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**Structural studies of NH₄-exchanged natrolites at ambient conditions
and high-temperature**

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Supplementary Table 1. EDS chemical composition of the fully and partially NH₄-exchanged natrolites.^a

| Fully NH ₄ -exchanged natrolite | | | | | |
|---|---|--|------|-------|-------|
| Elements | | N | K | Al | Si |
| Atomic percent (%) | 1 | 9.77 | 0.00 | 9.47 | 12.88 |
| | 2 | 9.72 | 0.00 | 9.33 | 13.05 |
| | 3 | 9.12 | 0.00 | 10.30 | 14.10 |
| | 4 | 9.46 | 0.00 | 9.50 | 13.21 |
| | 5 | 10.00 | 0.00 | 9.73 | 13.57 |
| | 6 | 10.62 | 0.00 | 9.50 | 13.02 |
| Unit cell composition | | (NH ₄) _{16.24} Al ₁₆ Si ₂₄ O ₈₀ · xH ₂ O | | | |
| Partially NH ₄ -exchanged natrolite | | | | | |
| Elements | | N | K | Al | Si |
| Atomic percent (%) | 1 | 4.30 | 6.76 | 10.84 | 15.90 |
| | 2 | 5.17 | 6.17 | 10.34 | 15.60 |
| | 3 | 2.04 | 6.64 | 11.41 | 18.12 |
| | 4 | 2.46 | 6.73 | 11.04 | 17.89 |
| | 5 | 3.06 | 6.59 | 10.42 | 17.79 |
| | 6 | 3.44 | 7.40 | 10.94 | 16.50 |
| | 7 | 2.33 | 6.95 | 11.16 | 17.85 |
| Unit cell composition | | (NH ₄) _{4.78} K _{9.93} Al ₁₆ Si ₂₄ O ₈₀ · xH ₂ O | | | |
| Atomic ratio of N ⁺ : K ⁺ | | 0.325 : 0.675 | | | |

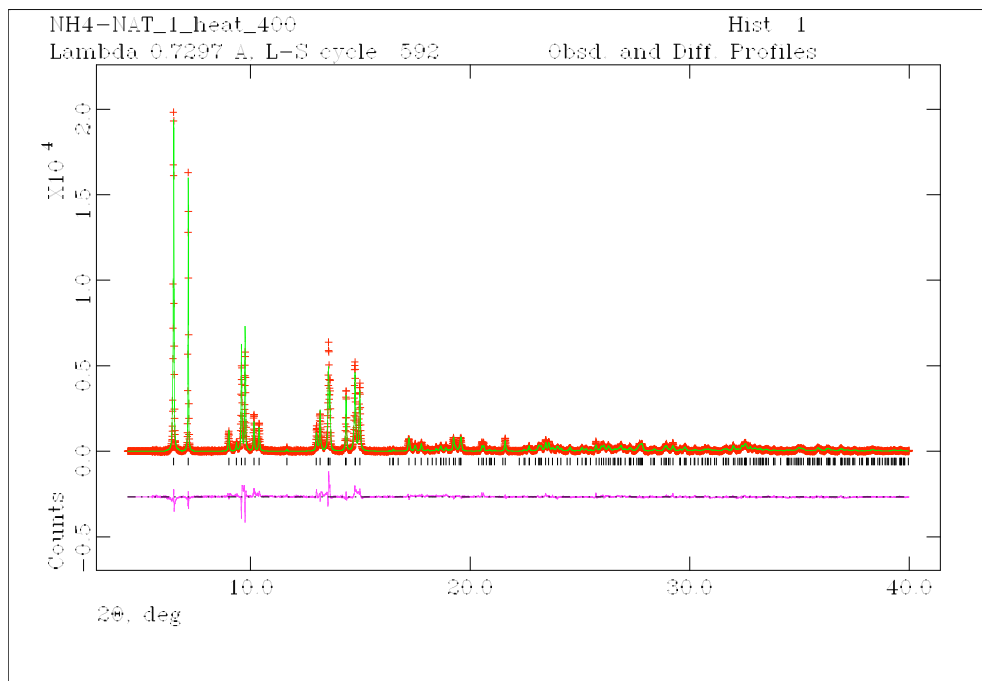
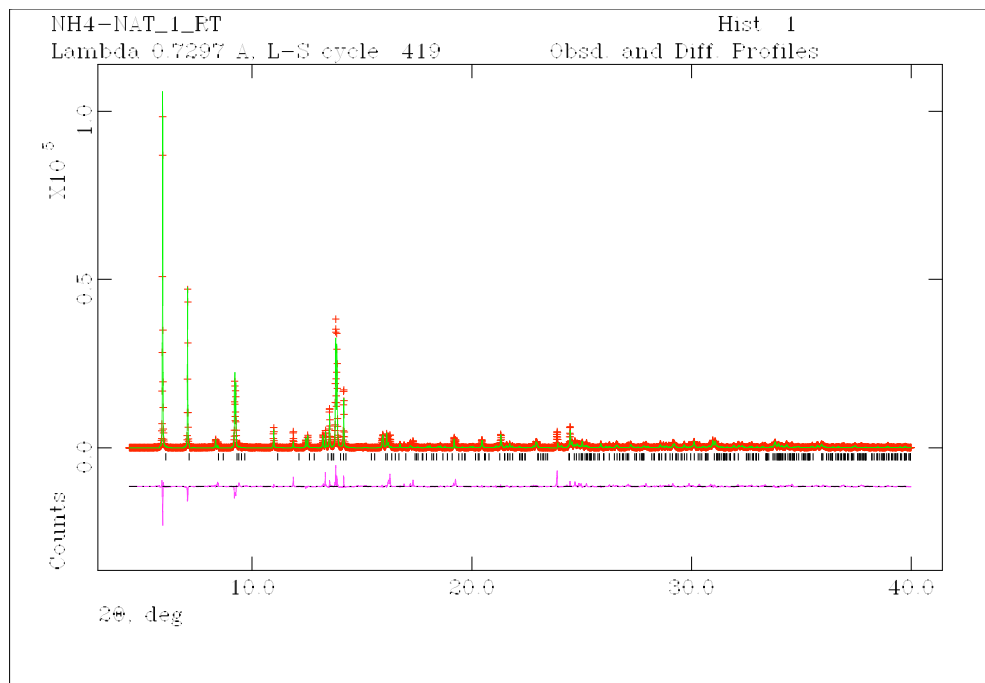
^aValues are normalized based on 16 aluminum atoms per unit cell.

