

## Supporting Information

### **Waterborne Dispersion-Processed Self-Healing Elastomers with Hydrogen-Bond Locked Hydrophobic Microdomains for Multifunctional Applications**

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## Supplementary Tables and Figures

### 1 Experimental

**Tab.S1** Synthesis Formulation of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x%

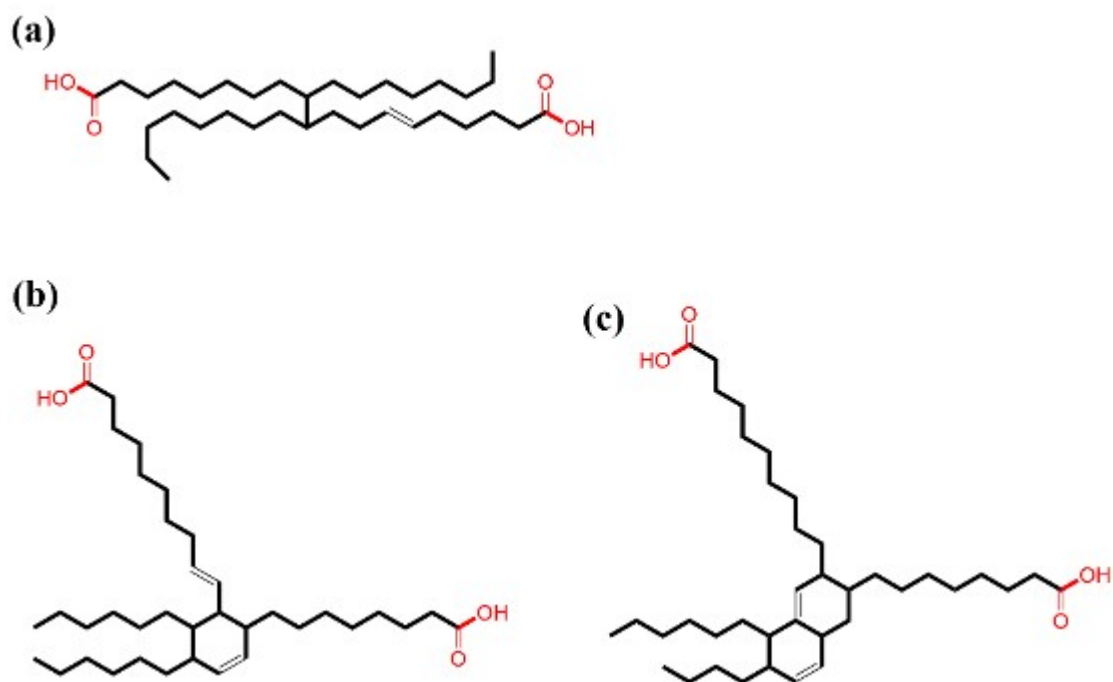
| x% | n(P-DA <sub>2</sub> )/n(IPDI) | PTMG(g) | IPDA(g) | DMBA(g) | BDO(g) | P-DA <sub>2</sub> (g) | TEA(g) |
|----|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|-----------------------|--------|
| 0  | \                             | 20.00   | 8.89    | 1.63    | 0.88   | \                     | 1.11   |
| 1  | 4.10E-03                      | 20.00   | 8.89    | 1.64    | 0.84   | 0.33                  | 1.12   |
| 2  | 8.30E-03                      | 20.00   | 8.89    | 1.66    | 0.79   | 0.66                  | 1.13   |
| 3  | 1.26E-02                      | 20.00   | 8.89    | 1.67    | 0.75   | 1.00                  | 1.14   |
| 4  | 1.70E-02                      | 20.00   | 8.89    | 1.69    | 0.70   | 1.35                  | 1.15   |
| 5  | 2.14E-02                      | 20.00   | 8.89    | 1.71    | 0.65   | 1.71                  | 1.17   |

$R = n_{\text{NCO}} / (n_{\text{OH}} \cdot n_{\text{NH}_2}) = 1.30$ , which was controlled using a combination of P-DA<sub>2</sub> and BDO.

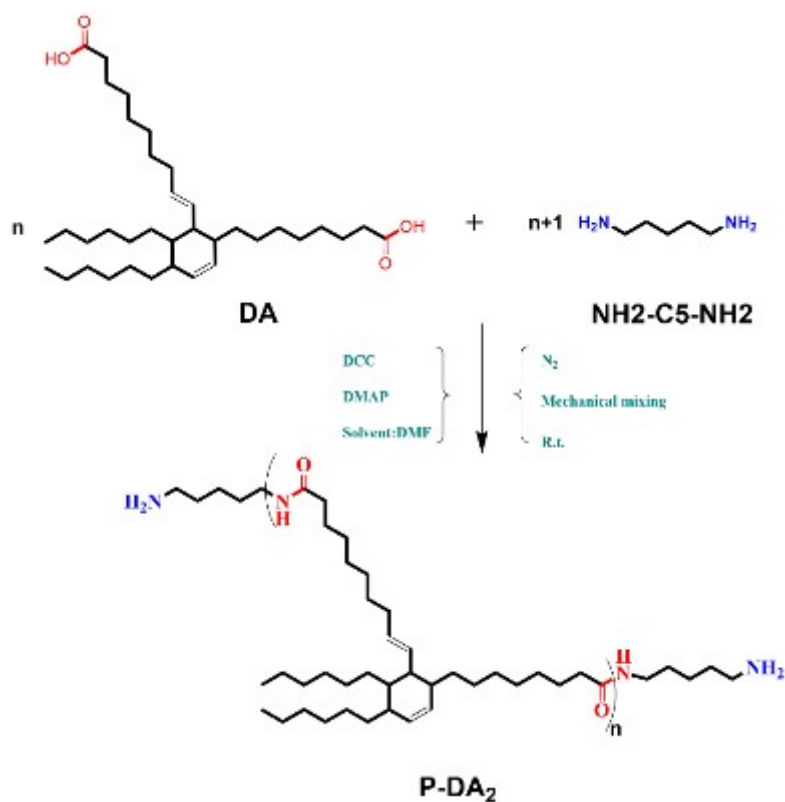
**Tab.S2** Adhesion process parameters

| Types      | Coating area(cm <sup>2</sup> ) | Coating coverage rate(L•m <sup>-2</sup> ) | Pressure(MPa) | Temp(°C) | Time(min) |
|------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------|----------|-----------|
| Al sheet   | 2.5×1.25                       | 0.625                                     | 3.0           | 90       | 0.5       |
| Cu sheet   | 2.5×1.25                       | 0.625                                     | 0.5           | 90       | 0.5       |
| Wood sheet | 1.2×1.6                        | 0.385                                     | 0.5           | 100      | 0.5       |
| PE sheet   | 2.5×1.25                       | 0.625                                     | 0.5           | \        | \         |
| NBR        | 15×2.5                         | 1.870                                     | 5.0           | 90       | 3.0       |
| NR         | 15×2.5                         | 1.870                                     | 5.0           | 90       | 3.0       |
| PPTA       | 15×2.5                         | 1.870                                     | 3.0           | 120      | 2.0       |

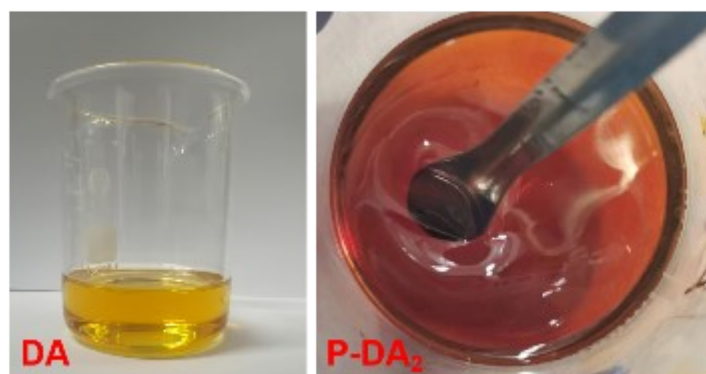
## 2 Synthesis of P-DA<sub>2</sub> and W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% dispersion



**Fig.S1** Main chemical composition of DA.



**Fig.S2** Synthesis of P-DA<sub>2</sub>.



**Fig.S3** Appearance of DA and P-DA<sub>2</sub> at room temperature.

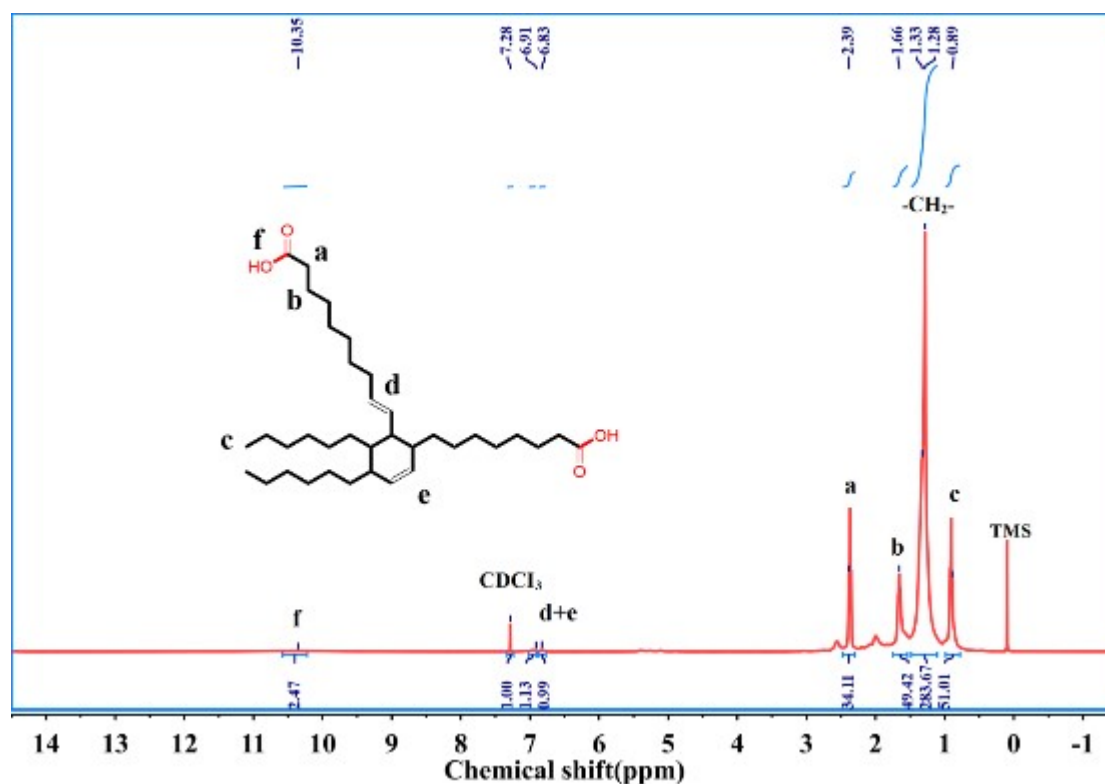


Fig.S4  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of DA.

