

## Supporting Information

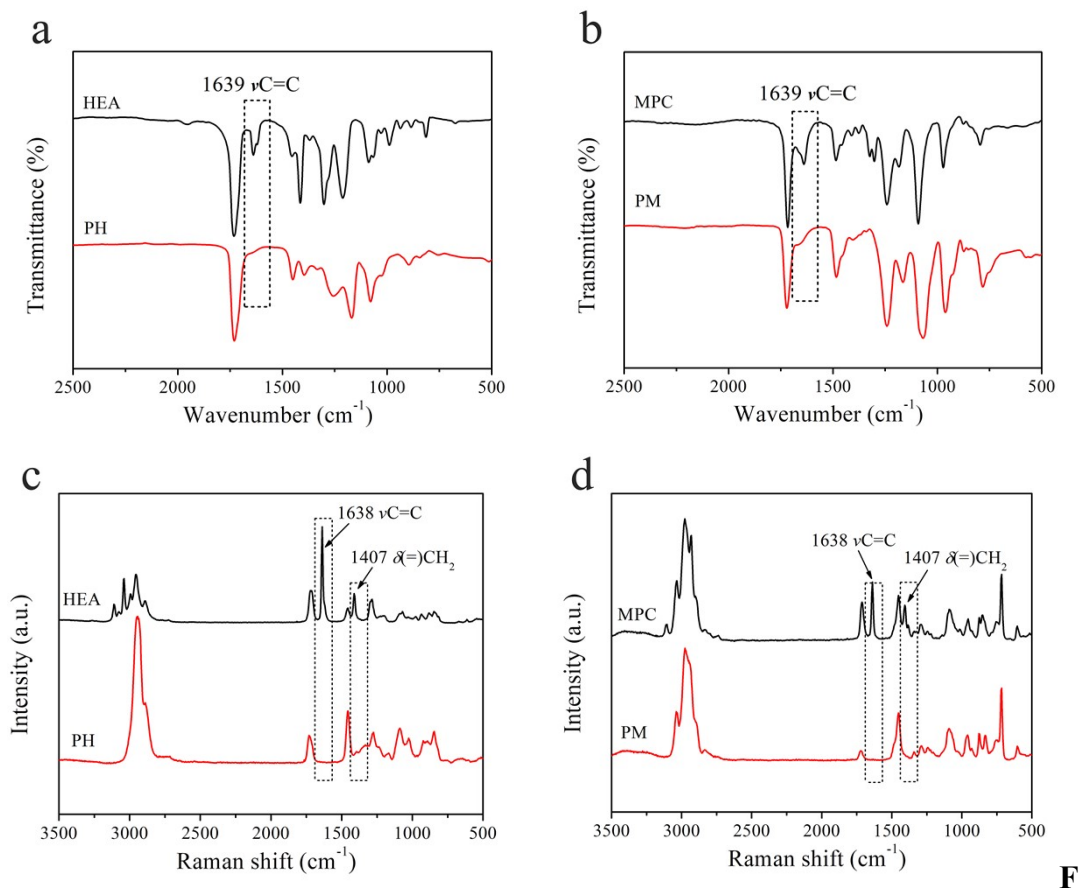
### **Zwitterionic hydrogel with a surprised function of increasing the ionic conductivity of alkali metal chloride or sulfuric acid water-soluble electrolyte**