Supplementary Table 2. Unit cell parameters of NH₄- and partially NH₄-exchanged natrolites at different temperatures.^a

| Temperature (□) | Fully NH ₄ -exchanged natrolite | | | | Partially NH ₄ -exchanged natrolite | | | |
|-------------------|--|------------|-----------|------------|--|--|---|--|
| | a | b | c | volume | a | b | c | volume |
| 25 | 19.8368(2) | 20.0574(2) | 6.5165(1) | 2592.74(4) | 19.5511(2) | 19.9342(2) | 6.4923(1) | 2530.27(4) |
| 50 | 19.8424(1) | 20.0516(1) | 6.5168(1) | 2592.85(3) | 19.5535(2) | 19.9269(2) | 6.4925(1) | 2529.75(4) |
| 75 | 19.8465(2) | 20.0404(2) | 6.5161(1) | 2591.65(4) | 19.5437(2) | 19.9050(2) | 6.4906(1) | 2524.96(4) |
| 100 | 19.8482(2) | 20.0308(2) | 6.5146(1) | 2590.04(5) | 19.5258(2) | 19.8799(2) | 6.4876(1) | 2518.29(5) |
| 125 | 19.8464(2) | 20.0289(2) | 6.5140(1) | 2589.31(5) | 19.5203(2) | 19.8674(2) | 6.4867(1) | 2515.66(5) |
| 150 | 17.8927(4) | 18.4934(5) | 6.5466(1) | 2166.2(1) | 19.5185(2) | 19.8600(1) | 6.4871(1) | 2514.64(5) |
| 175 | 17.8881(5) | 18.5015(5) | 6.5464(1) | 2166.6(1) | 19.4938(3) ^h 17.657(5) ^d | 19.8367(2) ^h 18.527(5) ^d | 6.4808(1) ^h 6.523(1) ^d | 2506.08(6) ^h 2134.0(7) ^d |
| 200 | 17.8845(5) | 18.5090(5) | 6.5463(1) | 2167.0(1) | 19.484(1) ^h 17.628(1) ^d 16.969(7) ^k | 19.827(1) ^h 18.533(1) ^d 18.155(8) ^k | 6.4774(2) ^h 6.5252(4) ^d 6.486(2) ^k | 2502.3(2) ^h 2131.8(2) ^d 1998.1(8) ^k |
| 225 | 17.8842(4) | 18.5194(5) | 6.5479(1) | 2168.7(1) | 17.5869(9) ^d 16.943(3) ^k | 18.513(1) ^d 18.121(5) ^k | 6.5227(3) ^d 6.489(2) ^k | 2123.7(1) ^d 1992.3(6) ^k |
| 250 | 17.8826(5) | 18.5278(5) | 6.5485(1) | 2169.7(1) | 17.5741(7) ^d 16.9860(9) ^k | 18.5348(8) ^d 18.131(1) ^k | 6.5321(2) ^d 6.4889(5) ^k | 2127.7(2) ^d 1998.5(2) ^k |
| 275 | 17.8806(5) | 18.5377(5) | 6.5494(1) | 2170.9(1) | 17.5585(8) ^d 16.9996(8) ^k | 18.5354(6) ^d 18.1538(9) ^k | 6.5361(2) ^d 6.4899(6) ^k | 2127.2(2) ^d 2002.8(2) ^k |
| 300 | 17.8779(5) | 18.5441(5) | 6.5493(1) | 2171.3(1) | 17.534(1) ^d 17.008(1) ^k | 18.524(1) ^d 18.164(1) ^k | 6.5346(3) ^d 6.4928(5) ^k | 2122.4(2) ^d 2005.8(2) ^k |
| 325 | 17.8792(5) | 18.5528(5) | 6.5504(1) | 2172.8(1) | 17.5129(8) ^d 17.029(1) ^k | 18.5233(6) ^d 18.173(1) ^k | 6.5373(2) ^d 6.4928(7) ^k | 2120.7(2) ^d 2009.3(2) ^k |
| 350 | 17.8797(5) | 18.5620(5) | 6.5512(1) | 2174.2(1) | 17.4947(8) ^d 17.071(2) ^k | 18.5247(6) ^d 18.199(3) ^k | 6.5365(3) ^d 6.49(1) ^k | 2118.4(2) ^d 2016.2(5) ^k |
| 375 | 17.8806(5) | 18.5698(5) | 6.5519(1) | 2175.5(1) | 17.4702(7) ^d 17.076(2) ^k | 18.5141(6) ^d 18.207(2) ^k | 6.5388(2) ^d 6.491(1) ^k | 2114.9(2) ^d 2018.2(4) ^k |
