

Supplementary material for:
**“Facile synthesis of molten-salt promoted and hetero-element
doped Li₄SiO₄ particles for efficient and stable CO₂ capture”**

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S1 Material synthesis

Tabel S1. Source of precursor materials.

Reagents Name	Chemical formula	Quality index	Reagent purity	Supplier
Lithium carbonate	Li_2CO_3	Analytical pure	99.8%	Aladdin
Silicon dioxide	SiO_2	Analytical pure	99.5%	Aladdin
Potassium carbonate	K_2CO_3	Analytical pure	99.9%	Aladdin
Aluminum oxide	nano $\gamma\text{-Al}_2\text{O}_3$	Analytical pure	50 nm, 99.99%	Macklin
Titanium dioxide	nano TiO_2	Analytical pure	30 nm, rutile, 99.95%	Aladdin
Iron oxide	nano $\alpha\text{-Fe}_2\text{O}_3$	Analytical pure	30 nm, 99.95%	Aladdin
Cerium dioxide	nano CeO_2	Analytical pure	99.8%	Aladdin
Deionized water	H_2O	one-level	$\geq 18\text{M}\Omega\cdot\text{cm}$	-

Table S2 Precursor compositions and mass loadings of the K- Li_4SiO_4 -based sorbents.

Sample	Precursor molar and mass ratios	Total precursor mass and mass fraction of the (Ti, Al, Fe, Ce)-oxides
K- Li_4SiO_4	n (Li: Si: K) = 4.1: 1: 0.2 m (Li_2CO_3 : SiO_2 : K_2CO_3 : cellulose fiber) = 25.2: 10: 2.3 :3.8	Total precursor mass: 41.3g
K- $\text{Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4$	n (Li: Si: Ti: K) = 4.1:0.95:0.05:0.2 m (Li_2CO_3 : SiO_2 : TiO_2 : K_2CO_3 : cellulose fiber) = 26.5: 10: 0.7 :2.4 :4.0	Total precursor mass: 43.6 g Mass fraction of TiO_2 : 1.6 wt%

K- $\text{Li}_{4.05}\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Al}_{0.05}\text{O}_4$	n (Li: Si: Ti: K) =4.15:0.95:0.05:0.2 m (Li_2CO_3 : SiO_2 : Al_2O_3 : K_2CO_3 : cellulose fiber) = 26.9: 10: 0.5 :2.4 :4.0	Total precursor mass:43.7 g Mass fraction of Al_2O_3 : 1.0 wt%
K- $\text{Li}_{4.05}\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Fe}_{0.05}\text{O}_4$	n (Li: Si: Ti: K) =4.15:0.95:0.05:0.2 m (Li_2CO_3 : SiO_2 : Fe_2O_3 : K_2CO_3 : cellulose fiber) = 26.9: 10: 0.7 :2.4 :4.0	Total precursor mass:44.0 g Mass fraction of Fe_2O_3 : 1.6 wt%
K- $\text{Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ce}_{0.05}\text{O}_4$	n (Li: Si: Ti: K) =4.1:0.95:0.05:0.2 m (Li_2CO_3 : SiO_2 : CeO_2 : K_2CO_3 : cellulose fiber) = 26.5: 10: 1.5 :2.4 :4.0	Total precursor mass:44.5 g Mass fraction of CeO_2 : 3.4 wt%

S2 Characterization methods

Characterization methods

The structural, morphological, and surface properties of the sorbents were systematically characterized to elucidate their CO₂ capture behavior. Phase composition and crystallite size were determined by X-ray diffraction (XRD) on a Bruker D8 Advance (Cu K α radiation, $\lambda = 1.5406 \text{ \AA}$) operated at 40 kV and 40 mA, with 2θ scanned from 10° to 90°. Microstructural features and dopant distribution were examined via scanning electron microscopy coupled with energy-dispersive X-ray spectroscopy (SEM–EDS) using a Zeiss Gemini 300 microscope equipped with an Oxford X-MaxN detector. N₂ adsorption-desorption isotherms were measured at -196 °C on a Micromeritics ASAP 2020; specific surface areas were calculated by the Brunauer-Emmett-Teller (BET) method, while pore-size distributions and volumes were derived using the Barrett-Joyner-Halenda (BJH) model. Raman spectra were acquired at room temperature using a Horiba LabRAM Odyssey Raman spectrometer equipped with a 532 nm laser; the instrument was calibrated using a silicon wafer standard. Finally, the mechanical robustness of the particles was assessed through uniaxial compressive strength tests conducted on a Siwei Shanghai testing machine, with each sample measured at least ten times to obtain statistically reliable average values.

S3 N₂ adsorption results of Li₄SiO₄ sorbent powders

Table S3. N₂ adsorption results of K-Li₄SiO₄-based sorbent powders with different doping elements.

Sorbent	BET surface area (m ² /g)	Pore volume (cm ³ /g)	Pore Size (nm)
K-Li ₄ SiO ₄	3.3	2.9×10 ⁻²	17.6
K-Li ₄ Si _{0.95} Ti _{0.05} O ₄	3.8	3.2×10 ⁻²	18.3
K-Li ₄ Si _{0.95} Al _{0.05} O ₄	3.7	3.2×10 ⁻²	19.7
K-Li ₄ Si _{0.95} Fe _{0.05} O ₄	3.5	3.1×10 ⁻²	16.7
K-Li ₄ Si _{0.95} Ce _{0.05} O ₄	3.4	3.0×10 ⁻²	17.1

S4 SEM-EDS images of Li_4SiO_4 sorbent powders

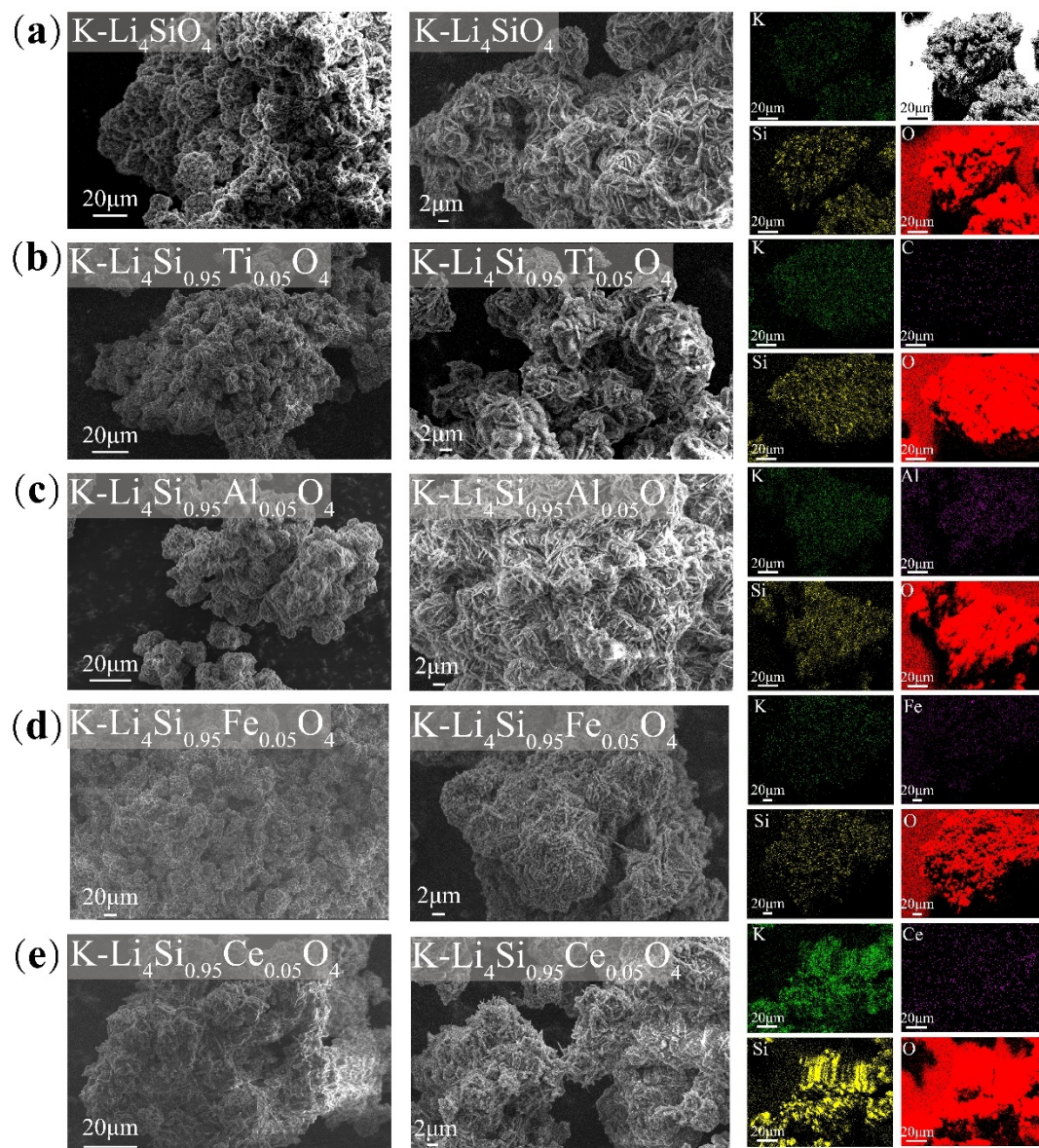


Fig. S1. SEM-EDS images of Li_4SiO_4 sorbent powders with different doping elements.

