

# A Semi-fluid Multi-functional Binder for High-performance Silicon Anode of Lithium-Ion Batteries

## Supporting Information

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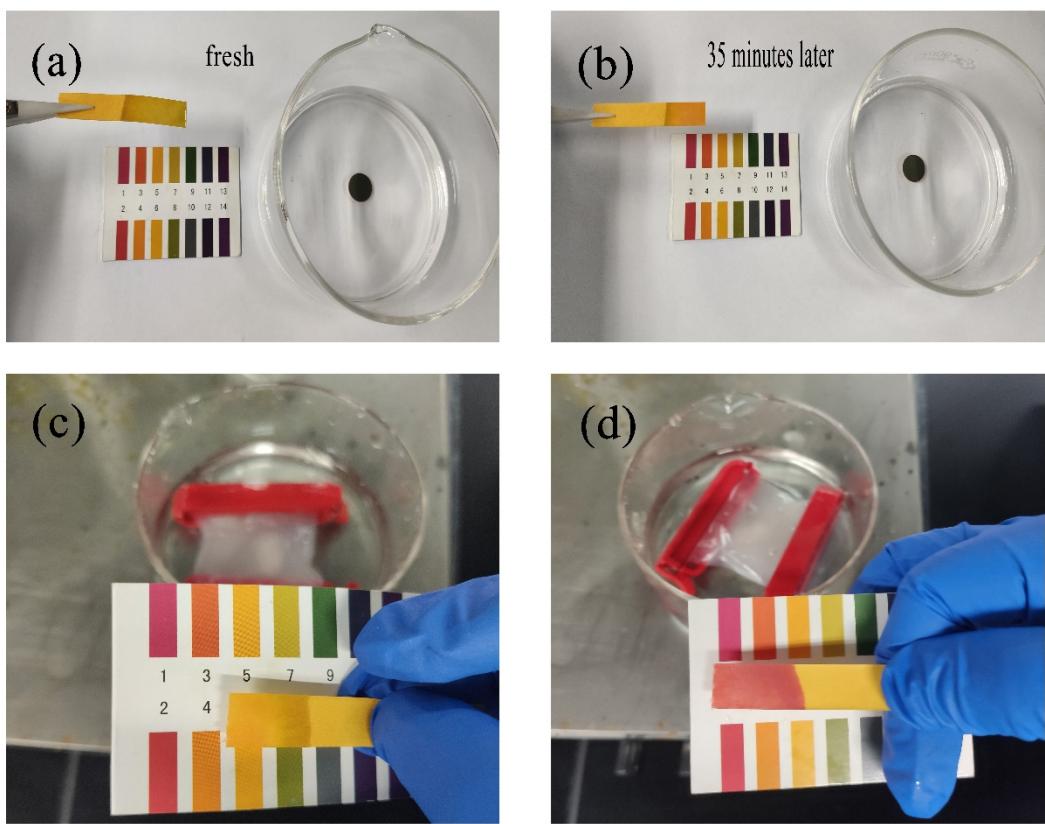
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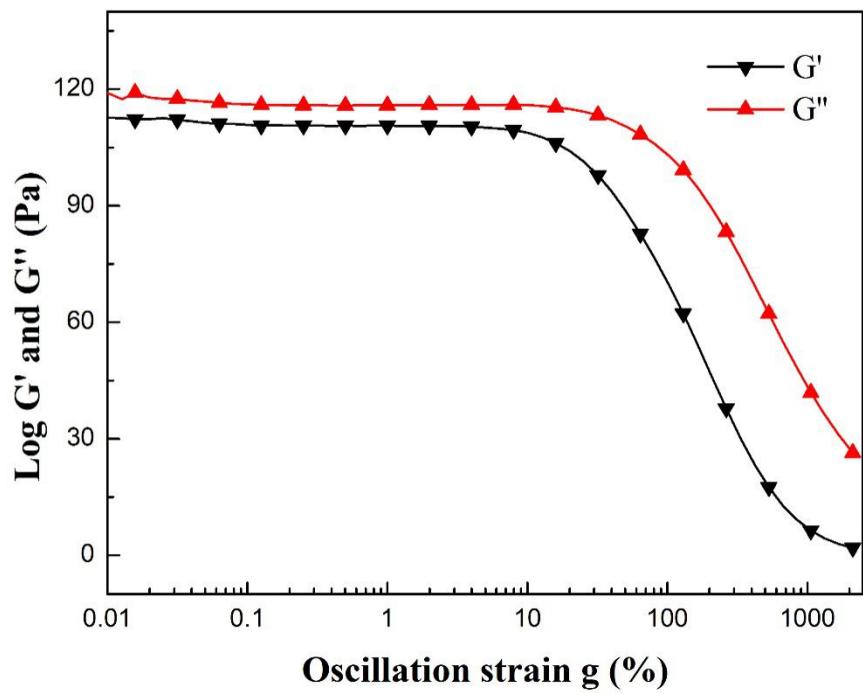
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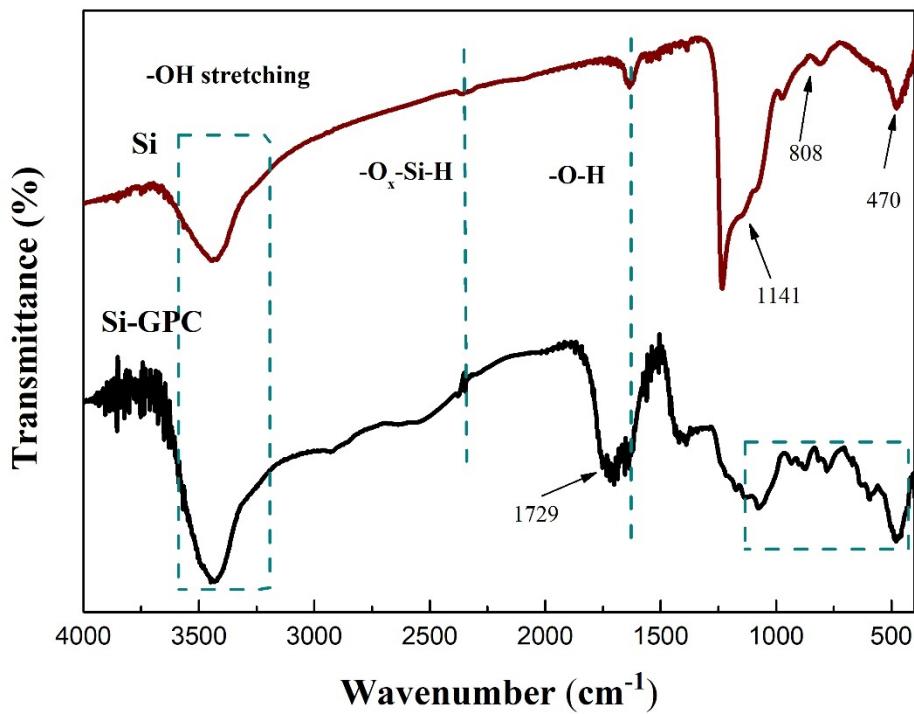
