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Enhanced Thermal Transport Properties of Heat Spreader Assembled by Non-covalent Functionalized Graphene

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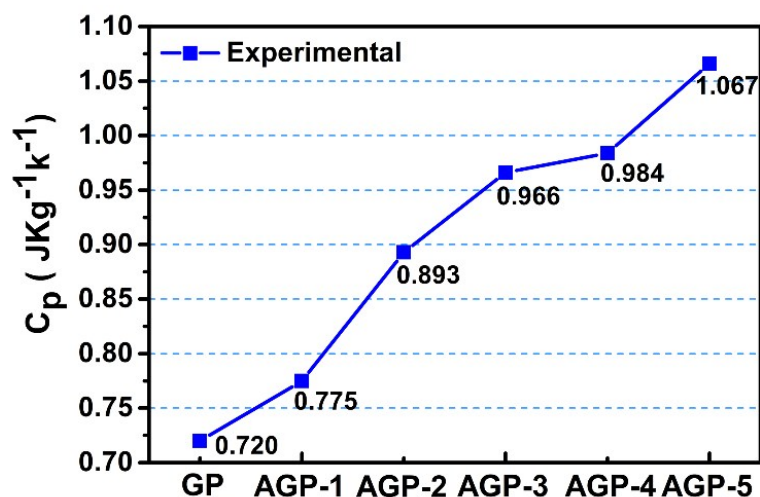


Figure S1 The Specific heat capacity (C_p) of GP and AGPs with various APBI loadings at room temperature.

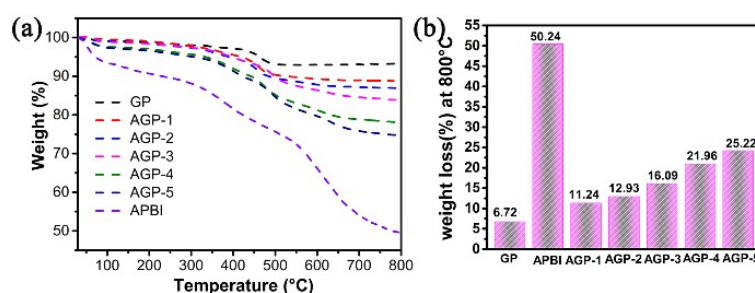


Figure S2 (a) TGA curves and (b) weight loss of GP, APBI, AGP-1, AGP-2, AGP-3, AGP-4 and AGP-5 at 800 °C.

It can be seen from the Figure S2 that GP, APBI, AGP-1, AGP-2, AGP-3, AGP-4 and AGP-5 had a 6.72 %, 50.24 %, 11.24 %, 12.93 %, 16.09 %, 21.86 % and 25.22 % weight loss at 800 °C, respectively. Thus, it was figured out according to the following equation that AGP-1 contained about

89.64wt% GNS and 10.36wt% APBI.

$$6.72x + 50.24y = 11.24 \quad (1)$$

$$x + y = 1 \quad (2)$$

x and y are weight loss percentage of GNs and APBI, respectively. Similarly, the AGP-2, AGP-3, AGP-4 and AGP-5 contain 14.22 wt%, 21.45 wt%, 34.65 wt% and 42.36 wt% APBI, respectively.



Figure S3 The aqueous dispersion (2.5×10^{-4} g/mL) of APBI, GNs, AG-1, AG-2, AG-3, AG-4 and AG-5 after standing for 12 h.

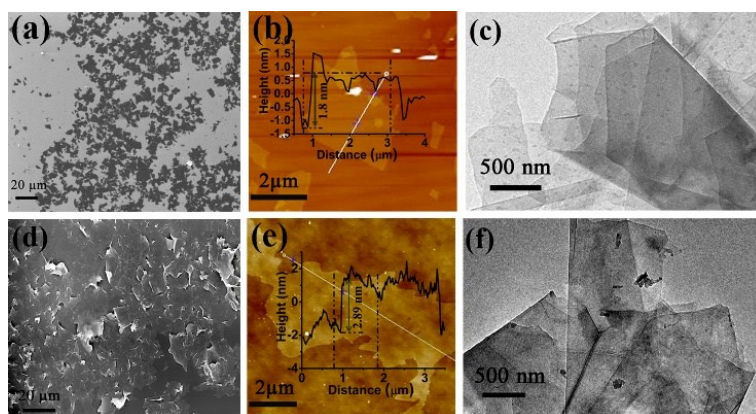


Figure S4 SEM, AFM and TEM images of GNs (a, b, c) and AG (d, e, f).