S5 Cyclic sorption-desorption curves of Li_4SiO_4 -based sorbent powders

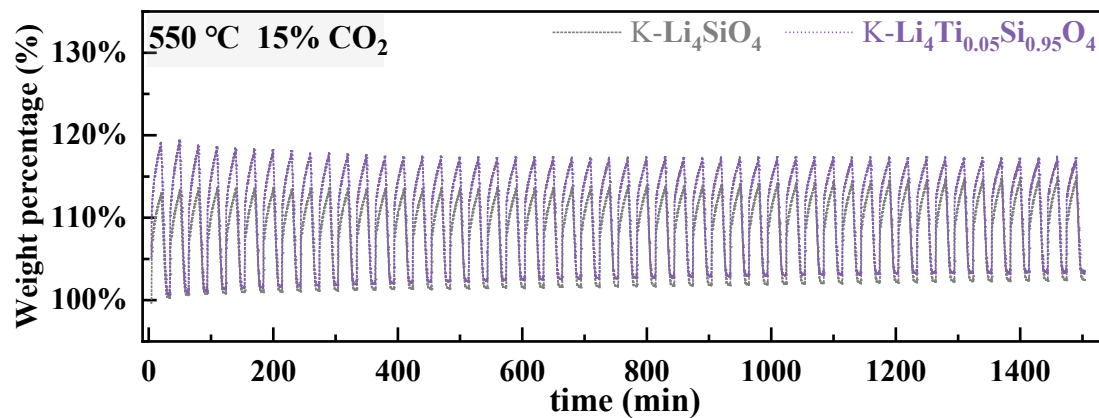


Fig. S2. 50 cyclic sorption-desorption curves of $\text{K-Li}_4\text{SiO}_4$ and $\text{K-Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4$ powder at 550°C.

S6 XRD patterns of Li_4SiO_4 -based sorbent

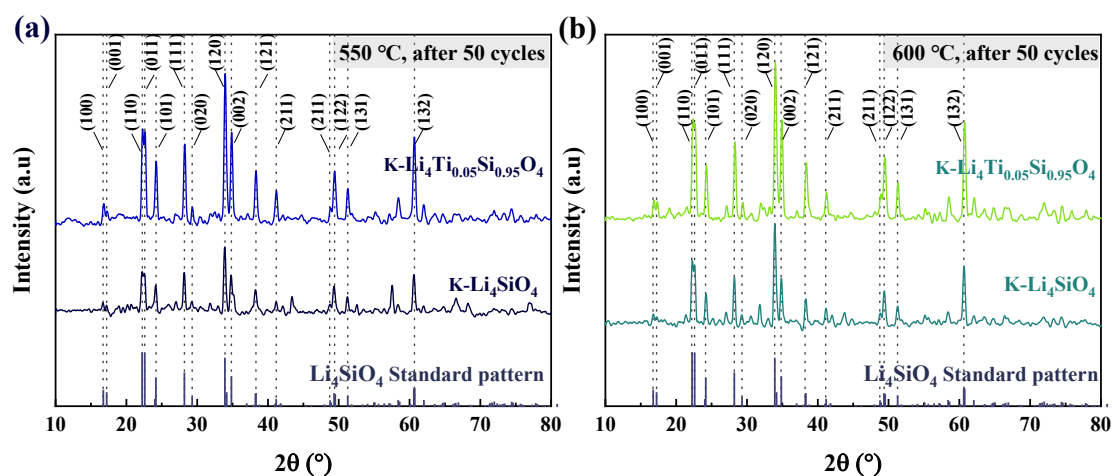


Fig. S3. XRD patterns of $\text{K-Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4$ and Li_4SiO_4 sorbent powders after 50 sorption-desorption cycles at different temperatures. (a) 600°C, (b) 550°C.

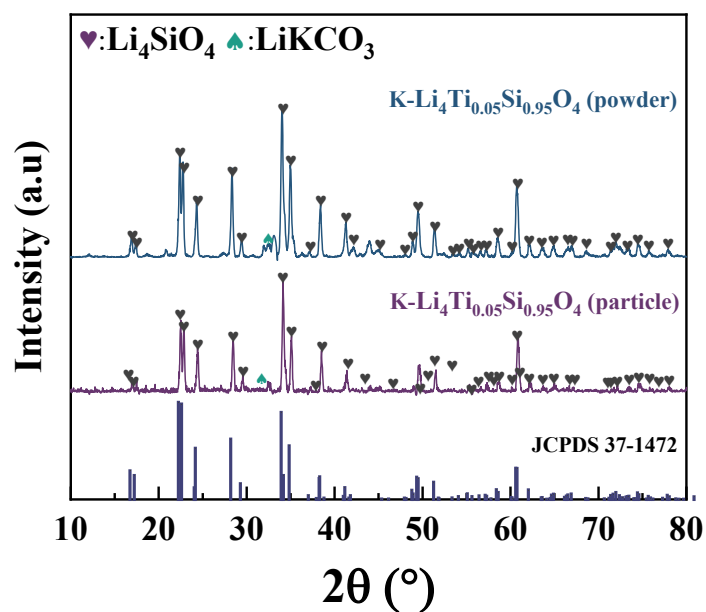


Fig. S4 Comparison of XRD patterns for $\text{K-Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4$ in powder and particle forms.

S7 Effect of calcination temperature and duration

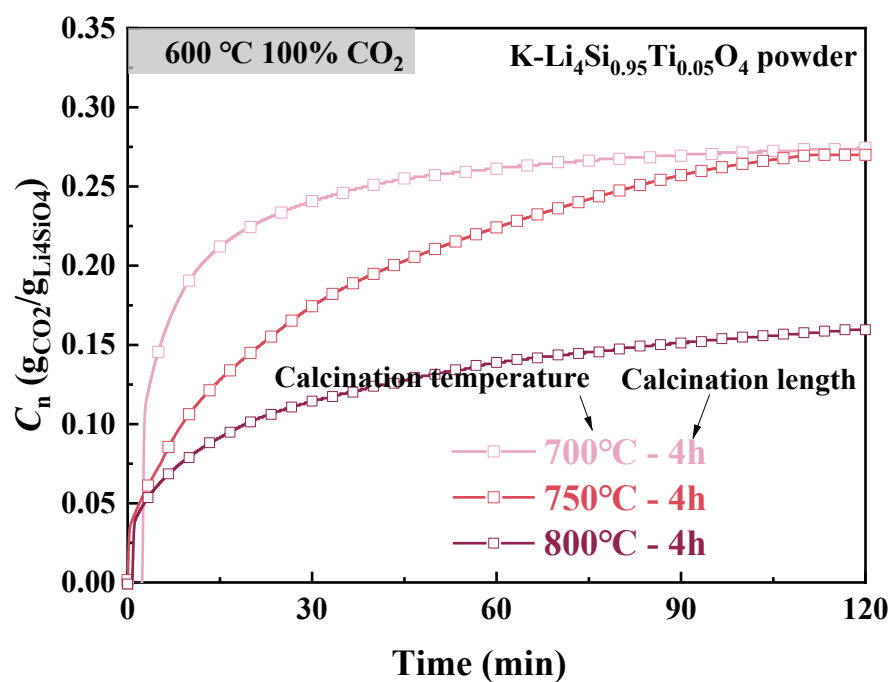


Fig. S5 CO₂ sorption performance of K-Li₄Si_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O₄ sorbent powders calcined at 700–800 °C for 4 h

