Supplementary Information

## **Controllable Synthesis of Si/Ge Composites with Synergistic Effect for Enhanced Li Storage Performance**

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Figure S1. SEM image of (a) commercial Si; (b) commercial GeO<sub>2</sub>.



Figure S2. (a) XRD patterns (b) Raman spectrums of SG-8 and SG-4.

**Supplementary calculations.** Theoretical specific capacity of Si/Ge composites is calculated according to the following formula. The compositions of lithiation phase are  $Li_{22}Si_5$  and  $Li_{22}Ge_5$ , respectively. As the capacity calculation: Specific capacity (mA h g<sup>-1</sup>) = 96500\*n/(3.6\*M) n is the charge carried by the lithium ion, M is the molar mass.

For SG-8, n=22/5=4.4, M=8/9\*28+1/9\*72=32.89 g/mol.

Specific capacity (mA h g<sup>-1</sup>) = 96500\*4.4/(3.6\*32.89) = 3586.0 mA h g<sup>-1</sup>

For SG-4, n=22/5=4.4, M=4/5\*28+1/5\*72=37.4 g/mol.

Specific capacity (mA h g<sup>-1</sup>) = 96500\*4.4/(3.6\*37.4)= 3153.6 mA h g<sup>-1</sup>

For SG-2, n=22/5=4.4, M=2/3\*28+1/3\*72=42.7 g/mol.

Specific capacity (mA h g<sup>-1</sup>) = 96500\*4.4/(3.6\*42.7)= 2762.2 mA h g<sup>-1</sup>



**Figure S3.** Nyquist plots of Si/Ge composites with different ratios measured in the frequency range from 0.01 Hz to 100 kHz.



**Figure S4.** SEM images of SG-1 after 150 cycles (a) before immersion (b) after immersion in the DMC.



**Figure S5.** (a) Galvanostatic charge-discharge profile and (b) cycling property and Coulombic efficiency of the LiCoO<sub>2</sub> half cell at 1 C.

Table S1. The comparison of cycling stability between our work and previous representative

reports is exhibited in the below table.

Materials	Reversible capacity	Current density	reference
	$(mAh g^{-1})$		
SG-4	1761 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> after 150 cycles	0.6 A g <sup>-1</sup>	this work
3D-NP SiGe	1158 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> after 150 cycles	1 A g <sup>-1</sup>	1
Si/Cu/Ge NW	1500 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> after 100 cycles	0.4 A g <sup>-1</sup>	2

SiGe@C	560 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> after 400 cycles	0.8 A g <sup>-1</sup>	3
Si <sub>0.67</sub> Ge <sub>0.33</sub>	1360 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> after 250 cycles	0.2 C	4
Ge <sub>0.5</sub> Si <sub>0.5</sub>	1300 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> after 100 cycles	0.5 C	5
Si-Ge core-shell nanowires	974.5 mAh g <sup>-1</sup> after 50 cycles	0.2 C	6

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