

## Supplementary Materials

### Contact-sliding-separation mode triboelectric nanogenerator

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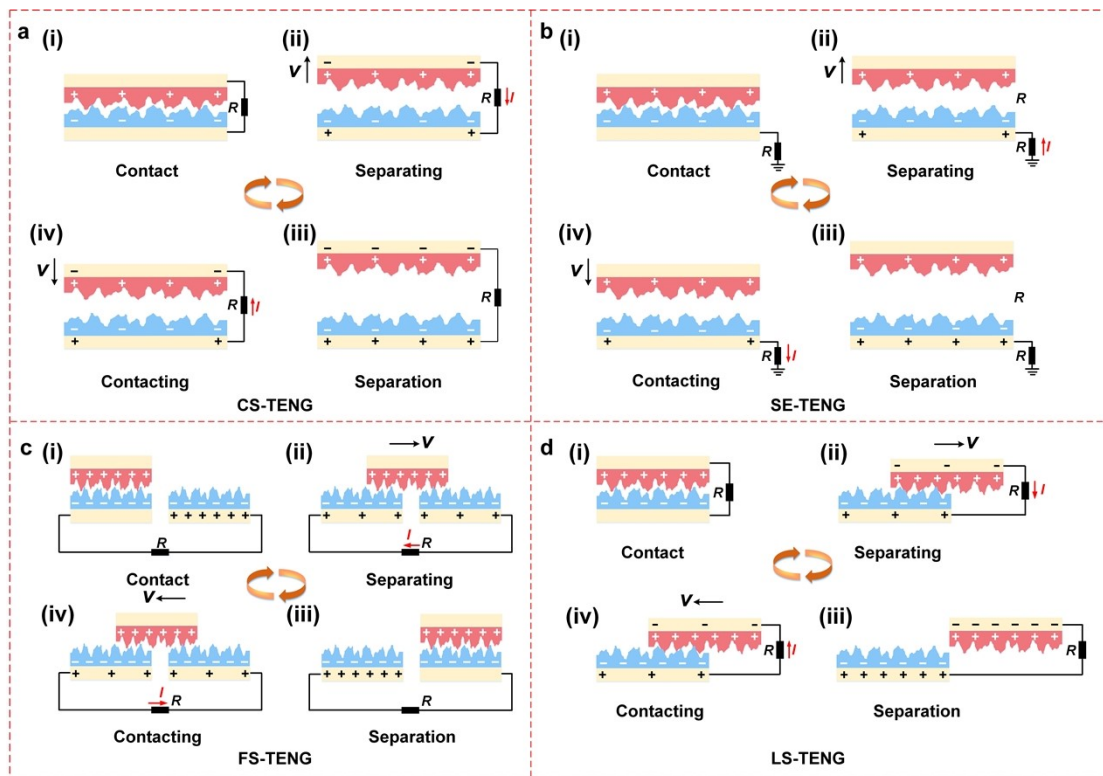
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