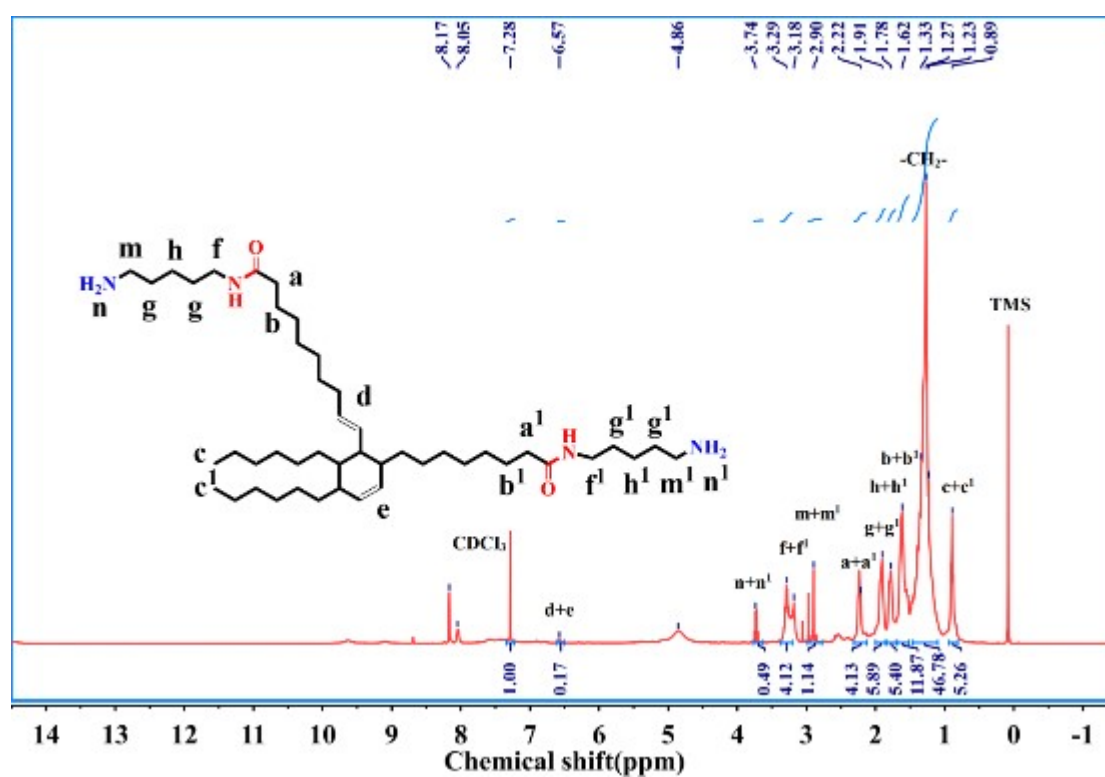


Fig.S5  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of P-DA<sub>2</sub>.

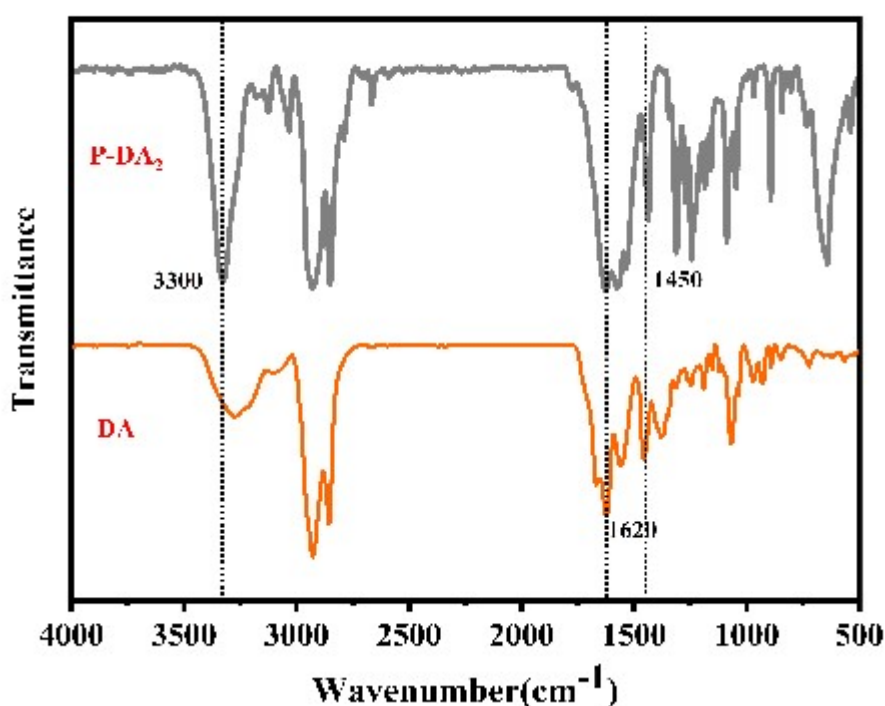
The average degree of polymerization ( $n_1$ ) is calculated by (Eq.S1) based on the

integral areas of the peak at 2.90 ppm ( $I_{2.90}$ , -CONH-CH<sub>2</sub>-) and at 0.89 ppm ( $I_{0.89}$ , -CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), which is about 3.07.

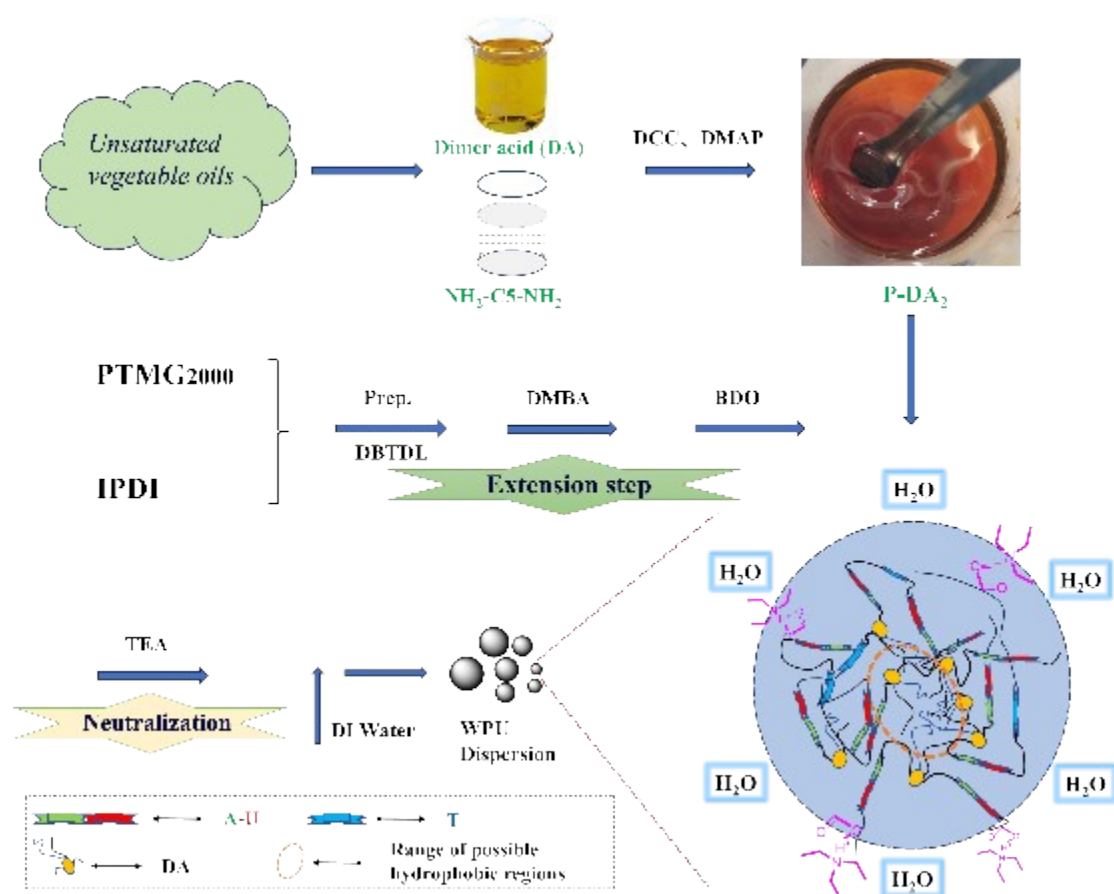
$$n^1 = \frac{4 I_{0.89, -CH_2CH_3}}{6 I_{2.90, -CONH-CH_2-}} \dots \dots \dots (Eq.S1)$$

**Tab.S3** Molecular weight calculations by <sup>1</sup>H NMR.

| $I_{2.90, -CONH-CH_2-}$ | $I_{0.89, -CH_2CH_3}$ | $n^1$ | $Mn$                       |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------|----------------------------|
| 1.14                    | 5.26                  | 3.07  | $2.00 \times 10^3$ (2,159) |



**Fig.S6** FTIR spectra of DA and P-DA<sub>2</sub>.



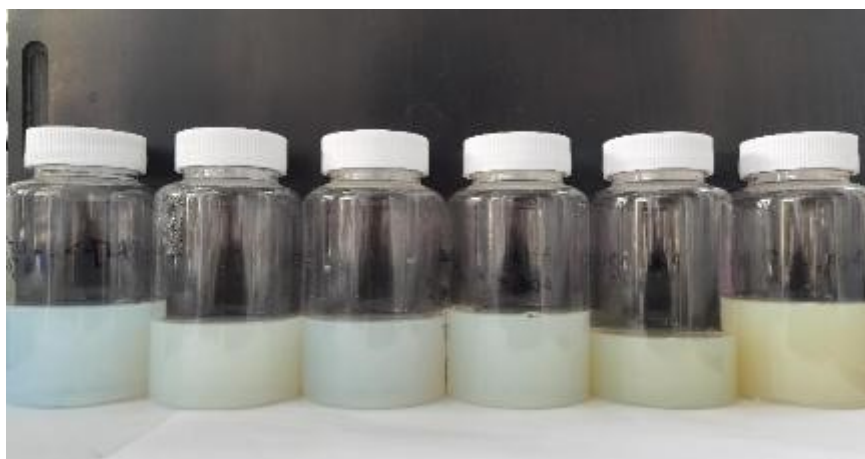
**Fig. S7:** Preparation process of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% dispersion.



