

Electronic Supplementary Information

**A novel prewetted induced underwater superoleophobic or  
underoil (super) hydrophobic waste potato residue coated mesh for  
selectively efficient oil/water separation**

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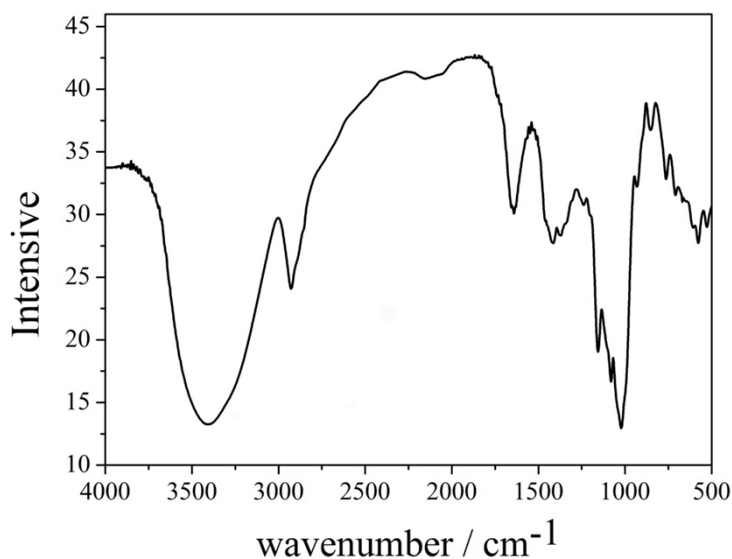
**Supplementary figure and movie captions:**

**Figure S1.** FT-IR spectra of potato residue powders (PRP).

**Movie S1.** The separation process of kerosene/1M HCl solution mixture based on the underwater superoleophobic potato residue coated mesh (PRCM).

**Movie S2.** The separation process of kerosene/1M NaOH solution mixture based on the underwater superoleophobic potato residue coated mesh (PRCM).

**Movie S3.** The separation process of kerosene/1M NaCl solution mixture based on the underwater superoleophobic potato residue coated mesh (PRCM)



**Figure S1.** FT-IR spectra of potato residue powders (PRP).

The broad band observed at 3500–3200 cm<sup>-1</sup> for PRP matches the O–H stretching frequency. The sharp peaks observed at 2927 cm<sup>-1</sup> in the spectra for PRP correspond to the C–H stretching frequency. The peaks in the range of 1680–1610 cm<sup>-1</sup> correspond to the stretching of the C=C bonds in the aromatic rings. The absorption peaks observed in the range of 1300–1000 cm<sup>-1</sup> could be accounted to angular deformation in the plane of the C–H bonds of aromatic rings and in the range of 1200–1000 cm<sup>-1</sup> corresponds to the axial C–O bond in phenols.<sup>1</sup>

### Reference

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