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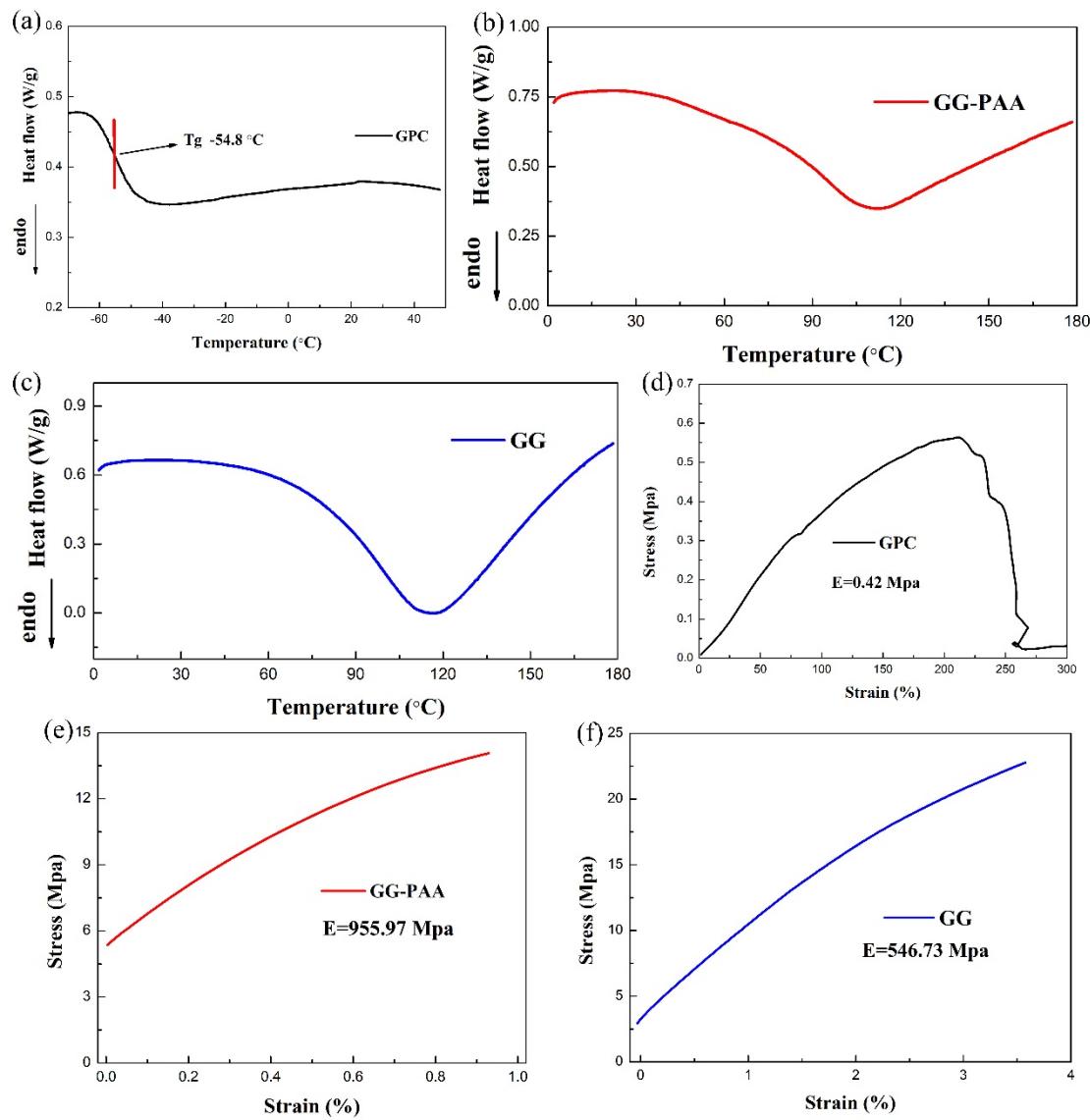
**Figure S1.** The PH for the verification of dissociative CA. (a) the fresh Si@GPC electrode, (b) Letting the electrode stand for 35 minutes, (c) the GPC binder on the dialysis bag, (d) Letting the GPC binder stand for 35 minutes.



