

Fatigue-free artificial ionic skin toughened by self-healable elastic nanomesh

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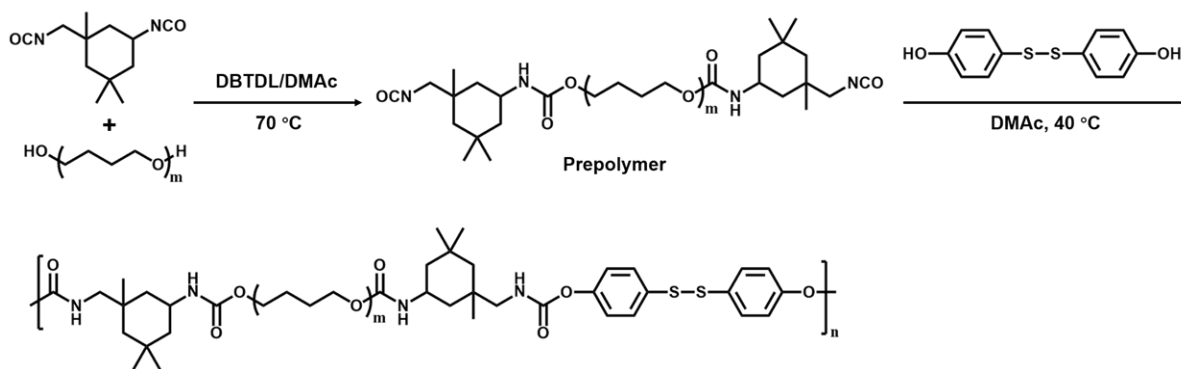
Extended Methods

Preparation of PAA/EMI ES ionogel and hybrid ionogel. The ionogel was prepared by mixing PAA solution (35 wt% in H₂O) and EMI ES with a mass ratio of 2:1. After degassing, the solution was poured into a polytetrafluoroethylene mold and ionogel formed in a constant temperature & humidity chamber (RH 60%, 25 °C) for 24 h. The synthesis process of hybrid ionogel was the same as that of hybrid ionic skin.

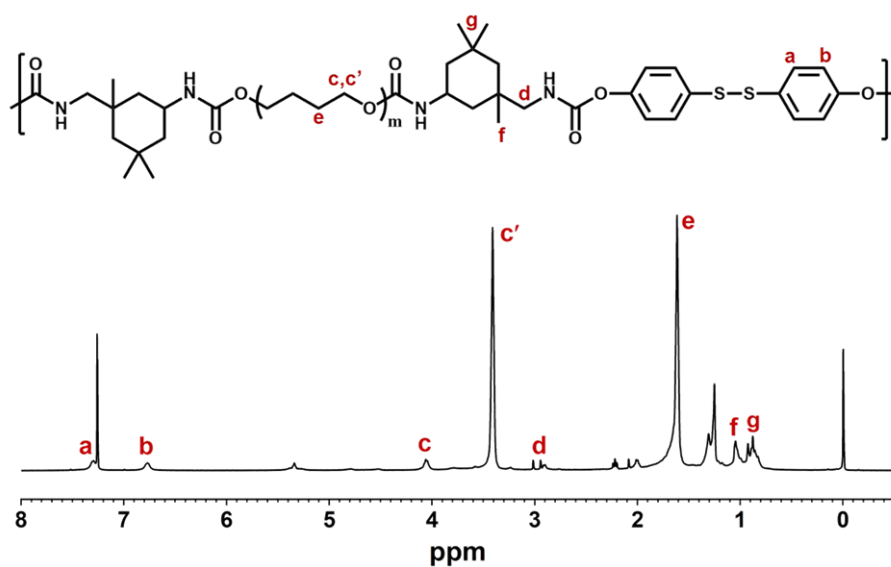
Preparation of PAA/PDMAEA-Q ionoelastomer and hybrid ionoelastomer. The precursor solution was prepared by mixing a cationic monomer DMAEA-Q and PAA (35 wt% in H₂O) with a mass ratio of 4:1 and 2-oxoglutaric acid (0.1 mol % with respect to DMAEA-Q) as the photoinitiator. The solution was polymerized by UV light at 365 nm for 1 h in a glass mold consisting of two parallel glass slides. The synthesis process of hybrid ionoelastomer was the same as that of hybrid ionic skin.

Two-dimensional correlation spectroscopy (2DCOS).

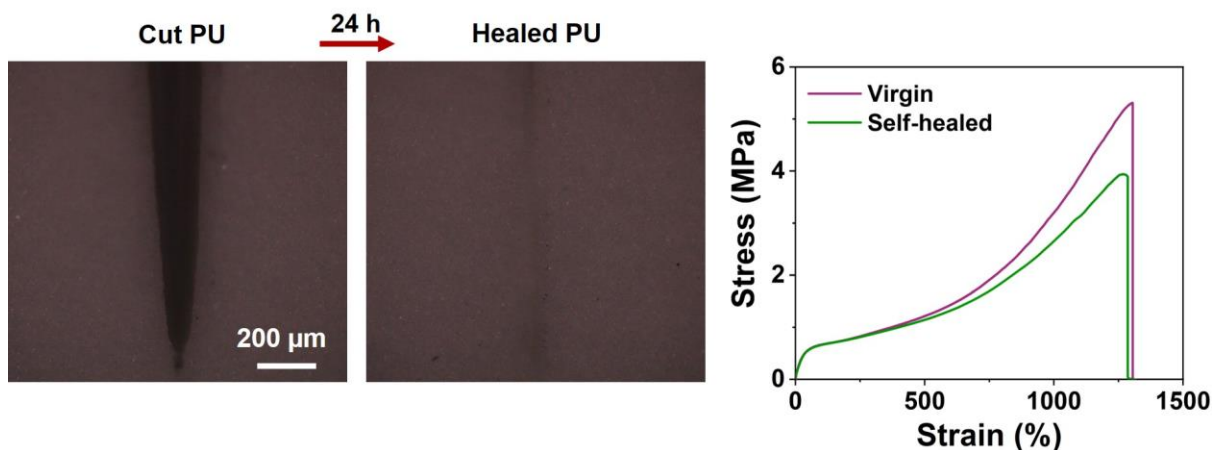
2DCOS is a mathematical method proposed by Noda, which is very suitable for tracking and analyzing the event sequence of spectral variations under various external disturbances, such as humidity, temperature, time, pressure, and other physical variables^{S1,S2}. By spreading the original 1D spectra in the second dimension, the spectral resolution can be effectively enhanced, allowing the extraction of hidden subtle information about molecular motions or conformational changes in addition to traditional analysis. 2DCOS generally consists of two kinds of correlation maps: one is synchronous spectrum reflecting the simultaneous change of two wavenumbers, and the other is asynchronous spectrum which can effectively improve spectral resolution. In the synchronous spectrum, there are auto-peaks and cross-peaks along and off the diagonal respectively, while in the asynchronous spectrum, there are only cross-peaks. According to Noda's rule, the sequence can be judged as follows: if the multiplication of the signs of cross-peaks (ν_1 , ν_2 , and assume $\nu_1 > \nu_2$) in synchronous and asynchronous spectra is positive, the change at ν_1 occurs prior to or earlier than ν_2 , and vice versa^{S3}. For convenience, in Supplementary Table 5, the same sign in synchronous and asynchronous spectra is represented by "+", otherwise it is represented by "-".



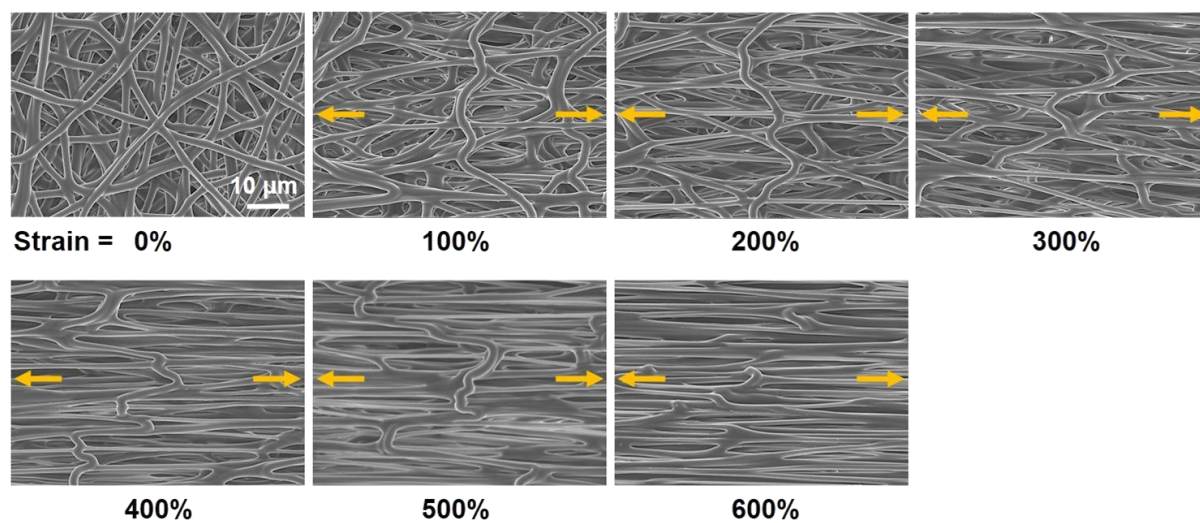
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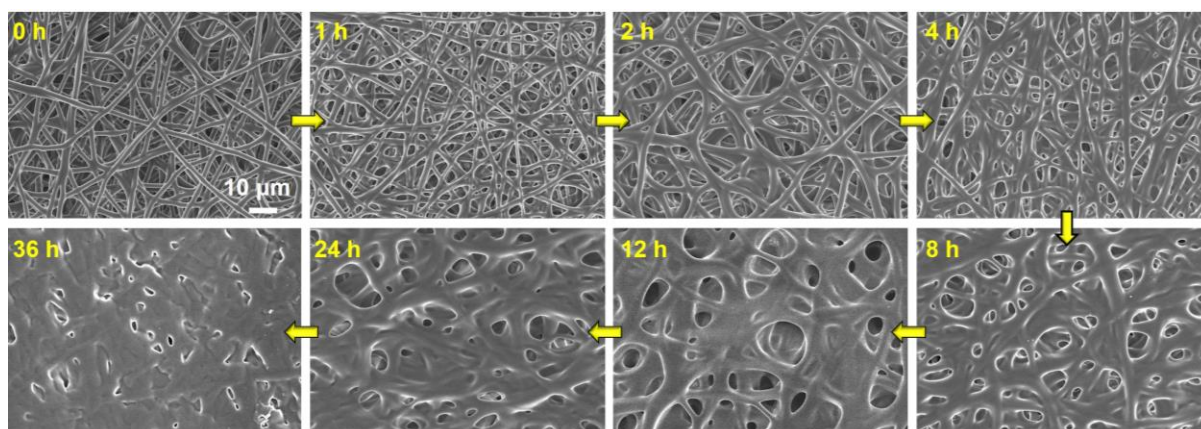
Supplementary Fig. 2. ¹H NMR spectrum of self-healing PU. The used solvent is CDCl₃.



