

1 *Supporting Information*

2 **Paper-based Flexible Strain and Pressure Sensor with Enhanced Mechanical** 3 **Strength and Super-hydrophobicity that can Work Under Water**

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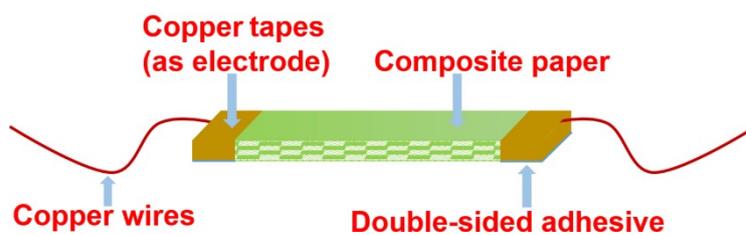
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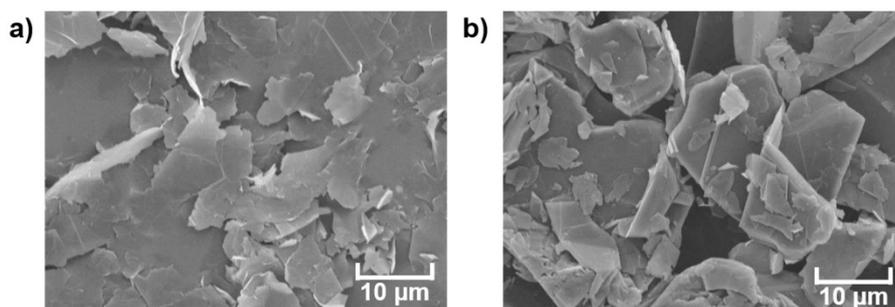
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Graphite	pencil drawn	0.11	536.6	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2015	1
AgNWs/LDHs	screen printing	0.12	Not mentioned	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2015	2
Graphite	meyer-rod coating	0.0196	804.9	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2016	3
CB	dip-coating	0.24	4.3	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2017	4
rGO	drop-casting	Not mentioned	66.6	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2017	5
CB	screen-printing	0.000625	647	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2017	6
Graphite/CB	papermaking	0.36	27	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2018	7
