

## Supporting information

### High temperature structural stability, electrical properties and chemical reactivity of $\text{NdBaCo}_{2-x}\text{Mn}_x\text{O}_{5+\delta}$ ( $0 \leq x < 2$ ) perovskites for use as cathode in Solid Oxide Fuel Cells.

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## Results and discussion

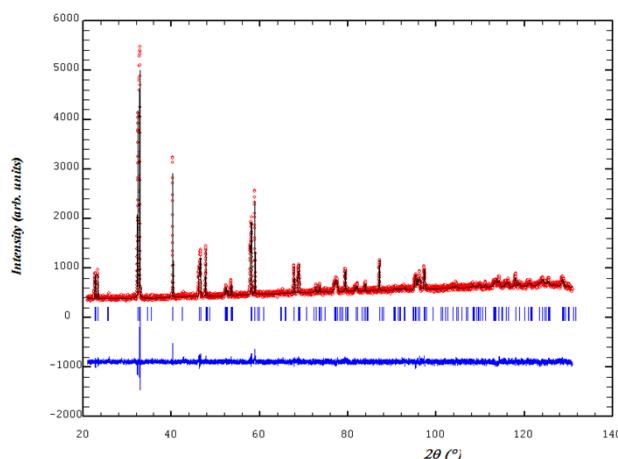


Figure S1. Measured, calculated and difference XRD patterns for  $\text{NdBaCo}_{2-x}\text{Mn}_x\text{O}_{5+\delta}$ .

**Table S1.** Refined structural parameters for  $\text{NdBaCo}_{2-x}\text{Mn}_x\text{O}_{5+\delta}$  from XRD data.

Atoms	Site	x	y	z	Occupancy
<b>Nd</b>	$1c$	0	0	0.5	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>Ba</b>	$1a$	0	0	0	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>Co</b>	$2t$	0.5	0.5	0.250(2)	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>O1</b>	$1f$	0.5	0.5	0	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>O2</b>	$2t$	0.5	0.5	0.278(1)	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>O3</b>	$2s$	0.5	0	0.278(1)	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>O4</b>	$1h$	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.76(1)

Space group  $Pmmm$ : # fixed,  $a = 3.94560(3)$  Å,  $b = 3.95208(3)$  Å,  $c = 7.57080(5)$  Å,  $B_{overall} = 0.5(3)$  Å $^2$ ,  $R_{wp} = 4.8\%$ ,  $R_p = 4.8\%$ ,  $R_{Bragg} = 7.0\%$ ,  $\chi^2 = 1.36$ . The  $z$ -positions for O2 and O3 were constrained to be equal.