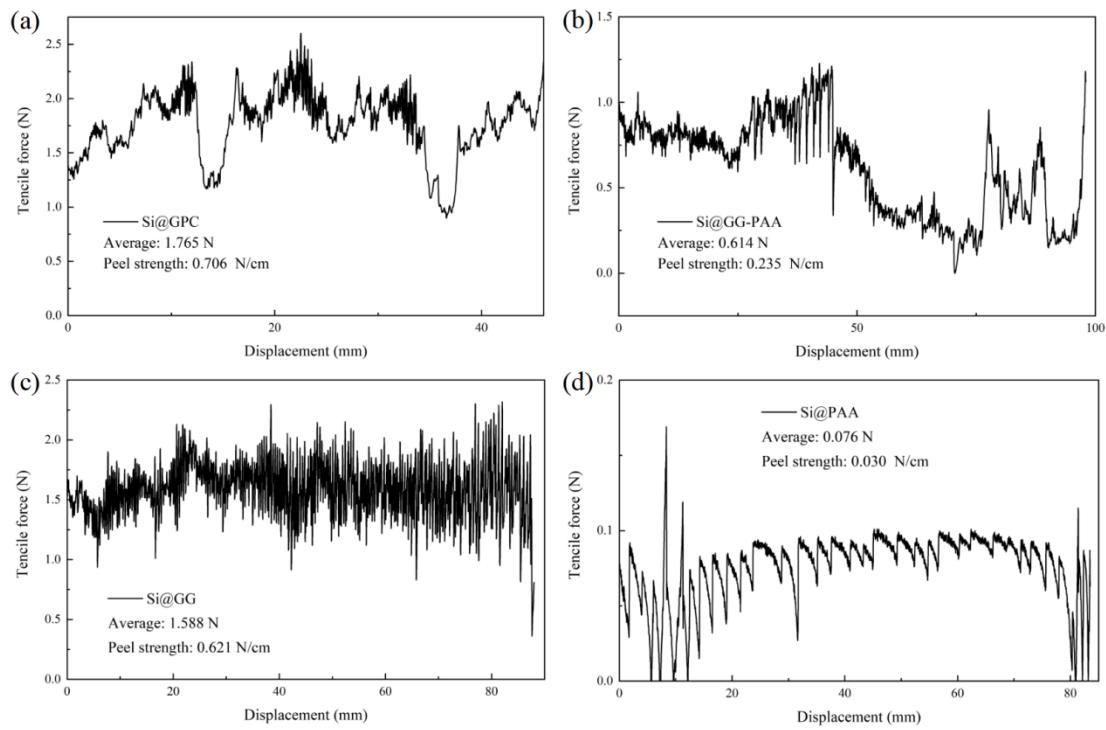
**Figure S2.** The rheological response of GPC binder.



