## **Supporting Information**

## Mechanically bendable superhydrophobic steel surface with its selfcleaning and corrosion-resistant properties

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## S1. Surface microstructure analysis



Figure S1. FE-SEM images of (a) bare 430-SS, (b) E-430-SS/1h, (b) E-430-SS/4h, and (b) E-430-SS/6h.

## S2. Elemental analysis



Figure S2. EDX spectra of (a) bare 430-SS (b) M-430-SS/8h.

S3. FE-SEM images of the superhydrophobic M-430-SS/8h surface after sandpaper abrasion test



**Figure S3.** FE-SEM images captured from different position of the superhydrophobic M-430-SS/8h surface after sandpaper abrasion test.

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**Figure S4.** Laser microscope images captured from different position of the superhydrophobic M-430-SS/8h surface after sandpaper abrasion test and their respective surface roughness values.

<u>S5. FE-SEM and laser microscope images of the superhydrophobic M-430-SS/8hr surface</u> after adhesive tape peeling test

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**Figure S5.** FE-SEM and laser microscope images of the superhydrophobic M-430-SS/8h surface after adhesive tape peeling test.

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S6. Wetting stability of the superhydrophobic M-430-SS/8h surface against UV irradiation

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