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Silicon-Enhanced PVA Hydrogels, Applications in Flexible Sensors: Mechanism, Apply and Recycle

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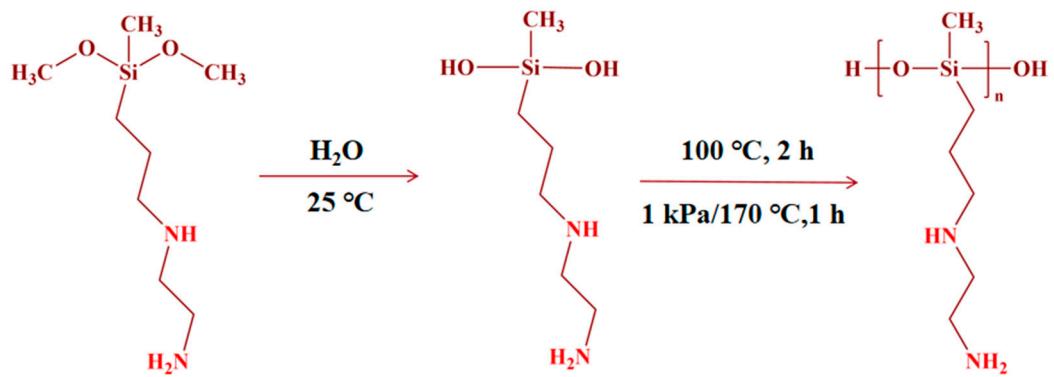


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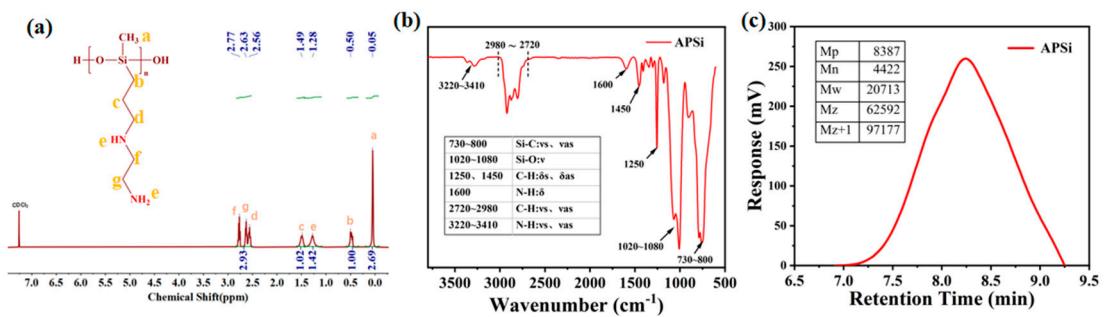


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Table S1 Composition and water content of the PVA-APSi-EDTA hydrogel

Hydrogels	PVA (g)	APSi (g)	EDTA (g)	DI (ml)	Water content (%)
PVA	6	0	0	54	93.21
PVA-APSi-EDTA ₀	6	3	0	51	88.53
PVA-APSi-EDTA _{0.5}	6	3	0.5	50.5	86.89
PVA-APSi-EDTA _{0.75}	6	3	0.75	50.25	87.64
PVA-APSi-EDTA ₁	6	3	1	50	86.72
PVA-APSi-EDTA _{1.25}	6	3	1.25	49.75	87.44

