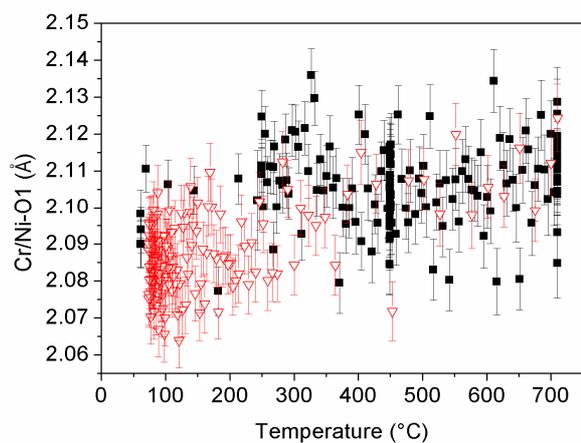
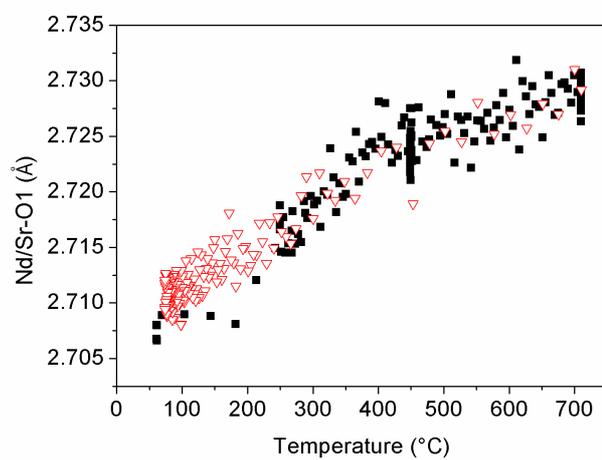


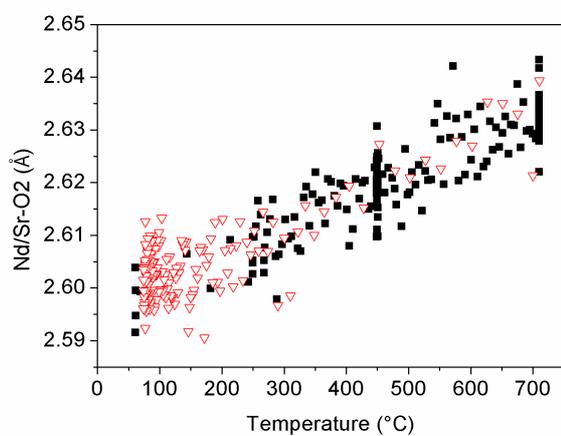
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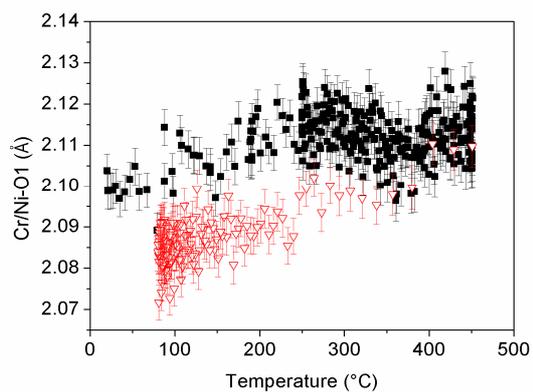


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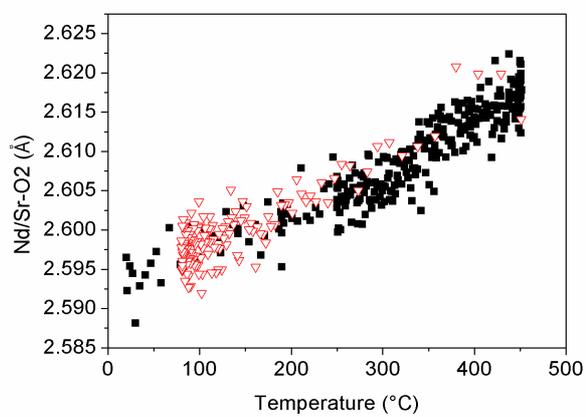


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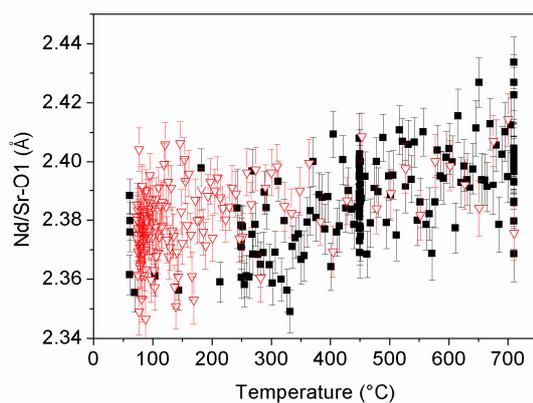
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