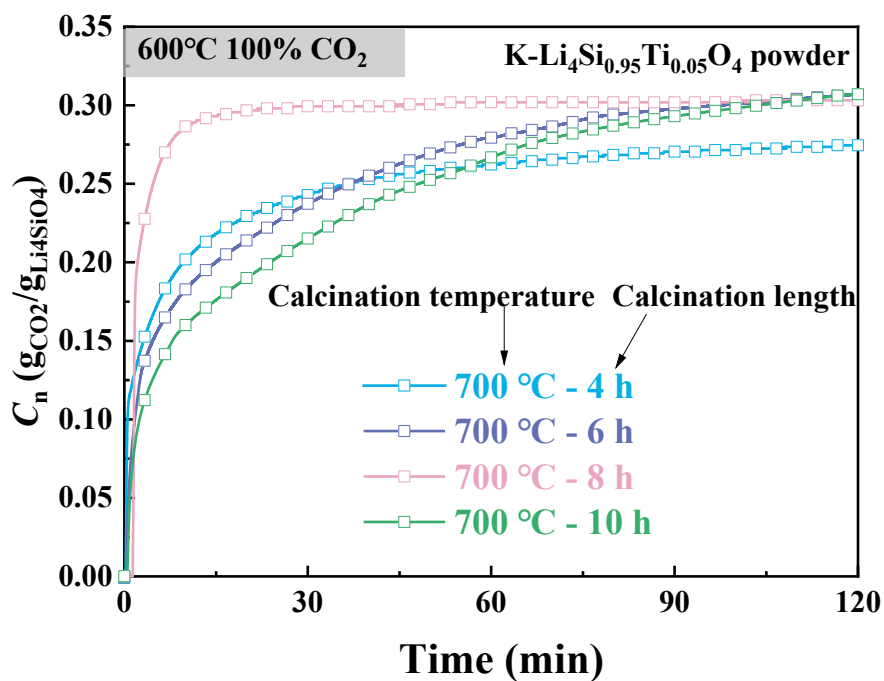


Fig. S6 CO₂ sorption performance of K-Li₄Si_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O₄ sorbent powders calcined at 700 °C for 4–10 h

Table S4. Physical properties of fresh K-Li₄Si_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O₄ and K-Li₄SiO₄ sorbent powders.

Sorbent	Calcination temperature (°C)	Calcination time (h)	BET surface area (m ² /g)	Pore volume (cm ³ /g)	Pore Size (nm)
K-Li ₄ SiO ₄	700	8	3.5	3.1×10 ⁻²	16.7
K-Li ₄ Si _{0.95} Ti _{0.05} O ₄	700	4	2.6	2.8×10 ⁻²	21.6
		6	3.1	4.4×10 ⁻²	28.1
		8	3.8	3.2×10 ⁻²	18.3
		10	2.3	2.9×10 ⁻²	23.6
	750	4	2.0	2.9×10 ⁻²	28.3
	800	4	0.5	4.5×10 ⁻³	36.1

S8 Porosity analysis of Li_4SiO_4 -based sorbent

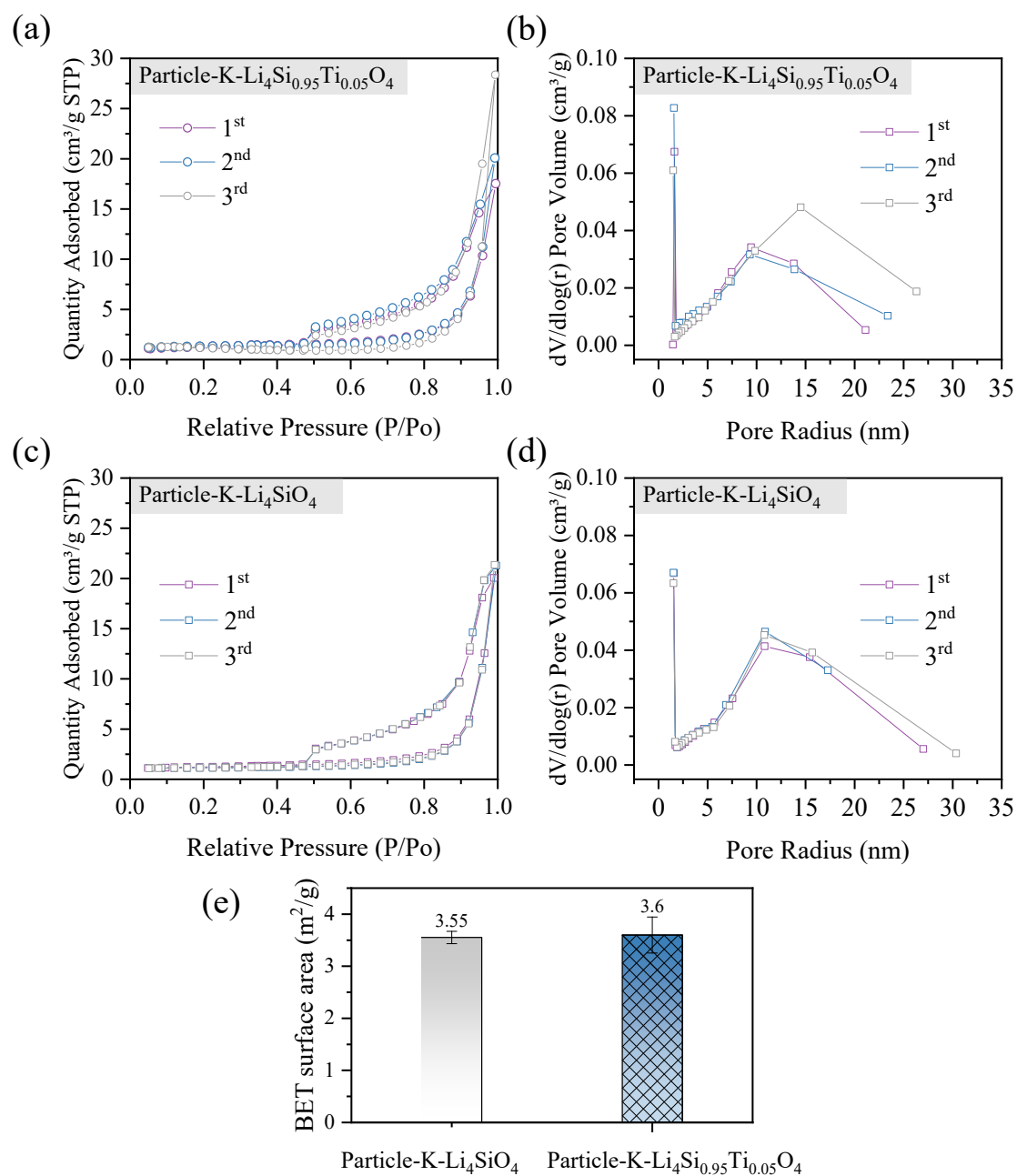


Fig. S7. N₂ adsorption–desorption isotherms (left) and corresponding BJH pore size distribution curves (right) of (a, b) K- $\text{Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4$ particles and (c, d) K- Li_4SiO_4 particles. (e) BET surface area of K- $\text{Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4$ and K- Li_4SiO_4 particles.