Figure S4 shows the SEM, AFM and TEM images of GNs and APBI functionalized graphene nanosheets (AG). The average size of the GNs was approximately $7\mu\text{m}$ as shown in Figure S4(a). Figure S4(d) displays that most of the nanosheets are seriously wrinkled and aggregated together, indicating that APBI acts as an adhesive to connect GNs. And the thickness of GNs was measured to be 1.8 nm (Figure S4(b)), which indicated that the graphene has five or six layers stacked together. After APBI was attached into the GNs via π - π stacking interaction, the thickness of AG was increased to 2.89 nm (Figure S4(e)), indicating the strong π - π stacking interactions exist between APBI and GNs.¹ In addition, the morphology of GNs and AG were demonstrated by the TEM. As shown in Figure S4(c), it can be seen that the GNs was several layers consistent with the AFM characterization and the edge of the GNs were rolled up. And the surface of AG is darker than GNs and some APBI were attached on to the GNs as shown in Figure S4 (f), suggesting that the successful π - π stacking interaction between APBI and GNs.

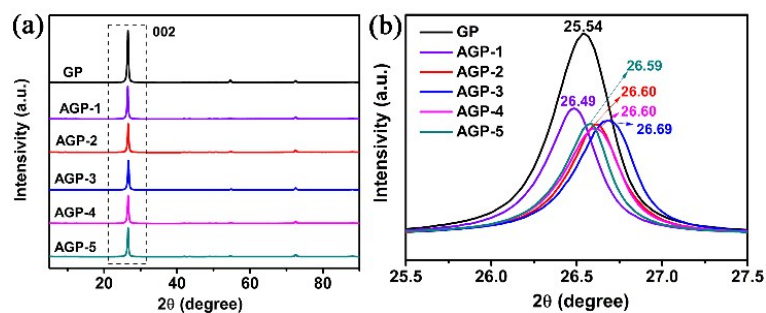


Figure S5 (a) XRD curves of GP, AGP-1, AGP-2, AGP-3, AGP-4 and AGP-5. (b) The 002 peak of GP, AGP-1, AGP-2, AGP-3, AGP-4 and AGP-5 in range of 25.5~27.5 degree.

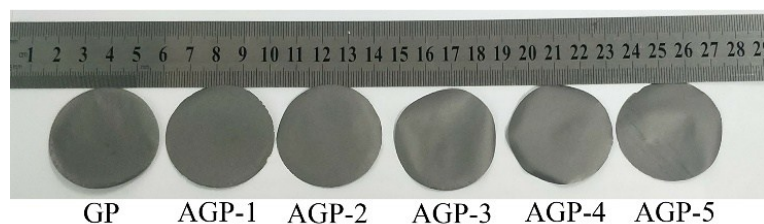


Figure S6 Digital photographs of GP, AGP-1, AGP-2, AGP-3, AGP-4 and AGP-5 (unpressed).

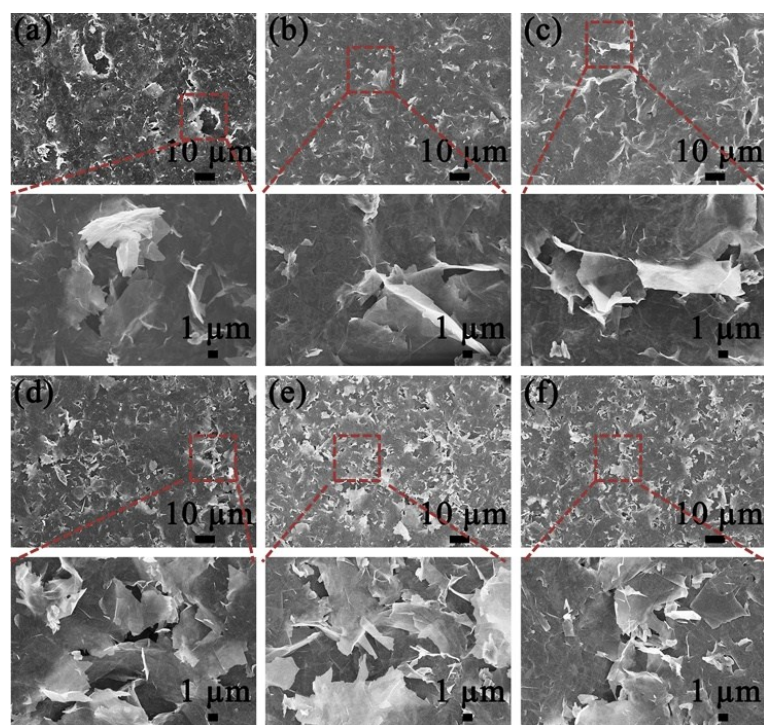


Figure S7 SEM images of the surface of (a) GP, (b) AGP-1, (c) AGP-2, (d) AGP-3, (e) AGP-4 and (f) AGP-5.