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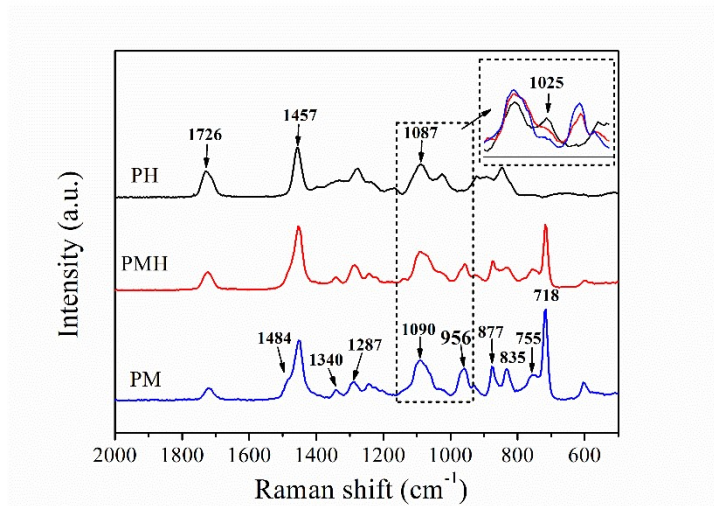
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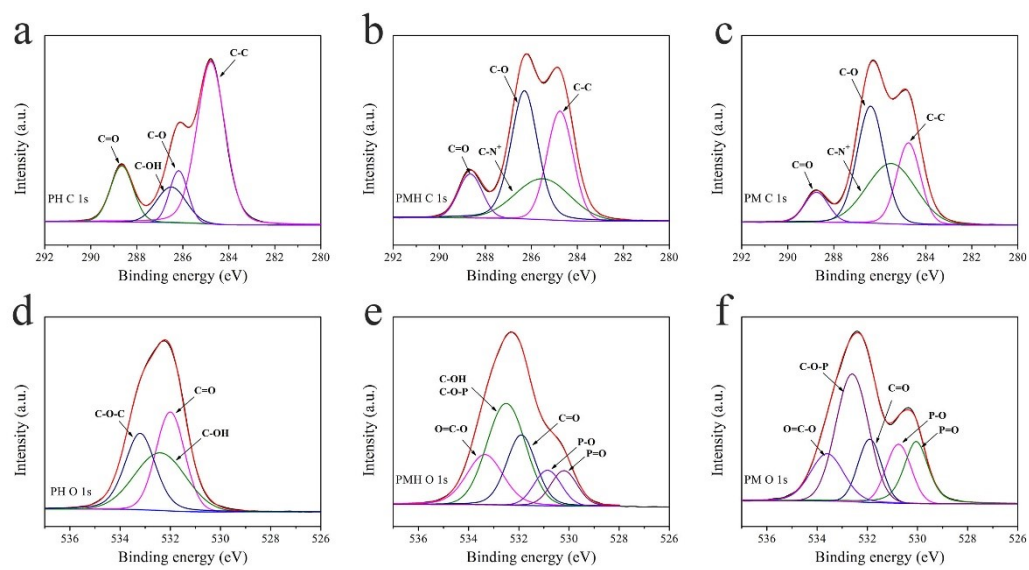


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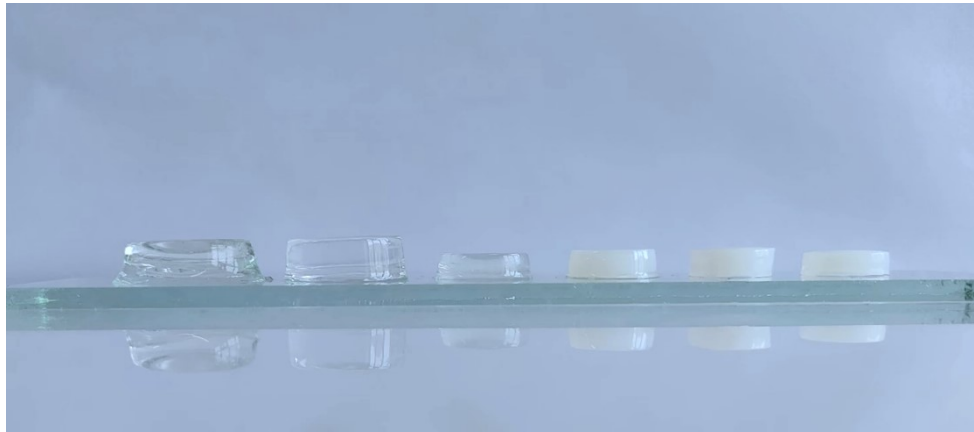
**ig S1.** FTIR spectra of (a) HEA monomer and PH, (b) MPC monomer and PM. Raman spectra of (c) HEA monomer and PH, (d) MPC monomer and PM.