### 3 W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% dispersion

**Tab.S4** Characterization on W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% dispersion.

| P-DA <sub>2</sub> -x% | Dispersion State |       |                  |                           |           |                             |
|-----------------------|------------------|-------|------------------|---------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
|                       | Diameter (nm)    | PDI   | ζ Potential (mV) | Storage stability (month) | η (mPa·s) | Appearance                  |
| 0                     | 48.6             | 0.192 | -37.3            | >6                        | 3         | Blue Translucent            |
| 1                     | 50.7             | 0.214 | -38.0            | >6                        | 5         | Slightly Yellow Translucent |
| 2                     | 51.9             | 0.205 | -37.5            | >6                        | 5         | Yellow Translucent          |
| 3                     | 68.3             | 0.249 | -38.1            | >6                        | 6         | Yellow Translucent          |
| 4                     | 64.9             | 0.274 | -41.9            | >6                        | 5         | Yellow Opaque               |
| 5                     | 60.7             | 0.258 | -41.2            | >6                        | 5         | Yellow Opaque               |



**Fig.S8** W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% dispersion (W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-0%→5%, from the left to the right)

## 4 Characterization of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% films

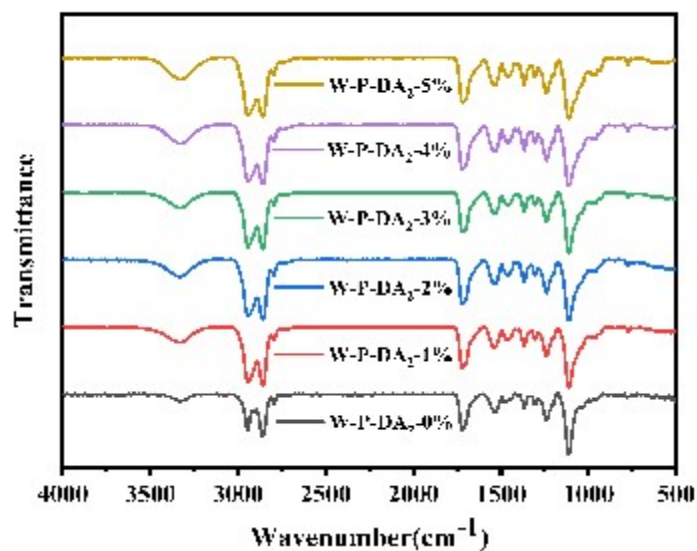


Fig.S9 FTIR of P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% WPU films.

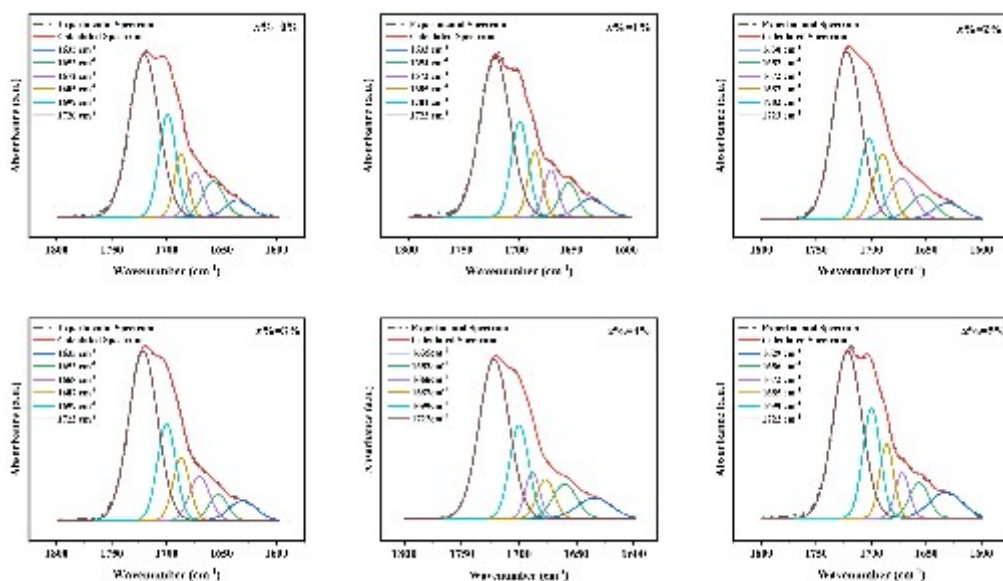


Fig.S10 The peak splitting and Gaussian fitting of the carbonyl (C=O) band

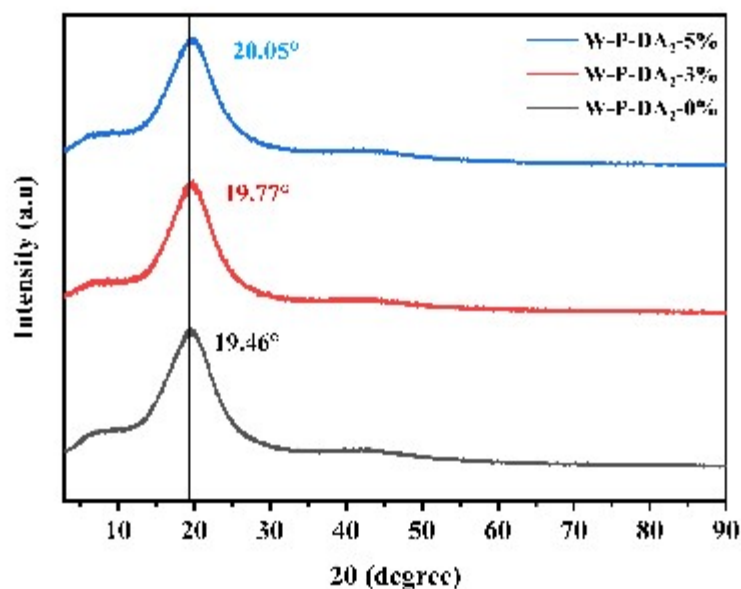
According to the integrated area percentage of the six bands in the fitted curves, the contribution(C%) of the different bonded and free carbonyl groups can be calculated as :

$$C\% = \frac{A_n}{A_1 + A_2 + A_3 + A_4 + A_5 + A_6} \times 100\% \dots\dots\dots (Eq.S2)$$

where in,  $A_n$  represents the fitted peak area, and  $n=1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$  represent the peak areas of free( $1722\text{cm}^{-1}$ ), disordered( $1699\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1687\text{cm}^{-1}$ ), and ordered( $1667\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1652\text{cm}^{-1}$ ,  $1635\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) hydrogen bonding, respectively.

**Tab.S5** Contribution percentages of individual C=O peaks from Gaussian fitting results.

| x% | C (%)                 |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |
|----|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|    | 1635 $\text{cm}^{-1}$ | 1652 $\text{cm}^{-1}$ | 1667 $\text{cm}^{-1}$ | 1687 $\text{cm}^{-1}$ | 1699 $\text{cm}^{-1}$ | 1722 $\text{cm}^{-1}$ |
| 0  | 3.87                  | 7.41                  | 7.08                  | 9.22                  | 19.19                 | 53.23                 |
| 1  | 5.39                  | 6.66                  | 7.20                  | 9.92                  | 17.79                 | 53.05                 |
| 2  | 5.53                  | 6.48                  | 10.25                 | 12.89                 | 12.89                 | 51.96                 |
| 3  | 7.34                  | 8.73                  | 6.97                  | 7.25                  | 18.99                 | 50.73                 |
| 4  | 7.61                  | 6.86                  | 9.87                  | 6.56                  | 21.18                 | 47.92                 |
| 5  | 8.46                  | 6.85                  | 10.50                 | 10.52                 | 19.43                 | 44.23                 |



**Fig.S11** XRD spectra of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-0%, 3%, 5%.

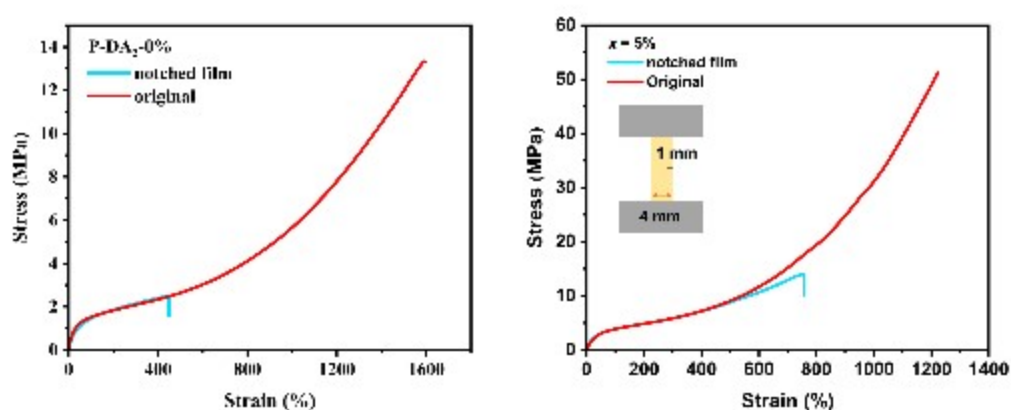
**Tab.S6** DMA characterization results of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% films.

