

## Supporting Information

### Recyclable low-thermal-conductivity phase change materials for building thermal management

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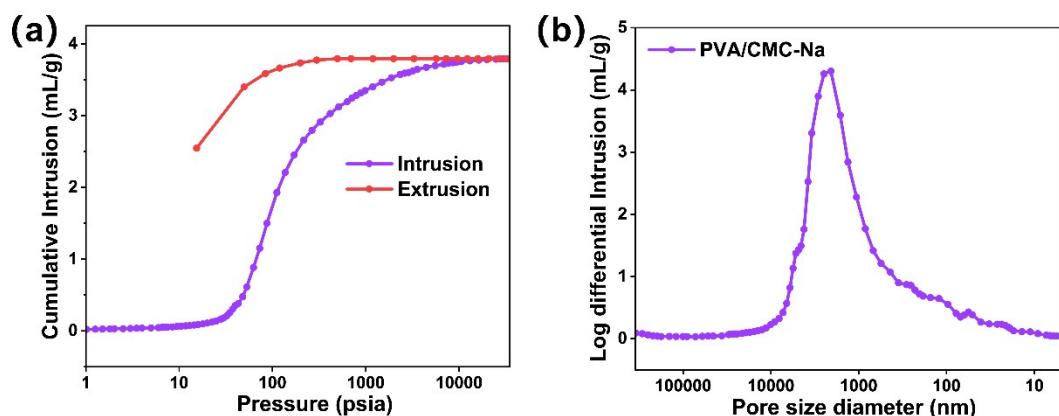
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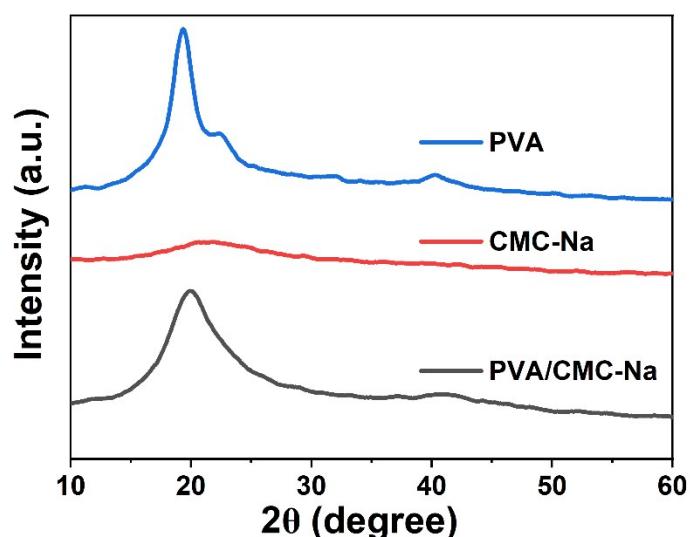
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**Table S1.** The mass ratios of each component in the PCP CPCMs.

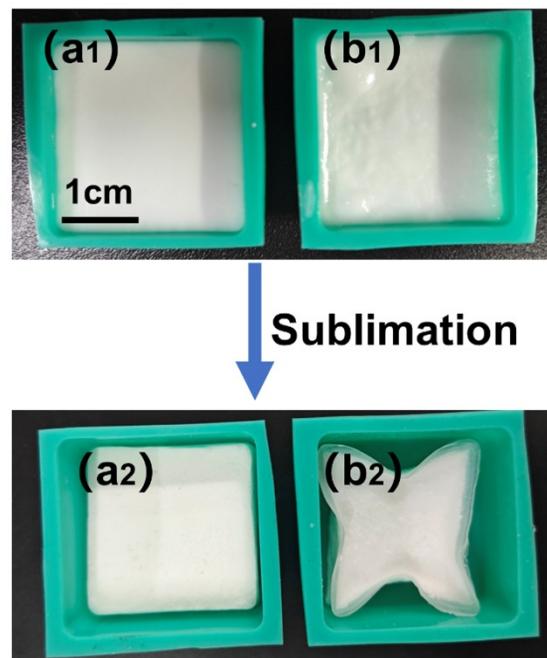
	PVA (wt%)	CMC-Na (wt%)	PEG (wt%)	Leakage
PCP-60%	32	8	60	NO
PCP-70%	24	6	70	NO
PCP-80%	16	4	80	NO
PCP-85%	12	3	85	YES