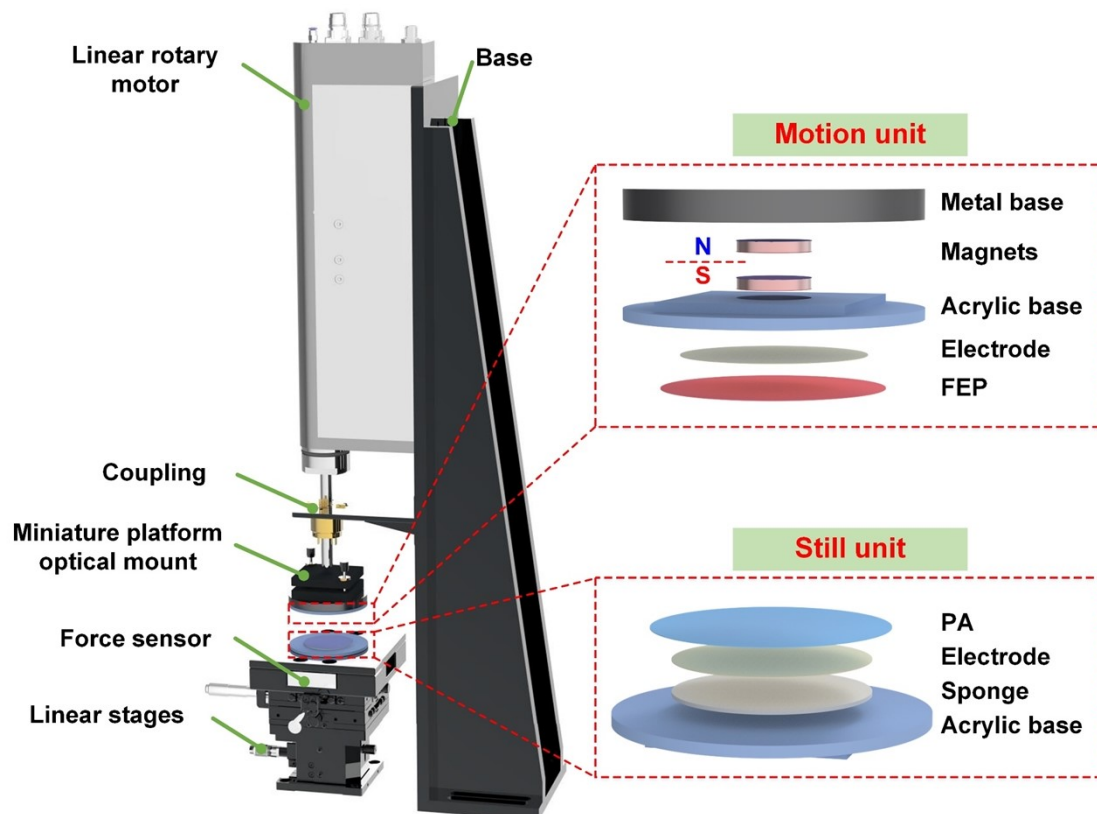
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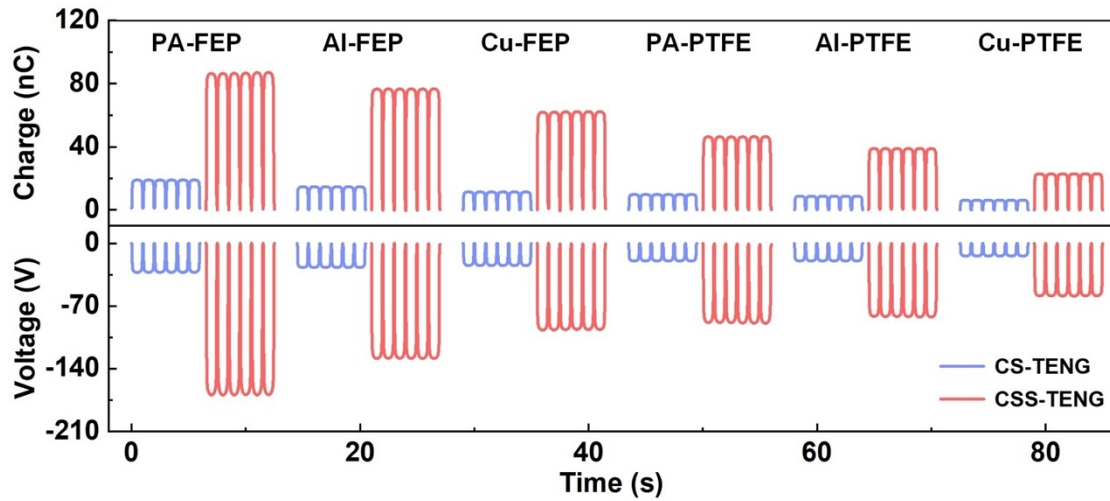
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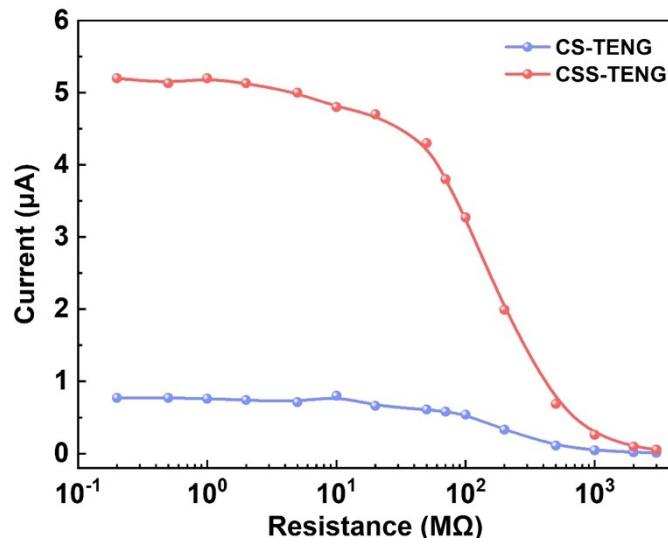