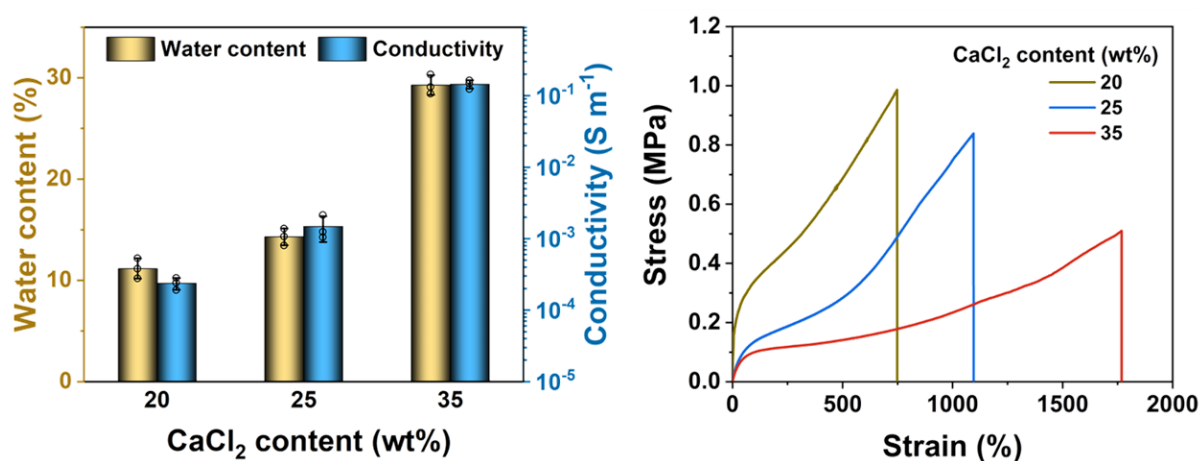
Supplementary Fig. 3. Optical micrographs and tensile stress-strain curves of a pre-cut PU film before and after healing for 24 h at 25 °C. The Young's modulus of PU film was calculated to be 2.8 MPa.



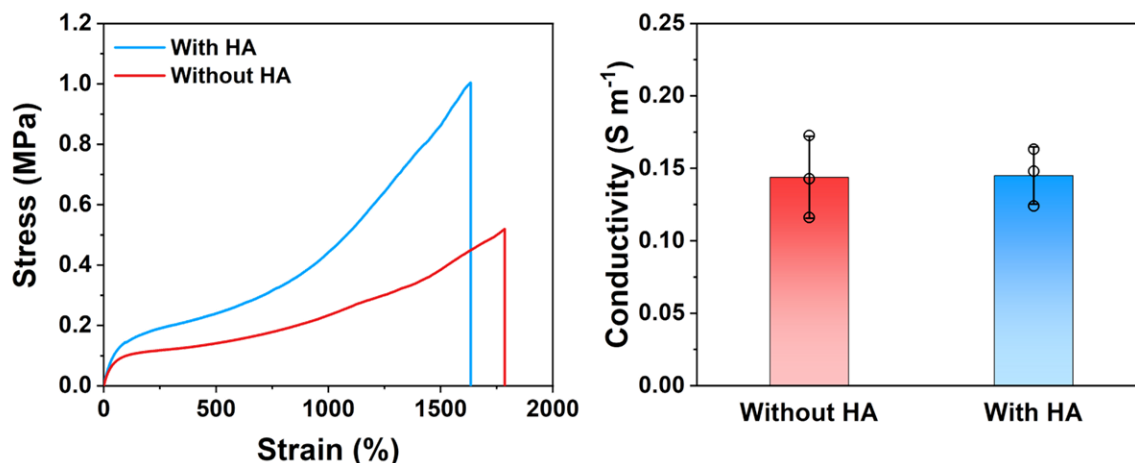
Supplementary Fig. 4. SEM images of self-healing PU nanomesh under different strains. The nanofibers are highly aligned in the stretched direction (indicated by yellow arrows).



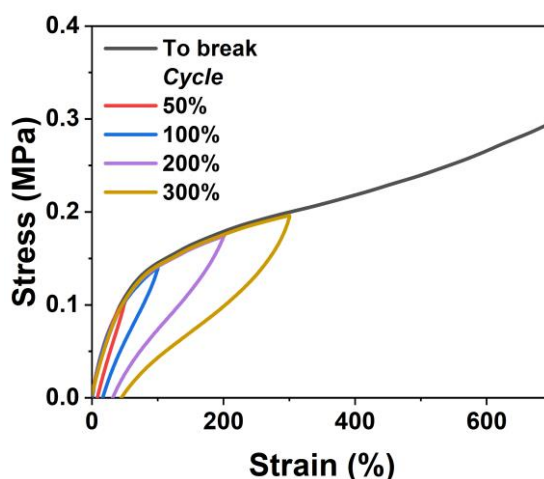
Supplementary Fig. 5. SEM images showed the time-dependent self-fusion process of self-healing PU nanomesh at 25 °C.



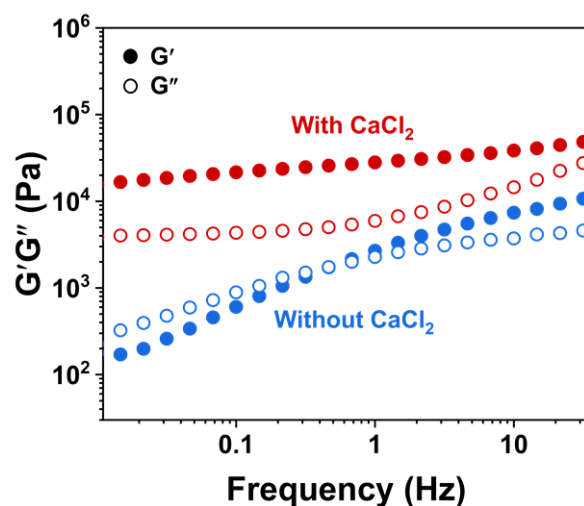
Supplementary Fig. 6. Water contents, ionic conductivities, and stress-strain curves of P(AAm-co-AA)/CaCl₂ ionic matrices with different CaCl₂ contents. The CaCl₂ content is referred to the weight proportion in the dry samples. Otherwise stated, all the samples mentioned hereafter have reached moisture equilibrium under RH 60%, 25 °C. Data are presented as mean values ± SD, n = 3 independent samples.



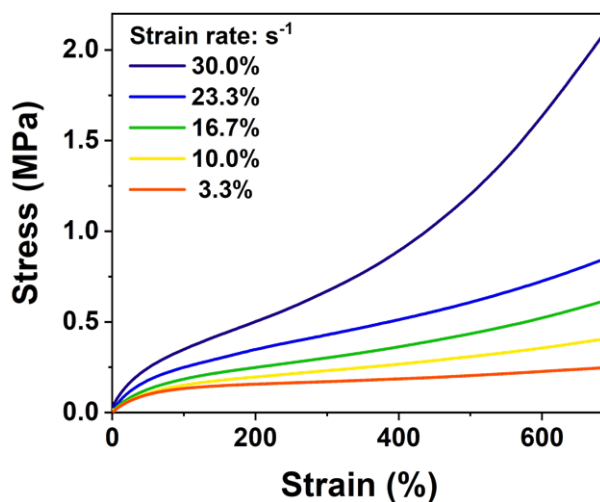
Supplementary Fig. 7. Stress-strain curves and ionic conductivities of P(AAm-*co*-AA)/CaCl₂ ionic matrices with/without HA. The added content of HA is 1 wt% with respect to P(AAm-*co*-AA). The CaCl₂ content is kept at 35 wt%. The addition of HA increased the tensile strength of P(AAm-*co*-AA)/CaCl₂ ionic matrix without sacrificing stretchability and ionic conductivity. Adding HA more than 1 wt% would significantly increase the matrix's modulus and reduce the stretchability. Conductivity data are presented as mean values \pm SD, $n = 3$ independent samples.



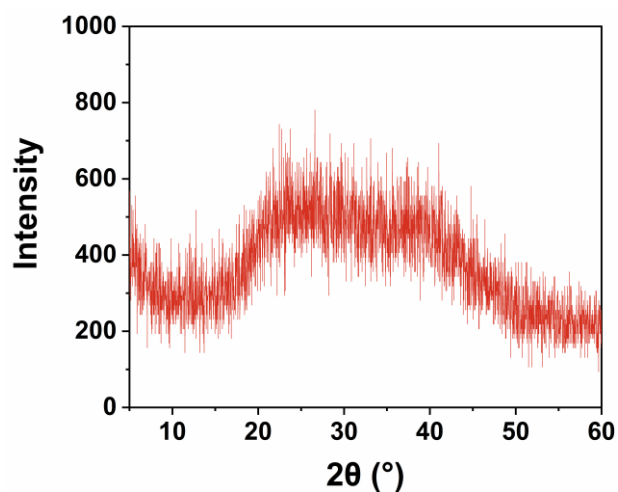
Supplementary Fig. 8. Cyclic stress-strain curves of P(AAm-*co*-AA)/HA/CaCl₂ ionic matrix at increasing strains. The strain rate was fixed to 3.3% s⁻¹, and waiting time was 15 min. In the presence of HA, the ionic matrix was highly elastic with almost identical loading curves to the single tensile curve to break. Obvious hysteresis loops are observed in the loading-unloading cycles, suggesting large energy dissipation through dynamic interchain crosslinks.



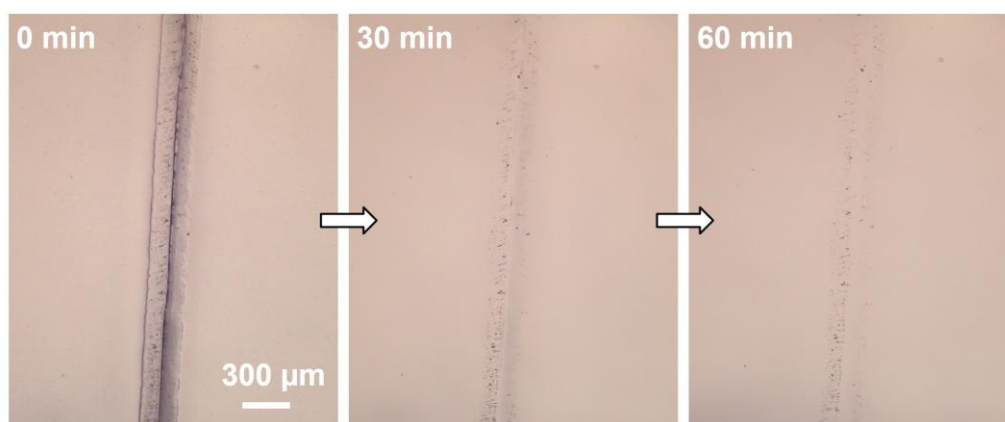
Supplementary Fig. 9. Frequency dependencies of the storage (G') and loss (G'') moduli of the P(AAm-*co*-AA)/HA aqueous solutions with/without CaCl_2 . The concentrations of polymer and added CaCl_2 are 45.5 wt% and 24.5 wt%, respectively.



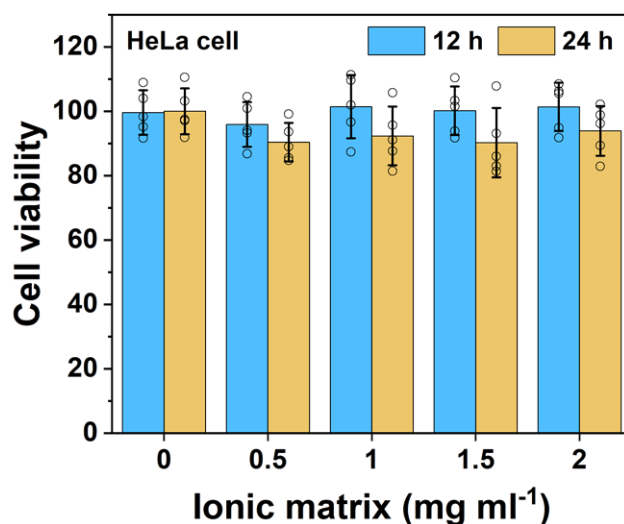
Supplementary Fig. 10. Strain rate-dependent tensile curves of P(AAm-*co*-AA)/HA/ CaCl_2 ionic matrix. The strain rate dependence reveals the supramolecular nature of ionic matrix.