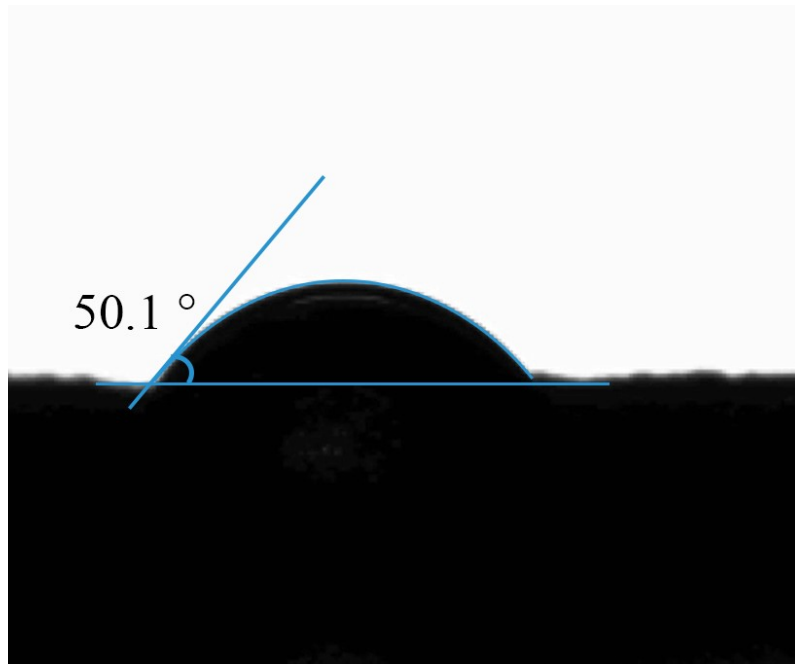
**Fig S2.** Raman spectra of PH, PMH and PM.



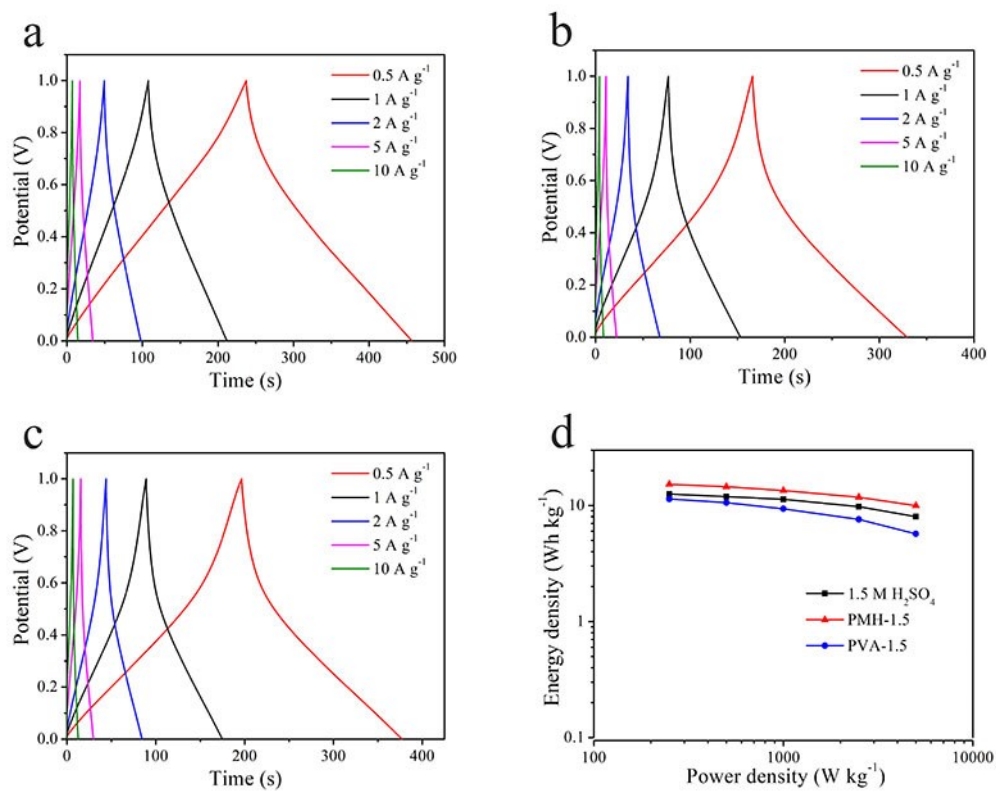
**Fig S3.** The C 1s spectra of (a) PH, (b) PMH and (c) PM. The O 1s spectra of (d) PH, (e) PMH and (f) PM.