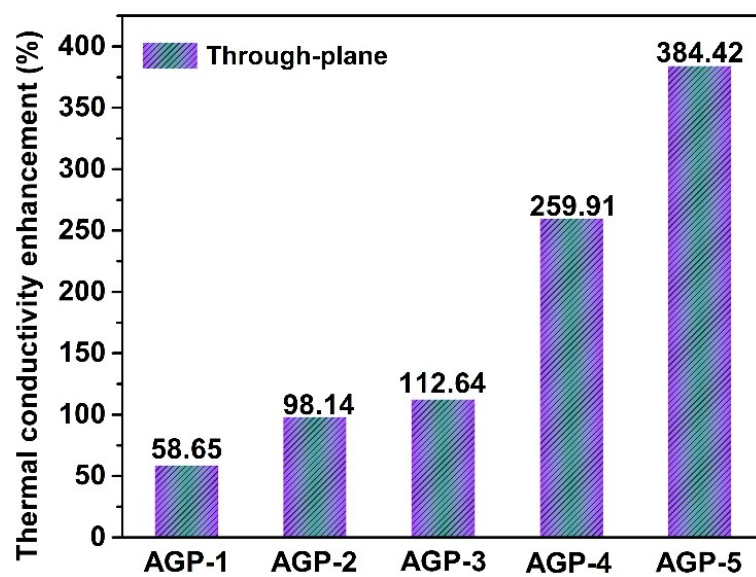


Figure S8 Thermal conductivity enhancement of AGPs for the through-plane directions.

Table S1. The thermal conductivities and mechanical properties of Graphene-based papers.

Reference and year	materials	$T_{c\parallel}^a$ (W m ⁻¹ K ⁻¹)	$T_{c\perp}^b$ (W m ⁻¹ K ⁻¹)	Tensile strength (MPa)	Toughness (MJ m ⁻³)
2008 ²	RGO-PB	—	—	8.4	—
2011 ³	xGnP	178	1.28	—	—
2013 ⁴	AgNWs/graphene paper	—	—	—	—
2013 ⁵	rGO-PCDO	—	—	129.6	3.91
2013 ⁶	rGO-SL	—	—	300.0	2.80
2014 ⁷	rGO-PAPB	—	—	382.0	7.50
2014 ⁸	rGO-PDA	—	—	204.9	4.00
2014 ⁹	G-GF	977	—	15.3	—
2014 ¹⁰	TPA-rGO	—	—	~125	~1.0
2015 ¹¹	rGO-FPEG	—	—	45.0	—
2015 ¹²	rGO-CS	—	—	526.7	17.69
2015 ¹³	rGO-DWNT-PCDO	—	—	374.1	9.20
2015 ¹⁴	rGO-MoS ₂ -TPU	—	—	235.0	6.90
2015 ¹⁵	rGO-MMT-PVA	—	—	356.0	7.50
2015 ¹⁶	PVA-SRGO	—	—	252	—
2015 ¹⁷	Ca-GP	331.8	—	—	—
2015 ¹⁸	CNR/graphene paper	890	5.81	—	—
2016 ¹⁹	rGO-NFC-PCDO	—	—	314.6	9.8
2016 ²⁰	rGO-DWNTs-PVA	—	—	384.2	19.3
2017 ²¹	CNT/G	1388.7	0.16	—	—
2017 ²²	rGO-CNT	804.24	0.06	—	—
2017 ²³	rGO-AP-DSS	—	—	538.8	16.1
2017 ²⁴	rGO/Al-CMC-GO	—	—	586.6	12.1
2017 ²⁵	rGO-PVA	—	—	150.9	8.5
2017 ²⁶	rGO-CNC	—	—	765	15.64
2018 ²⁷	SBG	—	—	821	20
2018 ²⁸	SBG	—	—	945	20.6
2018 ²⁹	GFs	3200	—	78	—
2018 ³⁰	rGO-CNR film	1820.4	4.60	31.6	—
2019 ³¹	rGO-WSCA	—	—	499.3	9.6
This work	AGP-2	289.37	2.73	47.9	0.34
	AGP-5	231.68	6.67	19.8	0.16

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