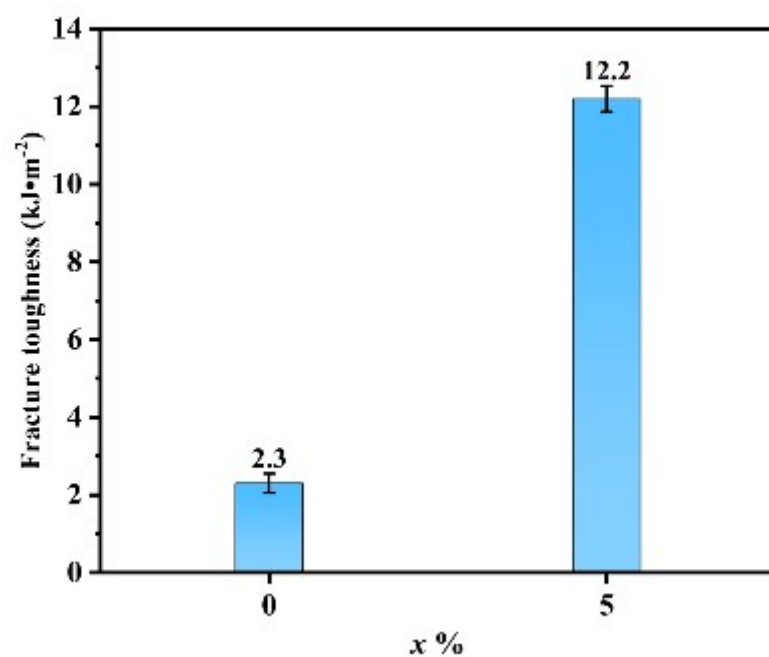
| W-P-DA <sub>2</sub> -x% | E' (MPa) | T <sub>g,s</sub> (°C) | T <sub>g,h</sub> (°C) | ΔT <sub>g</sub> (°C) | E <sub>a</sub> (kJ/mol) |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 0                       | 2920     | -59.8                 | 90.4                  | 150.2                | 33.8                    |
| 1                       | 2880     | -58.2                 | 76.6                  | 134.8                | \                       |
| 2                       | 2861     | -54.5                 | 62.6                  | 117.1                | \                       |
| 3                       | 3264     | -54.6                 | 60.3                  | 114.9                | \                       |
| 4                       | 3006     | -54.0                 | 73.1                  | 127.1                | 25.9                    |
| 5                       | 2940     | -52.2                 | 86.7                  | 138.9                | \                       |

## 5 Mechanical properties and water resistance

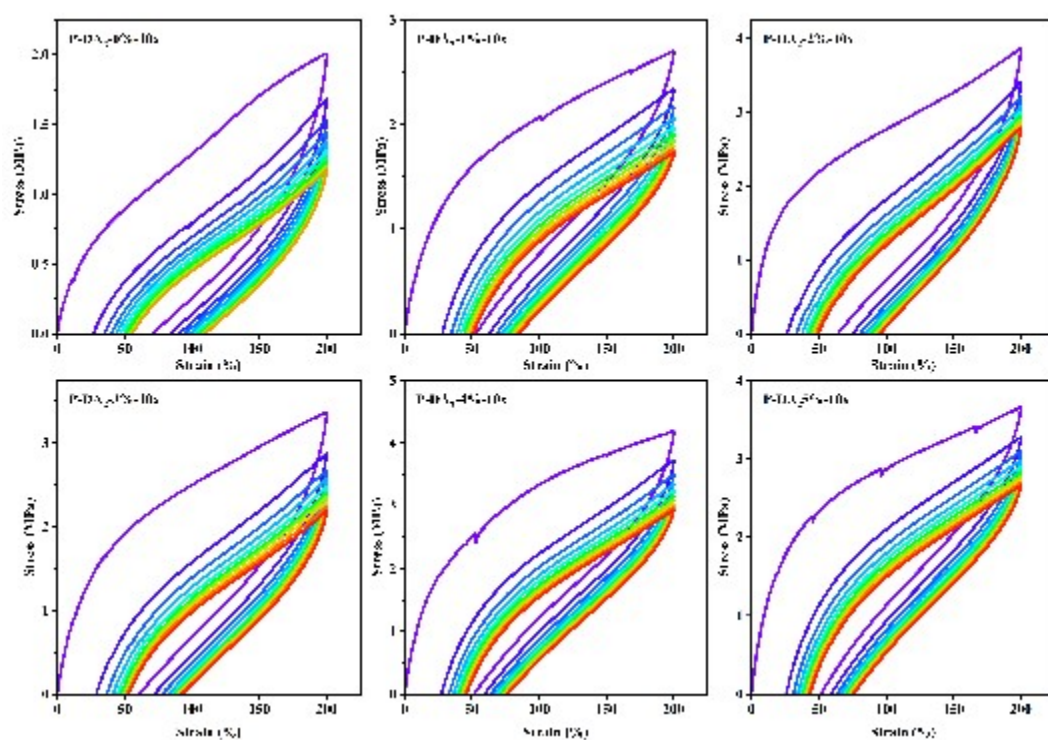
To calculate the fracture toughness, a notched specimen was used. The fracture energy ( $\Gamma$ ) is calculated according to the following formula (Eq.S3).

$$\Gamma = \frac{6Wc}{\sqrt{\varepsilon_c}} \dots\dots\dots(\text{Eq.S3})$$

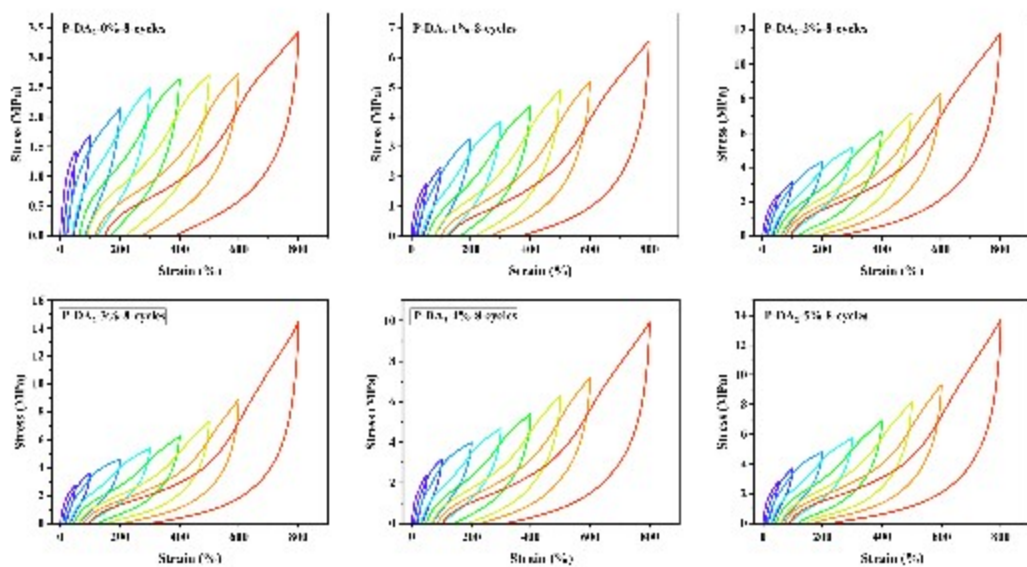
**Fig.S12** Tensile curves of notched W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% samples.



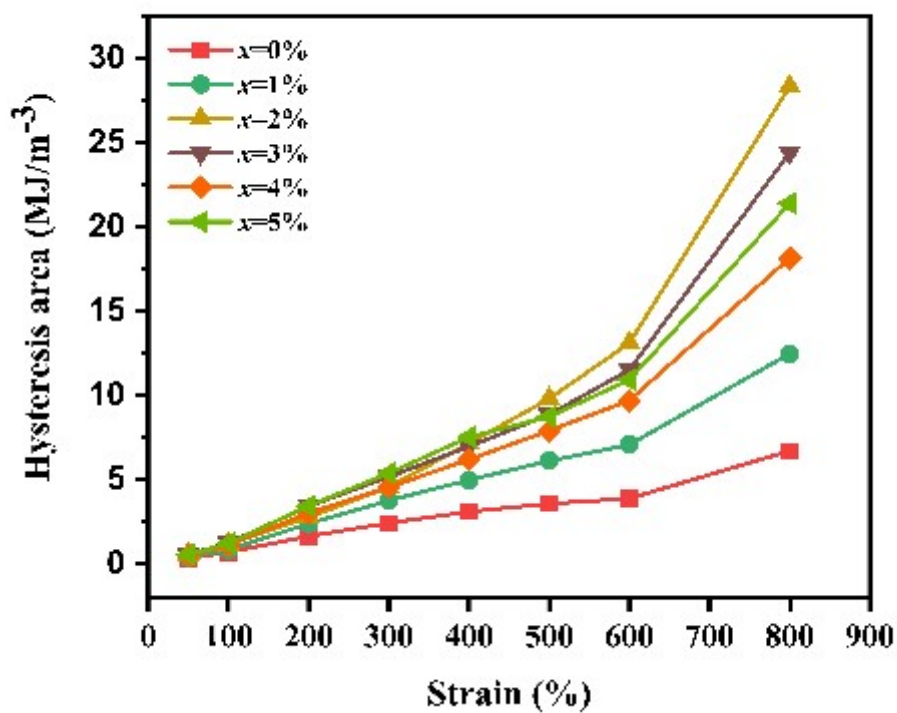
**Fig.S13** Histogram of film fracture toughness calculated from Fig.S12.