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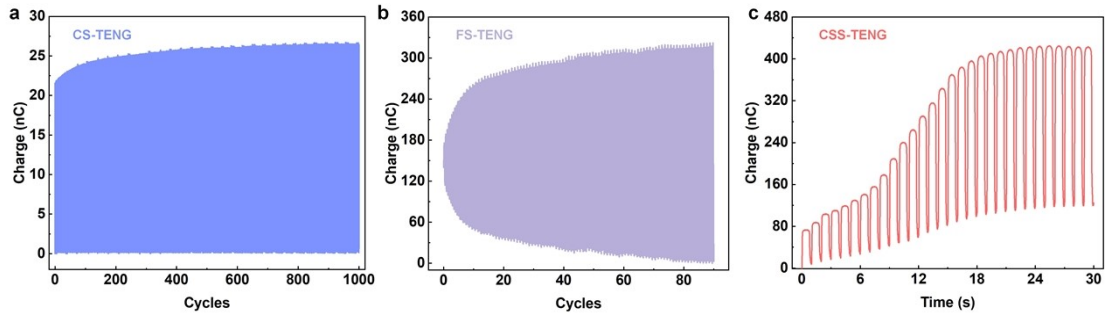
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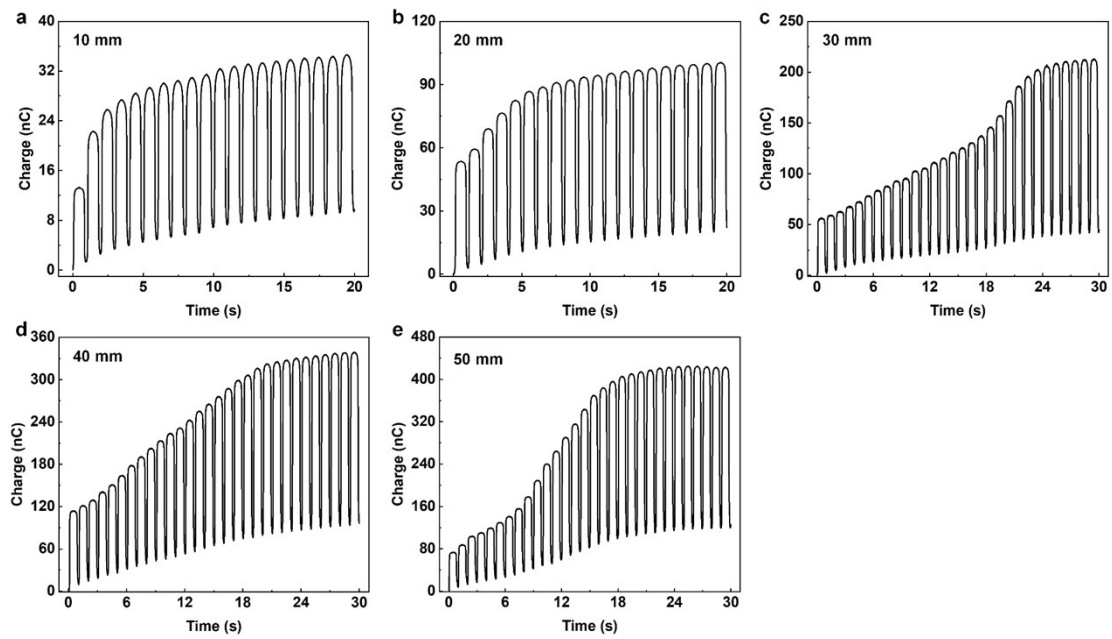
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