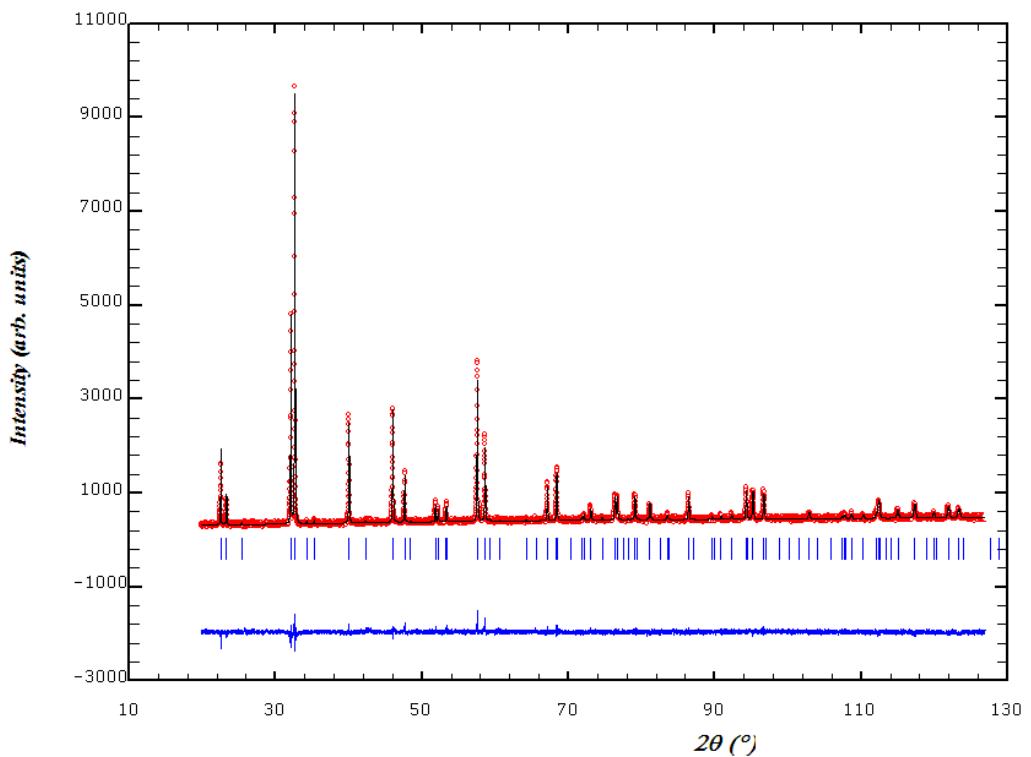


Figure S2. Measured, calculated and difference XRD patterns for  $\text{NdBaCo}_{1.5}\text{Mn}_{0.5}\text{O}_{5+\delta}$ .

**Table 2. Refined structural parameters for  $\text{NdBaCo}_{1.5}\text{Mn}_{0.5}\text{O}_{5+\delta}$  from XRD data.**

Atoms	Site	$x$	$y$	$z$	Occupancy
<b>Nd</b>	1a	0	0	0.5	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>Ba</b>	1b	0	0	0	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>Co/Mn</b>	2h	0.5	0.5	0.256(3)	0.75/0.25 <sup>#</sup>
<b>O1</b>	4i	0.5	0	0.299(1)	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>O2</b>	1c	0.5	0.5	0	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>O3</b>	1d	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.60(2)

Space group  $P4/mmm$ : # fixed,  $a = 3.94016(4)$  Å,  $c = 7.62584(6)$  Å,  $B_{overall} = 0.4(2)$  Å $^2$ ,  $R_{wp} = 5.55\%$ ,  $R_p = 4.35\%$ ,  $R_{Bragg} = 10.2\%$ ,  $\chi^2 = 1.52$ .

