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## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

## Complex shape deformations of homogeneous poly(N-

# isopropylacrylamide)/graphene oxide hydrogels actuated by local

#### **NIR irradiation**

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### **Supporting Figures**



Fig. S1 DSC thermogram of a PNIPAM/GO hydrogel.



Fig. S2 Isotropic shrinkage of a homogeneous hydrogel in 45°C water.



Fig. S3 Shape recovery of deformed hydrogel samples in water after turning off NIR laser. Scale

bar is 1 cm.



Fig. S4 Definition of the folding angle. The black arrows indicate the folding angles. Scale bar is 1

cm.



Fig. S5 Change of the thickness of the hydrogels with different  $C_{GO}$  under NIR irradiation. All

experiments were conducted in triplicate and the errors bars represent standard deviations.



**Fig. S6** Shrinkage of a hydrogel strip with a thickness of 0.6 mm under NIR irradiation observed with a microscope.



**Fig. S7** Change of the thickness of the hydrogels under NIR irradiation with different power densities. All experiments were conducted in triplicate and the errors bars represent standard deviations.

#### **Supporting Movies**

**Movie S1.** The deformation of a PNIPAM/GO hydrogel a thickness of 1.4 mm observed with a microscope.

Movie S2. The folding and bending deformations of hydrogel samples.

**Movie S3.** The deformation of a hydrogel with a thickness of 0.6 mm observed with a microscope.

Movie S4. The body movements of a human-shaped hydrogel.

Movie S5. The closing of the leaves of a mimosa-shaped hydrogel.