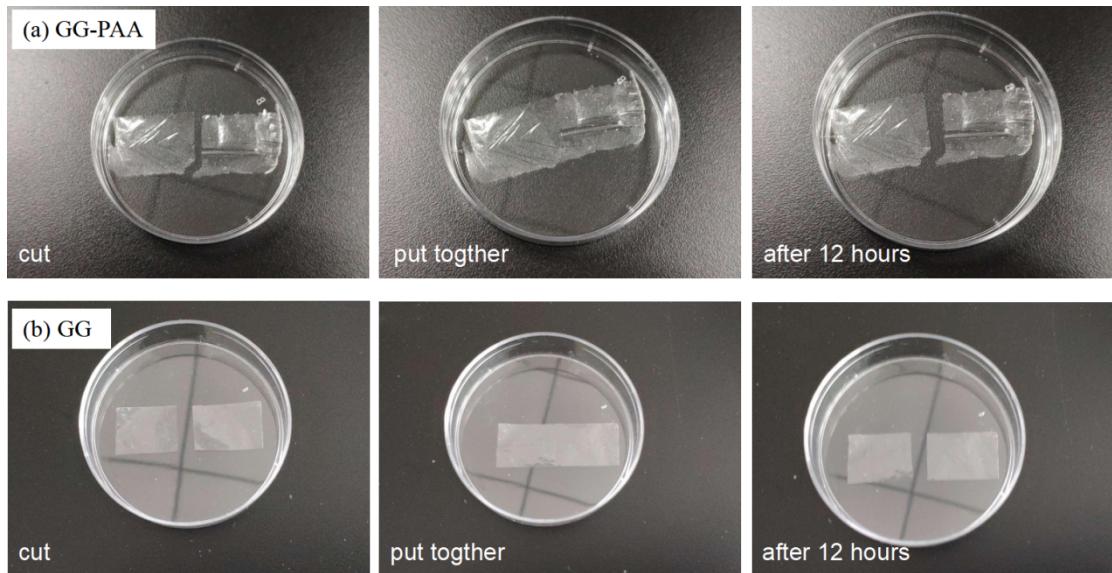
**Figure S3.** FTIR spectra of Si particles and Si-GPC binder.



