## **Supporting Information**

## Periodic organosilica hollow nanospheres as anode materials for lithium ion rechargeable batteries



Figure S1. TEM pictures of: (A) PS–PVP–PEO and (B) PS-*b*-PMAPTAC-*b*-PEO micelles.



**Figure S2.** FT IR spectra of hollow silica nanospheres: (A) benzene silica hollow sphere (BS-HS) before solvent extraction; (B)–(D) refers to benzene silica (BS-HS), ethylene silica (ES-HS), and ethylene-dipropyldisulfide silica (EDS-HS) hollow nanospheres, respectively, after solvent extraction.



**Figure S3.** TEM pictures of ES–HS with BTES/PVP ratio 25.



**Figure S4.** Nitrogen sorption isotherm and pore-size distribution curves (inset) of BS–HS (sample D) synthesized in alkaline medium.



Figure S5. Raman spectrum of ethylene-dipropyldisulfide hollow silica nanosphere.



Figure S6. Cyclic performance of dense silica powder at 1 C rate between 0.0 and 2.5 V vs. Li/Li<sup>+</sup>.

Samples	Particles	Void space	Shell thickness	BET <sup>b</sup> surface	Pore volume <sup>a</sup>
	diameter/nm <sup>a</sup>	diameter/nm <sup>a</sup>	/nm <sup>a</sup>	$area/m^2g^{-1}$	$/  {\rm cm}^3 {\rm g}^{-1}$
BS-HS (sample A) <sup>c</sup>	$30.5\pm1.5$	$17.5\pm1.4$	$6.5\pm0.5$	436	1.03
(PS-PVP-PEO)					
ES-HS (sample B) <sup>c</sup>	$30.3\pm1.5$	$17\pm1.7$	$6.6\pm0.5$	465	1.30
(PS-PVP-PEO)					
EDS-HS (sample C) <sup>c</sup>	$31.8 \pm 1.5$	$15.8 \pm 1.5$	$8.0 \pm 1.0$	411	0.94
(PS-PVP-PEO) BS-HS (sample D) <sup>d</sup>	$34.6 \pm 1.5$	$16.2\pm1.5$	$9.2 \pm 1.0$	429	1.48
(PS-PMATAC-PEO)					
ES-HS <sup>e</sup>	$34.1\pm1.5$	$15.8 \pm 1.5$	$9.1 \pm 1.0$	383	0.85

## Table S1. Physical characteristics of organosilica hollow nanospheres

<sup>a</sup>Void space diameter, wall thickness, and particles diameter were calculated from TEM image.

<sup>b</sup>BET surface areas and pore volumes were obtained from nitrogen adsorption/desorption analyses.

<sup>c</sup>Hollow silica nanospheres were synthesized in acidic-medium using PS–PVP–PEO.

<sup>d</sup>Benzene silica was prepared in alkaline-medium using PS-PMAPTAC-PEO.

<sup>e</sup>PVP: BTES ratio is 1: 25.