| 400 | 17.8820(5) | 18.5781(5) | 6.5527(1) | 2176.9(1) | 17.4722(5) ^d 17.095(2) ^k | 18.5303(4) ^d 18.2219(2) ^k | 6.5430(1) ^d 6.484(1) ^k | 2118.4(1) ^d 2019.8(4) ^k |
| 425 | 17.8770(5) | 18.5896(5) | 6.5530(1) | 2177.7(1) | 17.4481(7) ^d 17.149(2) ^k | 18.5104(6) ^d 18.269(2) ^k | 6.5428(2) ^d 6.478(1) ^k | 2113.1(2) ^d 2029.5(4) ^k |
| 450 | | | | | 17.4335(5) ^d 17.263(2) ^k | 18.5056(4) ^d 18.306(3) ^k | 6.5468(2) ^d 6.502(1) ^k | 2112.1(1) ^d 2054.9(5) ^k |
| 475 | | | | | 17.4196(4) ^d 17.344(2) ^k | 18.5118(4) ^d 18.455(2) ^k | 6.5420(1) ^d 6.5137(9) ^k | 2109.6(1) ^d 2085.0(1) ^k |
| Cooled down to RT | | | | | 16.9152(6) ^k | 18.0634(7) ^k | 6.4703(2) ^k | 1977.0(1) ^k |

^aEsd's are in parentheses. In the case of the partially NH₄-exchanged natrolite, three or two different phases coexist from 175°C; ^hthe original hydrated phase, ^dthe partially NH₄-exchanged natrolite in the dehydrated state, and ^kthe K-rich phase separated from the partially NH₄-exchanged natrolite.

Supplementary Figure 1. Rietveld refinement fits of the structural models of the fully NH₄-exchanged natrolite at RT (upper) and at 400 °C (lower) using synchrotron X-ray powder diffraction data. Points shown represent the observed data. The continuous lines through the sets of points are the calculated profiles from the structure refinements summarized in Tables 1-2. The sets of tic marks below the data indicate the positions of the allowed reflections. The lower curves represent the differences between observed and calculated profiles ($I_{\text{obs}} - I_{\text{calc}}$) plotted on the same scale as the observed data.



Supplementary Figure 2. Rietveld refinement fits of the structural models of the partially NH₄-exchanged natrolite at RT (upper), at 400°C (middle), and after one week of exposure to atmospheric conditions (lower) using synchrotron X-ray powder diffraction data. Points shown represent the observed data. The continuous lines through the sets of points are the calculated profiles from the structure refinements summarized in Tables 1-2. The sets of tic marks below the data indicate the positions of the allowed reflections. In the case of the fit to the 400°C data, the K-rich phase is included as a minor secondary phase. The lower curves represent the differences between observed and calculated profiles ($I_{\text{obs}} - I_{\text{calc}}$) plotted on the same scale as the observed data.

