## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

## Wood-based electrolyte with reversible phase transition for smart thermal shutdown self-protection

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Sample	PEO-PPO-PEO (g)	$H_2O\left(g\right)$	LiCl (g)	LiCl concentration (mol/L)
SPE-0	1.5	3.5	0	0
SPE-1	1.5	3.5	0.105	0.5
SPE-2	1.5	3.5	0.210	1.0
SPE-3	1.5	3.5	0.315	1.5
SPE-4	1.5	3.5	0.420	2.0





Figure S1. Zeta potential of NW and DW.



Figure S2. WCA of (a) NW and (b) DW.

Samula	$Donsity(ma.cm^{-3})$	Specific surface area
Sample	Density (ing cin <sup>+</sup> )	$(m^2 \cdot g^{-1})$
NW	101±3	$1.7 \pm 0.4$
DW	83±5	9.1±1.3

Table S2. Physical properties of NW and DW.

Table S3. Absorption capacity of SPE solution in DW.

Sample	Absorption capacity $(g \cdot g^{-1})$	
SPE-0	$10.59 \pm 0.28$	
SPE-1	$11.46 \pm 0.37$	
SPE-2	$10.92 \pm 0.20$	
SPE-3	$10.73 \pm 0.32$	
SPE-4	$11.20 \pm 0.25$	



**Figure S3.** (a) FTIR and (b) XRD spectra of NW, DW, SPE-3 and DW@SPE-3. (c) Content of cellulose, hemicellulose and lignin of NW and DW.



Figure S4. FTIR spectra of (a, b) SPEs and (c, d) DW@SPEs.



Figure S5. (a) XPS, (b) C 1s XPS and (c) O 1s XPS spectra of NW, DW and DW@SPE-



aqueous solution and DW@SPE-3 in the R direction (a-c: SPE-3 aqueous solution, and d-f: DW@SPE-3 in the R direction).

Figure S6. (a, d) CV curves, (b, e) GCD curves and (c, f) specific capacitance of SPE-3



**Figure S7.** (a, d) CV curves, (b, e) GCD curves and (c, f) specific capacitance of NW@SPE-3 (a-c: in the L direction, and d-f: in the R direction).



Figure S8. (a, d) CV curves, (b, e) GCD curves and (c, f) specific capacitance (a-c:

PU@SPE-3, and d-f: BC@SPE-3).



Figure S9. (a) Ionic conductivity and (b) specific capacitance  $(1.0 \text{ A} \cdot \text{g}^{-1})$  of SPE-3,

PU@SPE-3, BC@SPE-3, NW@SPE-3 and DW@SPE-3 (in the L direction).



Figure S10. DSC curves of (a) SPEs and (b) DW@SPEs. (c) Sol-gel phase transition

of SPE-3.



Figure S11. FTIR spectra of DW@SPE-3 at different temperatures.



Figure S12. SEM image of DW@SPE-3:  $(a_1, b_1) 20 \text{ °C}$ ,  $(a_2, b_2) 60 \text{ °C}$  and  $(a_3, b_3)$  after cooling down to 20 °C.



**Figure S13.** (a, c) EIS plots and (b, d) ionic conductivity of DW@LiCl at different temperatures (a and b: in L direction, and c and d: in R direction.)



Figure S14. Cyclic GCD curves of DW@SPE-3 at (a) 20 and (b) 70 °C (1.0 A·g<sup>-1</sup>).



Figure S15. (a) Infrared thermal images and (b) real-time temperature-time curve of electrothermal self-protection test of DW@LiCl in L direction.



**Figure S16.** Real-time  $\Delta R/R_0$ -time curve of DW@SPE-3 in L direction.

	Maximum	Temperature range	D.C.	
Materials	$TCR (\% \cdot °C^{-1}) \qquad (°C)$		Kei	
Pt/silk fibroin	-0.21	20-220	<b>S</b> 1	
PVA/CA/AgNP	-0.08	30-40	S2	
TPU and PEDOT:PSS	-0.04	25-100	S3	
PSS-CNT&CS/CF	-0.47	30-100	S4	
CNF-MXene-Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> and	-0.17	40-100	S5	
PAAm				
RGO/PU	-0.36	20-90	<b>S</b> 6	
DW@SPE-3	-0.54	20-200	This work	

 Table S4. Comparison of temperature-sensing performance between DW@SPE and other materials.



Figure S17. Video snapshots of vertical burning test of (a) DW@SPE-0 and (b) DW@SPE-3 after being placed in 60 °C vacuum oven for 12 h.



Figure S18. (a) Self-extinguished time in vertical burning test and (b) LOI value of DW@SPEs after being placed in 60 °C vacuum oven for 12 h.



Figure S19. (a, c) TGA and (b, d) DTG curves of DW@SPEs under  $N_2$  and air atmosphere.



**Figure S20.** SEM-EDX images of DW@SPE-3 (a, b) before and (c, d) after burning (a and c: in the L direction, and b and d: in the R direction).



Figure S21. 3D TG-FTIR and the corresponding FTIR spectra of (a, b) DW@SPE-0 and (c, d) DW@SPE-3.

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