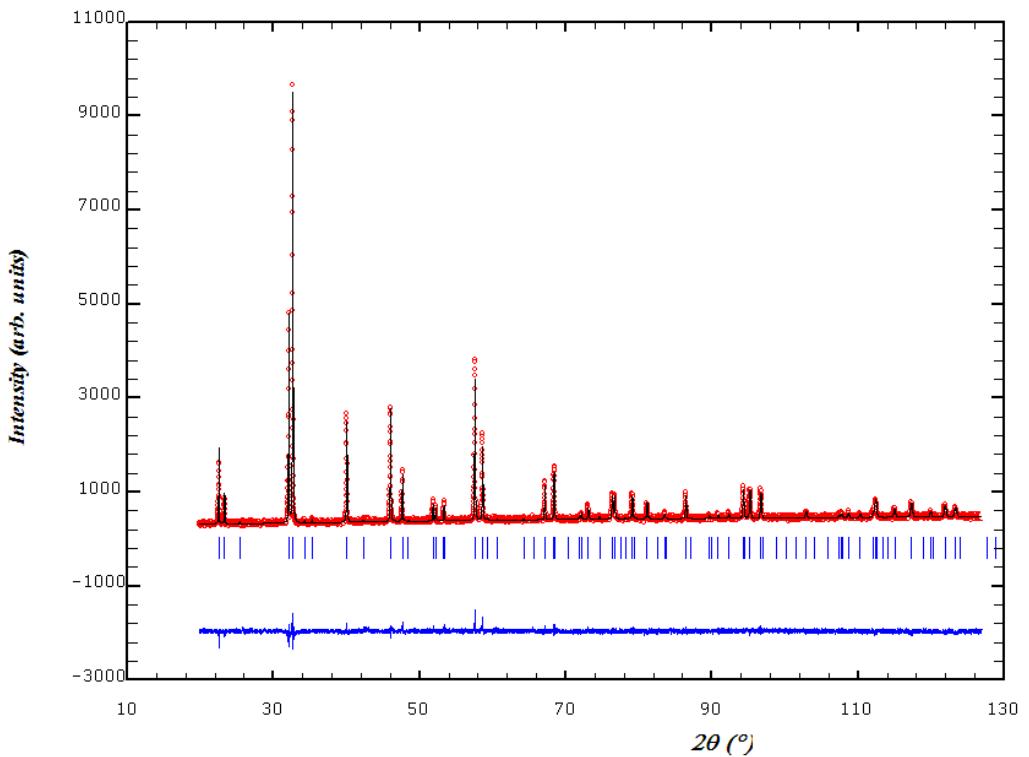


Figure S3. Measured, calculated and difference XRD patterns for  $\text{NdBaCoMnO}_{5+\delta}$ .

**Table 3. Refined structural parameters for  $\text{NdBaCoMnO}_{5+\delta}$  from XRD data.**

Atoms	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>Occupancy</i>
<b>Nd</b>	1 <i>b</i>	0	0	0.5	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>Ba</b>	1 <i>a</i>	0	0	0	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>Co/Mn</b>	2 <i>h</i>	0.5	0.5	0.254(1)	0.5/0.5 <sup>#</sup>
<b>O1</b>	4 <i>i</i>	0.5	0	0.295(1)	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>O2</b>	1 <i>c</i>	0.5	0.5	0	1.00 <sup>#</sup>
<b>O3</b>	1 <i>d</i>	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.62(2)

Space group  $P4/mmm$ : # fixed,  $a = 3.92757(3)$  Å,  $c = 7.67617(6)$  Å,  $B_{overall} = 0.4(2)$  Å<sup>2</sup>,  $R_{wp} = 7.01\%$ ,  $R_p = 5.41\%$ ,  $R_{Bragg} = 14.4\%$ ,  $\chi^2 = 1.74$ .

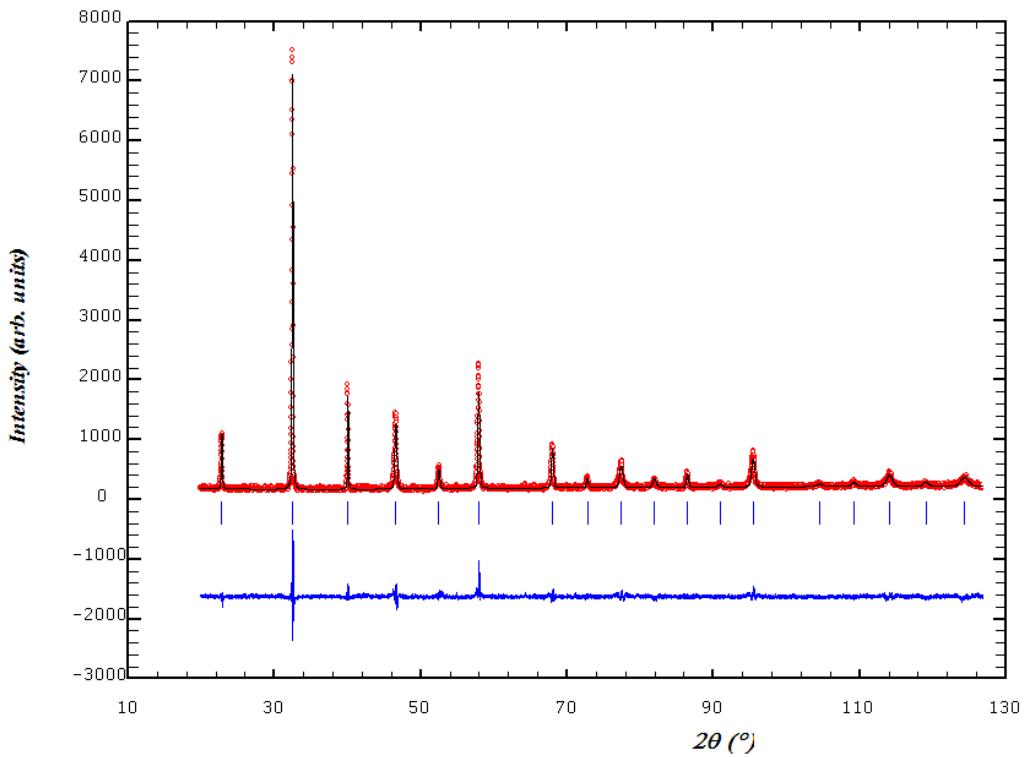


Figure S4. Measured, calculated and difference XRD patterns for  $\text{NdBaCoMn}_{1.5}\text{O}_{5+\delta}$ .