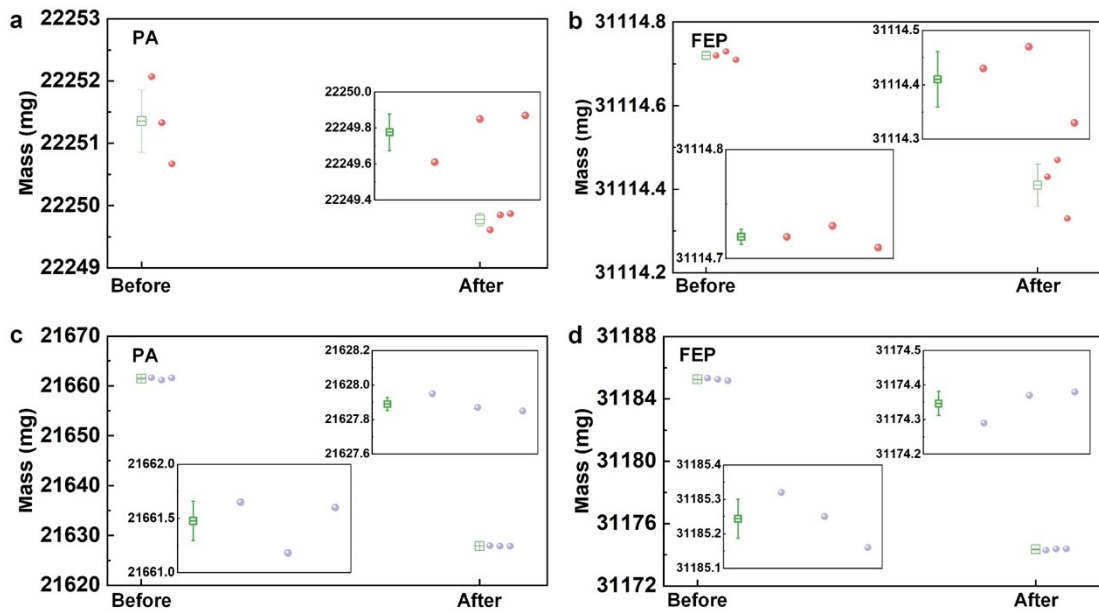
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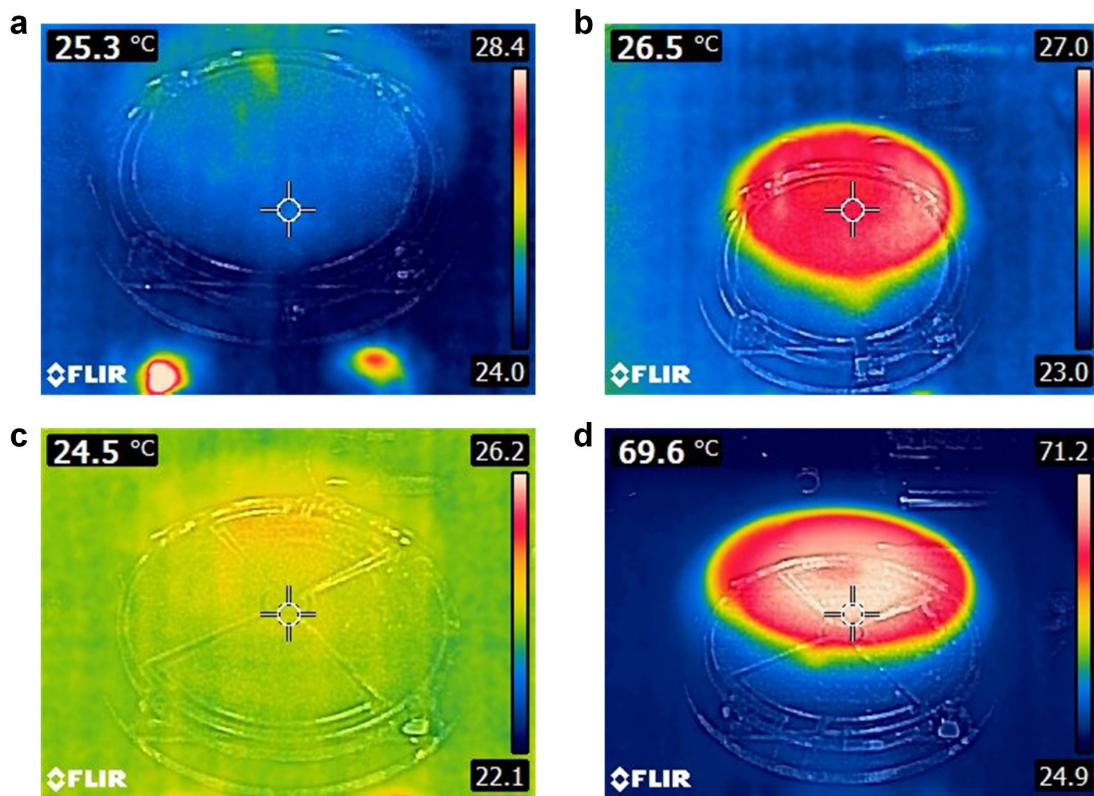
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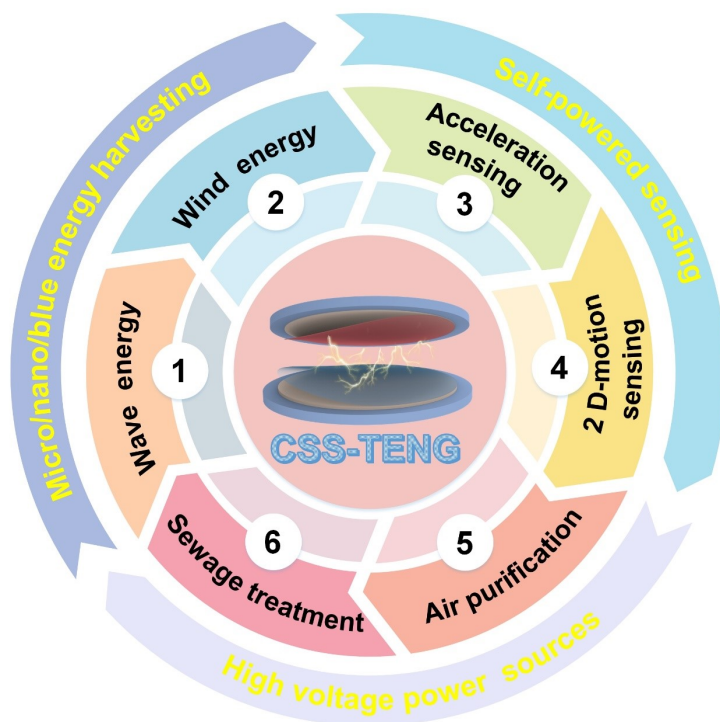