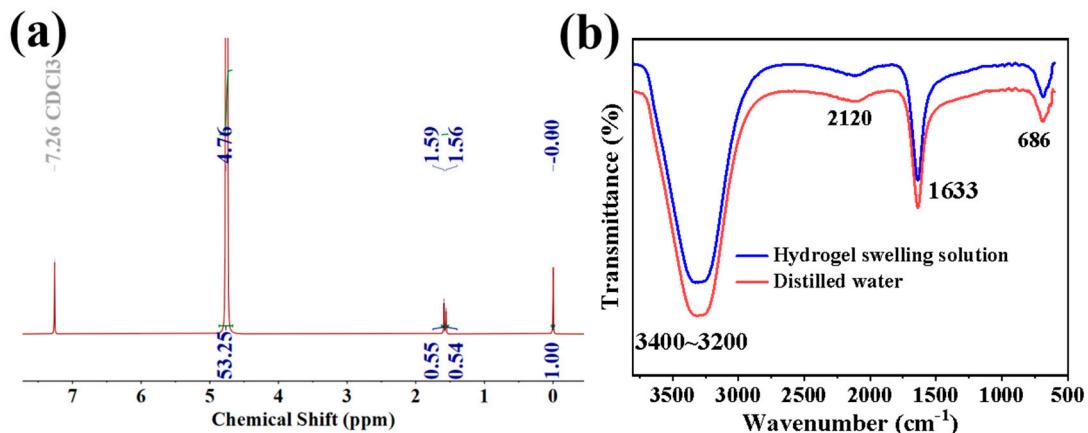


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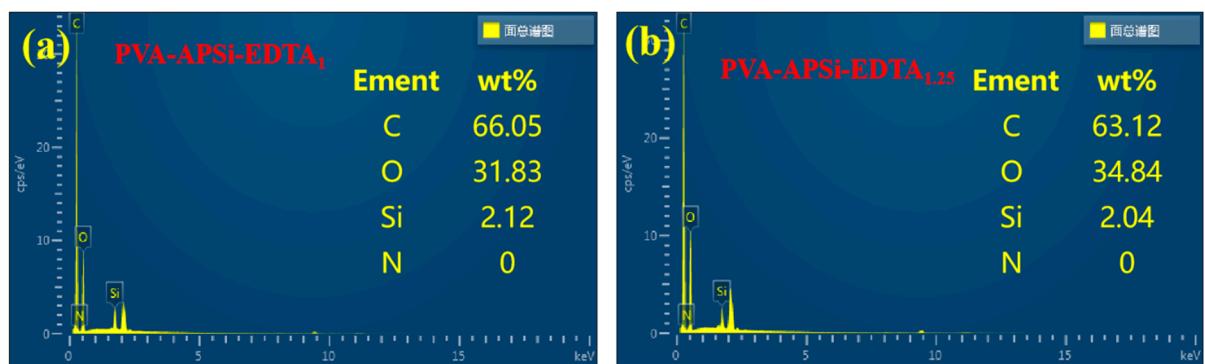


Figure S4 Total elemental composition of the sample. (a)PVA-APSi-EDTA₁, (b)PVA-APSi-EDTA_{1.25}.

Table S2 Mechanical properties of the hydrogel

Hydrogels	Tensile strength (MPa)	Elongation (%)	Toughness (MJ/m ³)
PVA	0.071	216	0.058
PVA-APSi-EDTA ₀	0.461	243	0.436
PVA-APSi-EDTA _{0.5}	0.659	331	0.803
PVA-APSi-EDTA _{0.75}	1.054	353	1.423
PVA-APSi-EDTA ₁	1.461	357	2.170
PVA-APSi-EDTA _{1.25}	0.953	397	1.361

Table S3 Electrical properties of the hydrogel

Hydrogels	Conductivity (S/cm)	Gauge factor (GF)	Correlation coefficient (r)	Linear coefficient (R ²)	Linear fitting curve
PVA	0.110	GF=2.093	r=0.997	R ² =0.995	y=2.093x-8.042
PVA-APSi-EDTA ₀	0.820	GF=0.922	r=0.997	R ² =0.994	y=0.922x-4.213
PVA-APSi-EDTA _{0.5}	3.133	GF=1.436	r=0.998	R ² =0.996	y=1.436x-4.247
PVA-APSi-EDTA _{0.75}	7.033	GF=1.263	r=0.999	R ² =0.998	y=1.263x-3.049
PVA-APSi-EDTA ₁	10.967	GF=1.425	r=0.999	R ² =0.998	y=1.425x-4.224
PVA-APSi-EDTA _{1.25}	8.067	GF=1.083	r=0.998	R ² =0.997	y=1.083x-2.909