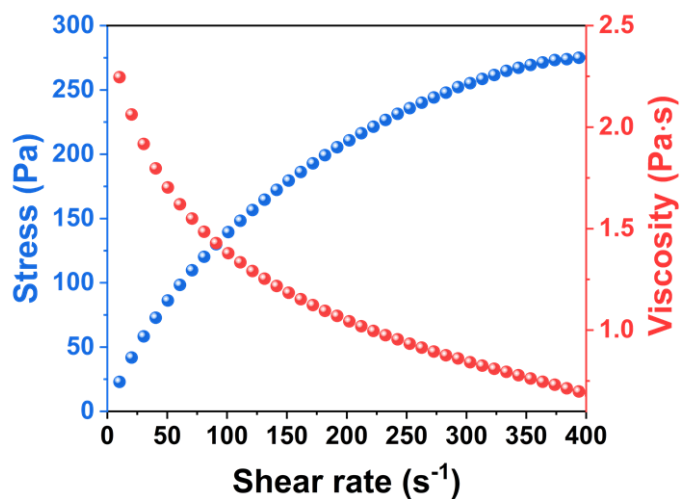
Supplementary Fig. 11. X-ray diffraction (XRD) profile of P(AAm-co-AA)/HA/CaCl₂ ionic matrix. There are no observed CaCl₂ crystallites, suggesting that CaCl₂ is fully dissolved in the polymer matrix.



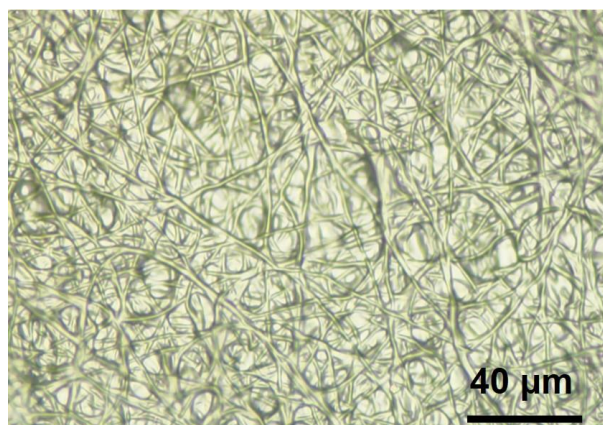
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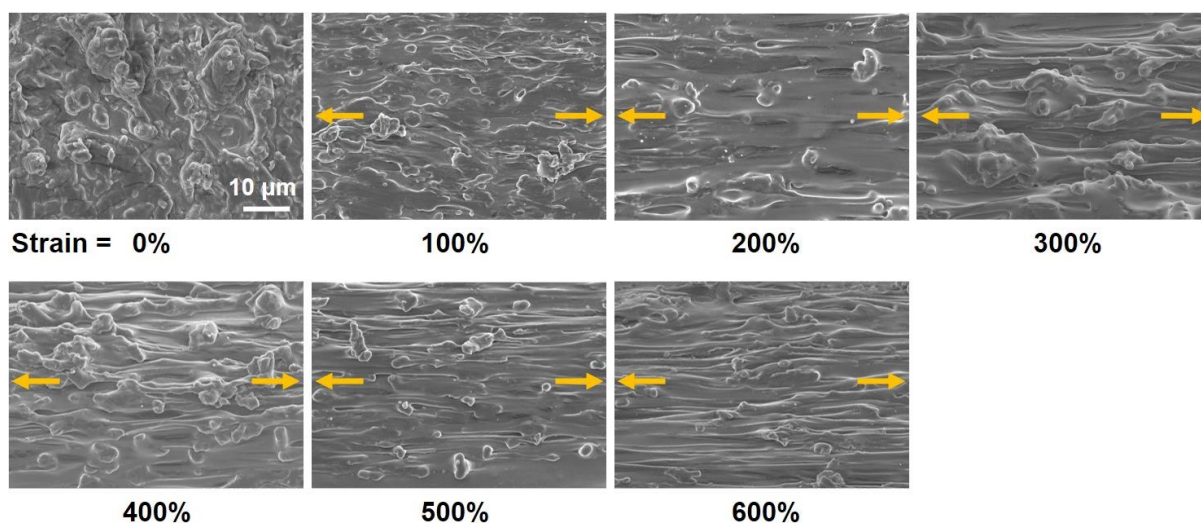
Supplementary Fig. 13. Cell viability test of HeLa cells incubated with different amounts of ionic matrix for 12 h and 24 h, respectively. The ionic matrix is proved to have very good biocompatibility (cell viability >90%). Data of cell viability are expressed as mean values \pm SD, n = 5 independent solutions.



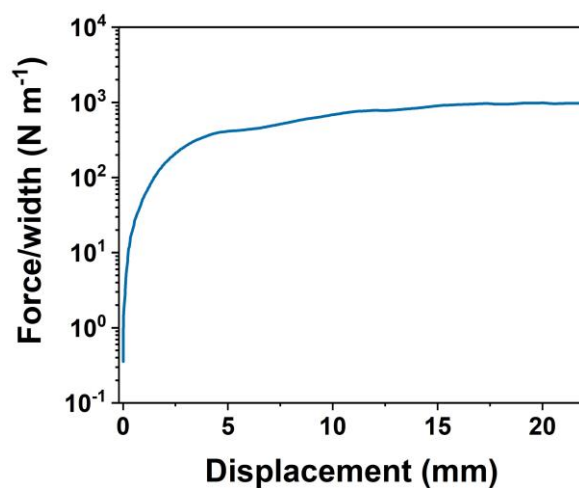
Supplementary Fig. 14. Shear-thinning behavior of the ionic matrix precursor. The precursor has a total polymer concentration of 10.8 wt% and CaCl₂ concentration of 5.7 wt%.



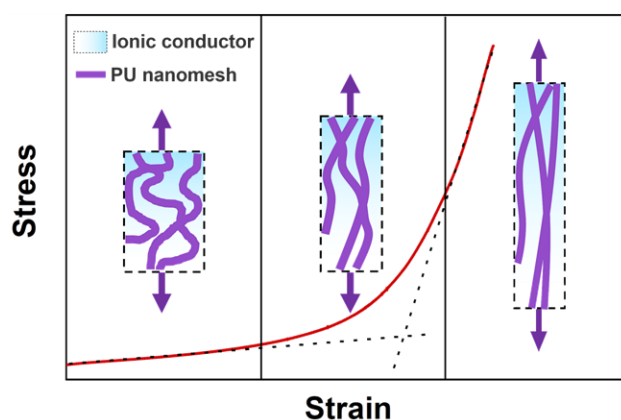
Supplementary Fig. 15. Optical microscopic image of hybrid ionic skin. It is observed that PU nanofibers are randomly distributed in the ionic matrix.



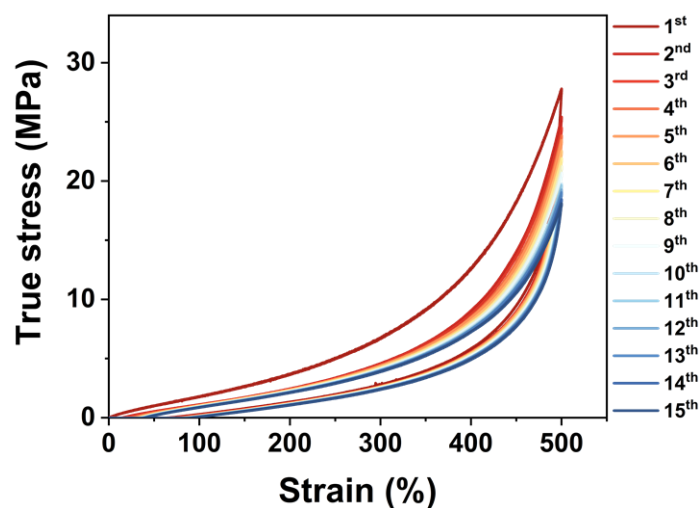
Supplementary Fig. 16. Cross-sectional SEM images of hybrid ionic skin under different strains. Yellow arrows indicate the stretching directions.



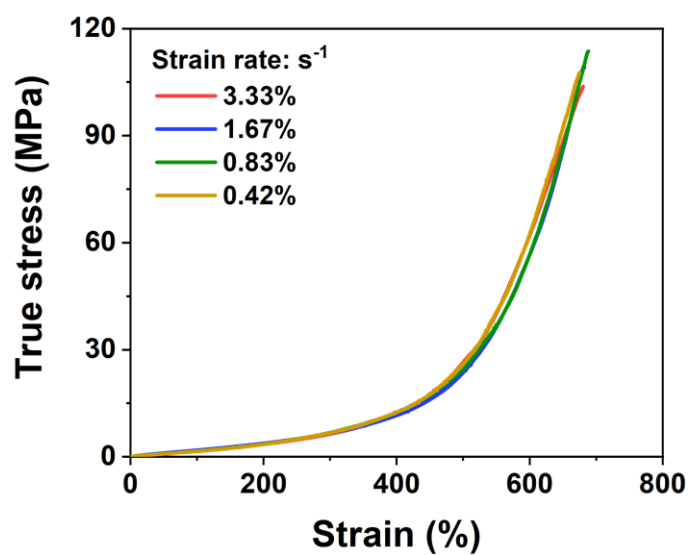
Supplementary Fig. 17. 90° peeling test for measuring the adhesion strength between ionic matrix and PU nanomesh. The strong fiber-matrix adhesion prevents debonding and sliding, reaching a very high interfacial toughness of $\sim 820 \text{ J m}^{-2}$.



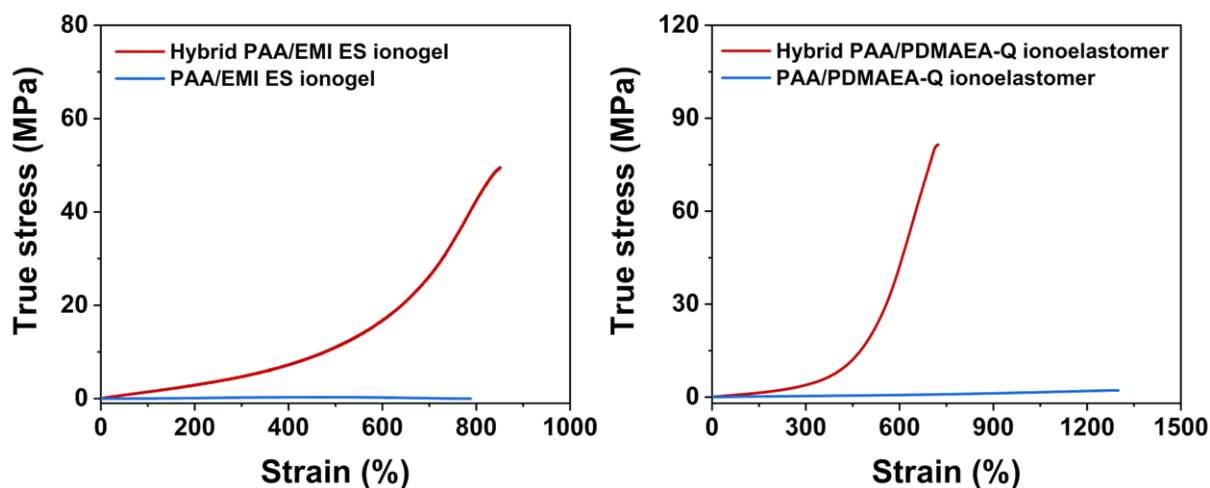
Supplementary Fig. 18. Schematic nonlinear elasticity of hybrid ionic skin. The strain-stiffening response is mainly due to the orientation and gradual load-bearing of PU nanofibers^{S4}.



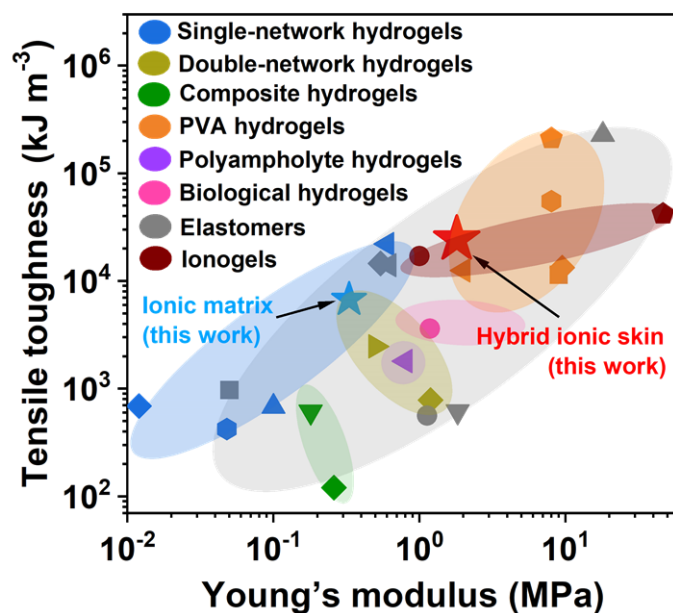
Supplementary Fig. 19. Cyclic tensile stress-strain curves of hybrid ionic skin at the fixed strain of 500%. Waiting time was set to 5 min.