S9 Element mappings of fresh K-Li₄Si_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O₄ particle

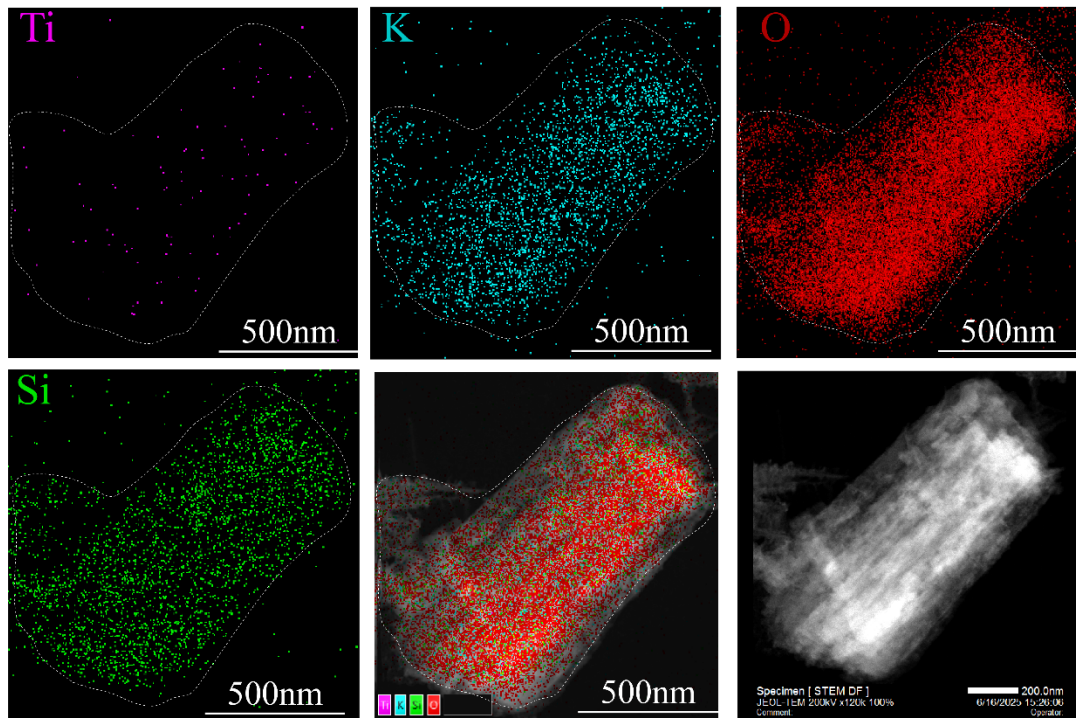


Fig. S8. Scanning Transmission Electron Microscopy (STEM) image and element mappings of fresh K-Li₄Si_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O₄ particle.

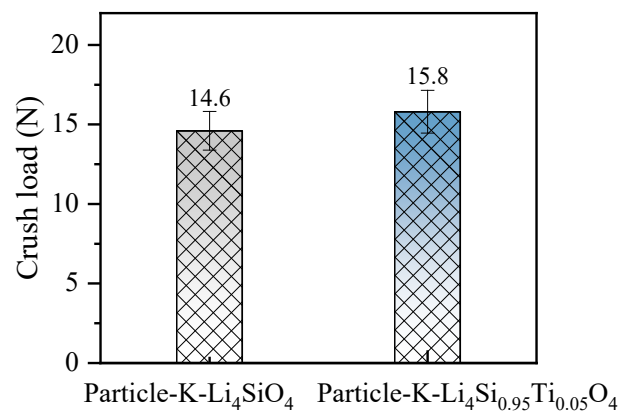


Fig. S9 Compressive strength of the K-Li₄SiO₄ and K-Li₄Si_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O₄ particles after 100 cycles.

S10 Desorption performance in CO₂-rich atmospheres

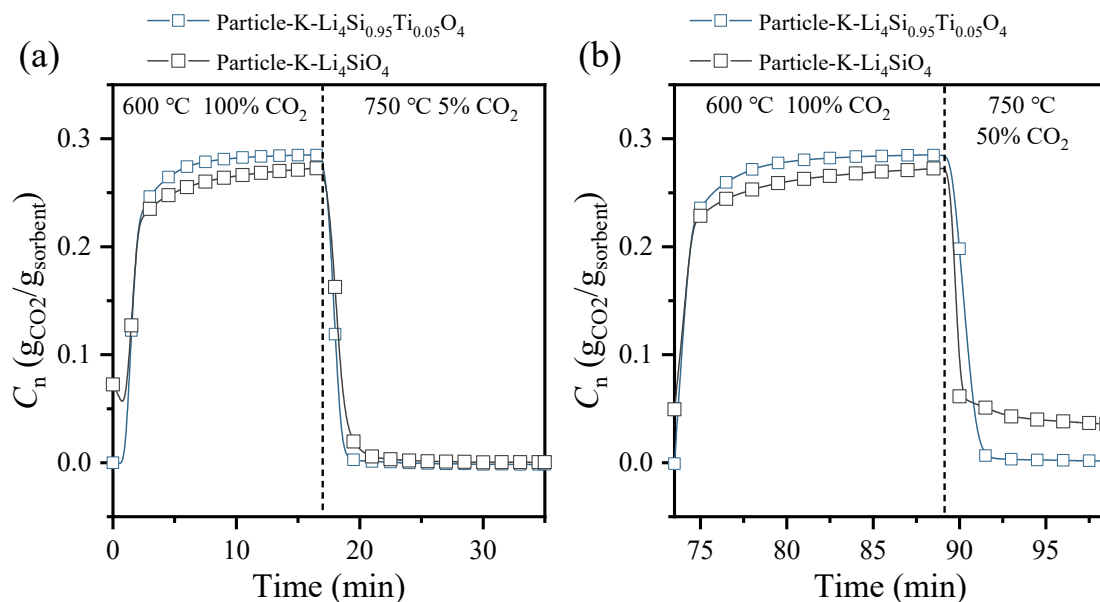


Fig. S10 Thermogravimetric curves of K-Li₄Si_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O₄ and K-Li₄SiO₄ under different desorption atmospheres. Sorption at 600 °C under 100% CO₂, desorption at 750 °C under varied CO₂ concentrations (5%–50%).

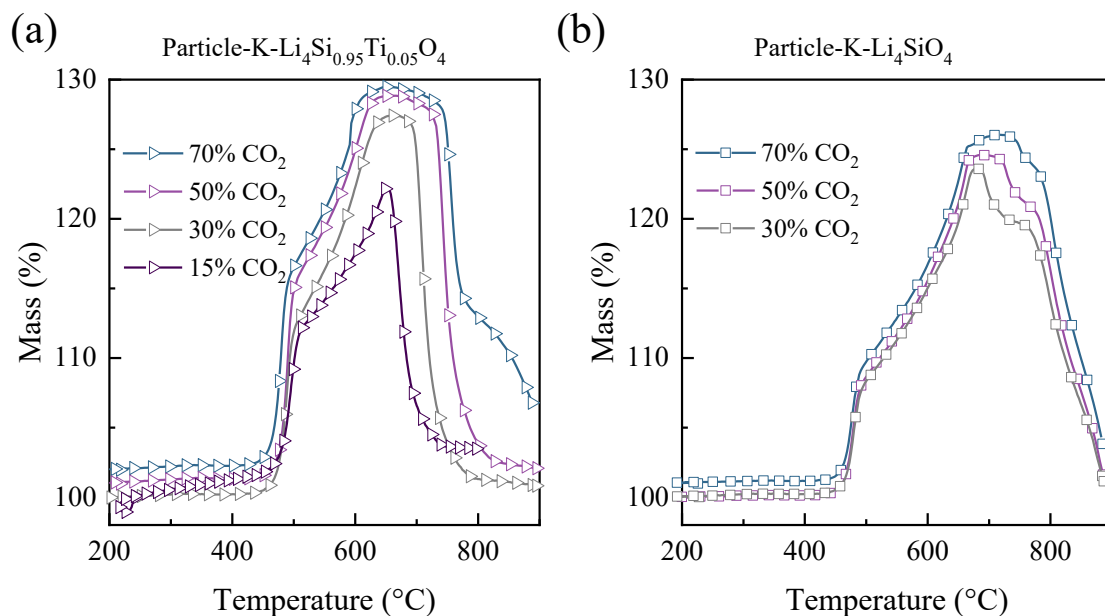


Fig. S11 Dynamic thermogravimetric curves in range of 200–900 °C at a heating rate of 5 °C min⁻¹.

S11 Comparison of CO₂ sorption performance

Table S5 Comparison between literature related to Li₄SiO₄ sorbent and this work (powder morphology)

Note: All data presented in this comparison were obtained using thermogravimetric analysis (TGA).