**Fig S4.** The optical photograph of PH electrolyte at different concentration of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$   
(From left to right: 0.5, 1, 1.5, 2, 2.5, 3 M).



**Fig S5.** Static water contact angles of PH aerogel.



**Fig S6.** Charge/discharge curves of (a) PMH-1.5 SC, (b) PVA-1.5 SC and (c) 1.5 M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> SC at different current density.

**Table S1.** Overview of the Raman and FTIR band assignments.<sup>1-8</sup>

| Raman shift<br>(cm <sup>-1</sup> ) | Assignments   | FTIR<br>wavenumbers<br>(cm <sup>-1</sup> ) | Assignments  |
|------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| 3411                               | $\nu\text{O-H}$   | 3370                                       | $\nu\text{O-H}$  |
| 2954                               | $\nu_{\text{as}}\text{CH}_2$  | 2950                                       | $\nu\text{CH}$ , $\nu\text{CH}_2$ ,<br>$\nu\text{CH}_3$ , $\nu_{\text{as}}\text{CH}_2$ |
| 1726                               | $\text{C=O}$  | 1730                                       | $\text{C=O}$   |
| 1457                               | $\delta\text{CH}_2$ , $\delta\text{CH}_3$   | 1453                                       | $\delta\text{CH}_2$ , $\delta\text{CH}_3$  |
| 1341                               | $\delta\text{CH}_3$ , $\tau\text{CH}_2$ ,<br>$\omega\text{CH}_2$  | 1396                                       | $\delta\text{CH}_3$ , $\tau\text{CH}_2$ ,<br>$\omega\text{CH}_2$                       |
| 1287                               | $\tau\text{CH}_2$ , $\omega\text{CH}_2$   | 1260                                       | $\tau\text{CH}_2$ , $\omega\text{CH}_2$  |
| 1243                               | $\nu_{\text{as}}\text{CC(=O)O}$   | 1223                                       | $\nu_{\text{as}}\text{CC(=O)O}$  |
| 1087                               | $\nu_{\text{s}}\text{PO}_2$ ,<br>$\nu_{\text{as}}\text{OCH}_2\text{C}$ ,<br>$\rho\text{CH}_2$ , $\rho\text{CH}_3$ | 1168                                       | $\nu_{\text{as}}\text{COC}$  |
| 1025                               | $\nu\text{CC}$ , $\nu\text{CO(H)}$  | 1080                                       | $\nu_{\text{as}}\text{OCH}_2\text{C}$ ,<br>$\rho\text{CH}_2$ , $\rho\text{CH}_3$       |
| 957                                | $\rho\text{CH}_3$   | 966  | $\rho\text{CH}_3$  |
| 895                                | $\nu_{\text{s}}\text{CCO(H)}$   | 897  | $\nu\text{CO(H)}$  |
| 877                                | $\rho\text{CH}_2$ , $\nu_{\text{s}}\text{CN}^+$   | 790  | $\nu_{\text{s}}\text{OPO}$   |
| 850                                | $\rho\text{CH}_2$   | 602  | $\nu\text{CCO}$  |
| 835                                | $\nu_{\text{s}}\text{COC}$ ,<br>$\nu_{\text{as}}\text{POC}$   |  |  |
| 718                                | $\nu_{\text{s}}\text{CN}^+$   |  |  |
| 603                                | $\nu_{\text{s}}\text{CCO}$  |  |  |



