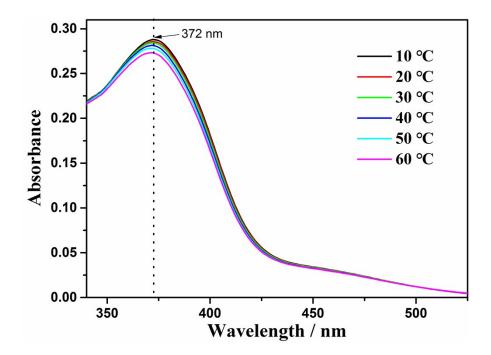
## **Supporting Information**

## Controllable Wettability and Adhesion of Superhydrophobic Self-Assembled Surfaces Based on a Novel Azobenzene Derivative

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**Fig. S1** Temperature-dependent UV/Vis absorption spectra of AOB-Y8 in 50:50 CHCl<sub>3</sub>/CH<sub>3</sub>CN (5×10<sup>-5</sup> M).

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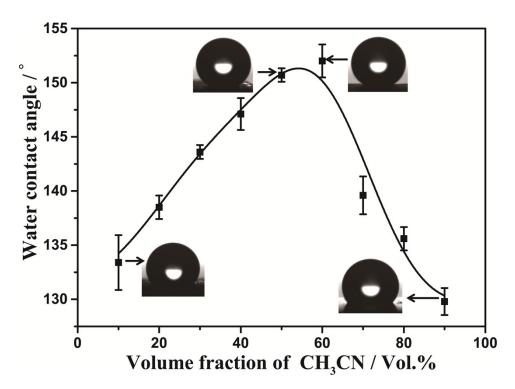
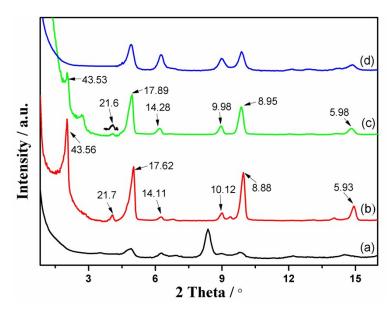


Fig. S2 Experimental water contact angles of surfaces prepared with different CH<sub>3</sub>CN volume fractions. Insets are the shapes of water droplets (4  $\mu$ L) on the surface prepared from 1 mg/mL of AOB-Y8 in CHCl<sub>3</sub>/CH<sub>3</sub>CN mixtures.



**Fig. S3.** X-ray diffraction patterns of AOB-Y8 surfaces prepared from 3 mg/mL in CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution with different solvent ratio: (a) 90:10, (b) 50:50, (c) 40:60, (d) 10:90.

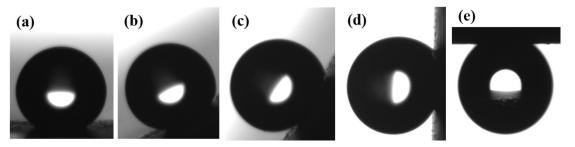
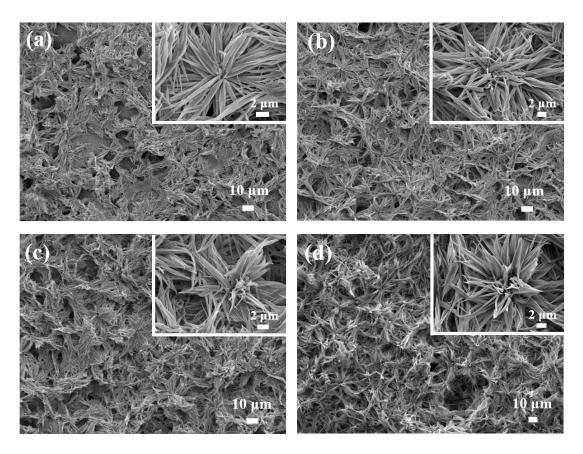


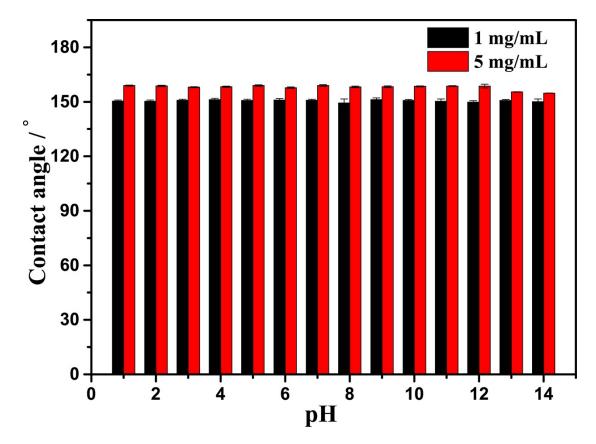
Fig. S4 Shapes of water droplets (4  $\mu$ L) with different title angles: (a) 0°, (b) 30°, (c) 60°, (d) 90° and (e) 180° on the AOB-Y8 surface prepared from 1 mg/mL in 50:50 CHCl<sub>3</sub>/CH<sub>3</sub>CN mixed solvents.



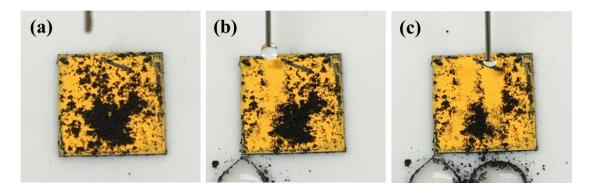
**Fig. S5** SEM images of AOB-Y8 surfaces prepared from (a) 1 mg/mL, (b) 2 mg/mL, (c) 3 mg/mL and (d) 5 mg/mL in 50:50 CHCl<sub>3</sub>:CH<sub>3</sub>CN solution on silicon substrates at 25°C.

**Table S1** Advancing angle ( $\theta_{adv}$ ), receding angle ( $\theta_{rec}$ ) and contact angle hysteresis for surfaces prepared with different concentration of AOB-Y8 in 50:50 CHCl<sub>3</sub>/CH<sub>3</sub>CN mixed solvent.

Concentration (mg/mL)	$ heta_{ m adv}/{ m deg}$	$\theta_{ m rec}/{ m deg}$	Hysteresis/deg
1	150.68	130.19	20.49
2	153.82	144.35	9.47
3	155.86	152.82	3.04
4	158.34	155.73	2.61
5	159.46	156.94	2.52
6	159.40	157.13	2.27



**Fig. S6** Statistics contact angles for a water droplet with different pH values on the surfaces prepared from 50:50 CHCl<sub>3</sub>/CH<sub>3</sub>CN mixtures with the concentrations of 1 mg/mL and 5 mg/mL, respectively.



**Fig. S7** Self-cleaning effect experiments: (a) dusted with carbon powder, (b) cleaned with 3 water droplets and (c) cleaned with 6 water droplets.



Fig. S8 Water CA photographs of the silicon plates cleaned by CHCl<sub>3</sub>.

Scheme S1 Synthetic route for AOB-Y8 compound.