**Fig.S14** Loading-unloading curves for 10 tensile cycles at 200% strain.



**Fig.S15** Loading-unloading curves for varied strains.

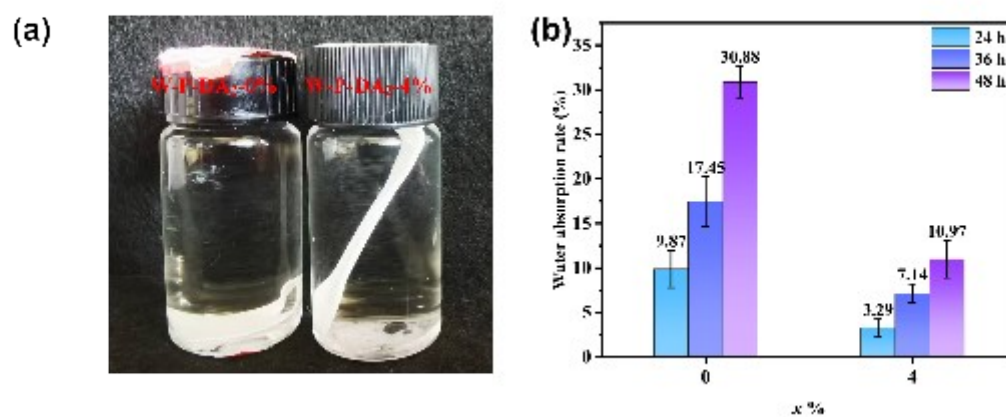


**Fig.S16** The dissipated energy calculated from the hysteresis areas of the loading-unloading loops.





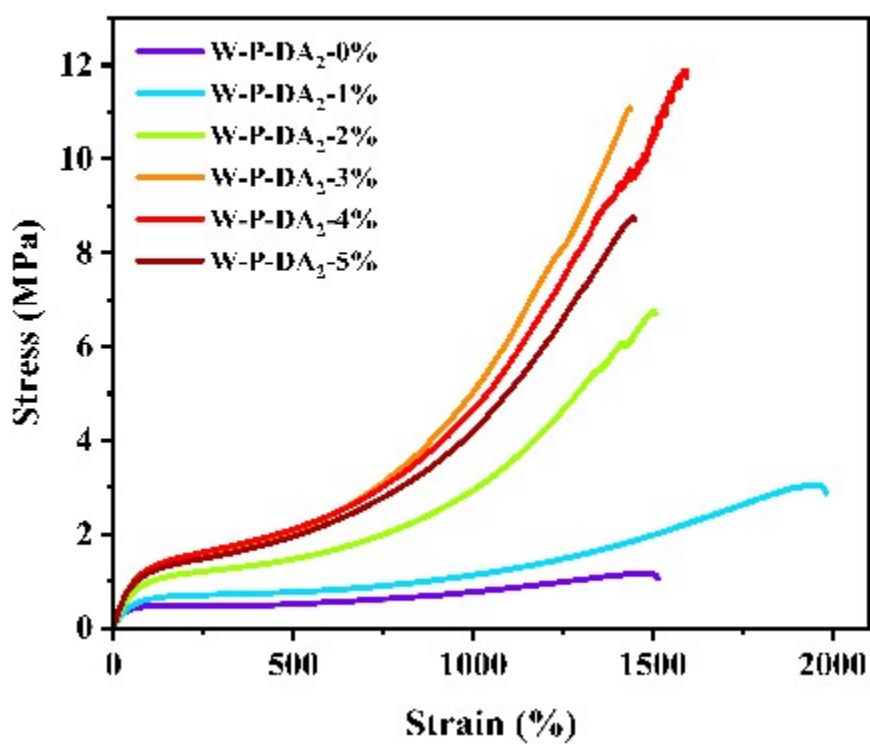
**Fig.S17** Photograph of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-4% films before, under and after weight loading.



**Fig.S18** (a) The films after 48 h of immersion in water; (b) water absorption rate at different immersion time.



**Fig.S19** State of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% films after immersion in water for 24 h (W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-0%→5%, from the left to the right).



**Fig.S20** Stress-strain curves of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% film after 24 h of immersion in water.



## 6 Thermo-responsive self-healing

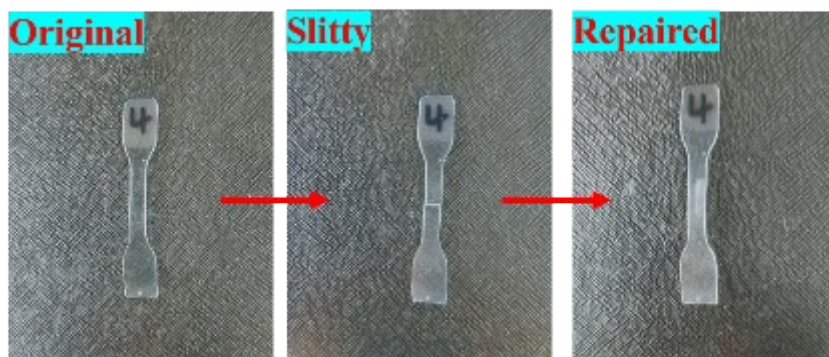


Fig.S21 The photographs of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-4% before and after the self-healing.

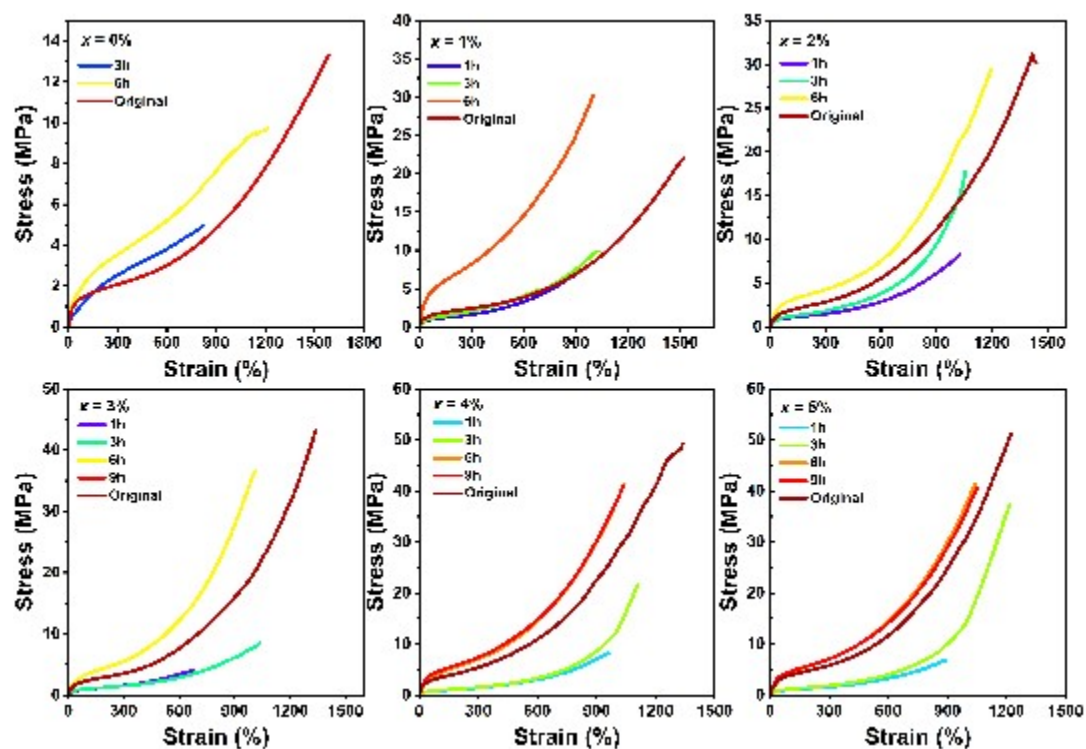
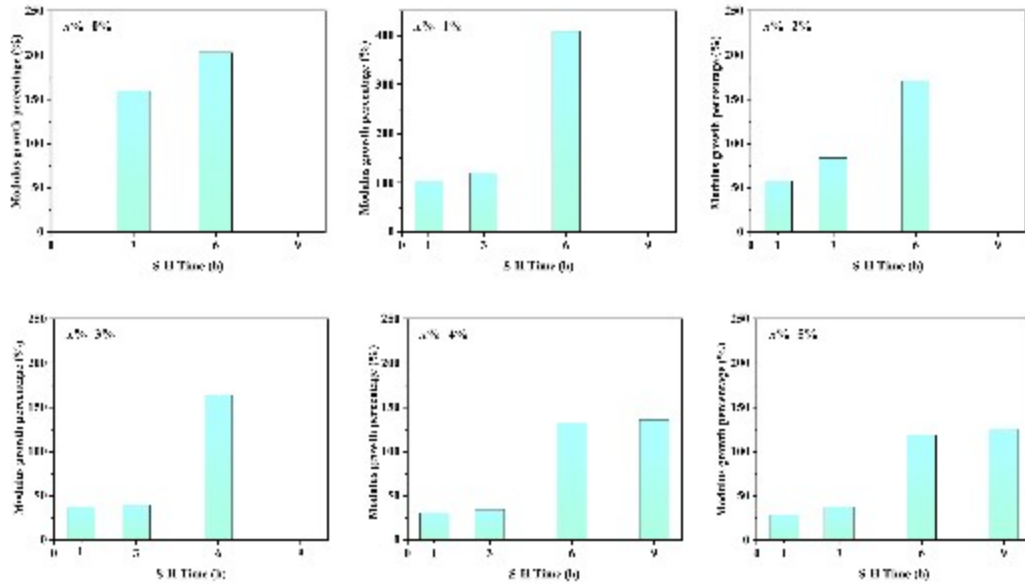
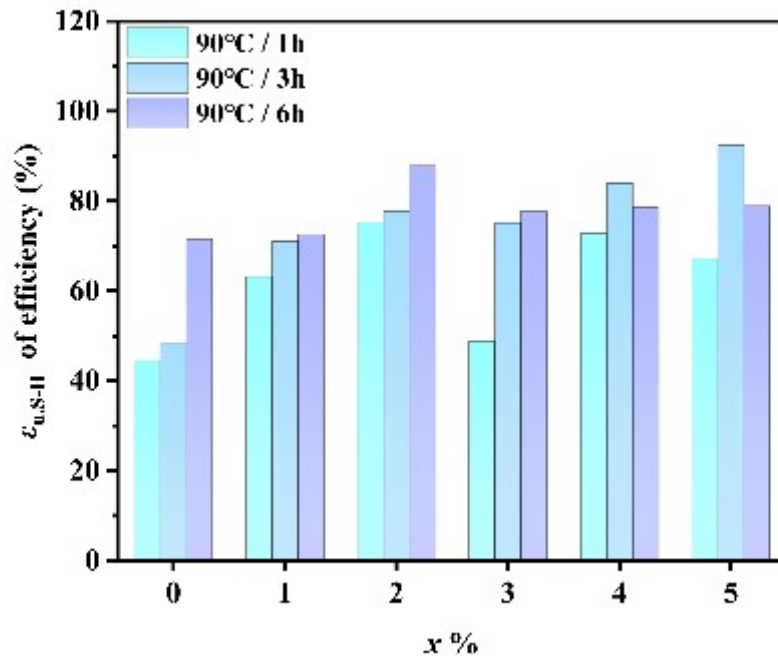


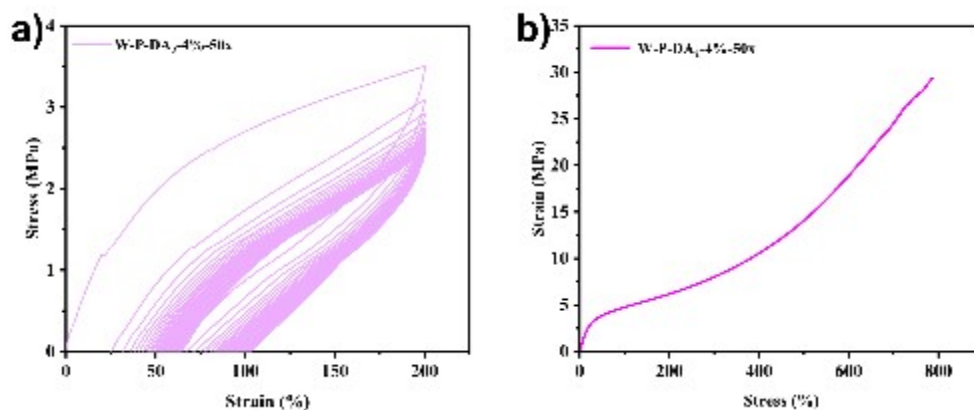
Fig.S22 Tensile curves of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% films self-healing at 90°C for different time.