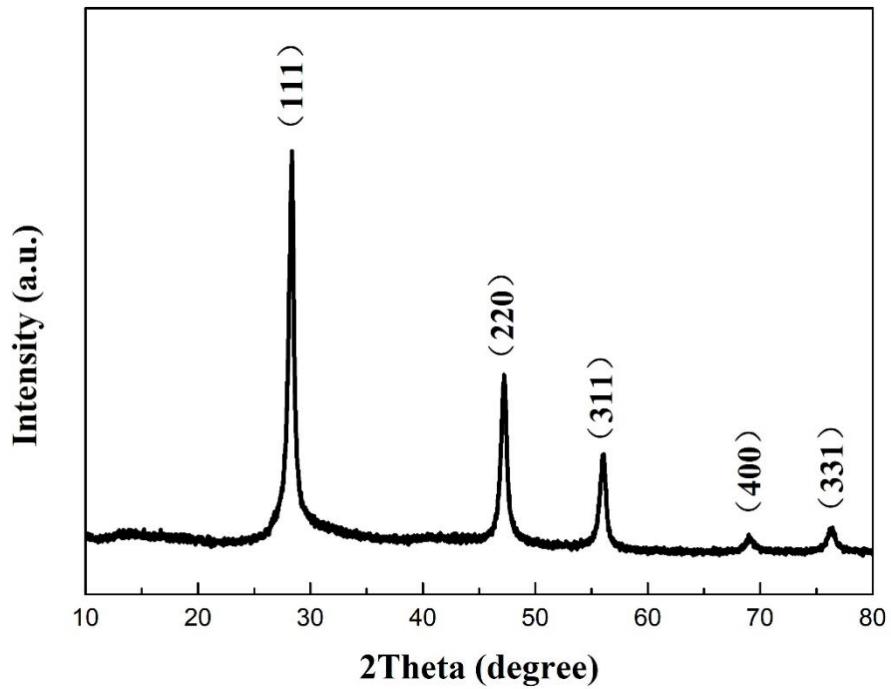
**Figure S4.** The thermal property and mechanical performance of the GPC, GG-PAA, GG binder. DSC curves of (a) GPC, (b) GG-PAA and (c) GG binder; Stress-strain curves of (d) GPC, (e) GG-PAA and (f) GG by DMA.



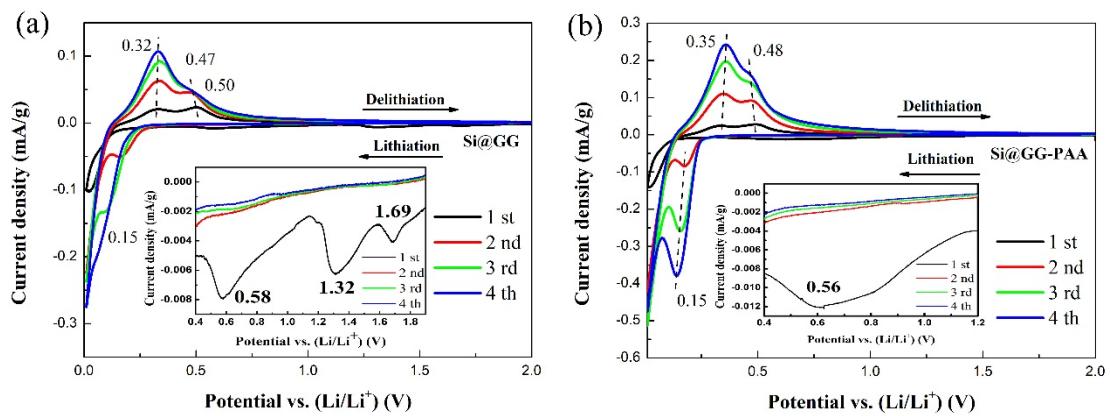
**Figure S5.** Peel curves of (a) Si@GPC, (b) Si@GG-PAA, (c) Si@GG and (d) Si@PAA anode.