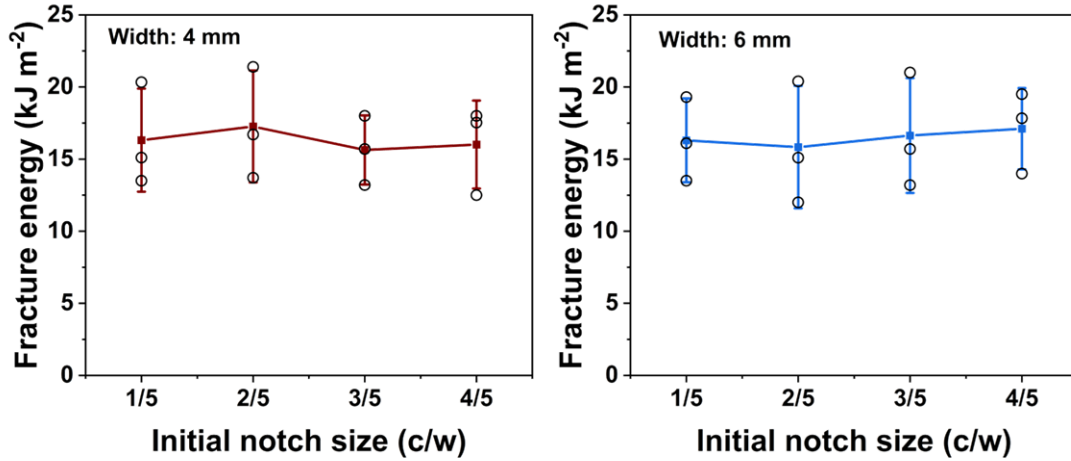
Supplementary Fig. 20. Tensile stress-strain curves of hybrid ionic skin at different strain rates.



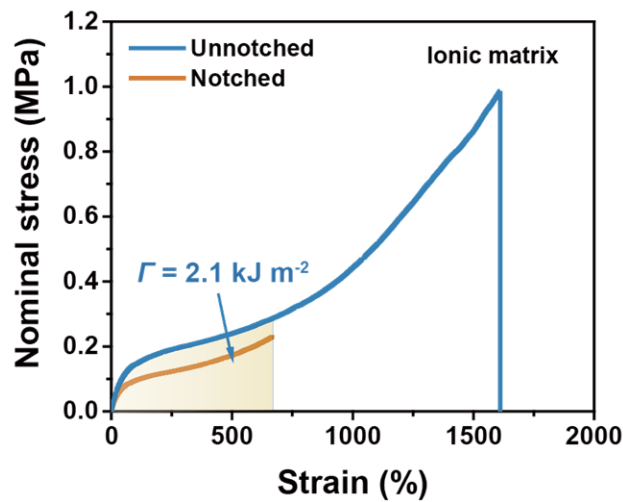
Supplementary Fig. 21. Stress-strain curves of PAA/EMI ES ionogel and PAA/PDMAEA-Q ionoelastomer as well as their nanomesh hybrid counterparts. After hybridizing with PU nanomesh, apparent J-shaped strain-stiffening behavior can be realized.



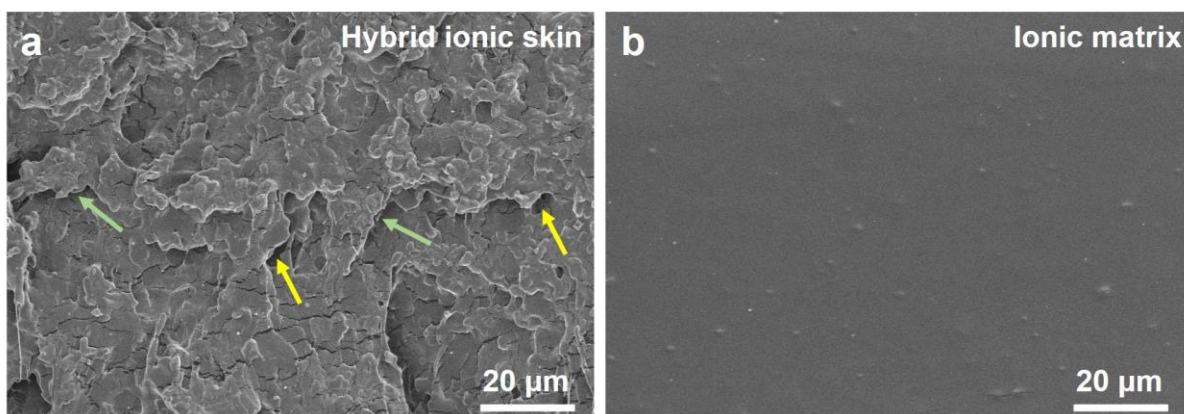
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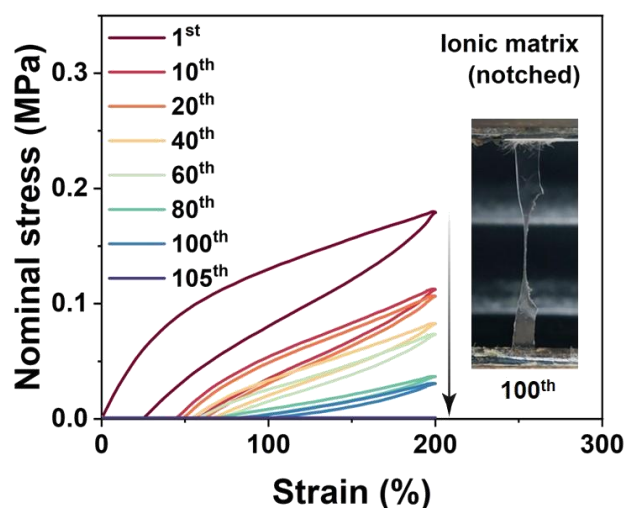
Supplementary Fig. 23. Fracture energies of hybrid ionic skin obtained from single-edge notch tension (SENT) tests with different initial notch sizes and sample widths. c is the notch size and d the sample width. The calculated fracture energy is almost independent of the initial notch size and sample width. Data are presented as mean values \pm SD, $n = 3$ independent hybrid ionic skins.



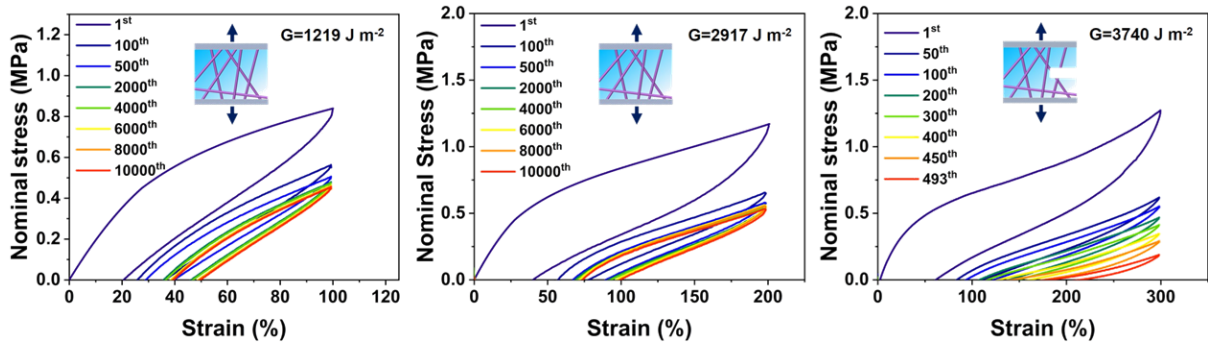
Supplementary Fig. 24. Nominal stress-strain curves of unnotched and notched ionic matrices. According to the single-edge notch tension test, the calculated fracture energy of neat ionic matrix is 2.1 kJ m^{-2} .



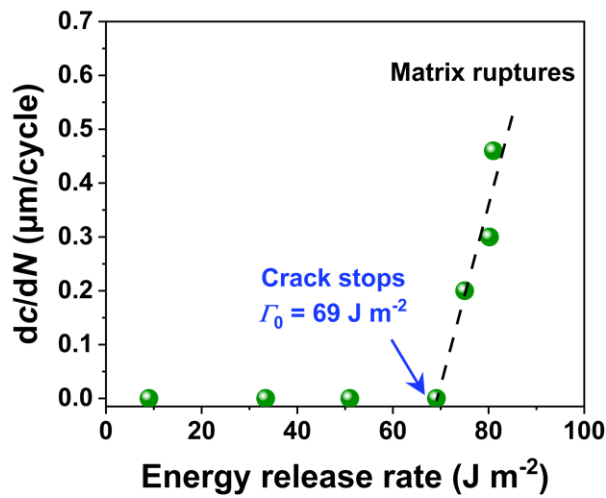
Supplementary Fig. 25. **a** SEM image of the fractured surface of notched hybrid ionic skin, which reveals a typical fiber-reinforced toughening mechanism from the signs of fiber pulling-out (yellow arrows) and crack deflection (green arrows). Therefore, as stretched, the PU nanofibers can effectively blunt cracks from propagation by creating a number of force transfer lengths. **b** As a contrast, the notched ionic matrix showed very smooth fractured surface after tensile test, indicating a fast crack propagation behavior.



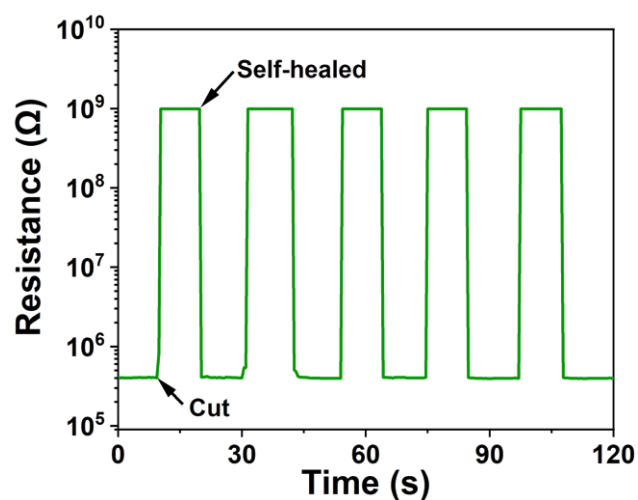
Supplementary Fig. 26. Cyclic tensile curves of notched ionic matrix at 200% strain. The inset is the stretched sample at the 100th cycle which was almost fractured.



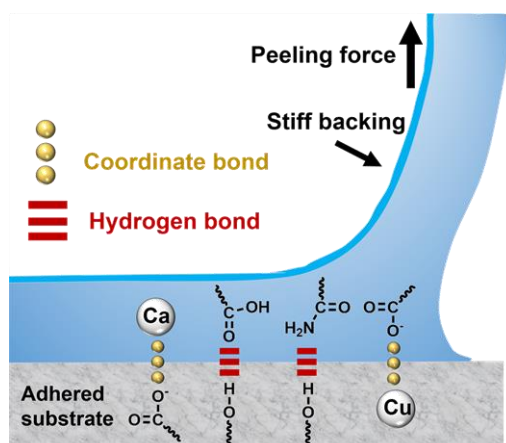
Supplementary Fig. 27. Stress decays of hybrid ionic skin at different energy release rates (G) in the fatigue fracture tests. When strain was smaller than 200% ($G \leq 2,917 \text{ J m}^{-2}$), the notch was always in the passivated state, and the notched sample could withstand 10,000 cycles' stretching without crack propagation. However, when strain was 300% ($G = 3,740 \text{ J m}^{-2}$), matrix rupture would occur.



