

Supporting Information

Greatly improving energy storage density and reducing dielectric loss of carbon nanotube/cyanate ester composites through building unique tri-layered structure with mica paper

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Table S1 Dielectric constants of multi-layer structure composites in literature. ^{a)}

Conductor ^{b)} (content, wt%)	Polymer matrix ^{c)}	Insulating Layer ^{d)}	Number of layers	Dielectric constant (100 Hz)	Dielectric loss (100 Hz)	Improvement of energy storage density ^{e)}	Ref
CNF (3)	PVDF	PVDF	3	~79	~0.21	/	S1
GO (20)	PVDF	BST/PVDF	3	~23	~0.08	~230%	S2
CNT (10)	PI	PI	3	31(1kHz)	0.0016	<40%	S3
CNT (0.6)	CE	PE	2	<168	~0.007	/	S4
CB (15)	PP	PP	128	128	/	/	S5
CB (15)	PVDF	PVDF	256	~69	0.05	/	S6
GPN (/)	CP	CP	3	~55	~0.08	/	S7
CNT sheet (2.2)	PVDF	PVDF	3	32	0.08	/	S8
CNT (0.6)	PVDF	PVDF	3	~12	~0.09	/	S9
GR (20.3vol%)	PVDF	BT/PVDF	3	~93	<0.05	/	S10
CNT (0.6)	CEP	MP	3	219	0.4	1550%	this work

- a) Multi-layer composites are composed of conductor/polymer layer and insulation layer. Some properties not reported directly in the references are derived from the corresponding curves, so the symbol “~” was used to indicate the datum is an approximate value.
- b) CNF: Carbon nanofiber.
GO: Graphene oxide.
CNT: Carbon nanotube.
CB: Carbon black.
GPN: Graphene.
CNT sheet: Prepared by floating catalyst CVD growth method.
GR: Graphite.
- c) PVDF: Poly(vinylidene fluoride).
PI: Polyimide.
CE: Cyanate ester.
PP: Polypropylene.
CP: 12 wt% cyanoethyl pullulan polymer.
CEP: Epoxy modified cyanate ester.
- d) BST: Ba_{0.6}Sr_{0.4}TiO₃.
- e) The magnitude of the increase compared to the energy storage density of conductor/polymer composite. The symbol “/” represents no data reported in the literature.

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