Supporting Information for

Hierarchically Porous Carbon with Controlled Structure for Efficient

Microwave Absorption

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Figure S1. SEM images of (a and d) CP-0-1; (b and e) CP-0.4-1 and (c and f) CP-0.8-

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Figure S2. (a) Nitrogen adsorption-desorption isotherms and (b) pore size distribution calculated using DFT method of CP-x-1.



Figure S3. (a) XRD patterns and (b) Raman spectra of CP-x-1 prepared using precursors with different water phase volume fractions.



Figure S4. The SEM figures (a and b) and N2 absorption-desorption isotherms (c) of CP-0.8-1 before and after pressing procedure. The sample after pressing procedure is prepared by immersing the test sample of CP-0.8-1 in hexane to remove the paraffin. It is obvious that these two samples possess almost the same micro-sized porous structure and N2 absorption-desorption isotherm (nano-sized porous structure), suggesting that the pressing process has negligible influence on the porous structure.

absorbents	thickness (mm)	RL _{max} (-dB)	EAB (GHz)
Fe ₃ O ₄ /graphene ¹	3.5	-32.0	4.5
PPy@PANI-1.2 ²	2.0	-34.8	4.7
RGO/MnFe ₂ O ₄ /PVDF ³	3.0	-29.0	4.9
BaTiO ₃ ⁴	2.0	-21.8	1.8
$C@Fe@Fe_3O_4{}^5$	1.5	-40.0	5.2
Fe ₃ O ₄ -graphene ⁶	4.5	-40.0	2.3
TiO_2^7	4.0	-36.9	1.0
Fe/C ⁸	2.0	-22.6	5.3
CP-0.8-1 (this work)	2.46	-56.4	6.0

 Table S1. MA performance of representative MA materials reported previously and

 CP-0.8-1

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