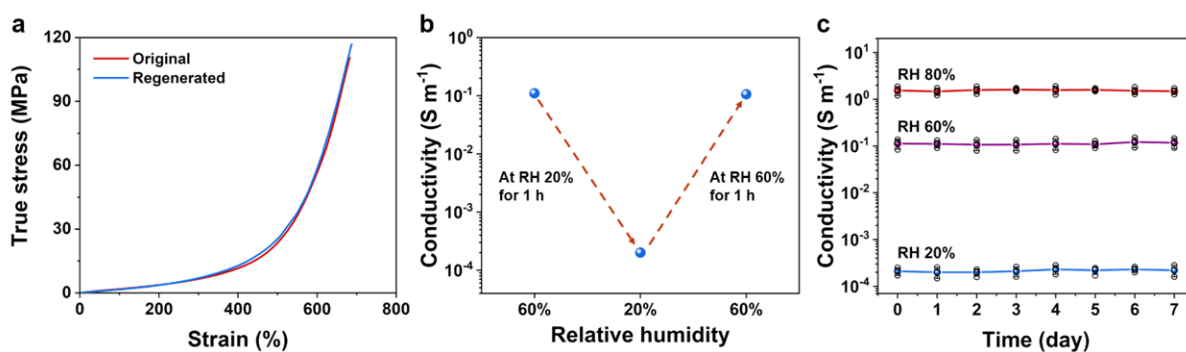
Supplementary Fig. 28. Crack extension per loading cycle, dc/dN , versus energy release rate for ionic matrix.



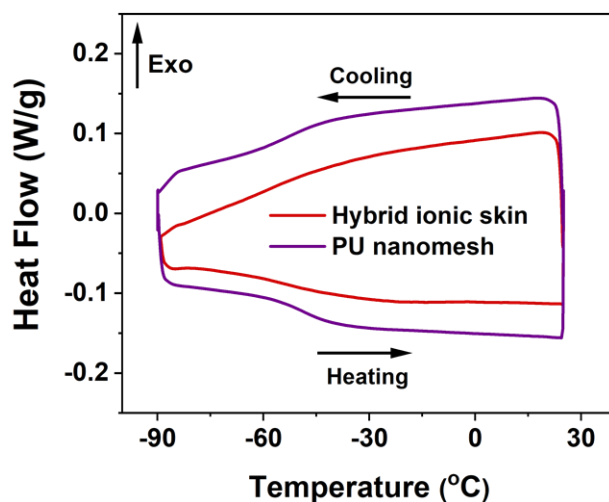
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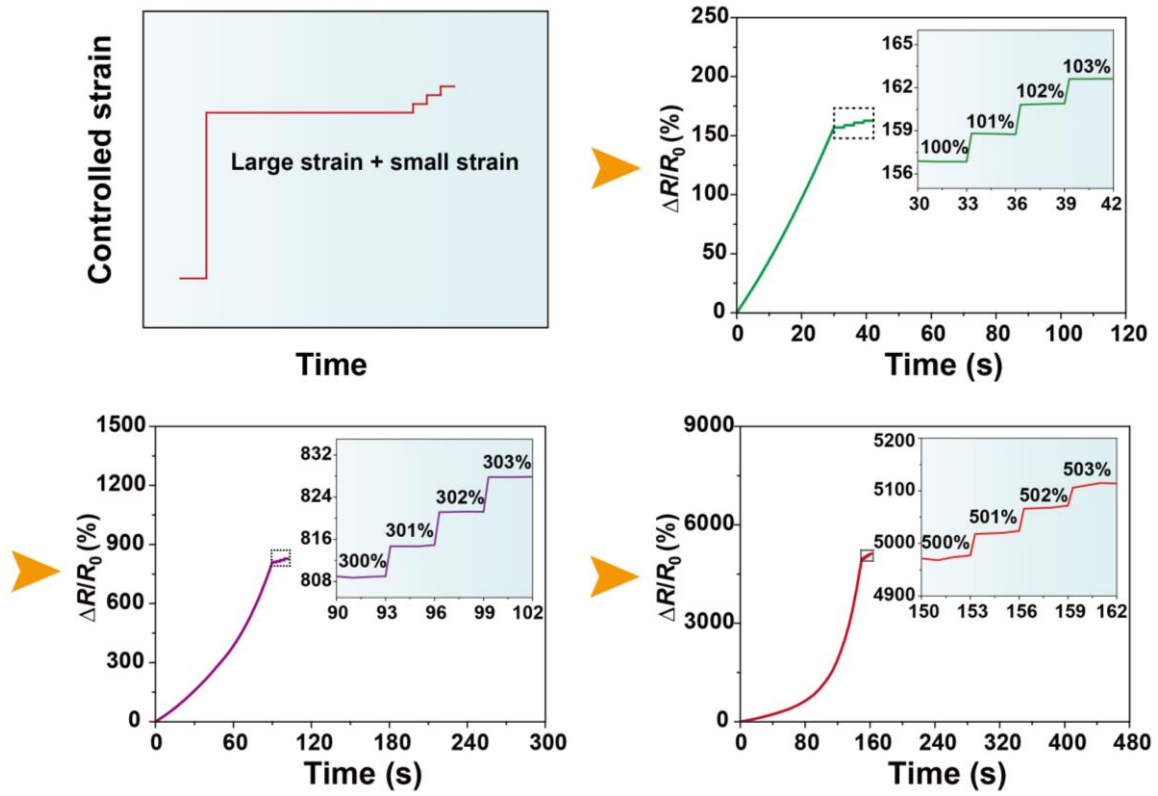
Supplementary Fig. 30. Schematic illustration of 90° peeling test for bonding strength and possible adhesion mechanism between hybrid ionic skin and various substrates. A stiff backing was introduced to prevent elongation of hybrid ionic skin along the peeling direction.



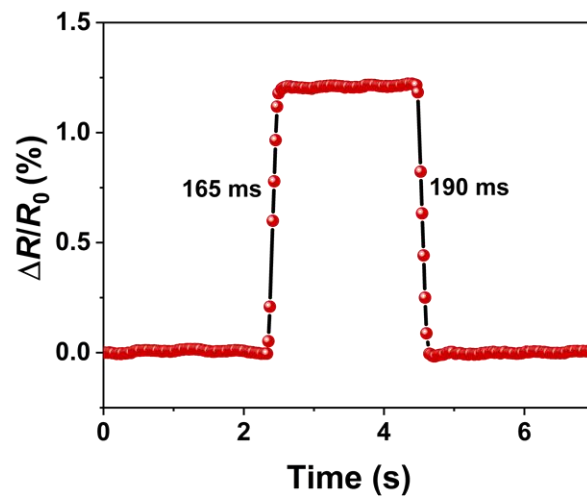
Supplementary Fig. 31. a,b Tensile curves and ionic conductivities of original and regenerated hybrid ionic skins. The regeneration process was performed by drying the sample at RH 20% and making it re-absorb moisture at RH 60% for 1 h. c Ionic conductivities of hybrid ionic skin within one week under different humidities at 25 °C. Data are presented as mean values \pm SD, n = 3 independent hybrid ionic skins.



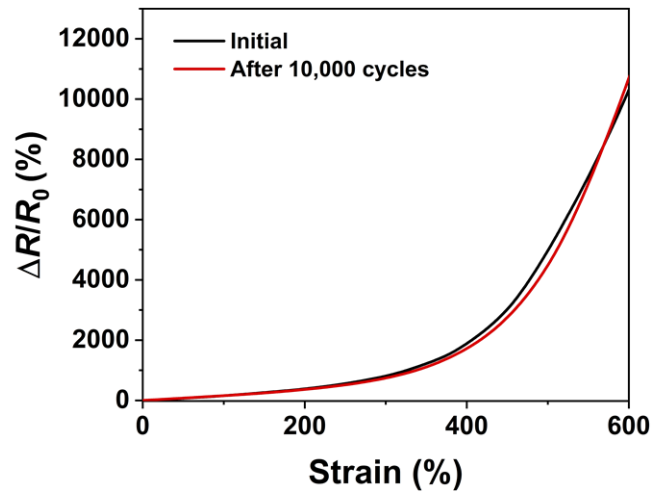
Supplementary Fig. 32. DSC heating and cooling curves of PU nanomesh and hybrid ionic skin equilibrated at RH 60%, 25 $^{\circ}C$. The hybrid ionic skin sample for DSC measurement contained about 30.5 wt% water, as evaluated by the weighing method after lyophilization. The glass transition temperature of PU nanomesh is about -42 $^{\circ}C$, low enough for most of anti-freezing applications without the loss of fiber's flexibility.



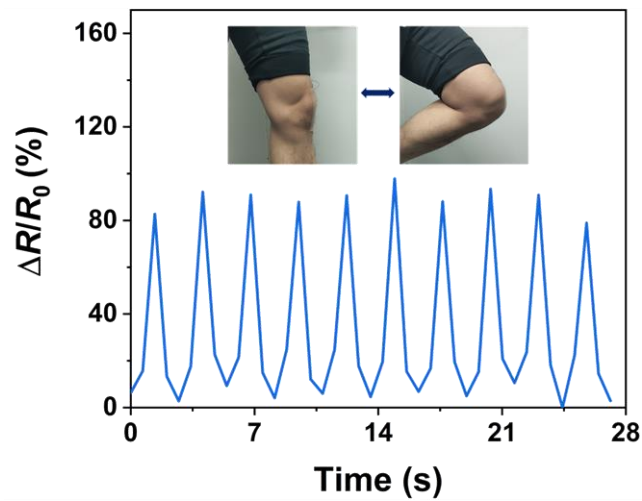
Supplementary Fig. 33. Resistance changes of hybrid ionic skin by superimposing gradient 1% strains on fixed strains (100%, 300%, 500%).



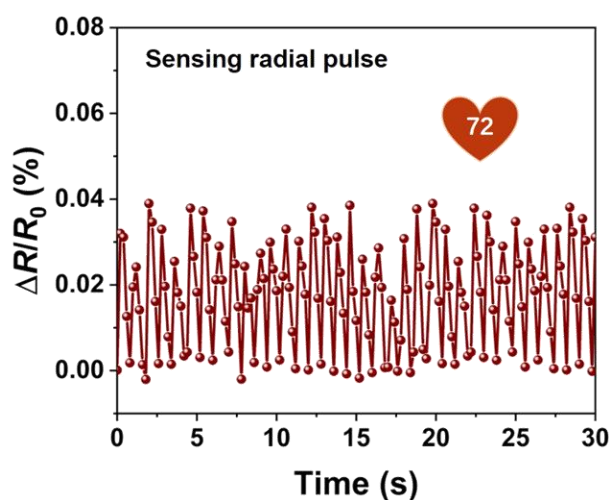
Supplementary Fig. 34. Response time of hybrid ionic skin sensor as stretched to and recovered from 1% strain.



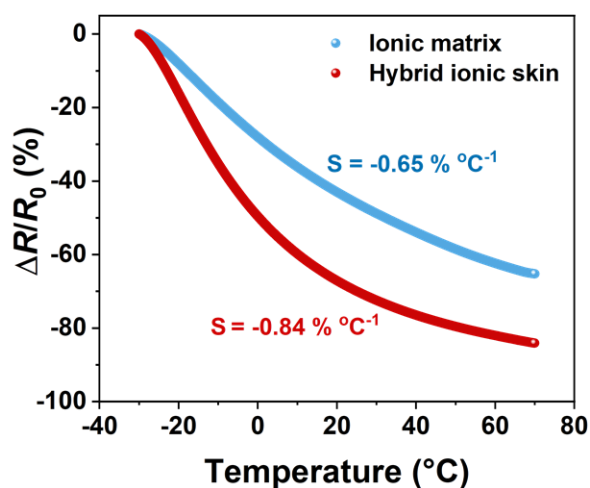
Supplementary Fig. 35. Strain-dependent resistance changes before and after stretching to 200% strain for 10,000 cycles.