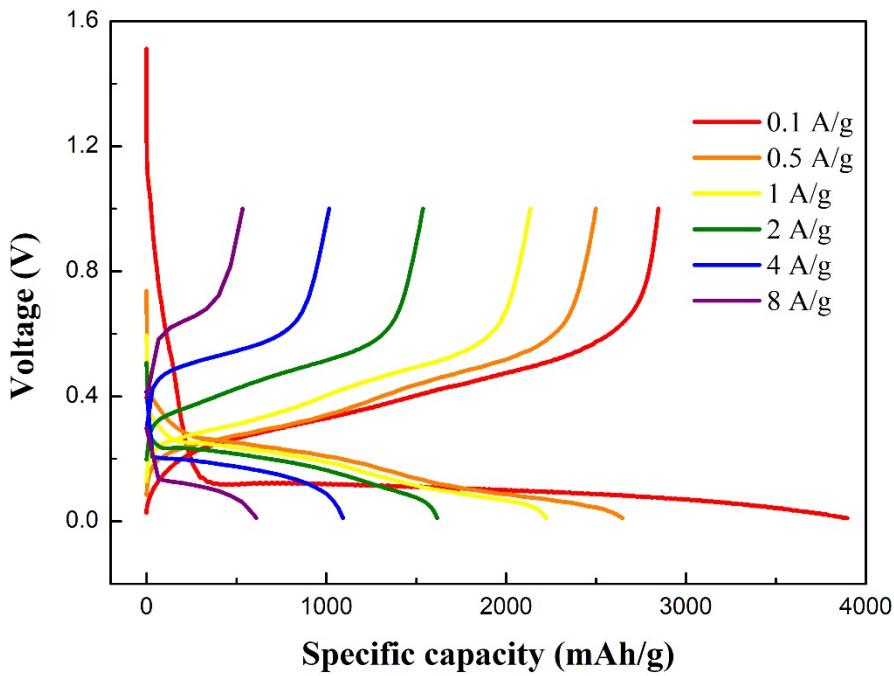
**Figure S6.** Self-healing test of the (a) GG-PAA and (b) GG binder.



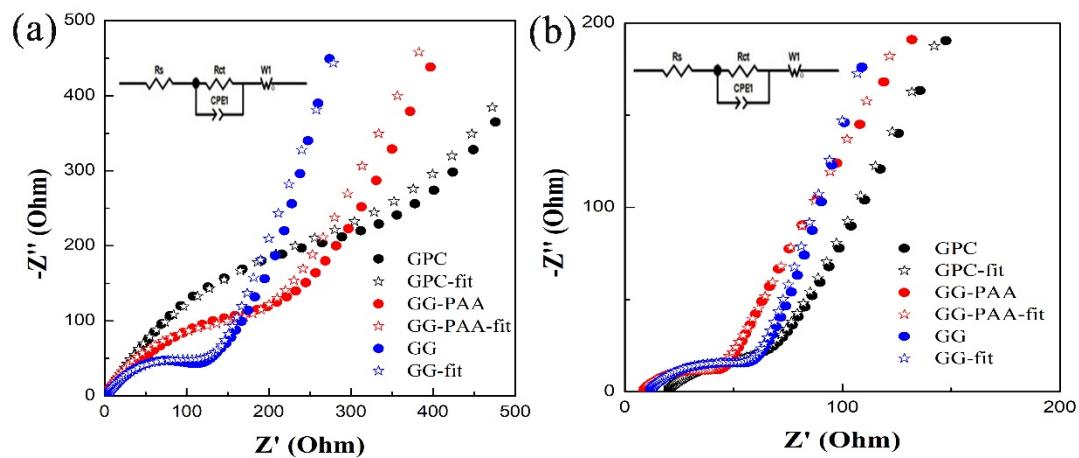
**Figure S7.** XRD patterns of the Si nanoparticles.



