## **Electronic Supplementary Information**

Ultrafast resistive type  $\gamma$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-rGO nanohybrids based humidity sensor – a

respiratory monitoring tool

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Fig. S1. The % response versus time plot against 5 to 95% RH for all fabricated sensors.



Fig. S2. XRD patterns of IG (0.1), and un-doped  $\gamma$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>.



**Fig. S3.** (a) Wide scan XPS spectra of IG (0.1) nanohybrid sensor. (b) Comparison of Fe 2p peak in  $\gamma$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>.

Materials	Oxygen species	Binding energy (eV)	Relative percentage (%)
Bare $\gamma$ -Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	OL	529.69	55.59
	O <sub>v</sub> (vacancy)	531.40	40.41
	O <sub>c</sub> (chemisorbed)	533.59	3.99
IG (0.1)	OL	529.66	30.241
	O <sub>v</sub> (vacancy)	530.93	63.87
	O <sub>c</sub> (chemisorbed)	533.11	5.99

**Table S1.** Fitting results of O 1s XPS spectra of un-doped  $\gamma$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and IG (0.1) nanohybrids.



Fig. S4. (a-b) FESEM images of IG (0.1) nanohybrids.



Fig. S5. Comparison of %response in case of FTG and silicon (Si) substrate.



**Fig. S6.** (a, b) Photograph showing that the measured contact angle of a water droplet on the FTG and SI substrate is 105° and 51°. (c, d) FE-SEM image of FTG and SI substrate.



Fig. S7. Set up for mastering different respiration rates and other activities.



Fig. S8. The normal breathing response and yawning response.



Fig. S9. (a, b) The plot of repeatability and stability data. (c) Selectivity of hybrid sensor.



Fig. S10. Comparison of % response in case of without  $N_2$  environment and with  $N_2$  environment.