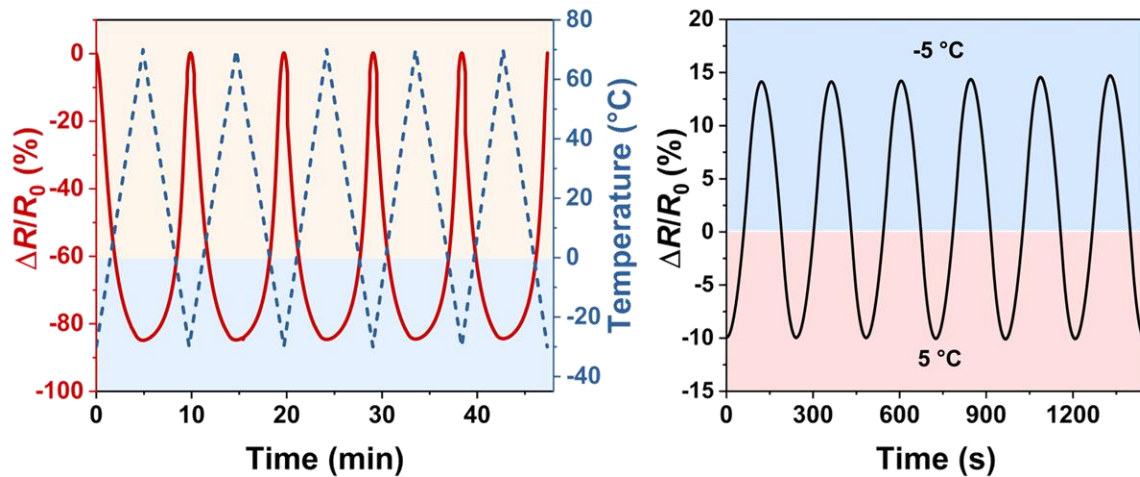
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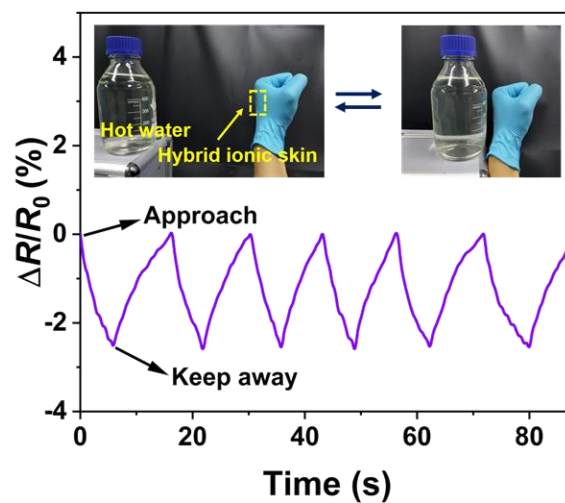
Supplementary Fig. 37. Monitoring human radial pulse by hybrid ionic skin attached on the wrist. By analyzing the output signal, the average radial pulse during relaxation was ca. 72 beats per minute.



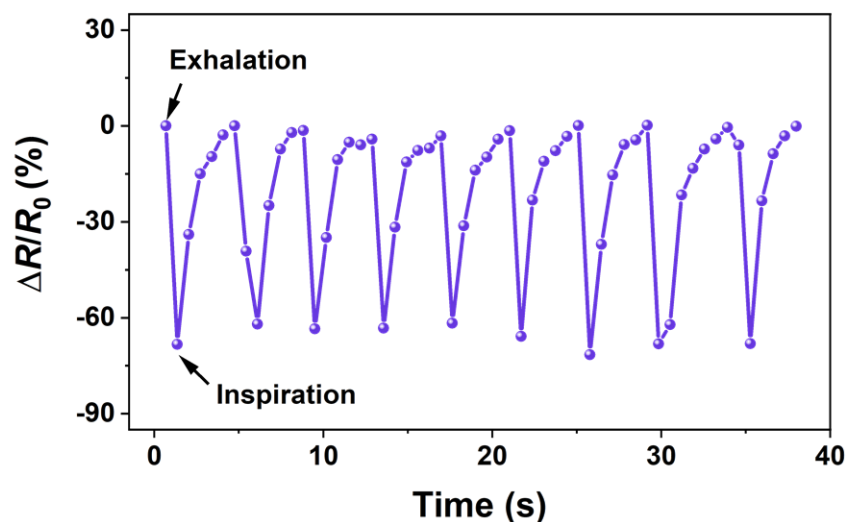
Supplementary Fig. 38. Temperature-dependent resistance changes of hybrid ionic skin and ionic matrix. The average thermal sensitivity of hybrid ionic skin is $0.84\% \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$, much higher than neat ionic matrix ($0.65\% \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$). This may be due to the higher coefficient of thermal expansion (CTE) of PU nanofibers ($170 \text{ ppm } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$) than ionic matrix ($67 \text{ ppm } ^\circ\text{C}^{-1}$), which exerts additional internal compression to ion-conducting channels as temperature rises.



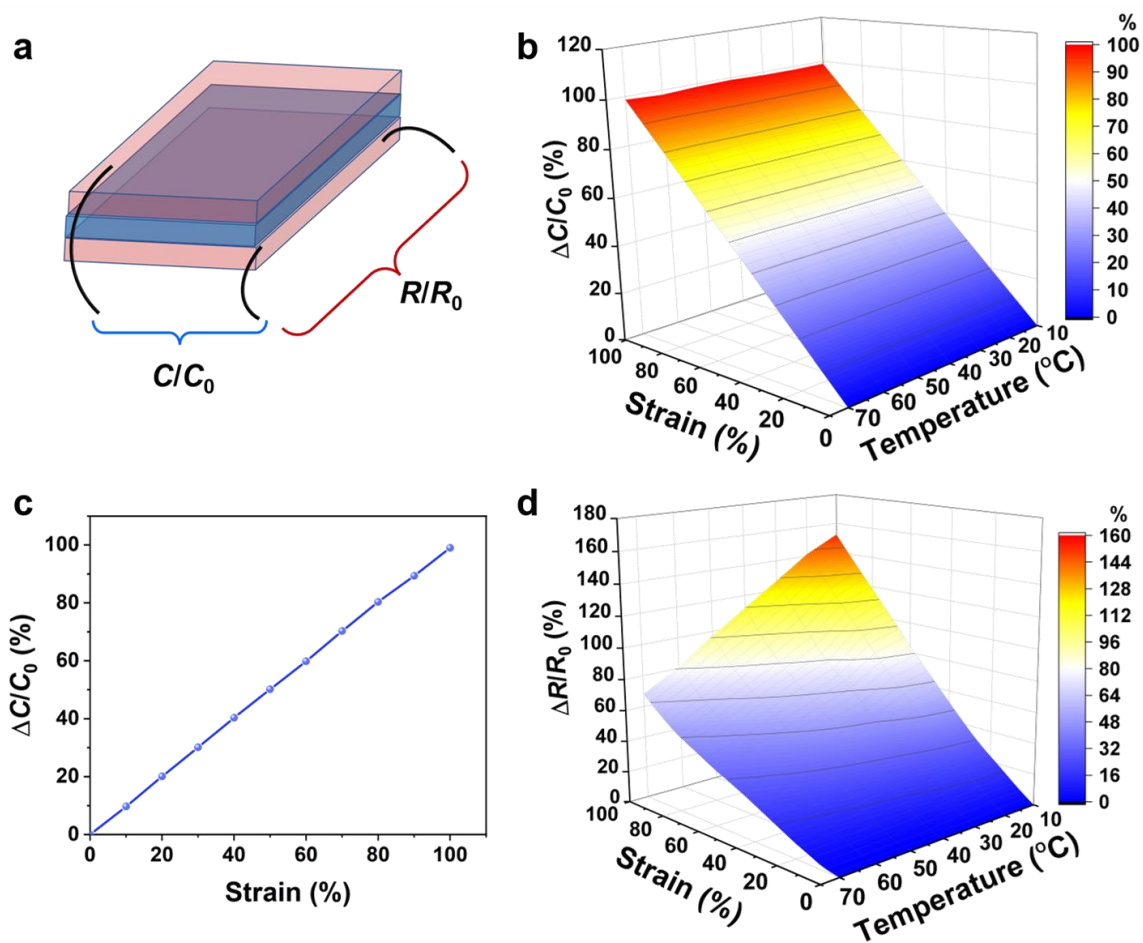
Supplementary Fig. 39. Temperature-dependent reversible resistance changes of hybrid ionic skin. The switching temperature ranges were set from -30 to 70 °C and from -5 to 5 °C, respectively.



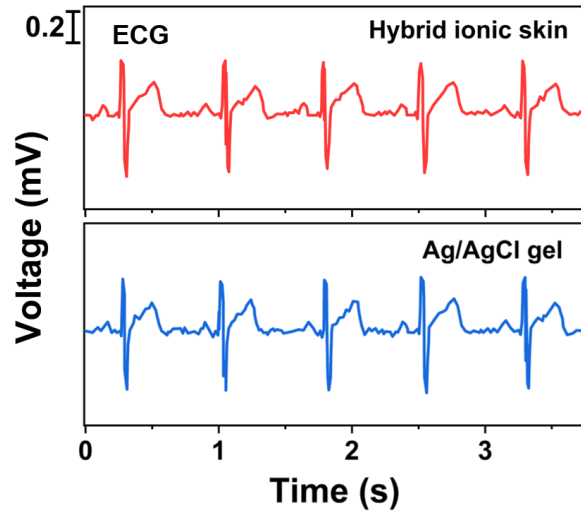
Supplementary Fig. 40. Real-time electrical response of the hybrid ionic skin adhered on human skin when a bottle of hot water (~90 °C) approached and moved away repeatedly.



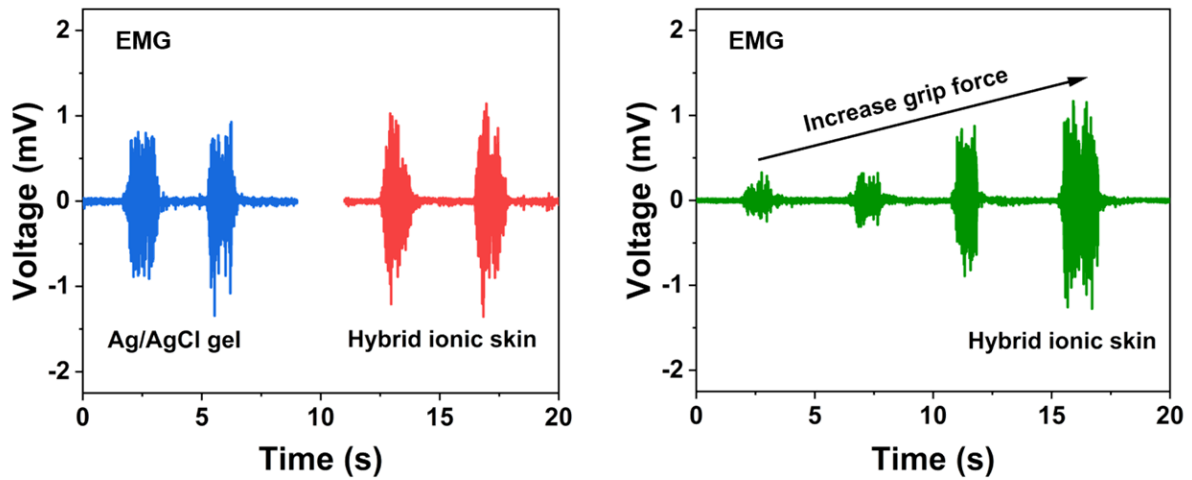
Supplementary Fig. 41. Monitoring human respiration by hybrid ionic skin. The breathing hybrid ionic skin immediately absorbed moisture from the exhaled high-humidity air, resulting in the instant increase of ionic conductivity, and thus reduced resistance. Conversely, when a person inhaled, dry air reached the sensor, generating a rising resistance.