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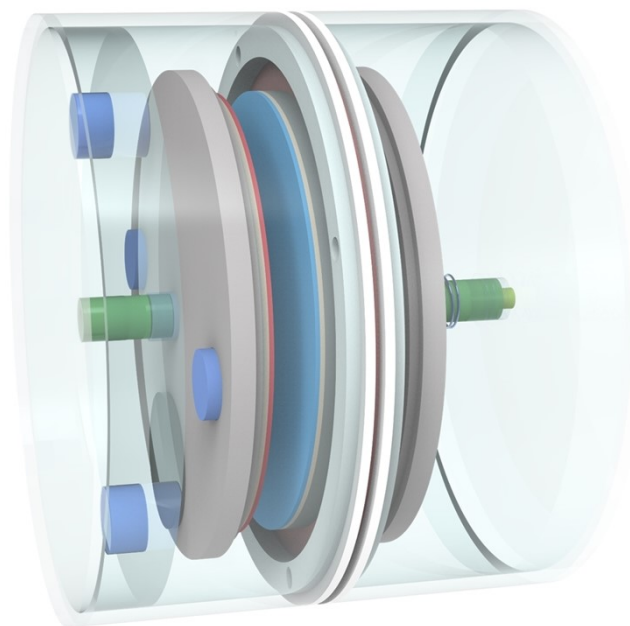
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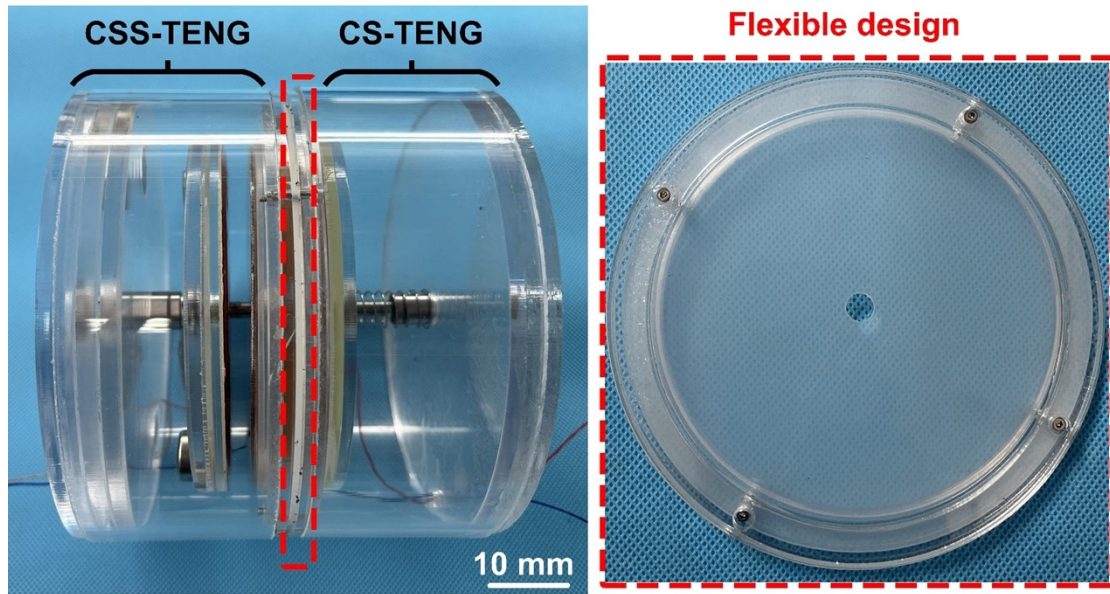


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