Chemical composition	Sorbent name	Preparation Method	Exp. Cond.	Capacities in 1 st cycle (gCO ₂ /g _{sorbent})	Capacities after cyclic test (gCO ₂ /g _{sorbent})	Ref.
K-Li ₄ SiO ₄ (3wt%K)	LD-P-3K	Impregnation precipitation method	Sorption: 100%CO ₂ , 30min, 600 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 15min, 750 °C;	0.261	0.241 (30 th cycle)	Yi et al. (2025) ¹
Li ₄ SiO ₄	Li ₄ SiO ₄ -4.2 (n(Li/Si)=4.2)	Mechanochemical activation	Sorption: 100%CO ₂ , 30min, 700 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 60min, 700 °C;	0.345	0.27 (20 th cycle)	Guo et al. (2024) ²
Li ₄ SiO ₄	Li ₄ SiO ₄ -3.2 (n(Li/Si)=3.2)	Mechanochemical activation	Sorption: 100%CO ₂ , 30min, 700 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 60min, 700 °C;	0.266	0.25 (20 th cycle)	Guo et al. (2024) ²
(Al, K, Ti, Fe, Ca, Na)-Li ₄ SiO ₄	UPy- Li ₄ SiO ₄ (pyrophyllite as Si source)	Pyrophyllite, liquid phase deposition	Sorption: 15%CO ₂ /N ₂ , 15min, 600 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 15min, 700 °C;	0.249	0.256 (10 th cycle)	Cai et al. (2025) ³

Li ₄ SiO ₄	H200-C800-Li ₄ SiO ₄ (Hydrothermal temperature: 200 °C, calcination temperature: 700 °C)	Hydrothermal calcination	Sorption: 15%CO ₂ /N ₂ , 30min, 550 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 10min, 700 °C;	~0.13	0.15 (10 th cycle)	Wang et al. (2024) ⁴
(K, Na)-Li ₄ SiO ₄	Li ₄ SiO ₄ -GC	Solid-state reaction method	Sorption: 15%CO ₂ /N ₂ , 30min, 525 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 10min, 650 °C;	0.28	0.23 (20 th cycle)	Tan et al. (2025) ⁵
K _{0.1} Ti _{0.05} -Li ₄ SiO ₄	K/5TE-PDCs-Li ₄ SiO ₄	Polymer-derived ceramic strategy (PDCs)	Sorption: 15%CO ₂ /N ₂ , 30min, 600 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 10min, 600 °C;	0.241	0.23 (50 th cycle)	Cai et al. (2025) ⁶
K-Li ₄ SiO ₄	P-3K-1.5M	Dry ball-milling	Sorption: 15%CO ₂ /N ₂ , 40min, 600 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 10min, 700 °C;	0.26	0.23 (10 th cycle)	Zhao et al. (2024) ⁷
(Al, Fe, Ti)-Li ₄ SiO ₄	LH4.1-500-3 (fly ash as Si source)	Solid-state reaction method	Sorption: 100%CO ₂ , 10min, 700 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 10min, 750 °C;	0.332	0.234 (35 th cycle)	Mu et al. (2023) ⁸
(Ca, Mg, K, Al, Na)-Li ₄ SiO ₄	BR-Li ₄ SiO ₄ (rice husk ash as Si source)	Solid-state reaction method	Sorption: 100%CO ₂ , 30min, 675 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 20min, 800 °C;	~0.31	0.28 (30 th cycle)	Zhang et al. (2023) ⁹
K-Li ₄ SiO ₄	K-Li ₄ SiO ₄	Solid-state reaction method	Sorption: 2000 ppm SO ₂ , 15% CO ₂ and 5 % O ₂ balanced by N ₂ ,	~0.13	~0.1 (30 th cycle)	Yuan et al.

			20min, 600 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 20min, 700 °C;			(2022) 10
Li ₄ SiO ₄	Li ₄ SiO ₄	Solid-state reaction method	Sorption: 90%CO ₂ , 30min, 600 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 10min, 700 °C;	~0.08	~0.07 (10 th cycle)	Yang et al. (2023) 11
Na-Li ₄ SiO ₄	S9-11-5- Li ₄ SiO ₄	Solution-based method	Sorption: 15% CO ₂ /N ₂ , 30min, 625 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 10min, 700 °C;	0.24	0.24(80 th cycle)	Ruan et al. (2023) 12
K-Li ₄ Si _{0.95} Ti _{0.05} O ₄	K-Li ₄ Si _{0.95} Ti _{0.05} O ₄	Solid-state reaction method	Sorption: 15% CO ₂ /N ₂ , 15min, 600 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 15min, 600 °C;	~0.28	0.28 (50 th cycle)	This work
K-Li ₄ Si _{0.95} Ti _{0.05} O ₄	K-Li ₄ Si _{0.95} Ti _{0.05} O ₄	Solid-state reaction method	Sorption: 15% CO ₂ /N ₂ , 15min, 550 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 15min, 550 °C;	0.19	0.18 (50 th cycle)	This work

Table S6 Comparison between literature related to Li₄SiO₄ sorbent and this work (particle morphology).

Note: † Tested in a fixed-bed reactor; all other studies used TGA.

Chemical composition	Sorbents	Preparation Method	Exp. Cond.	Capacit ies in	Capacities after cyclic	Compr essive	Ref.
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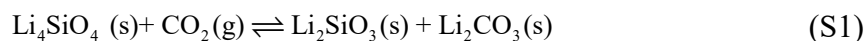
				1 st cycle (gCO ₂ /g _s orbent)	test (gCO ₂ /g _{sorbent})	strengt h	
K-Li ₄ SiO ₄	PL-30K (30wt% K ₂ CO ₃ -doped Li ₄ SiO ₄)	Solid-state reaction combined with mechanical press method	Sorption:4%CO ₂ ,45min, 515 °C; Desorption:100%N ₂ ,50min, 660 °C;	~0.25	0.245 (20 th cycle)	/	Stefanelli et al. (2025) ¹³
K-Li ₄ SiO ₄	K20_I30_s (20wt% K ₂ CO ₃ -doped Li ₄ SiO ₄)	Solid-state reaction combined with drip casting method	Sorption:4%CO ₂ ,30min, 580 °C; Desorption:100%N ₂ ,30min, 620 °C;	~0.12	~0.13 (25 th cycle)	/	Rossi et al. (2024) ¹⁴
(K, Na)- Li ₄ SiO ₄	LA-WS30/W (30wt% wheat straw- templated Li ₄ SiO ₄)	Sol-gel combined with extrusion- spheronization	Sorption:100%CO ₂ ,30min, 600 °C; Desorption:100%N ₂ ,10min, 750 °C;	~0.17	0.20 (5 th cycle)	5.04 MPa	Hu et al. (2023) ¹⁵
Li ₄ SiO ₄	FSC (Freeze- drying Li ₄ SiO ₄ Cylinder)	Freeze-drying method	Sorption:100%CO ₂ ,30min, 710 °C; Desorption:100%N ₂ ,10min, 800 °C;	0.305	~0.30 (40 th cycle)	0.43 MPa	Tan et al. (2023) ¹⁶
Li ₄ SiO ₄	OSP (Original Li ₄ SiO ₄)	Freeze-drying method	Sorption:100%CO ₂ ,30min, 710 °C; Desorption:100%N ₂ ,10min, 800 °C;	0.209	~0.20 (40 th cycle)	37.5 N	Tan et al. (2023) ¹⁶

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Li ₄ SiO ₄	Li ₄ SiO ₄ (PIP)	Impregnated suspension combined with polyvinyl alcohol (PVA) method	Sorption:100%CO ₂ ,30min, 600 °C; Desorption:100%N ₂ ,10min, 750 °C;	~0.07	0.28 (30 th cycle)	/	Fu et al. (2023) ¹⁷
Li ₄ SiO ₄	LP2.5	Freeze-drying method	Sorption:15%CO ₂ ,30min, 550 °C; Desorption:100%N ₂ ,10min, 700 °C;	0.15	0.168 (10 th cycle)	~4N / 10 MPa	Yang et al. (2023) ¹⁸
Li ₂ CaSiO ₄ -Li ₄ SiO ₄	LA-20-Ca	Alginate-assisted granulation technique	Sorption:100%CO ₂ ,30min, 600 °C; Desorption:100%N ₂ ,10min, 750 °C;	0.151	0.311 (10 th cycle)	/	Hu et al. (2023) ¹⁹
(Al, K, Na, Ca, Fe)-Li ₄ SiO ₄	EP-Li ₄ SiO ₄ (expanded perlite derived Li ₄ SiO ₄)	Solid-state reaction combined with graphite moulding method	Sorption:100%CO ₂ ,30min, 650 °C; Desorption:100%N ₂ ,10min, 800 °C;	~0.225	0.225 (15 th cycle)	2.1 MPa	Ni et al. (2021) ²⁰
K-Li ₄ SiO ₄	PK-LOS (30wt% K ₂ CO ₃ -doped Li ₄ SiO ₄)	Solid-state reaction combined with mechanical compression method	Sorption:4%CO ₂ ,6min, 595 °C; Desorption:100%N ₂ ,30min, 660 °C;	~0.05	~0.05 (50 th cycle)	/	Stefanelli et al. (2025) ²¹
(K, Na)-Li ₄ SiO ₄	LA-RH20 (20 wt% rice husk-templated Li ₄ SiO ₄)	Sol-gel combined with mechanical compression method	Sorption:15%CO ₂ ,30min, 600 °C; Desorption:100%N ₂ ,10min, 750 °C;	~0.13	0.21 (10 th cycle)	3.8 N/4MPa	Hu et al. (2021) ²²