**Figure S8.** CV curves of (a) Si@GG electrode and (b) Si@GG-PAA electrode at the scan rate of 0.02 mV s<sup>-1</sup>.



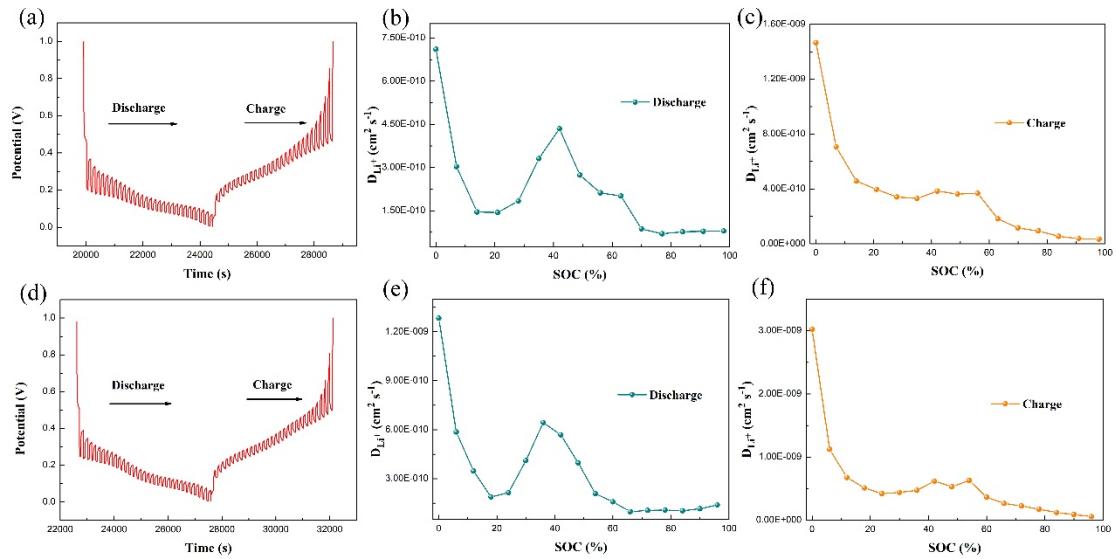
**Figure S9.** The discharge/charge profiles of the Si@GPC electrode.



**Figure S10.** (a) EIS plots of Si electrodes with different binders of fresh cycle. (b) EIS plots of Si electrodes with different binders after 100 cycles.

**Table S1** The  $D_{Li^+}$  of Si@GPC during the lithiation/delithiation processes.

Lithiation	$\tau/\text{s}$	$\Delta E_{\text{s}}/\text{V}$	$\Delta E_{\text{t}}/\text{V}$	$D/\text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$
10	1800	0.018	0.0853	$3.75 \times 10^{-10}$
20	1800	0.0074	0.0645	$1.11 \times 10^{-10}$
30	1800	0.0071	0.0607	$1.15 \times 10^{-10}$
40	1800	0.0099	0.062	$2.15 \times 10^{-10}$
50	1800	0.0158	0.062	$5.47 \times 10^{-10}$
60	1800	0.0078	0.0517	$1.92 \times 10^{-10}$
70	1800	0.0047	0.0471	$0.84 \times 10^{-10}$
80	1800	0.0035	0.0453	$0.50 \times 10^{-10}$
90	1800	0.004	0.0483	$0.58 \times 10^{-10}$
Delithiation	$\tau/\text{s}$	$\Delta E_{\text{s}}/\text{V}$	$\Delta E_{\text{t}}/\text{V}$	$D/\text{cm}^2 \text{s}^{-1}$
10	1800	0.0152	0.045	$9.61 \times 10^{-10}$
20	1800	0.0084	0.0413	$3.48 \times 10^{-10}$
30	1800	0.0077	0.0421	$2.82 \times 10^{-10}$
40	1800	0.0087	0.0456	$3.07 \times 10^{-10}$
50	1800	0.0114	0.0512	$4.18 \times 10^{-10}$
60	1800	0.0115	0.0527	$4.01 \times 10^{-10}$
70	1800	0.0077	0.0524	$1.82 \times 10^{-10}$
80	1800	0.0087	0.0598	$1.78 \times 10^{-10}$
90	1800	0.0139	0.0865	$2.18 \times 10^{-10}$



**Figure S11.** (a) and (d) the GITT curves (voltage vs. time) for the Si@GG and Si@GG-PAA electrode at room temperature. (b-c) during the lithiation processes for the Si@GG electrode. (e-f) during the delithiation processes for the Si@GG electrode

and Si@GG-PAA electrode. (e-f)  $D_{Li}^+$  during the delithiation processes for the Si@GG and Si@GG-PAA electrode.