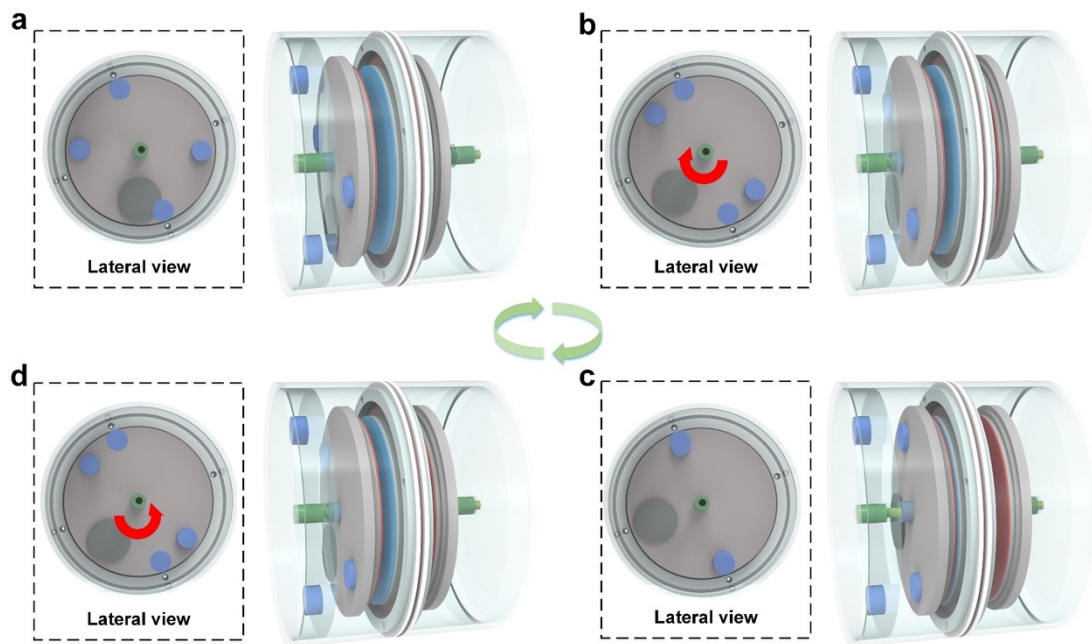


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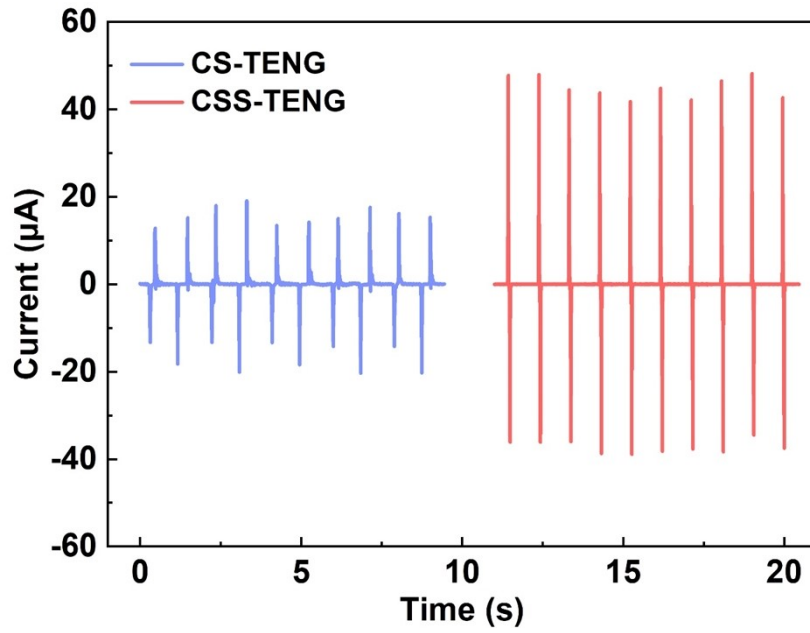




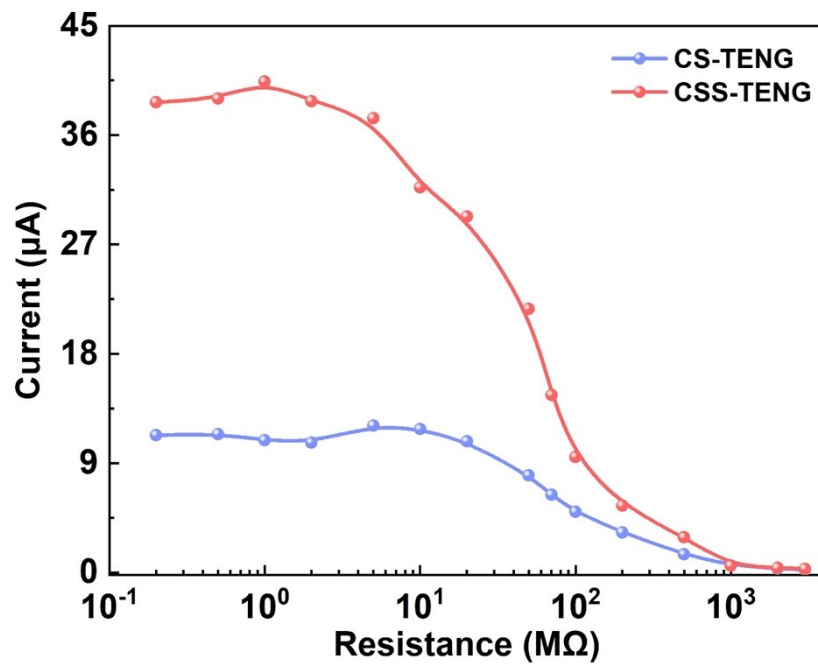
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