K-Li ₄ Si _{0.95} Ti _{0.05} O ₄	K-Li ₄ Si _{0.95} Ti _{0.05} O ₄ particles	Solid-state reaction combined with extrusion- spheronization method	Sorption: 15% CO ₂ /N ₂ , 15min, 600 °C; Desorption: 100%N ₂ , 15min, 600 °C;	~0.27	0.28 (100 th cycle)	16.9 N / 9.24 MPa	This work
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S12 Thermodynamic equilibrium and theoretical CO₂ removal efficiency

This section investigates the reaction equilibrium of the samples by temperature-programmed CO₂ sorption/desorption. In each test, sorbent particles were heated from room temperature to 900 °C at 5 °C·min⁻¹ under atmospheres with different CO₂ partial pressures; the resulting mass-change profiles are shown in Fig. S11. Across all investigated CO₂ partial pressures, the sample mass first increases with temperature and then decreases. At relatively lower temperatures (<500 °C), CO₂ uptake is largely governed by surface/interface reactions, leading to a modest mass gain. With increasing temperature, the growth of Li₂CO₃/Li₂SiO₃ product layers introduces transport resistances (ionic diffusion and gas diffusion through the product shell) that progressively become rate-limiting and sustain further uptake. Upon further heating, thermodynamic equilibrium shifts toward decarbonation; once the desorption rate overtakes the sorption rate, the overall mass declines. The temperature at the peak mass is taken as the apparent sorption-equilibrium temperature under ramped TGA conditions.



In ramped TGA (Fig. S11), the peak temperature of the mass-gain curve is used as an apparent equilibrium temperature at a given p_{CO_2} . Because the peak reflects the condition where the instantaneous sorption and desorption rates are equal under finite heating and transport, it typically overestimates the true thermodynamic equilibrium temperature, especially at low p_{CO_2} .

Considering the gas–solid carbonation of Li₄SiO₄ (Eq. S1), the activities of pure solids are taken as unity; the Gibbs free energy change follows Eq. S2.

$$\Delta G = \Delta G^0 + RT \ln \frac{p_{\text{CO}_2}}{p^0} \quad (\text{S2})$$

where $R=8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ is the universal gas constant, ΔG^0 is the standard Gibbs free energy change, T is the absolute temperature, and p_{CO_2} is the CO₂ partial pressure.

At equilibrium, $\Delta G=0$. The equilibrium constant is therefore

$$K_p = \frac{a_{\text{Li}_2\text{CO}_3} a_{\text{Li}_2\text{SiO}_3}}{a_{\text{Li}_4\text{SiO}_4} p_{\text{CO}_2} / p^0} = \frac{p^0}{p_{\text{CO}_2, \text{eq}}} \quad (\text{S3})$$

The standard Gibbs free energy change can be expressed as Eq. S4

$$\Delta G^0 = \Delta H^0 - T \Delta S^0 \quad (\text{S4})$$

where ΔH^0 and ΔS^0 are the standard reaction enthalpy and entropy changes, respectively.

$$\ln P_{\text{CO}_2} = \left(\frac{\Delta H^0}{R} \right) \left(\frac{1}{T} \right) - \frac{\Delta S^0}{R} \quad (\text{S5})$$

$$m = \frac{\Delta H^0}{R}, \quad b = \frac{\Delta S^0}{R} \quad (\text{S6})$$

$$\ln P_{\text{CO}_2} = m \frac{1}{T} + b \quad (\text{S7})$$

According to van't Hoff relation (Eq. S5), linear fitting was performed on the experimentally measured apparent equilibrium sorption temperature data, as shown in Fig. S12.

The values of ΔH^0 and ΔS^0 presented in the table were derived from the slope and intercept of the fitted line (Eqs. S6-7), respectively. The results show a high degree of agreement between the experimental data points and the fitted curve, with $R^2 > 0.96$. Furthermore, both ΔH^0 and ΔS^0 obtained from the experimental fitting were higher than their corresponding theoretical values (Table S7). The larger $|\Delta H^0|$ yields a steeper slope in the $\ln p_{\text{CO}_2, \text{eq}} - 1/T$ plot (Eq. S7), indicating greater sensitivity of $p_{\text{CO}_2, \text{eq}}$ to temperature at a given p_{CO_2} .

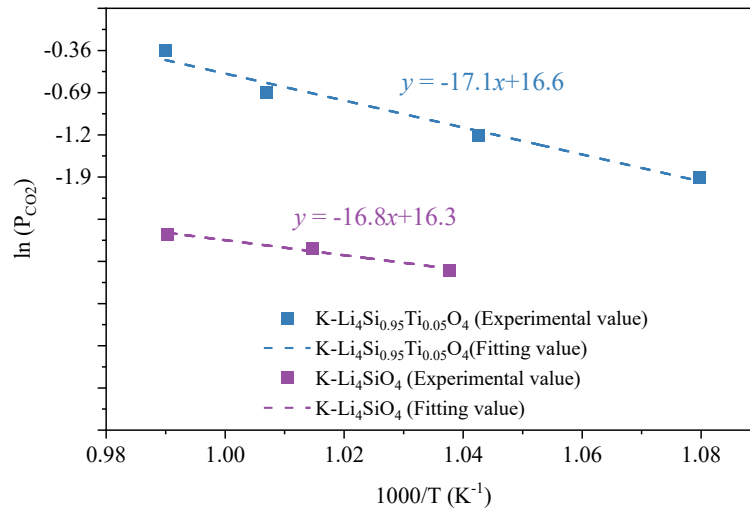


Fig. S12 Linear fitting of the equilibrium CO₂ partial pressures ($p_{\text{CO}_2, \text{eq}}$) obtained from TGA measurements under different inlet CO₂ concentrations. Experimental data points are shown together with the best-fit straight line according to Eq. (S6), from which ΔH^0 and ΔS^0 were extracted.

$$m(\text{K-Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4) = (\Delta H^0/R)/1000 = -17.1, \quad b = 16.6$$

$$m(\text{K-Li}_4\text{SiO}_4) = (\Delta H^0/R)/1000 = -16.8, \quad b = 16.3$$

$$\Delta H^0(\text{K-Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4) = m \times 1000 \times R = -142.4 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}, \quad \Delta S^0(\text{K-Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4) = -b \times R = -138.0 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta H^0(\text{K-Li}_4\text{SiO}_4) = m \times 1000 \times R = -139.8 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}, \Delta S^0(\text{K-Li}_4\text{SiO}_4) = -b \times R = -135.4 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$$

Table S7 Fitting results of the thermodynamic parameters at equilibrium state for Li_4SiO_4 -based sorbents.

	$ \Delta H^0 $	ΔS^0
Theoretical data (Li_4SiO_4)	119.8	122.8
Experimental data ($\text{K-Li}_4\text{SiO}_4$)	139.8	135.4
Experimental data ($\text{K-Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4$)	142.4	138.0

The experimentally determined equilibrium temperatures were compared with predictions from HSC Chemistry 6.0. The results show that the experimental data follow the same trend as the theoretical curves. However, at a given p_{CO_2} the experimental equilibrium temperature is consistently higher than the theoretical value. This observation is consistent with prior reports. For example, Zhang et al.²³ reported that K_2CO_3 -doped Li_4SiO_4 shows a higher equilibrium temperature than undoped Li_4SiO_4 . The fitted lines for $\text{K-Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4$ and $\text{K-Li}_4\text{SiO}_4$ particles indicate that Ti doping slightly affects the thermodynamic equilibrium under the conditions studied.

