## **Supplementary Materials for**

## Superflexible C<sub>68</sub>-graphyne as promising anode materials for lithium-ion batteries

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Fig. S1 (a) Schematic diagram of  $\gamma$ -GY and (b) its primitive cell, different bonds are marked as B<sub>1-3</sub>.



Fig. S2 (a) The fluctuation of bonds, angles and lattice constant of  $C_{68}$ -GY during the AIMD simulations. The quadratic dispersion of flexural phonon mode ZA in (b)  $C_{68}$ -GY and (c) graphene, in which the red lines denote the fitting curves.



**Fig. S3** Projected density of state (PDOS) of (a) pristine C<sub>68</sub>-GY with an adsorbed Li on Site (b) S1, (c) S3 and (d) S4.



Fig. S4 Effect of biaxial strain ( $\epsilon$ ) on the band structures of C<sub>68</sub>-GY.



**Fig. S5** (a) The K-path in the Brillouin zone for the calculation of carrier mobilities. (b) The calculated band structure along Y-K-X path at PBE functional level. Band energy shit of (c) CBM and (d) VBM under the strain along *x*- and *y*-direction. The term  $E_1$  is determined by using  $E_1=\Delta E/\varepsilon$  to fit the curves in (c) and (d). The dashed lines belong to the fitting lines with respect to *x*- and *y*-direction, respectively.



Fig. S6 (a) Schematics of the diffusion path in bilayer  $C_{68}$ -graphyne along diffusion path of P1 (side view); (b) the diffusion barrier profile.



**Fig. S7** The fluctuations of (a) temperature and energy in the AIMD simulations of LiC, as well as (b) the lattice changes,  $a/a_0$ ; (c) Top and (d) side views of the snapshots of LiC taken from AIMD simulations. The green and blue spheres represent Li and C atoms, respectively.



Fig. S8 (a-d) Top and side views of the intermediate configurations with different Li ion concentrations along the minimum formation energy path. (e-g) The considered configurations with varying Li concentrations intercalated in bilayer  $C_{68}$ -GY.



Fig. S9 (a) The calculated adsorption energy and lattice change profiles along the minimum energy path of formation energies as shown as green points in Fig. 6a; (b) The specific capacity (*C*) of C<sub>68</sub>-GY as anode materials for LIBs, and the comparison with other typical carbon allotropes. The data for graphene,  $\alpha$ -GY,  $\gamma$ -GY and GDY are obtained from **Refs. 1-7**.

Materials	S (N m <sup>-1</sup> ) $v$			$\sigma_{s} (N m^{-1})$		ε <sub>s</sub>		D(eV)	
	S <sub>x</sub>	$S_y$	V <sub>x</sub>	$v_y$	$\sigma_{sx}$	$\sigma_{sy}$	E <sub>sx</sub>	ε <sub>sy</sub>	-
C <sub>68</sub> -GY	49.4	51.7	0.713	0.714	21.7	14.7	0.32	0.20	0.50
Graphene	350 <sup>8</sup>	350 <sup>8</sup>	0.186 <sup>8</sup>	0.186 <sup>8</sup>	36.7 <sup>8</sup>	40.4 <sup>8</sup>	0.194 <sup>8</sup>	0.266 <sup>8</sup>	1.44~1.46 <sup>9,</sup> 10
α-GY	21.9811	21.98 <sup>11</sup>	0.8711	0.8711	12.4 <sup>12</sup>	11.0 <sup>12</sup>	0.178 <sup>12</sup>	0.156 <sup>12</sup>	-
β-GY	73.0711	73.0711	0.6711	0.6711	15.7 <sup>12</sup>	12.9 <sup>12</sup>	0.162 <sup>12</sup>	0.130 <sup>12</sup>	-
γ-GY	162 <sup>13</sup>	162 <sup>13</sup>	0.429 <sup>13</sup>	0.429 <sup>13</sup>	15.414	34.4 <sup>14</sup>	0.0814	0.1314	2.69 <sup>14</sup>
GDY	123.1 <sup>15</sup>	123.115	0.446 <sup>15</sup>	0.446 <sup>15</sup>	-	-	-	-	-
Graph-3-yne	101.8 <sup>15</sup>	101.8 <sup>15</sup>	0.436 <sup>15</sup>	0.436 <sup>15</sup>	-	-	-	-	-
Graph-4-yne	87.7 <sup>15</sup>	87.7 <sup>15</sup>	0.432 <sup>15</sup>	0.432 <sup>15</sup>	-	-	-	-	-

**Table S1** The calculated in-plane stiffness *S*, Poisson ratio *v*, tensile strengths  $\sigma_s$  and strain to failure  $\varepsilon_s$  of C<sub>68</sub>-GY, and the comparison with other typical carbon allotropes.

Biaxial strain (%)	$m_e^* / m_0$ (K-M)	$m_e^* / m_0( ext{K-}\Gamma)$	$m_h^* / m_0$ (K-M)	$m_h^* / m_0 ( ext{K-}\Gamma)$
-6	0.641	0.298	-0.575	-0.296
-4	0.556	0.278	-0.685	-0.293
-2	0.712	0.271	-0.864	-0.294
-1	0.325	0.199	-0.342	-0.209
-0.5	0.325	0.199	-0.343	-0.210
0	0.326	0.200	-0.345	-0.211
0.5	0.326	0.200	-0.347	-0.212
1	0.327	0.201	-0.350	-0.214
2	0.329	0.203	-0.355	-0.218
4	0.336	0.210	-0.368	-0.228
6	0.347	0.221	-0.386	-0.243
8	0.364	0.238	-0.410	-0.265
10	0.391	0.266	-0.448	-0.300

**Table S2** The calculated effective masses for electrons  $(m_e^*)$  and holes  $(m_h^*)$  in the direct band structures of C<sub>68</sub>-GY at PBE level with applying various biaxial strain.

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