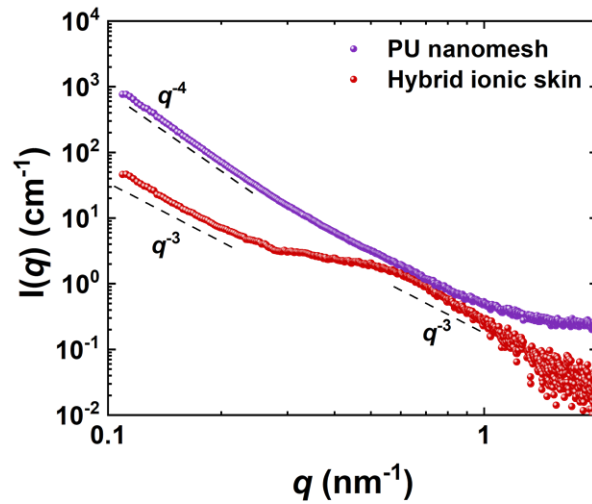
Supplementary Fig. 42. Decoupling the strain and temperature sensing by hybrid ionic skin-based capacitive sensor. **a** Schematic illustration of a multifunctional sensor (capacitance and resistance). The red layers and blue layer represent hybrid ionic skins and VHB elastomer, respectively. The sensor was encapsulated with VHB tape to avoid the influence of moisture on the sensing performance. **b** Strain- and temperature-dependent capacitive response. **c** Typical capacitance-strain curve of the sensor. **d** Strain- and temperature-dependent resistive response. It is clear that, the capacitance of the sensor is only sensitive to strain, yet the resistance is sensitive to both strain and temperature, which enables the decoupling of these two stimuli. At elevated temperatures, the strain sensitivities of resistance were significantly reduced. This is perhaps due to the promoted effect of strain-induced ionic conductivity increase, since at increasing temperatures the physical crosslinks in ionic matrix are weakened and thus network orientation becomes much easier.



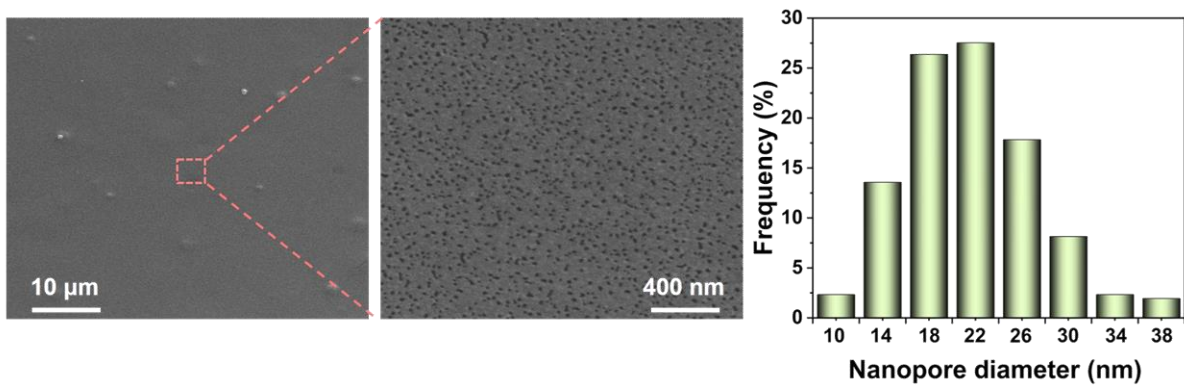
Supplementary Fig. 43. ECG signals of a volunteer recorded by hybrid ionic skin and commercial Ag/AgCl gel electrodes. The ECG waveforms obtained from the hybrid ionic skin electrode are almost identical to those obtained from the commercial gel electrode.



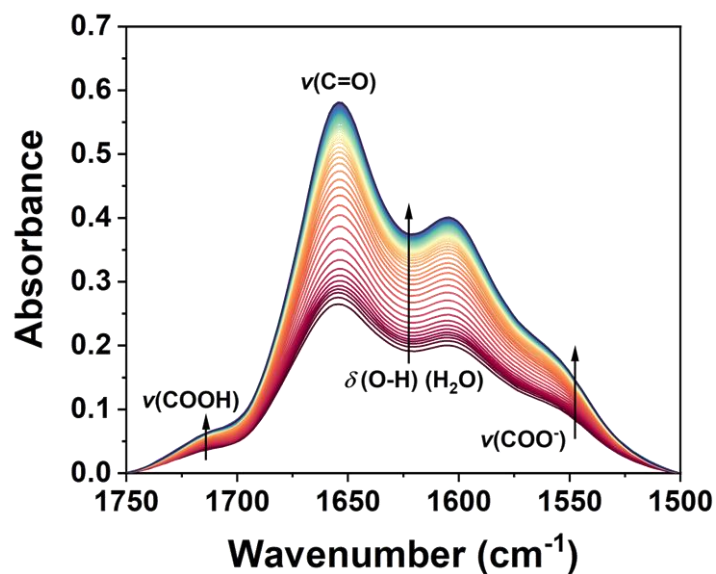
Supplementary Fig. 44. EMG signals of a volunteer recorded by hybrid ionic skin and commercial Ag/AgCl gel electrodes. For measurement, two pieces of hybrid ionic skins were discretely adhered on the inner forearm separated by a distance of 2 cm as a ground electrode and a measure electrode, respectively; another hybrid ionic skin as a reference electrode was placed at the elbow. The recorded EMG signals during repeated fist clenching and opening were reliable using the hybrid ionic skin electrode. Increasing the grip force induced larger EMG signals.



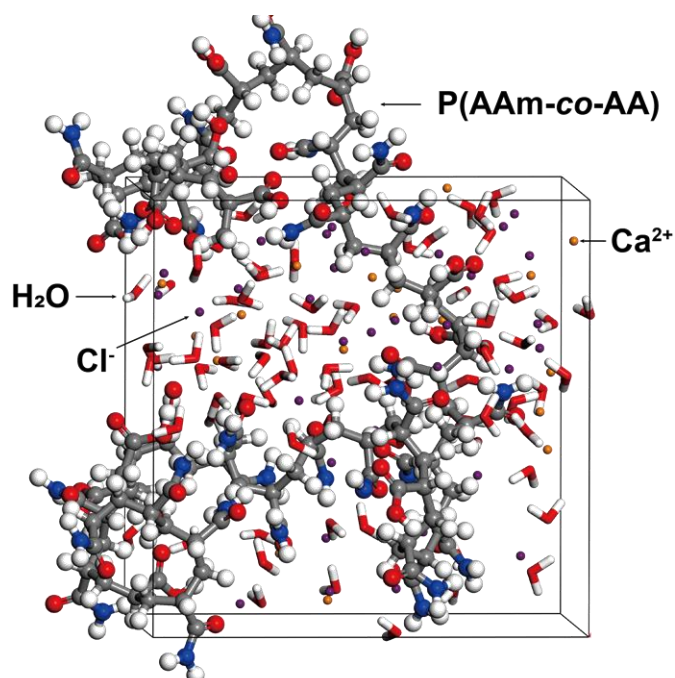
Supplementary Fig. 45. SAXS scattering intensity (I) vs scattering vector (q) profiles of hybrid ionic skin and PU nanomesh. The curves were integrated in the horizontal direction. Judging from the comparison, the plateau structure (corresponding to nanopores) appearing in the scattering curve of hybrid ionic skin above 0.3 nm^{-1} mainly arises from ionic matrix. Moreover, it is also revealed that the unstretched PU nanomesh is composed of a dense fiber skeleton with large open pore structure (q^{-4} scattering), and such a skeleton forms a hierarchical composite with ionic matrix.



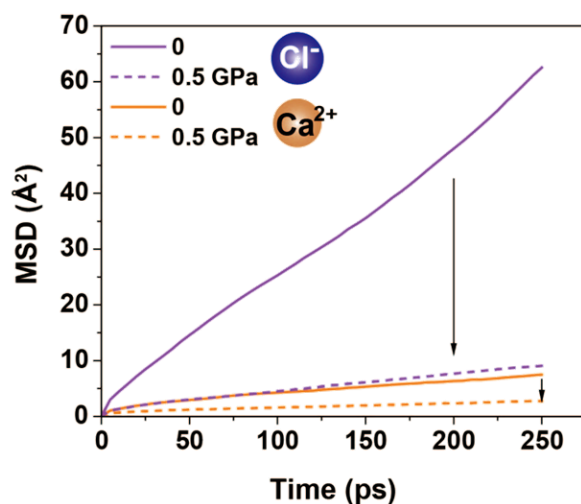
Supplementary Fig. 46. SEM images of vacuum-dried ionic matrix and statistical size distribution of nanopores. The mean size of nanopores is 21 nm.



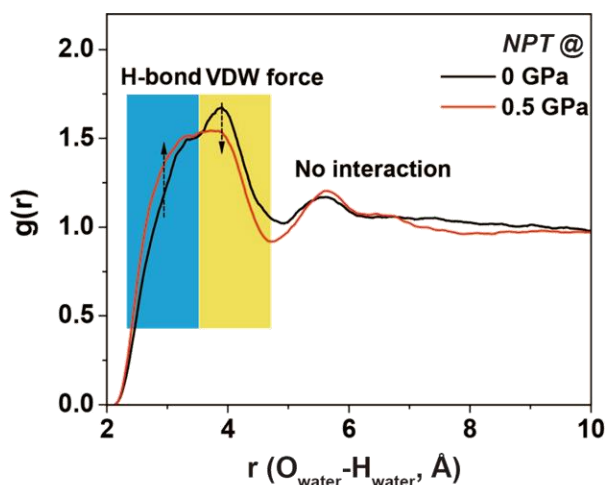
Supplementary Fig. 47. Time-resolved ATR-FTIR spectra of dried ionic matrix by absorbing moisture at RH 60%, 25 °C. The moisture-absorbing equilibrium finished in 50 min.



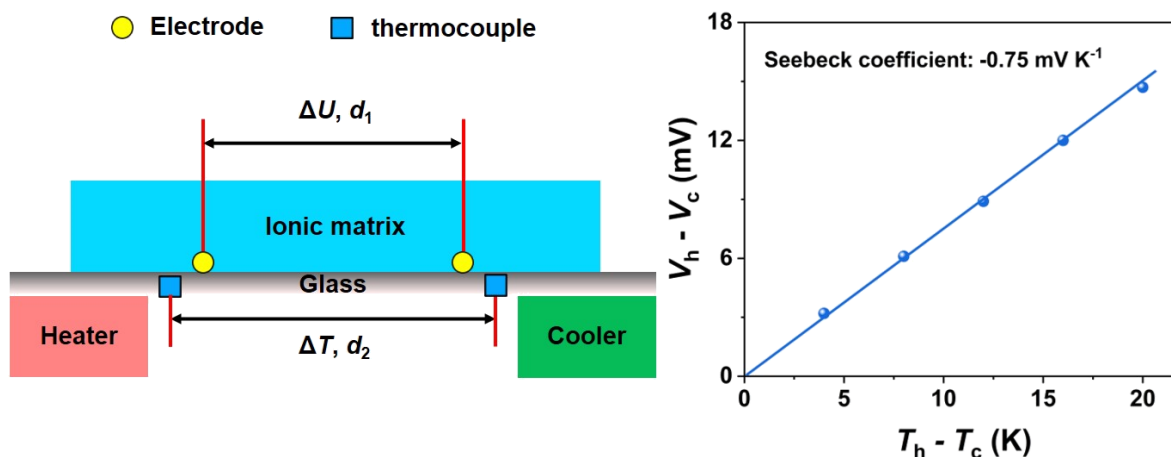
Supplementary Fig. 48. Amorphous cell of ionic matrix for molecular dynamics simulation. The cell contains one P(AAm-co-AA) chain with 40 repeating units, 20 CaCl₂, and 80 H₂O. The optimized cell shows that the polymer adopts a random-coil conformation with ions and water molecules homogeneously distributed.