Combining Eqs. S2-S7 yields the relationship between the equilibrium temperature and p_{CO_2} , as shown in Eqs. S8-S9.

$$RT_{\text{eq}} \ln \frac{p_{\text{CO}_2}}{p^0} = \Delta S^0 T_{\text{eq}} - \Delta H^0 \quad (\text{S8})$$

$$T_{\text{eq}} = \frac{\Delta H^0}{\Delta S^0 - R \ln p_{\text{CO}_2}} \quad (\text{S9})$$

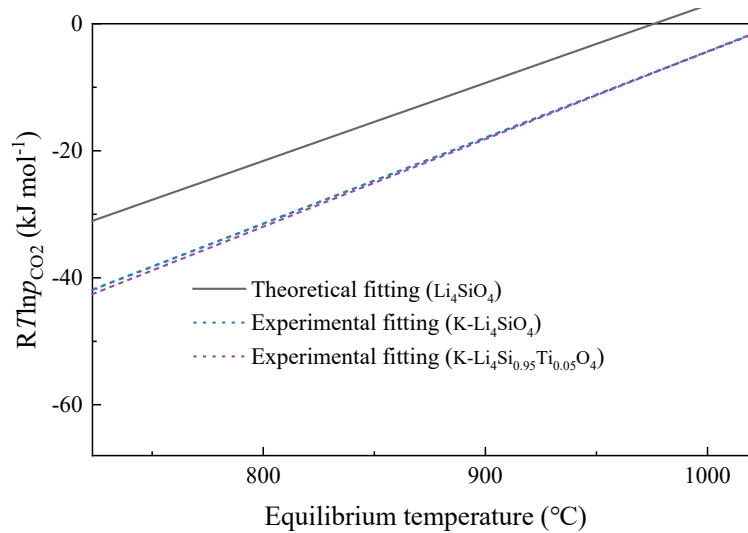


Fig. S13 Comparison between experimental equilibrium CO_2 partial pressures (p_{CO_2}) and the theoretical values predicted by thermodynamic calculations. Solid lines represent the calculated curves, while symbols denote the experimental data; the close agreement validates the van't Hoff analysis.

By substituting the fitted ΔH^0 and ΔS^0 into Eq. S6, an empirical formula was established to predict the actual equilibrium CO_2 partial pressures of $\text{K-Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4$ and $\text{K-Li}_4\text{SiO}_4$ particles under different sorption temperatures.

$$\begin{aligned}\ln p_{\text{CO}_2}(\text{K-Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4) &= -\frac{1.7 \times 10^4}{T} + 16.6; \\ \ln p_{\text{CO}_2}(\text{K-Li}_4\text{SiO}_4) &= -\frac{1.7 \times 10^4}{T} + 16.3\end{aligned}\quad (\text{S10})$$

It can be observed from Eq. S10 that the empirical formulae are virtually identical with and without Ti doping, leading to the conclusion that the doping process does not significantly alter the thermodynamic properties.

For the gas–solid reaction (Eq. S1), activities of pure solids are taken as unity. Using the pressure-form equilibrium constant with standard-state pressure $f^0=1$ bar and the ideal-gas approximation ($f_{\text{CO}_2} \approx p_{\text{CO}_2}$), we obtain Eq. S11-13. This is consistent with the relations derived in Eqs. S2–S6 and used to convert $p_{\text{CO}_2, \text{eq}}$ to K_p in Table S8.

$$K_p \equiv \left(\frac{f_{\text{CO}_2}}{f^0}\right)^{-1} \Rightarrow K_p = \frac{f_{\text{CO}_2}}{p_{\text{CO}_2, \text{eq}} / 1\text{bar}} \approx \frac{1}{p_{\text{CO}_2, \text{eq}}} \quad (\text{S11})$$

$$\ln K_{\text{CO}_2}(T) = \frac{\Delta S^0}{R} - \frac{\Delta H^0}{RT} \quad (\text{S12})$$

$$K_p(T) = \exp(K_p(T)), \quad \ln K_p = -\frac{\Delta H^0}{RT} + \frac{\Delta S^0}{R}, \quad \ln p_{\text{CO}_2, \text{eq}} = \frac{\Delta H^0}{RT} - \frac{\Delta S^0}{R} \quad (\text{S13})$$

$$p_{\text{CO}_2, \text{eq}}(T) = \frac{1}{K_p(T)} (\text{bar}, p^0 = 1\text{bar}) \quad (\text{S14})$$

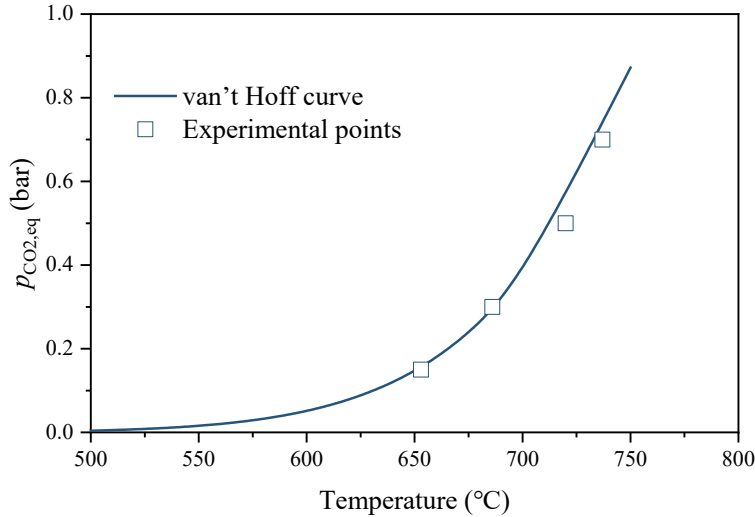


Fig. S14 Nonlinear regression of $p_{\text{CO}_2, \text{eq}}$ versus Temperature for $\text{K-Li}_4\text{Si}_{0.95}\text{Ti}_{0.05}\text{O}_4$ particles.

After obtaining $p_{\text{CO}_2, \text{eq}}$ (Eq. S14), we computed the thermodynamic upper bound for removal as Eq. S15, and the results are shown in Table S8.

$$\eta_{\text{th}} = \max \left(0, 1 - \frac{p_{\text{CO}_2, \text{eq}}}{p_{\text{in}}} \right) \quad (\text{S15})$$

Note: The calculated η_{th} in Eq. S15 and Table S8 represents the thermodynamic upper limit of CO₂ removal efficiency, obtained under equilibrium conditions while neglecting kinetic and mass transfer limitations.

Table S8. Theoretical CO₂ removal efficiency at different temperatures.

Temperature (°C)	K_p	P _{CO₂,eq} (bar)	η_{th} at 15 % CO ₂ (P _{in} =0.15 bar)
500	256.8	3.9×10^{-3}	97.4 %
550	66.9	1.5×10^{-2}	90.1 %
600	20.3	4.9×10^{-2}	67.2 %

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S13 Kinetic analysis of CO₂ sorption using a dual-exponential model

To gain deeper insight into the kinetic enhancement induced by Ti doping, the CO₂ sorption profiles of both pristine and Ti-doped Li₄SiO₄ were fitted using a dual-exponential decay model. This empirical model is well-suited for decoupling complex gas-solid reaction processes, typically distinguishing an initial rapid stage (often governed by surface reaction kinetics and/or external diffusion) from a subsequent slower stage (often controlled by solid-state ion diffusion through the product layer). The model is expressed as Eq. S16.

$$y = Ae^{-k_1 t} + Be^{-k_2 t} + C \quad (\text{S16})$$

$$W_{ad} = \frac{m_t}{m_{t0}} \times 100\% \quad (\text{S17})$$

where, y represents the normalized mass change percentage (W_{ad}) of the sorbent before and after reaction, calculated according to Eq. S17, m_{t0} and m_t denote the mass of the sorbent at the initial moment and at time t , respectively; t is the reaction time, k_1 and k_2 are the exponential constants representing the rate constants for the initial surface-controlled stage and the subsequent diffusion-controlled stage, respectively; A and B are the pre-exponential factors, and C is a constant intercept.