ITO NPs	hand-painting	Not mentioned	41.98	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2019	8
CB/rGO	spraying	0.13	14.6	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2019	9
HPM	brush coating	0.24	19.1	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2020	10
MCG	direct-laser writing	0.166	73	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2020	11
Graphene	meyer-rod coating	Not mentioned	3.82	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2020	12
Ag nanowires	papermaking	Not mentioned	10.2	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2020	13
MoS ₂ Pencil	hand writing	Not mentioned	13	no	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2021	14
CB/CNT	dip-coating	Not mentioned	7.5	yes	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2019	15
Carbon ink	soaking-drying	0.34	Not mentioned	yes	Not mentioned	Not mentioned	2021	16
Ag/MWCNTs	sputter coating	0.078	263.34	no	yes	yes	2021	17
Graphite nanoplates	papermaking	0.3	18.99	yes	yes	Not mentioned	-	this work



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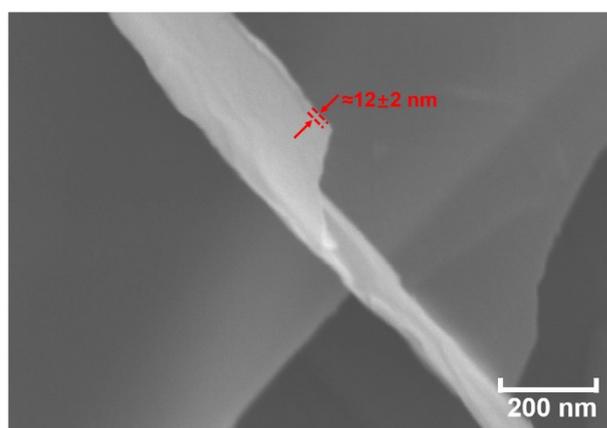