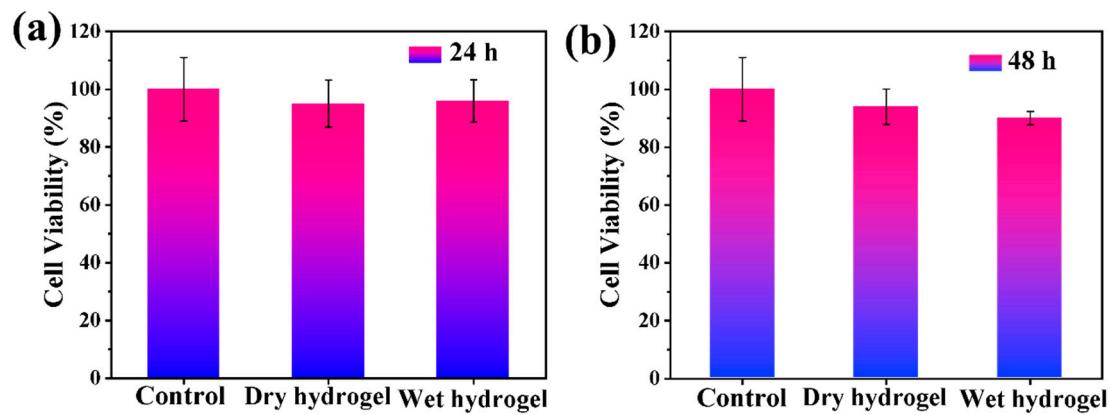


Figure S5 Relationship between cell viability and culture time. (a, b) Cell viability after 24h and 48h of culture.

Table S4 Adsorption pseudo-first-order and pseudo-second-order kinetic parameters of the hydrogel

C ₀ (mg/L)	q _{e1} (mg/g)	k ₁ (h ⁻¹)	R ₁ ²	q _{e2} (mg/g)	k ₂ (h ⁻¹)	R ₂ ²
50	9.039	1.250	0.988	10.046	0.158	0.995
100	13.168	0.968	0.974	14.771	0.085	0.996
250	20.264	1.136	0.987	22.573	0.065	0.998
500	35.865	2.047	0.990	38.627	0.074	0.998

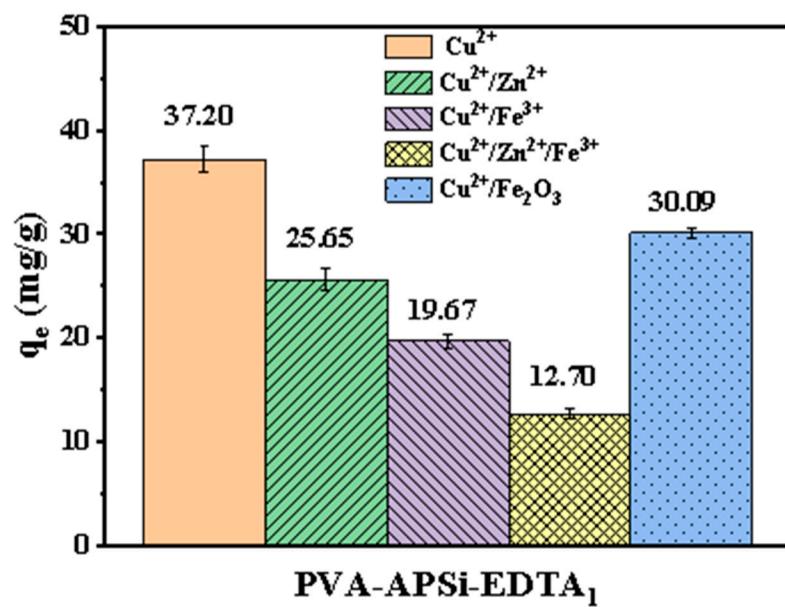


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