**Table S2.** The relative elemental contents (at.%) of PH, PMH and PM.

| Samples | C (at.%) | O (at.%) | N (at.%) | P (at.%) |
|---------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| PH      | 67.40    | 32.60    |          |          |
| PMH     | 61.58    | 31.42    | 3.18     | 3.82     |
| PM      | 61.64    | 28.89    | 4.32     | 5.15     |

**Table S3.** Relative ratio (at.%) of different carbon components in PH, PMH and PM.

From C 1s XPS spectra which were calculated based on the areas of the XPS peaks.

| Samples | ~284.8 eV<br>(C-C) | ~285.5 eV<br>(C-N) | ~286.2 eV<br>(C-OH) | ~286.5 eV<br>(C-O) | ~288.7 eV<br>(C=O) |
|---------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| PH      | 60.09              |                    | 11.44               | 12.7               | 15.77              |
| PMH     | 29.20              | 21.65              |                     | 38.69              | 10.46              |
| PM      | 22.54              | 33.00              |                     | 36.67              | 7.79               |

**Table S4.** Relative ratio (at.%) of different oxygen components in PH.

| Samples | ~532.0 eV<br>(C=O) | ~532.4 eV<br>(C-OH) | ~533.2 eV<br>(C-O) |
|---------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| PH      | 34.38              | 34.58               | 31.04              |

**Table S5.** Relative ratio (%) of different oxygen components in PMH and PM.

| Samples | ~530.1 eV<br>(P=O) | ~530.8 eV<br>(P-O <sup>-</sup> ) | ~531.9 eV<br>(C=O) | ~532.6 eV<br>(C-O-P(H)) | ~533.6 eV<br>(C-O) |
|---------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| PMH     | 9.83               | 9.43                             | 25.19              | 41.61                   | 13.94              |
| PM      | 16.96              | 13.88                            | 14.04              | 39.35                   | 15.77              |

**Table S6.** Summary of ionic conductivity of different hydrogel electrolyte.

| hydrogel electrolyte                                   | ionic conductivity (S m <sup>-1</sup> ) | Refs.     |
|--|---|-----------|
| SBMA/HEA/LiCl  | 14.6                                    | 9         |
| polypyrrole imbibed<br>poly(HEA)/poly(ethylene glycol) | 2.1                                     | 2         |
| Zw-PSBMA-EG/MgCl <sub>2</sub>                          | 13.7                                    | 10        |
| PVA-g-PAA/KCl  | 4.1                                     | 11        |
| PDMP-Li GPE  | 8.9×10 <sup>-1</sup>                    | 12        |
| PAAm/LiCl  | 8.1                                     | 13        |
| PAM/PBA-IL/CNF   | 0.7                                     | 14        |
| 50:50 P(AMPSLi-c-DMAA)                                 | 5.7×10 <sup>-2</sup>                    | 15        |
| PAAm/gelatin/LiCl                                      | 8.3                                     | 16        |
| P(VI-co-HPA)/NaNO <sub>3</sub>                         | 6.0                                     | 17        |
| PAO/PEI/LiCl   | 19.1                                    | 18        |
| PAMPS/PAAm/LiCl/ethylene glycol                        | 2.3                                     | 19        |
| PVA/PAM-ILs  | 0.7                                     | 20        |
| PVA-GB   | 7.0                                     | 21        |
| PVA-H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>                     | 8.2                                     | 22        |
| Alg/PVA/ZnSO <sub>4</sub>                              | 1.5                                     | 23        |
| PMH-LiCl   | 32.0                                    | This work |
| PMH-NaCl   | 35.5                                    | This work |
| PMH-KCl  | 38.9                                    | This work |
| PMH-1.5 H <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>                 | 64.8                                    | This work |

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