**Fig. S1.** (a) Mercury intrusion curve. (b) Pore size distribution curve



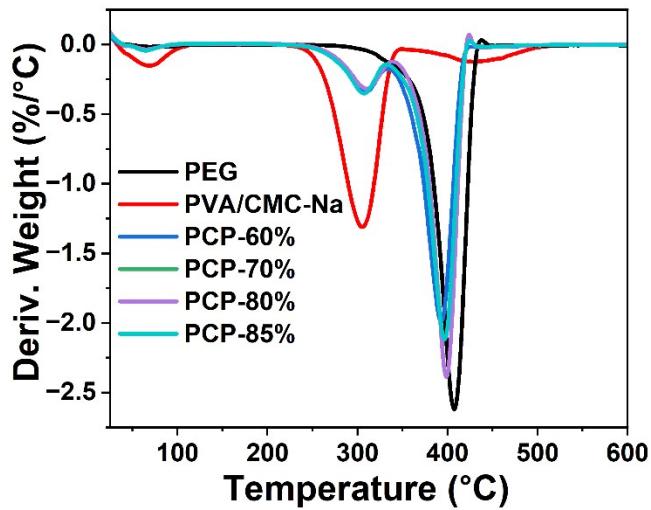
**Fig. S2.** XRD patterns of PVA, CMC-Na, and PVA/CMC-Na composites.



**Fig. S3.** Digital photos of PVA/CMC-Na/PEG after (a<sub>1</sub>) freezing and (a<sub>2</sub>) freeze-drying. Digital photos of PVA/PEG after (b<sub>1</sub>) freezing and (b<sub>2</sub>) freeze-drying.

**Table S2.** Thermal properties of PEG and CPCMs.

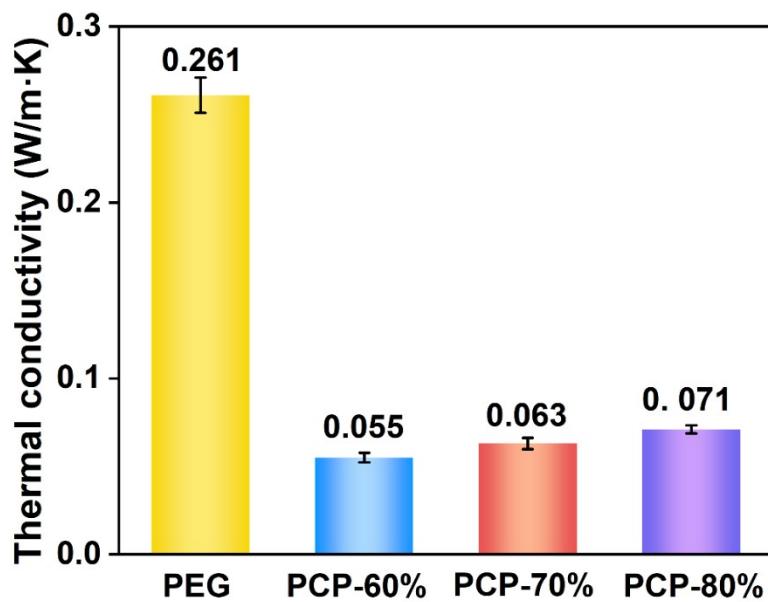
	$T_m$ (°C)	$\Delta H_m$ (J/g)	$T_c$ (°C)	$\Delta H_c$ (J/g)
PEG	38.81	162.77	23.11	159.56
PCP-60%	37.79	96.23	22.36	93.25
PCP-70%	37.38	108.70	21.27	104.76
PCP-80%	37.49	125.16	22.59	122.54
PCP-85%	36.96	131.59	22.74	126.80