**Fig.S23** Modulus growth percentage at 800% strain with the self-healing (S-H) time prolongation.



**Fig.S24** Histogram of  $\epsilon_u$  self-healing efficiency for different  $x\%$  films as a function of self-healing time

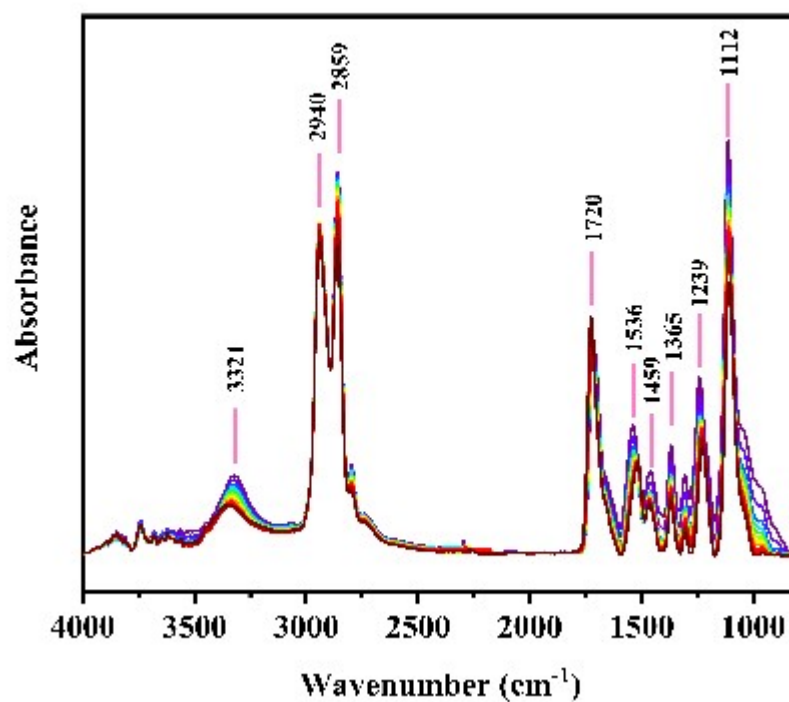


**Fig.S25** (a) Loading-unloading cyclic tensile curves of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-4% film after self-healing; (b) stress-strain curves of the spline used for loading-unloading cyclic tensile after self-repair.

**Tab.S7** Comparative Summary of Literature Data.

|          | Tensile<br>Strength/MPa | Self-healing<br>elongation at<br>break/% | Self-healing<br>tensile<br>strength/MPa |
|----------|-------------------------|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Ref 52   | 7.26                    | 810                                      | 6.38                                    |
| Ref 53   | 25                      | 800                                      | 23                                      |
| Ref 54   | 30.6                    | 680                                      | 28                                      |
| Ref 55   | 18                      | 340                                      | 12                                      |
| Ref 56   | 18.5                    | 820                                      | 17.02                                   |
| Ref 57   | 35.6                    | 800                                      | 32.39                                   |
| Ref 58   | 17.12                   | 450.9                                    | 3.26                                    |
| Ref 59   | 43.7                    | 434                                      | 35.5                                    |
| Ref 60   | 12                      | 620                                      | 9.4                                     |
| Ref 61   | 14.8                    | 1090                                     | 13.8                                    |
| Ref 62   | 21.8                    | 1250                                     | 21.8                                    |
| Ref 63   | 17.7                    | 1300                                     | 12.56                                   |
| Ref 64   | 16.9                    | 1400                                     | 11.83                                   |
| Ref 65   | 25.5                    | 1800                                     | 24.73                                   |
| Ref 66   | 18.7                    | 2000                                     | 17.57                                   |
| x% = 4%* | 49.2                    | 1039.6                                   | 41.1                                    |

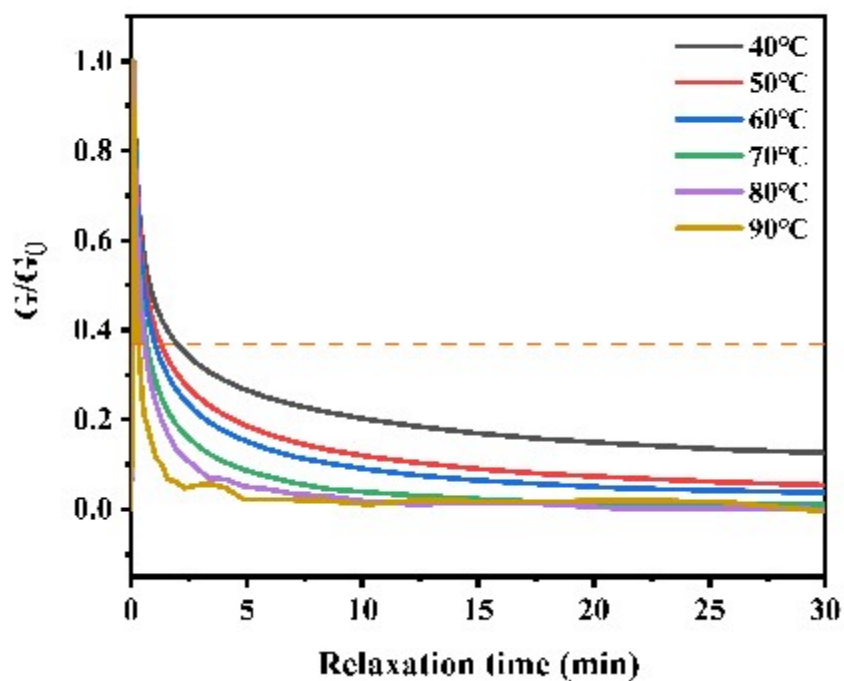
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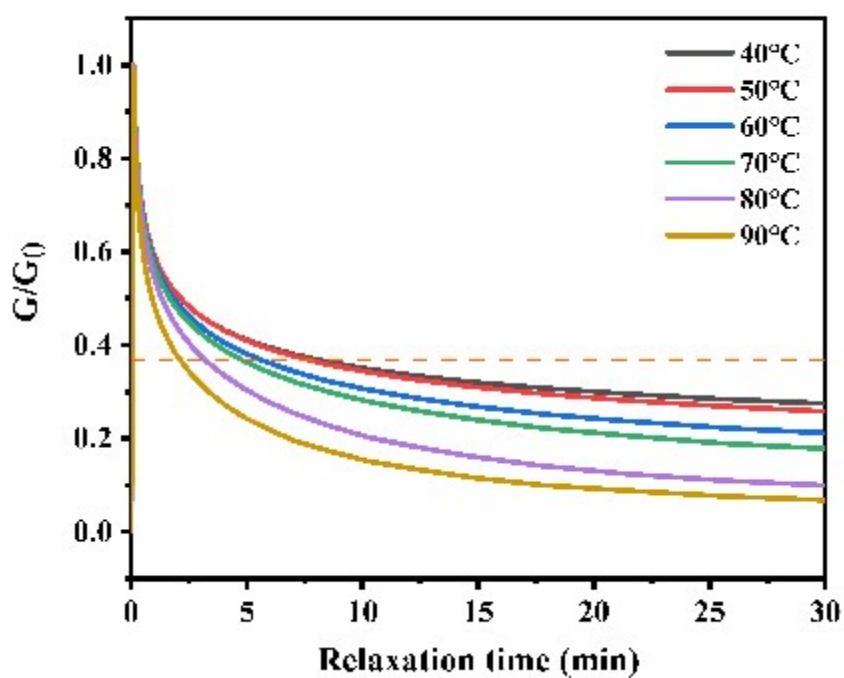
**Fig.S26** Variable temperature infrared spectra of W-P-DA2-4% film at 40~150°C.

**Tab.8** Summarized information on the cross-peaks of synchronous and asynchronous

| Peak position (cm <sup>-1</sup> ) | Synchronous | Asynchronous | Sequential order |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------------|
| 1698, 1735                        | —           | +            | 1735>1698        |
| 1630, 1735                        | —           | +            | 1735>1630        |
| 1698, 1630                        | +           | —            | 1630>1698        |



**Fig.S27** Stress relaxation behavior of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-0% film at different temperatures



**Fig.S28** Stress relaxation behavior of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-4% film at different temperatures.

Calculation of activation energy ( $E_a$ ) under stress relaxation for polyurethane films:

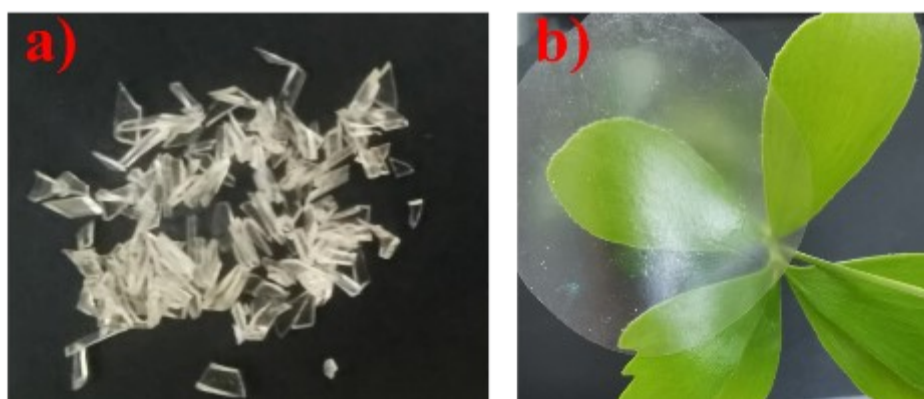
Using the Maxwell model, the time when  $G/G_0$  of the polymer elastomer in the stress relaxation test decreases to  $1/e$  is defined as the relaxation time ( $\tau$ ). The relationship between  $\tau$  and temperature satisfies the Arrhenius equation, which is expressed as follows:

$$\tau = \tau_0 e^{\frac{\Delta E}{RT}} \quad (\text{Eq.S4})$$

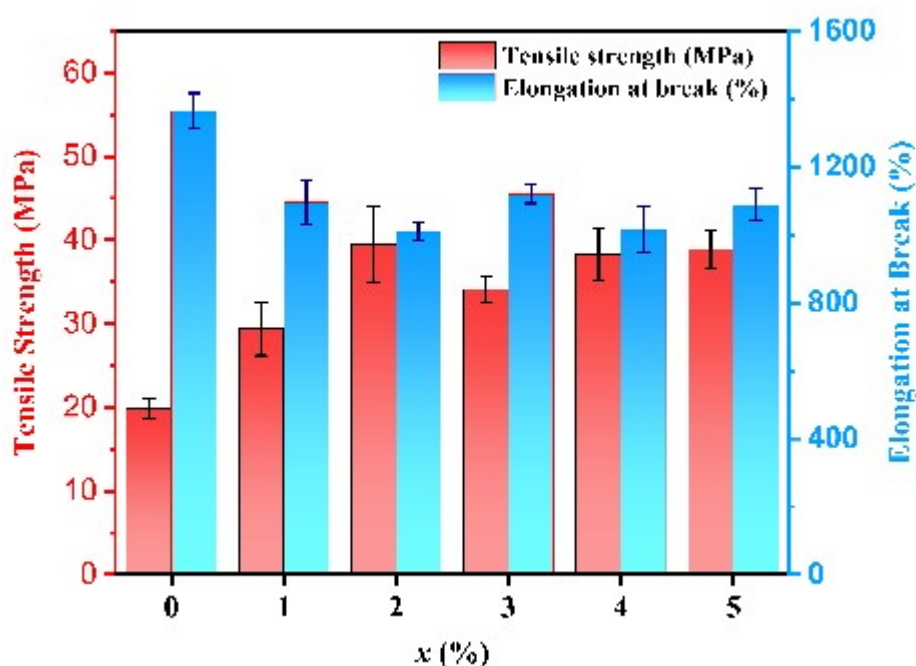
This equation can be simplified as:

$$\ln \tau = \ln \tau_0 + \frac{\Delta E}{RT} \quad (\text{Eq.S5})$$

Where  $\tau_0$  represents the terminal relaxation time, which is the characteristic relaxation time at infinite temperature,  $T$  is the Kelvin temperature ( $K$ ),  $\Delta E$  is the activation energy for bond exchange, and  $R$  is the ideal gas constant ( $8.314 \text{ J}/(\text{mol} \cdot \text{K}^{-1})$ ).



**Fig.S29** Photograph of fragments of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-4% film and its recovery.

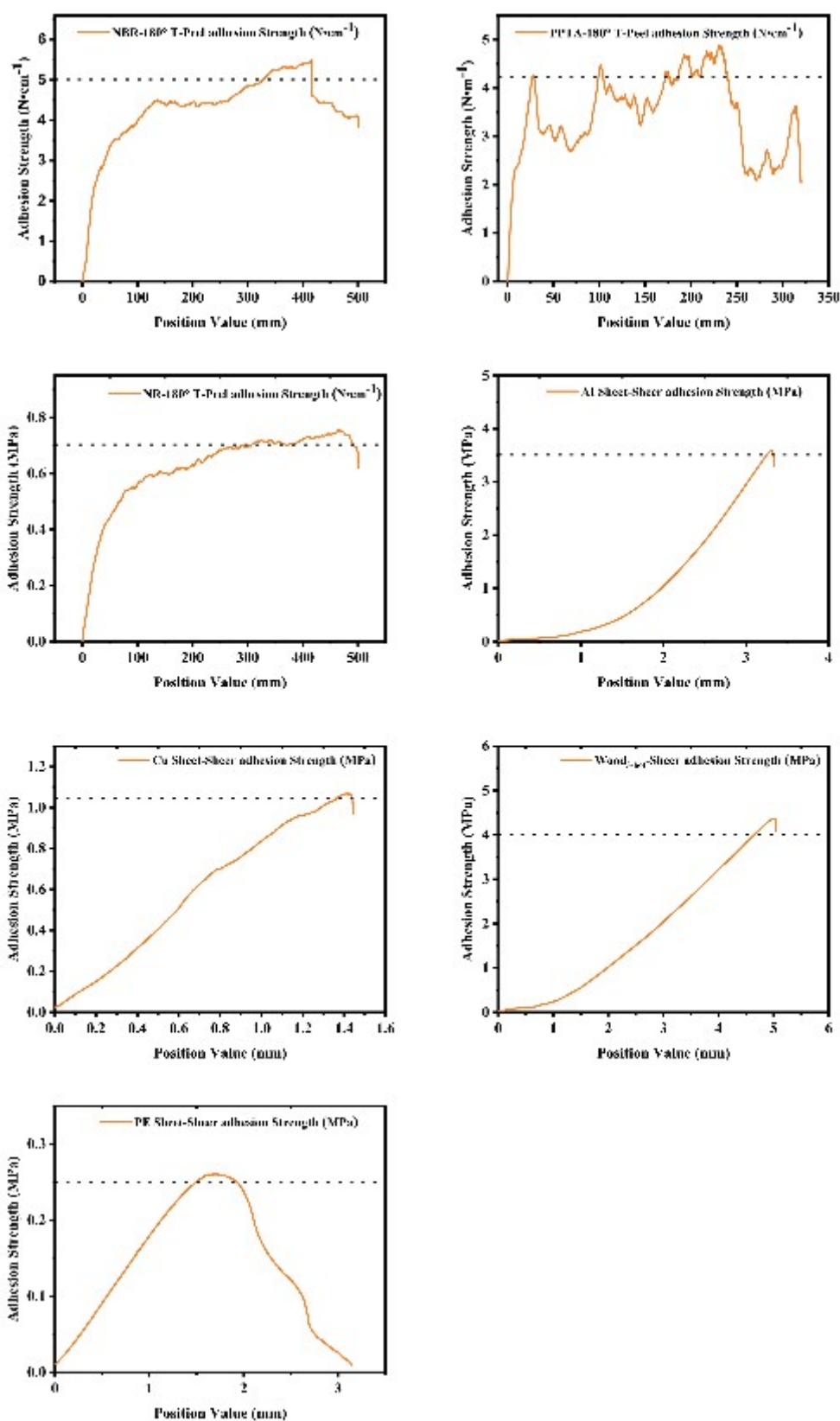


**Fig.S30** Tensile strength and elongation at break of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% film recovered from fragments after hot press processing at 120°C for 2 minutes.

## 7 Adhesion and strain sensitivity

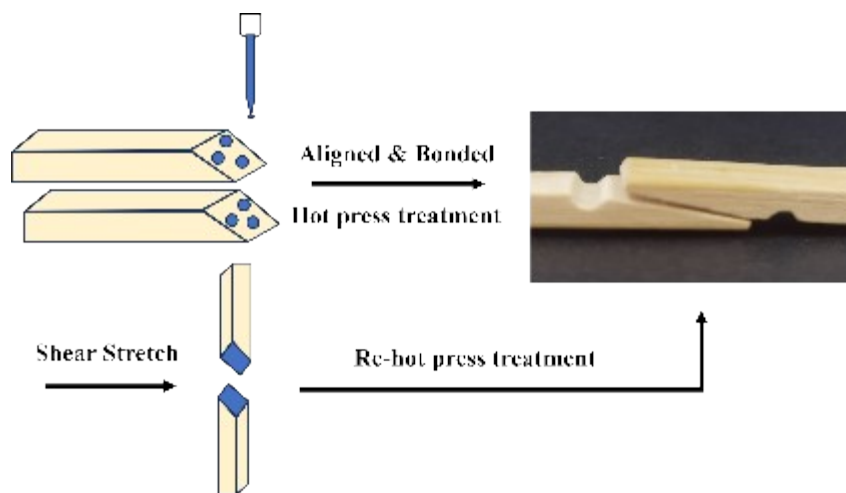
**Tab S9.** Adhesion Strength of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% on Different Substrates.

| Types of Adhesive Substrates     | Adhesive Strength of W-P-DA <sub>2</sub> -x% Dispersion (MPa) |      |      |      |      |      |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
|                                  | 0%                                                            | 1%   | 2%   | 3%   | 4%   | 5%   |
| PPTA                             | 3.10                                                          | 3.76 | 3.77 | 4.34 | 3.88 | 3.38 |
| NBR                              | 3.09                                                          | 4.16 | 5.10 | 5.31 | 5.75 | 4.52 |
| NR                               | 0.51                                                          | 0.53 | 0.55 | 0.56 | 0.58 | 0.58 |
| Wood-original (1 <sup>st</sup> ) | 0.46                                                          | 0.48 | 0.49 | 0.72 | 1.50 | 0.85 |
| Wood-2nd                         | 1.05                                                          | 1.08 | 1.67 | 2.25 | 2.73 | 2.60 |
| Wood-3rd                         | 1.45                                                          | 1.83 | 2.29 | 2.49 | 3.99 | 2.76 |
| Al Sheet                         | 3.02                                                          | 3.21 | 3.24 | 3.43 | 2.87 | 2.84 |
| Cu Sheet                         | 0.27                                                          | 0.58 | 0.72 | 0.84 | 0.91 | 1.05 |
| PE Sheet                         | 0.20                                                          | 0.23 | 0.23 | 0.31 | 0.28 | 0.29 |