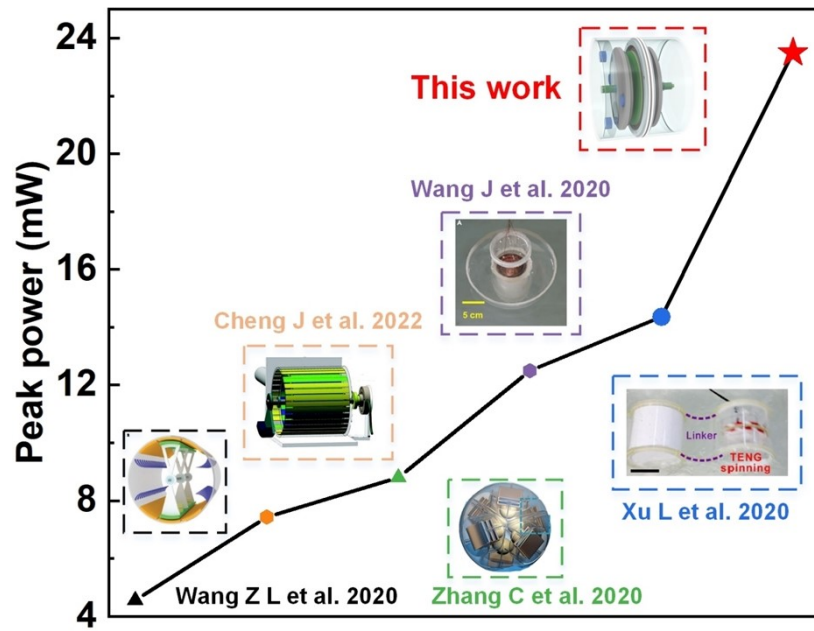
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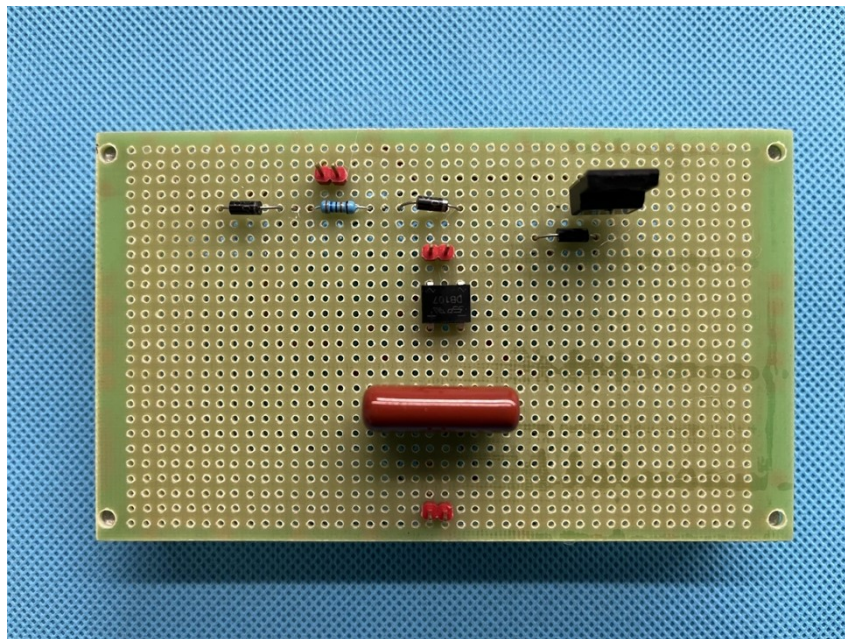
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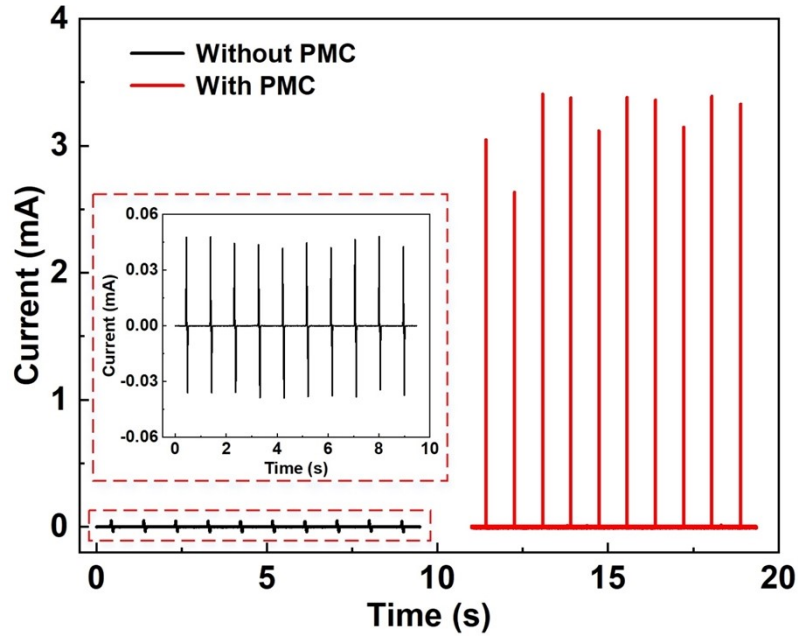
