## **Supplementary Information**

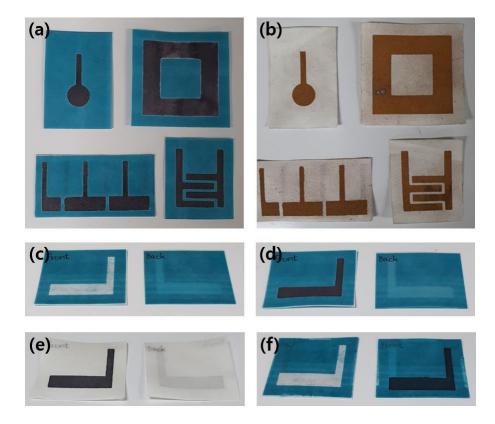
## Hydrophobic-Barrier-Assisted Formation of Vertically Layered Capacitive Electrodes within a Single Sheet of Paper

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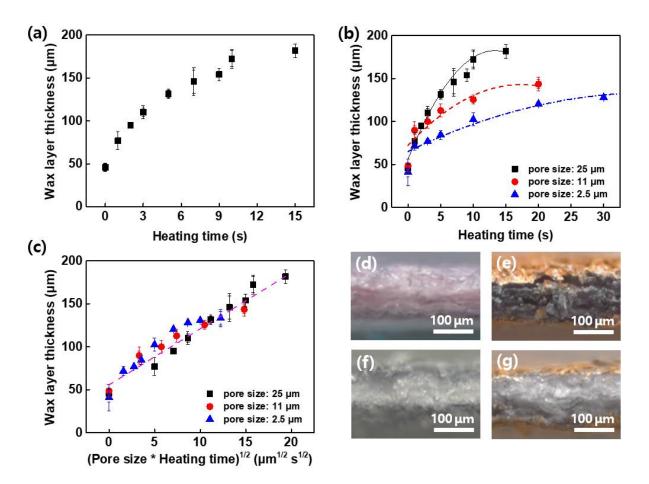
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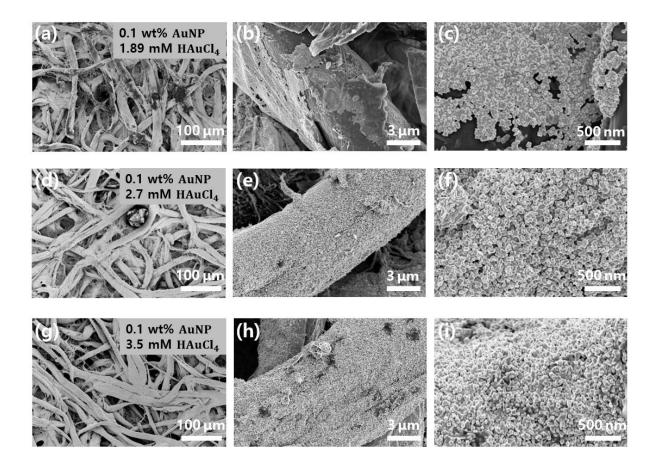


**Figure S1.** Photographs of various wax-patterned papers. (a) AuNPs deposited in the non-hydrophobic channel spaces. (b) Various patterned Au-paper electrodes. (c) Formation of hydrophobic channels inside the paper. (d) AuNP deposition in a hydrophilic channel within a single sheet of paper. (e) After wax removal. (f) AuNP-paper covered with solid wax.

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**Figure S2.** Solid wax characteristics. (a) The thickness of permeated solid wax as a function of heating time. (b) Thickness of permeated wax as a function of heating time for different paper pore sizes. (c) The thickness of permeated wax as a function of the square root of the pore size multiplied by the square root of the heating time. Cross-sectional optical micrographs of AuNPs and the Au-deposited paper (d, e) without wax and (f, g) with wax heated for 3 s.



**Figure S3.** FE-SEM images of the Au-paper electrodes fabricated with 0.1 wt% AuNPs and (a–c) 1.89, (d–f) 2.7, and (g–i) 3.5 mM HAuCl<sub>4</sub>.