**Table 4. Refined structural parameters for  $\text{NdBaCo}_{0.5}\text{Mn}_{1.5}\text{O}_{5+\delta}$  from XRD data.**

Atoms	Site	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>Occupancy</i>
<b>Nd/Ba</b>	1 <i>a</i>	0	0	0	0.5/0.5 <sup>#</sup>
<b>Co/Mn</b>	1 <i>b</i>	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.25/0.75 <sup>#</sup>
<b>O</b>	3 <i>c</i>	0.5	0.5	0	0.90(2)

Space group  $Pm-3m$ : # fixed,  $a = 3.89518(5)$  Å,  $B_{overall} = 0.2(1)$  Å<sup>2</sup>,  $R_{wp} = 9.43\%$ ,  $R_p = 7.33\%$ ,  $R_{Bragg} = 7.38\%$ ,  $\chi^2 = 2.24$ .

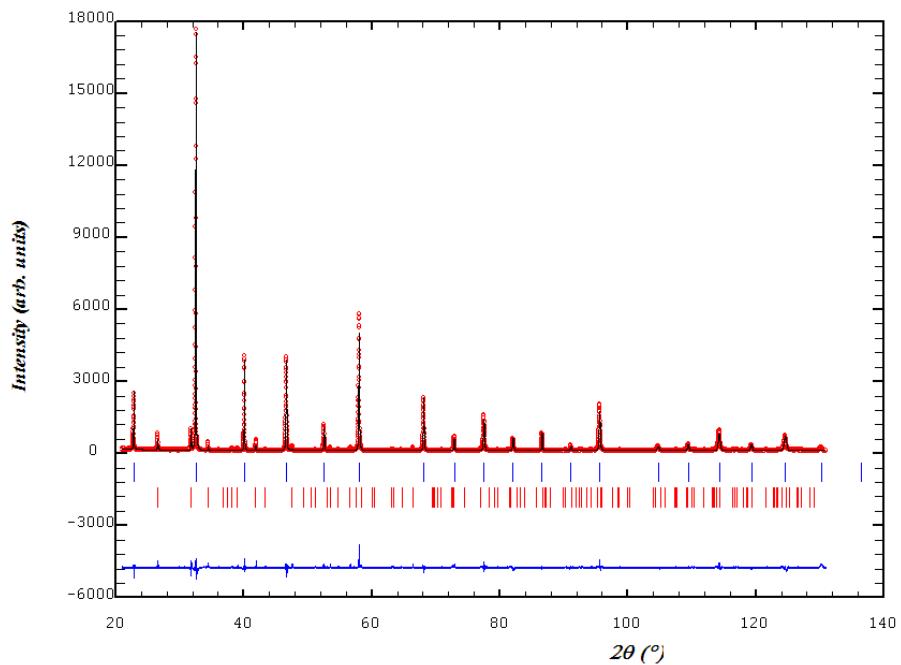


Figure S5. Measured, calculated and difference XRD patterns for  $\text{NdBaMn}_2\text{O}_{5+\delta}$ . The lower tick marks correspond to a hexagonal  $\text{BaMnO}_3$  impurity.

**Table 5. Refined structural parameters for  $\text{NdBaMn}_2\text{O}_{5+\delta}$  (99.9(3) wt %) from XRD data.**

Atoms	Site	$x/a$	$y/b$	$z/c$	Occupancy
<b>Nd/Ba</b>	1a	0	0	0	0.5/0.5 <sup>#</sup>
<b>Co/Mn</b>	1b	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.25/0.75 <sup>#</sup>
<b>O</b>	3c	0.5	0.5	0	0.90(2)

Space group  $Pm-3m$ : # fixed,  $a = 3.89675(3)$  Å,  $B_{overall} = 0.3(1)$  Å<sup>2</sup>,  $R_{wp} = 11.3\%$ ,  $R_p = 8.80\%$ ,  $R_{Bragg}(\text{NdBaMn}_2\text{O}_6) = 7.97\%$ ,  $\chi^2 = 2.62$ .