Supplementary Fig. 49. Computed mean square displacement (MSD) curves of Ca^{2+} and Cl^- . Cl^- is more mobile than Ca^{2+} with a much higher diffusion coefficient, suggesting that Cl^- is the main charge carrier in the ionic matrix. Applying a pressure of 0.5 GPa to the cell significantly reduced the ion diffusion coefficients of both Ca^{2+} and Cl^- (for Ca^{2+} , from 2.9×10^{-6} to $1.1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$; for Cl^- , from 24.8×10^{-6} to $3.7 \times 10^{-6} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$), corresponding to the drastic reduction of ionic conductivity.



Supplementary Fig. 50. Radial distribution functions (RDFs) of O next to H atoms of water molecules under different pressures. Obviously, applying a conformational pressure induces the transformation from loosely associated water molecules to self-associated H-bonded ones, corresponding to water desorption from polymer chains.



Supplementary Fig. 51. Open-circuit voltage variations of ionic matrix with temperature gradient measured by self-made temperature gradient platform. The open-circuit voltage between the two platinum electrodes with a diameter of 0.2 mm were evaluated with a multimeter (Keithley 2182A), and the temperature differences (ΔT) between the two electrodes were measured by a multichannel temperature recorder (JK3000) equipped with *K*-type thermocouples. The thermoelectric Seebeck coefficient of ionic matrix was calculated as follows:

$$S_e = -\frac{V_h - V_c}{T_h - T_c} \frac{d_2}{d_1}$$

The measured negative Seebeck coefficient indicates a negative charge-dominating ion transportation behavior.

Supplementary Table 1. Comparison of the combinatory properties of human skin and hybrid ionic skin.

Properties	Human skin	Hybrid ionic skin
Stretchability (%)	< 80 ^{S5}	680
Initial modulus (MPa)	0.69-3.7 ^{S6,7}	1.8
Final modulus (MPa)	54.0-83.3 ^{S6,7}	67.5
Stiffness enhancement	15-70	37
Nominal strength (MPa)	~21.6 ^{S7}	14
Toughness (MJ m⁻³)	~3.6 ^{S6}	24.4
Fracture energy (<i>G</i>, kJ m⁻²)	1.7-2.6 ^{S8}	16.3
Fatigue threshold (<i>G</i>₀, J m⁻²)	N/A	2,950
Self-healing	yes	yes
Sensation	Stretch, heat, touch, shear, moisture, vibration, pain, etc.	Stretch, heat, moisture

Note: “N/A” indicates “not available” in the references. For skeleton muscle, $G_0 \sim 1,000 \text{ J m}^{-2}$ ^{S9}.

Supplementary Table 2. A rough comparison of mechanical performance among hybrid ionic skin and previously reported tough hydrogels and elastomers with fatigue resistance.

Materials		Self-healing	Young's modulus (MPa)	Toughness (MJ m ⁻³)	Fracture energy (kJ m ⁻²)	Fatigue threshold (J m ⁻²)	Refs.
Hybrid ionic skin		Yes	1.8	24.4	16.3	2950	This work
P(AAm-co-AA)/HA/CaCl ₂ ionic matrix		Yes	0.3	6.7	2.1	69	
Composite hydrogels	Stiff skeleton-reinforced hydrogel	No	~0.18	~0.61	~4.6	441	S10
	PDMS fiber-reinforced hydrogel	No	0.26	~0.12	4.1	1290	S11
	TPN hydrogel	No	~0.45	~0.65	4.2	N/A	S12
PVA hydrogels	Mechanical training PVA hydrogel	No	0.2	~2.0	N/A	1250	S9
	FC-A PVA hydrogel	No	8	~55	~84.6	2740	S13
	Dry-annealed PVA hydrogel	No	~9.5	~13.25	9	1000	S14
	HA-PVA hydrogel	No	~8	~210	175	10500	S15
	2D PVA/GO hydrogel	No	~9	~11.4	N/A	1500	S16
	PVA-ferro/ferricyanide hydrogel	No	~2	~12.5	17.9	2500	S17
Double-network hydrogels	PAAm/Ca-alginate hydrogel	No	~1.19	~0.781	3.4	35	S18
	PAMPS/PAAM hydrogel	No	~0.5	~2.47	3.8	418	S19
Single-network hydrogels	Highly entangled hydrogel	No	~0.1	0.68	1.46	200	S20
	PAA-G8 hydrogel	No	0.012	~0.69	~0.9	126	S21
	PAAm hydrogel	No	~0.048	0.42	0.6	64.5	S22
	Slide-ring gel	No	~0.6	22	3.6	N/A	S23
Elastomers	Ecoflex composite	No	~0.05	~0.97	5.7	500	S24
	PDMS composite	No	~1.13	0.56	~10	160	S25
	P(MEA-co-AMPS) elastomer	No	1.83	22	10.8	614	S26
	Highly entangled elastomer	No	0.54	~14.5	2.2	240	S20
	PDMS-MPU-IU elastomer	Yes	0.62	~14	12	N/A	S27
	PEGA-co-MMA-Li elastomer	Yes	18	228	~95	2682	S28
Ionogels	P(AAm-co-AA) ionogel	Yes	46.5	~44	24	N/A	S29
	Microsphere-reinforced ionogel	Yes	~1	19	87	2120	S30
Polyampholyte hydrogels	P(NaSS-co-DMAEA-Q) hydrogel 1	Yes	0.14	~9.75	N/A	71.1	S31
	P(NaSS-co-DMAEA-Q) hydrogel 2	Yes	~0.8	~1.8	~3.65	150	S32

Note: "N/A" indicates "not available" in the references.

Supplementary Table 3. Comparison of the stretchability, self-healability, and strain-stiffening properties among typical fiber mesh/fabric-reinforced hydrogels and elastomers.

Materials	Fiber			Composite			Refs.
	Fiber type	Stretchability	Self-healing	Stretchability	Self-healing	Strain-stiffening	
Hybrid ionic skin	PU nanomesh	1023%	Yes	680%	Yes	Yes	This work
Wood hydrogel	Cellulose nanofiber	N/A	No	~405%	No	Yes	S33
PCL scaffold-reinforced GelMA hydrogel	3D printed PCL scaffold	50%	No	43%	No	Yes	S34
PCL scaffold-reinforced IPN hydrogel	3D woven PCL scaffold	N/A	No	N/A	No	N/A	S35
Fiber-reinforced ECM	Electrospun PCL fiber	N/A	No	N/A	No	N/A	S36
3D woven tissue scaffold	3D woven PGA yarn	N/A	No	22-27%	No	N/A	S37
Silica nanofiber-reinforced alginate hydrogel	Silica nanofiber network	N/A	No	N/A	No	N/A	S38
Silica nanofiber-reinforced PAAm hydrogel	Silica nanofiber network	N/A	No	1400%	No	No	S39
Hydrogel-mesh composite	PET surgical mesh	N/A	No	~40%	No	No	S40
Skeleton-matrix hydrogel	3D printed stiff hydrogel skeleton	~275%	No	~295%	No	No	S10
PE fiber/PAAm composite	UHMWPE fiber	6.3%	No	150%	No	Yes	S41
Fabric-reinforced polyampholyte hydrogel	Glass fabric	2%	No	4-8%	No	No	S42-S44
Fabric-reinforced viscoelastomer	Carbon fiber fabric	8.8%	No	12.5%	No	No	S45
Anisotropic elastomer composite	3D polyimide skeleton	80~295%	No	80~150%	No	Yes	S46
Multi-nanofiber network-reinforced elastomer	P(VDF-TrFE)/PU nanofiber	120~160%	No	125~160%	No	Yes	S47
Nanofiber-reinforced elastic conductor	PVDF nanofiber	~280%	No	~350%	No	No	S48

Note: “N/A” indicates “not available” in the references.

Supplementary Table 4. A rough comparison of overall sensing-related performance between hybrid ionic skin and previously reported intrinsically stretchable ionic conductors.

Materials	Transmittance (%)	Strain-stiffening	Tensile strength (MPa)	Toughness (MJ m ⁻³)	Max. strain (%)	Max. gauge factor	Ionic conductivity (S m ⁻¹)	Ref.	
Hybrid ionic skin	80	Yes	14	24.4	680	66.8	2.0×10 ⁻⁴ - 3.5	This work	
P(AAm-co-AA)/HA/CaCl ₂ ionic matrix	96	Yes	1.0	6.7	1680	4	5.5×10 ⁻⁴ - 4.8		
Hydrogels	PVA/HPC hydrogel	Opaque	No	1.3	~5.8	520	2	3.4	S49
	PNA/PMA hydrogel fiber	Yes	Yes	2.3	~9.4	900	~1	0.69	S50
	MAPAH fiber	Opaque	Yes	7	26.8	1200	~3.5	2	S51
	SA/NaCl/PAM hydrogel	99.6	Yes	0.65	4.77	2000	2.7	~0.02	S52
Ionogels	PU-IL ionogel	Transparent	No	1.54	2.5	327	1.5	0.12	S53
	PMMA-r-PBA/IL gel	98.5	No	0.2	~1.6	850	~2.7	0.031	S54
	PIL/IL gel	96.9	No	~0.8	~6.4	1400	4.7	0.02	S55
	P(MEA-co-MTMA TFSI) ionogel	93	Yes	1.1	~7.5	1440	2	0.004	S56
Eutectogels	Poly(PDES)-PA elastomer	~93	No	~0.425	~3.6	1300	2.1	0.078	S57
	LA-based ionic conductor	>85	No	0.152	~1.6	1092	~3.7	0.0028	S58
Ionoelastomers	PBA/PIL ionoelastomer	96	Yes	~0.255	~1.2	1460	17.0	0.004	S59
	P(MEA-co-IBA) ionic elastomer	90	Yes	1.5	~8	1640	6.0	1.59 × 10 ⁻⁴	S60
	PAA/betaine elastomer	99.7	Yes	~0.76	~6.2	1600	8.0	5.5×10 ⁻⁴ - 0.04	S61
	ACMO/TTEGDA ionic elastomer	92	No	0.2	~0.2	300	2	4.7 × 10 ⁻⁴	S62
Organohydrogels	PHEA/SA/Gly fiber	90	No	0.2	~0.4	~400	~1.9	0.765	S63
	P(MEA-AA)/CMC/DMSO	100	No	~0.06	~0.24	~700	~3.6	N/A	S64
	PVA/PAMAA/Gly/NaCl gel	Opaque	No	0.345	2.3	1002	8.3	1.4	S65
	P(AAm-co-AA)/FeCl ₃ /Gly	Transparent	No	1.18	~3.2	500	~2.5	4.2×10 ⁻³	S66
Fiber-reinforced ionic conductors	CNF/PVA organohydrogel	87	No	1.4	5.25	660	1.5	3.2	S67
	HAP/PVA organohydrogel	~60	No	0.36	~0.94	480	2.8	1	S68
	Silica nanofiber/PAAm hydrogel	83	No	0.3	2.98	1400	2.7	3.93	S39
	CMF/PDES elastomer	52	No	0.46	13.17	3210	3.7	0.09	S69

Note: “N/A” indicates “not available” in the references.

Supplementary Table 5. Final results of the multiplication of the signs of each cross-peak in 2DCOS synchronous and asynchronous spectra of ionic matrix.

1547	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
1574	+	+	-	-	-	-		
1603	+	+	+	-	+			
1622	+	+	+	-				
1655	+	+	+					
1674	+	+						
1687	-							
1714								
	1714	1687	1674	1655	1622	1603	1574	1547

According to Noda's rule, the final specific order for ionic matrix during the water-absorbing process is given as follows: 1547 → 1687 → 1714 → 1574 → 1674 → 1622 → 1603 → 1655 cm⁻¹ (→ means prior to or earlier than), i.e. $\nu(\text{COO}^-)$ (Ca²⁺ complexed) → $\nu(\text{C=O})$ (free PAAm) → $\nu(\text{COOH})$ (PAA) → $\nu(\text{COO}^-)$ (free) → $\nu(\text{C=O})$ (weakly H-bonded PAAm) → $\delta(\text{O-H})$ (H₂O) → Amide II → $\nu(\text{C=O})$ (strongly H-bonded PAAm).

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