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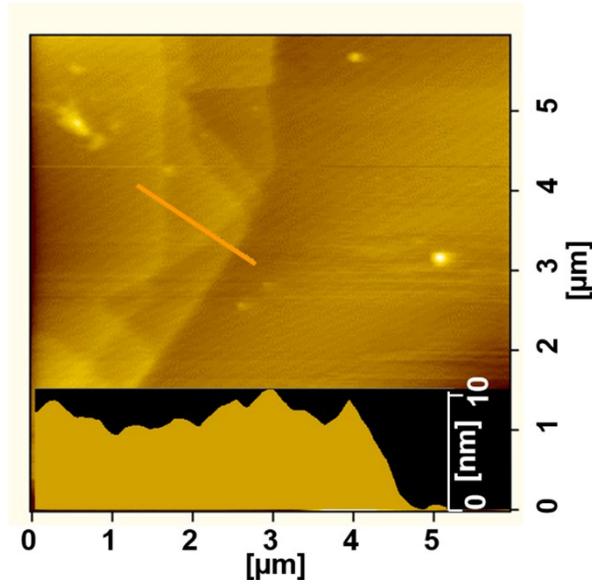
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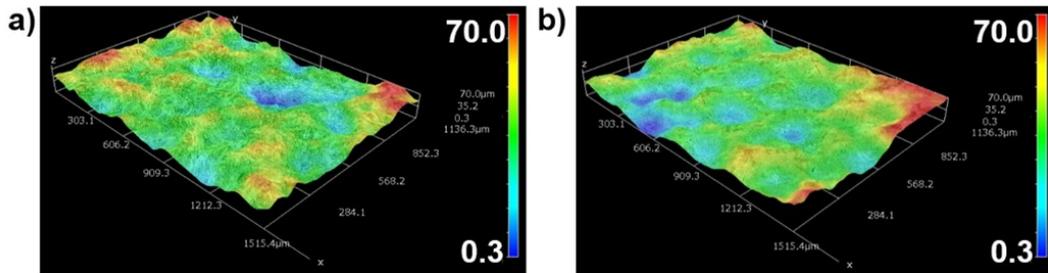
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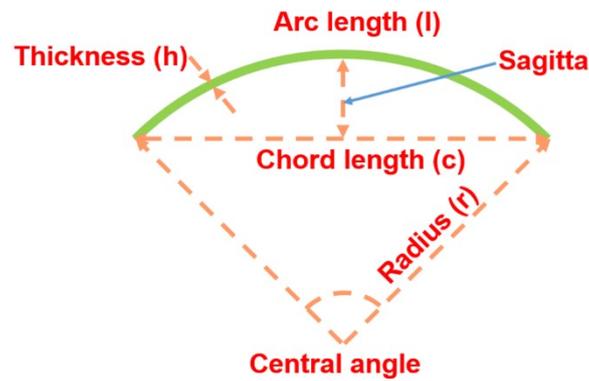
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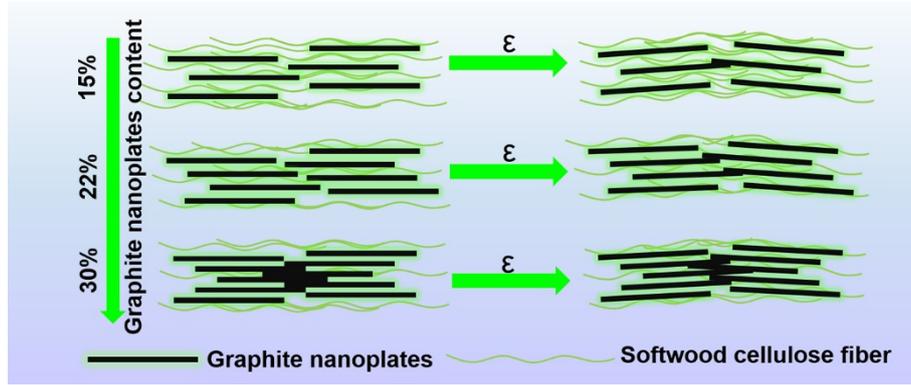
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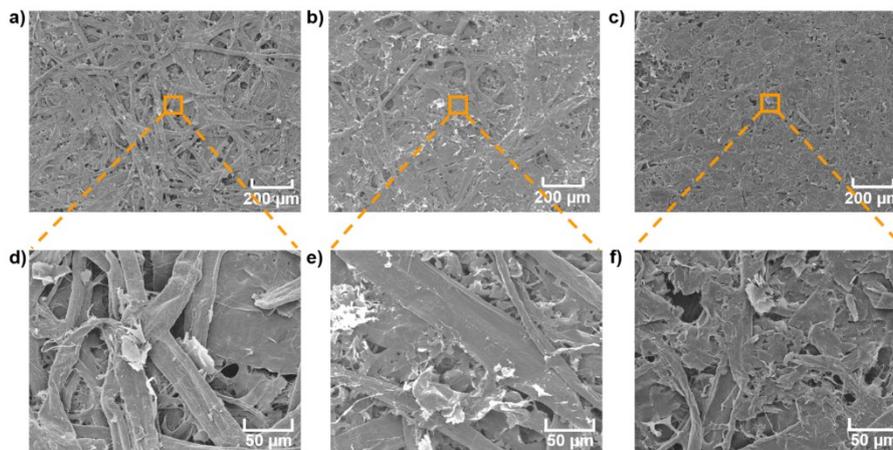
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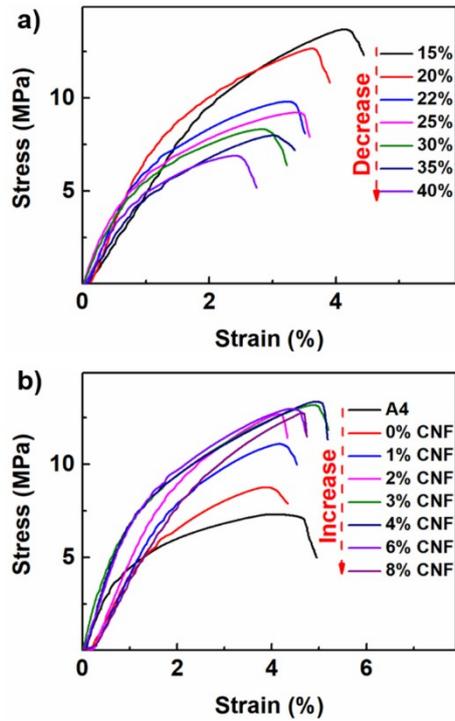
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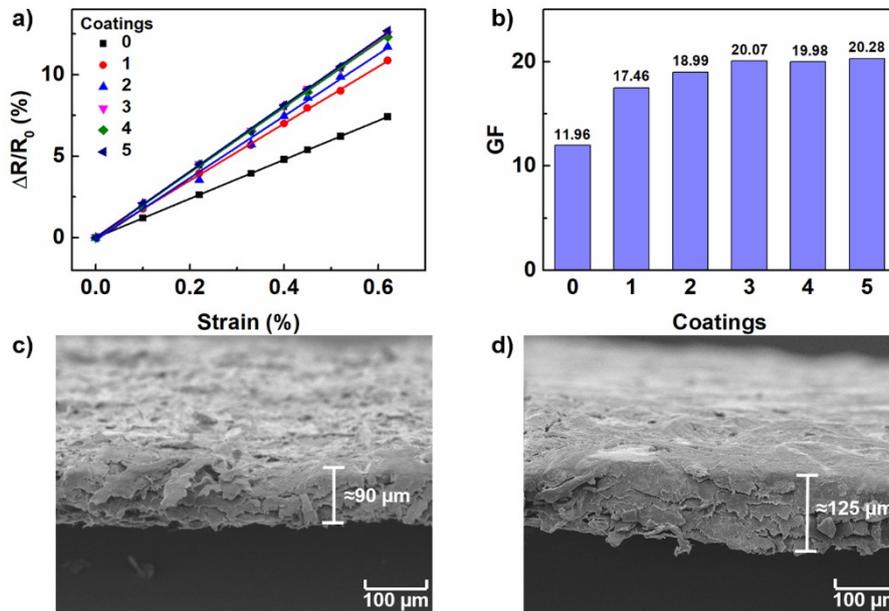
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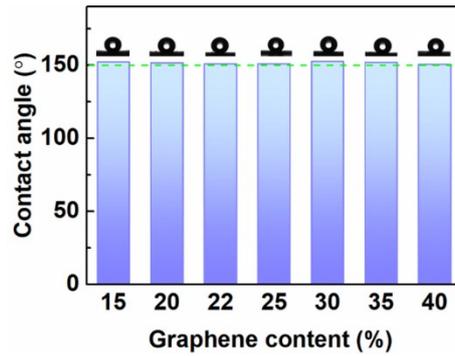
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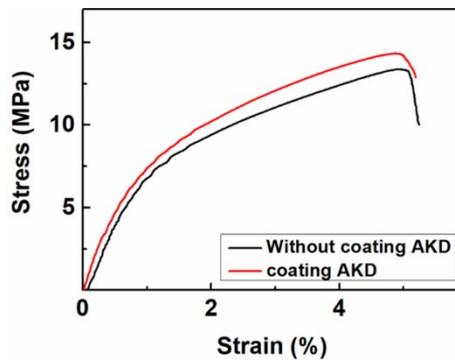
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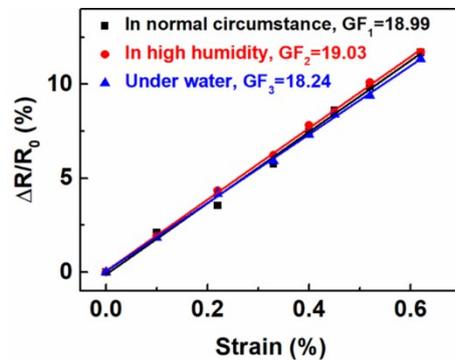
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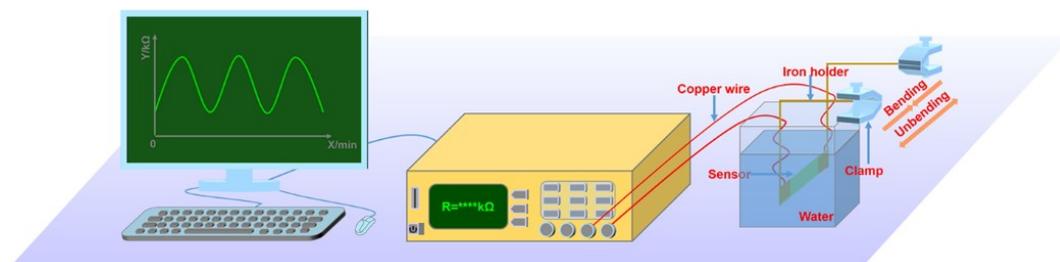
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