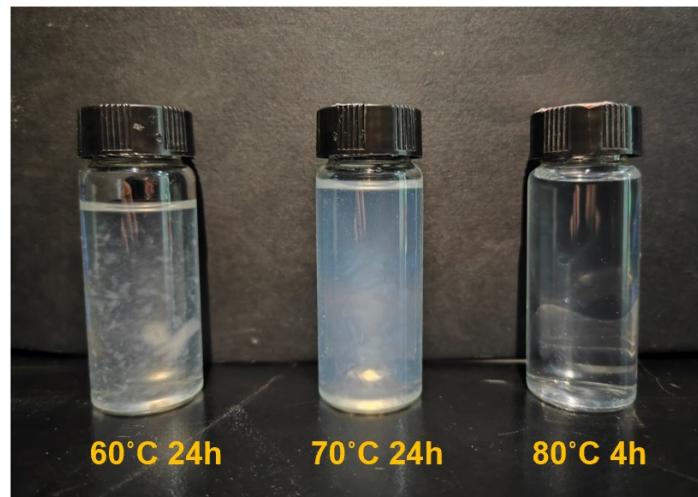
**Fig. S4.**TGA curves of PVA/CMC-Na, PEG, and CPCMs.

**Table S3.** TG data of pure PEG and different CPCMs.

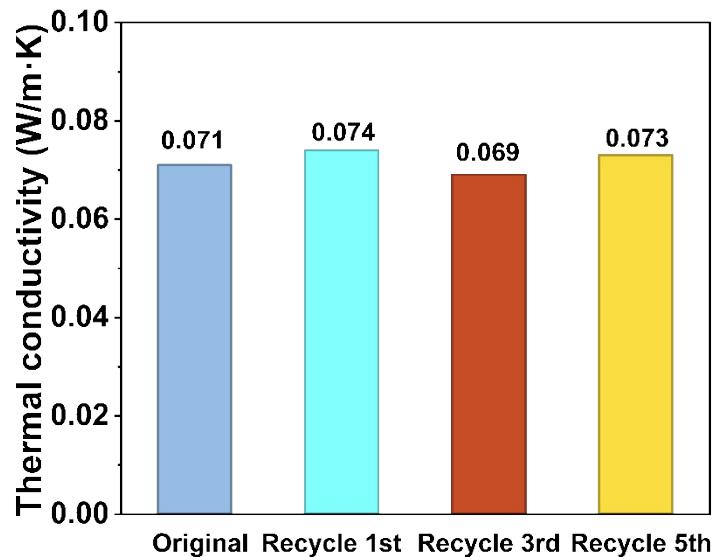
	T <sub>5wt%</sub> (°C)	T <sub>max</sub> (°C)	T <sub>end</sub> (°C)	Weight loss (wt%)
PEG	343.15	367.48	427.17	1.70
PVA/CMC-Na	81.03	256.33	475.67	18.07
PCP-60%	292.33	361.78	418.30	7.12
PCP-70%	293.48	362.40	420.06	5.91
PCP-80%	296.37	363.62	416.85	4.21
PCP-85%	293.14	365.23	417.11	3.73



**Fig. S5.** Thermal conductivities of pure PEG and different CPCMs.



**Fig. S6.** The dissolution of PCP-80% at different temperatures.



**Fig. S7.** The thermal conductivity of phase transition of R-PCP before and after 5 cycles of recovery.

**Table S4.** The thermal performance of R-PCP during different cycles of recovery.

	$T_m$ (°C)	$\Delta H_m$ (J/g)	$T_c$ (°C)	$\Delta H_c$ (J/g)
Original	38.33	121.18	23.26	119.55
Recycle 1st	38.19	120.52	23.27	118.87
Recycle 3rd	38.52	117.26	21.42	117.94
Recycle 5th	38.02	119.13	22.3	120.41