The fitting results (Table S9 and Fig. S15) reveal that Ti doping enhances both k_1 and k_2 across all temperatures and CO₂ concentrations tested. The concomitant increase in both constants suggests that Ti incorporation impacts multiple processes: the improvement in k_1 likely relates to more efficient surface reaction sites and/or improved CO₂ access, while the more significant enhancement in k_2 provides strong evidence for accelerated bulk ionic mobility (Li⁺ and O²⁻ diffusion), which is frequently the rate-limiting step in such solid-state reactions. This is consistent with the hypothesis that Ti-induced lattice distortions create favorable pathways for ion migration.

To quantitatively investigate the influence of different CO₂ concentrations on the reaction behavior of the particles, the activation energy (E_a) for the processes characterized by k_1 and k_2 was estimated for each sample using the Arrhenius equation (Eq. S18):

$$k = k_0 e^{\left(-\frac{E_a}{R_g T_{ad}}\right)} \quad (\text{S18})$$

where, k_0 is the pre-exponential factor, E_a represents the apparent activation energy for the surface reaction or diffusion process, R_g denotes the universal gas constant (8.314 J·mol⁻¹·K⁻¹), T is the absolute temperature.

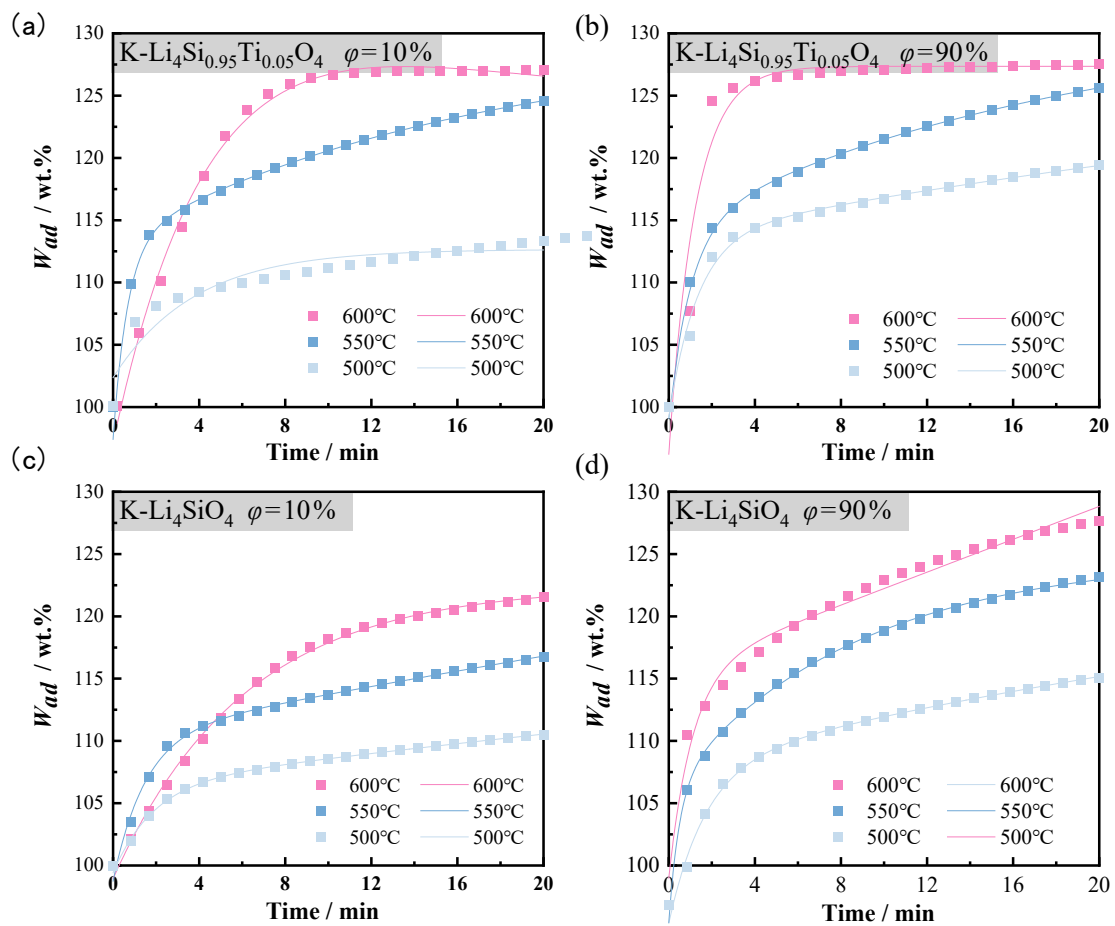


Fig. S15 Dual-exponential model fitting curves of the two sorbent particles under different CO_2 partial pressures.

Table S9 Kinetic parameters derived from the dual-exponential model for the two sorbent particles under various CO₂ partial pressures.

Sample	CO ₂ concentrations	Temperature °C	k ₁ s ⁻¹	k ₂ s ⁻¹	R ²
K-Li ₄ SiO ₄ particle	10%	600	1.0	0.18	0.95
		550	0.7	0.13	0.99
		500	0.4	0.08	0.99
	90%	600	2.0	0.11	0.95
		550	1.8	0.09	0.99
		500	1.5	0.07	0.97
K-Li ₄ Si _{0.95} Ti _{0.05} O ₄ particle	10%	600	1.2	0.20	0.99
		550	0.9	0.14	0.99
		500	0.5	0.09	0.99
	90%	600	2.2	0.13	0.95
		550	2.0	0.10	0.99
		500	1.7	0.08	0.97

S14 Comparison of strength between this work and commercial zeolite catalysts

Table S10. Comparison of crushing/compression strength between this work and commercial zeolite catalysts

Material	Form & Size	Strength	Reference
K-Li ₄ Si _{0.95} Ti _{0.05} O ₄ particles	Spheres, 1–1.5 mm	16.9 N (13.7 MPa)	This study
Zeolite particles	Small, ~1.5 mm	~2.3 N (~2.5 MPa)	²⁴
Zeolite particles	With binder, ~3 mm	~110 N	²⁵
Zeolite extrudates (various diameters)	Ø 10-32 mm	8.8–27.5 MPa	²⁶
Zeolite monoliths	Bulk	1.0–1.4 MPa	²⁷

Note: Strength is reported either as single-particle crushing strength (N) or bulk compressive strength (MPa), as available in the cited literature. The values for monolithic and composite samples are typically given as compressive strength only; particle-level crushing strength is not applicable (N/A).

S15 Long-term stability of K-Li₄Si_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O₄ particle

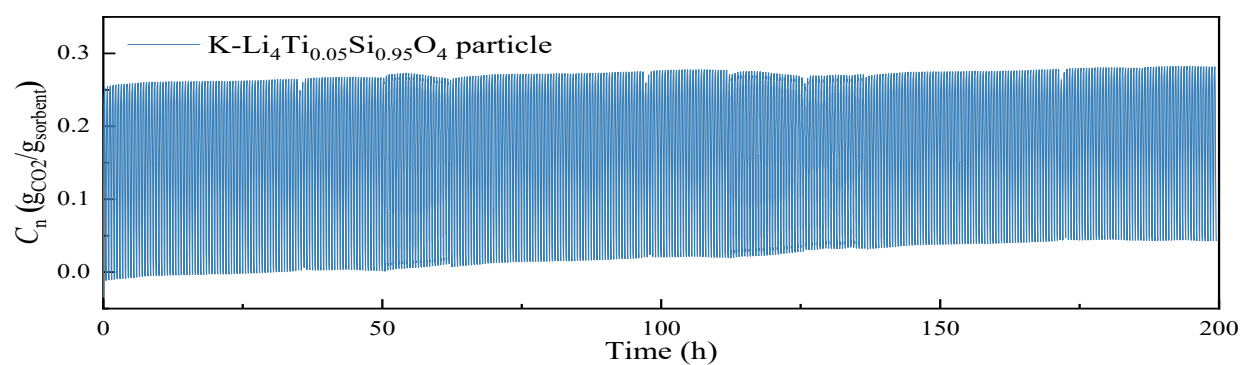


Fig. S16 Long-term stability and cyclability of the K-Li₄Si_{0.95}Ti_{0.05}O₄ particle over 400 cycles (equivalent to 200 hours) of CO₂ sorption-desorption (sorption at 600 °C in 15% CO₂ for 15min, desorption at 600 °C in 100% N₂ for 15min).

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