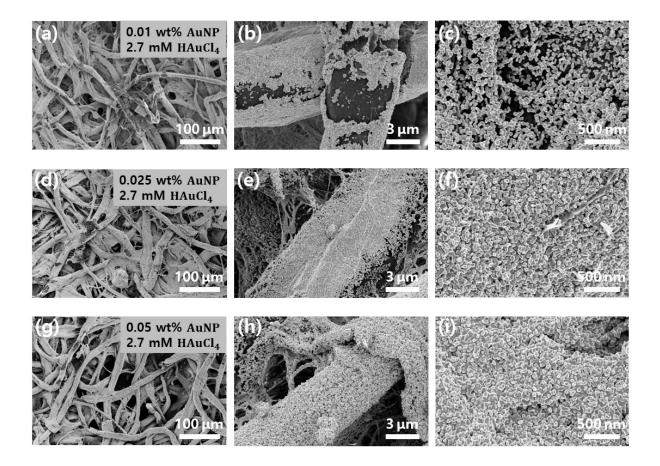


Figure S4. FE-SEM images of the Au-paper electrodes fabricated with 2.7 mM HAuCl<sub>4</sub> and (a–c) 0.01, (d–f) 0.025, and (g–i) 0.05 wt% AuNPs.

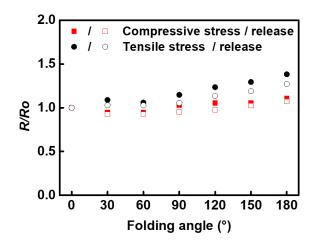


Figure S5. Resistance profiles from the folding test and resistance recovery on release.

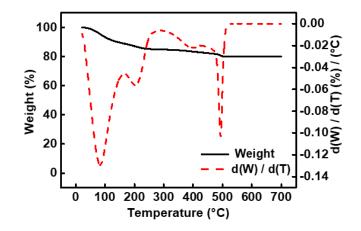
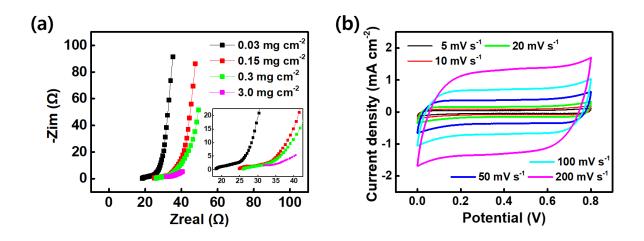
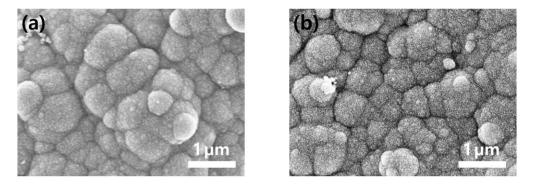


Figure S6. TGA of the MnO<sub>2</sub>-Au-paper.



**Figure S7.** (a) Nyquist plots of the MnO<sub>2</sub>-Au-paper electrodes with different amounts of MnO<sub>2</sub>. (b) CVs at different scan rates of the MnO<sub>2</sub>-Au-paper electrodes with a mass loading of 0.03 mg cm<sup>-2</sup>.



**Figure S8.** (a) FE-SEM image of the  $MnO_2$ -Au-paper electrode with the mass loading of 0.3mg cm<sup>-2</sup>. (b) The electrode after 5000 charge/discharge cycles.

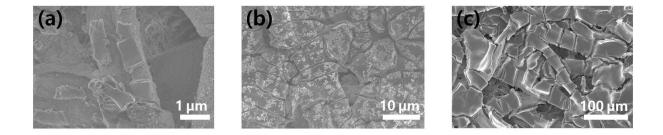
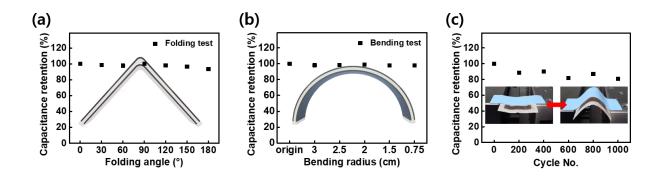
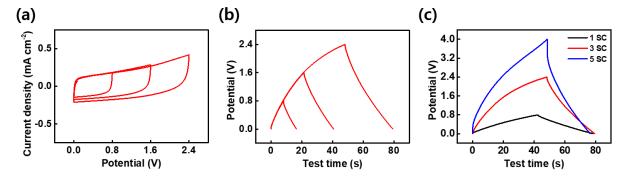


Figure S9. FE-SEM images of the  $MnO_2$ -Au-paper electrodes with mass loading of (a) 1.5, (b) 3.0, and (c) 4.0 mg cm<sup>-2</sup>.



**Figure S10.** Change in capacitance retention with (a) folding angle and (b) bending radius. (c) Capacitance stability over 1000 cycles with a bending radius of 2.0 cm.



**Figure S11.** (a) CVs and (b) GCDs of the three-series supercapacitor in different potential ranges. (c) GCD curves at  $0.3 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$  of the single, three-series, and five-series supercapacitors.