**Fig.S31** Adhesion strength test curves of W-P-DA<sub>2</sub>-x% bonded samples.

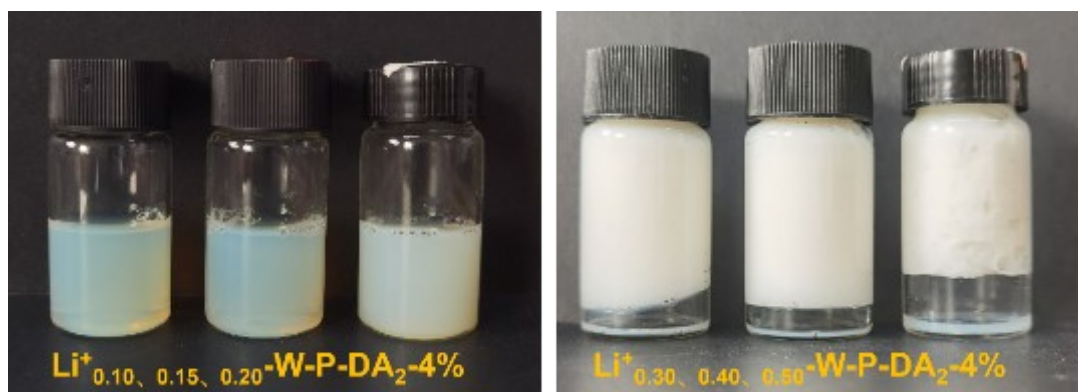




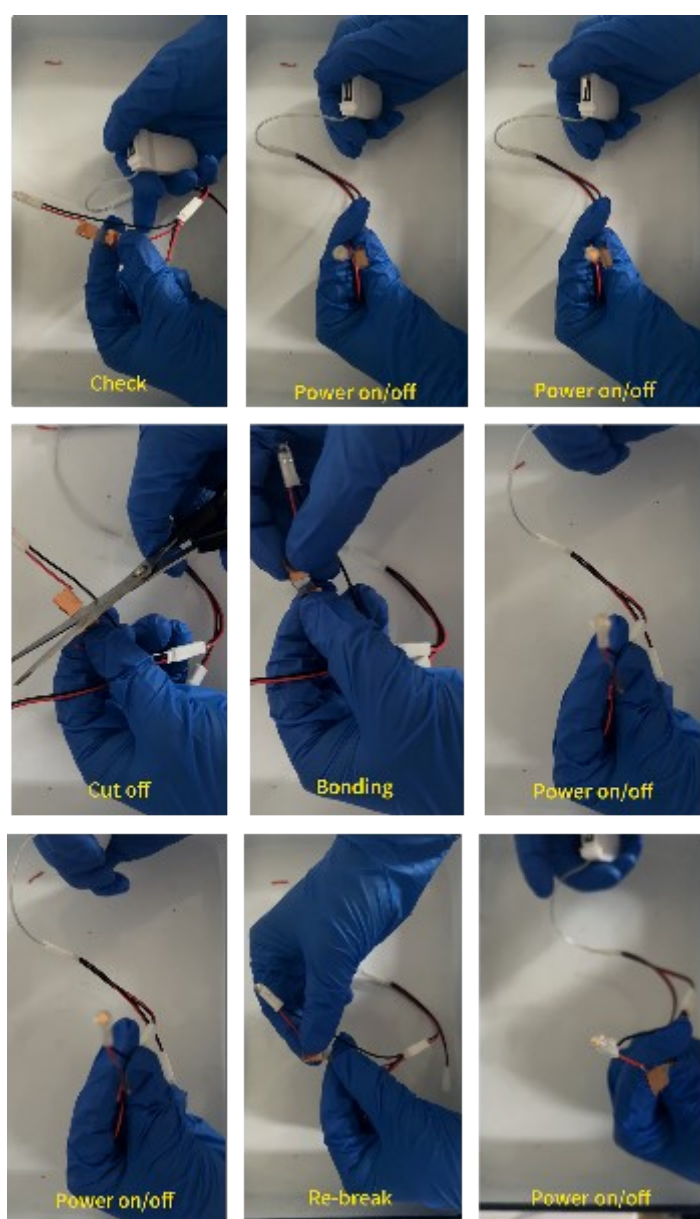
**Fig.S32** Wood bonding-destruction-rebonding cyclic process.

**Tab.S10** Specific parameter changes for  $\text{Li}_m^+ \text{-W-P-DA}_2\text{-4\%}$

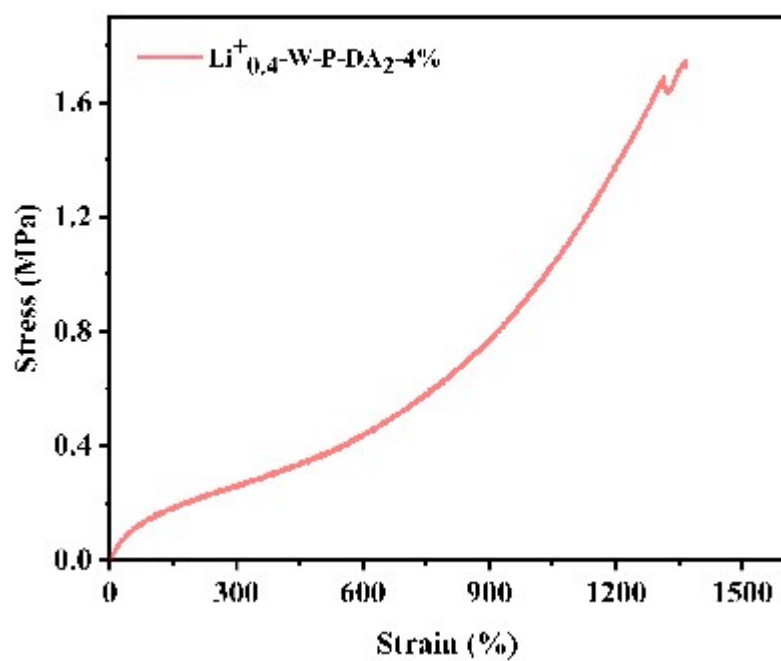
| $\text{C}_{\text{Li}^+}$<br>( $\text{mol}\cdot\text{L}^{-1}$ ) | Salt<br>precipitation<br>effect | Resistance<br>signal | $\sigma(\text{S}\cdot\text{m}^{-1})$ | Tensile<br>strength(MPa) | Elongation<br>at<br>break(%) | Film<br>adhesion |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| 0.05                                                           | not                             | ×                    | \                                    | 28.9                     | 922                          | Not              |
| 0.10                                                           | not                             | ✓                    | $1.10\times 10^{-9}$                 | 9.77                     | 1387                         | Not              |
| 0.15                                                           | not                             | ✓                    | $2.30\times 10^{-9}$                 | 2.16                     | 1354                         | Not              |
| 0.20                                                           | Flocculent                      | ✓                    | $3.42\times 10^{-5}$                 | 1.50                     | 2527                         | Weak             |
| 0.30                                                           | Saline gel                      | ✓                    | $3.58\times 10^{-4}$                 | 1.73                     | 1598                         | Little<br>strong |
| 0.40                                                           | Saline gel                      | ✓                    | $7.09\times 10^{-4}$                 | 1.73                     | 1366                         | Strong           |
| 0.50                                                           | Saline gel                      | ✓                    | $1.20\times 10^{-3}$                 | 1.37                     | 1252                         | Strong           |



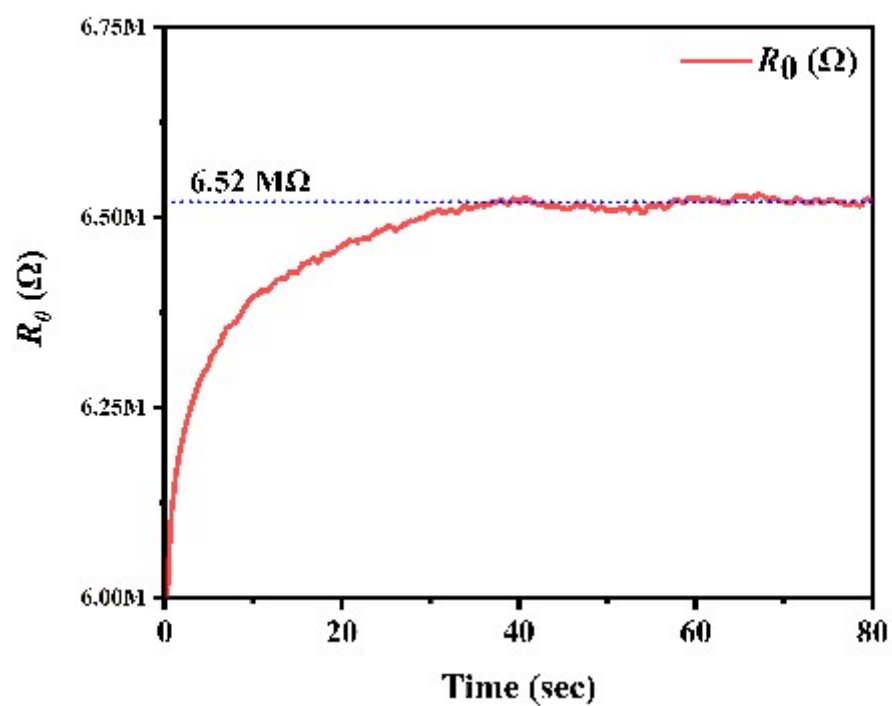
**Fig.S33** Salt precipitation effect of  $\text{Li}^+_m\text{-W-P-DA}_2\text{-4\%}$



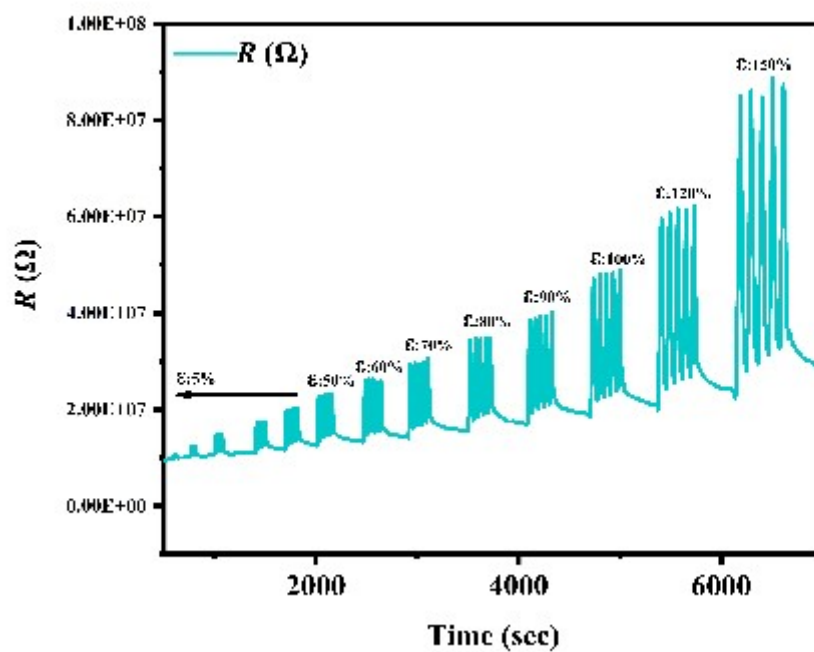
**Fig.S34** Changes in LED lights under various states of  $\text{Li}^+_{0.4}\text{-W-P-DA}_2\text{-4\%}$  composite film.



**Fig.S35** Tensile curve of  $\text{Li}^+_{0.4}\text{-W-P-DA}_2\text{-4\%}$  composite film.



**Fig.S36** Time related resistance variation of  $\text{Li}^+_{0.4}\text{-W-P-DA}_2\text{-4\%}$  film.



**Fig.S37** Time related resistance variation under different strains.