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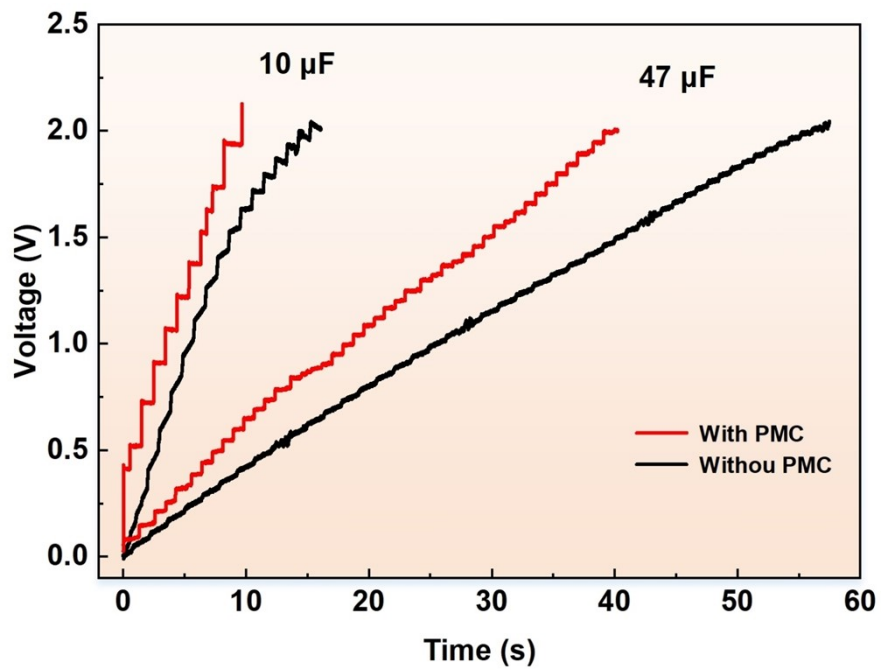
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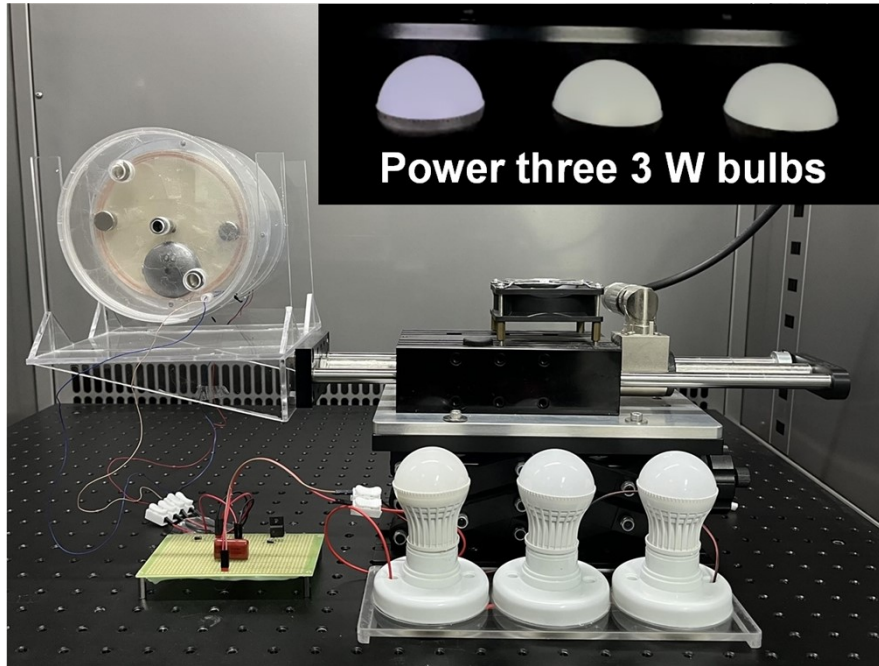
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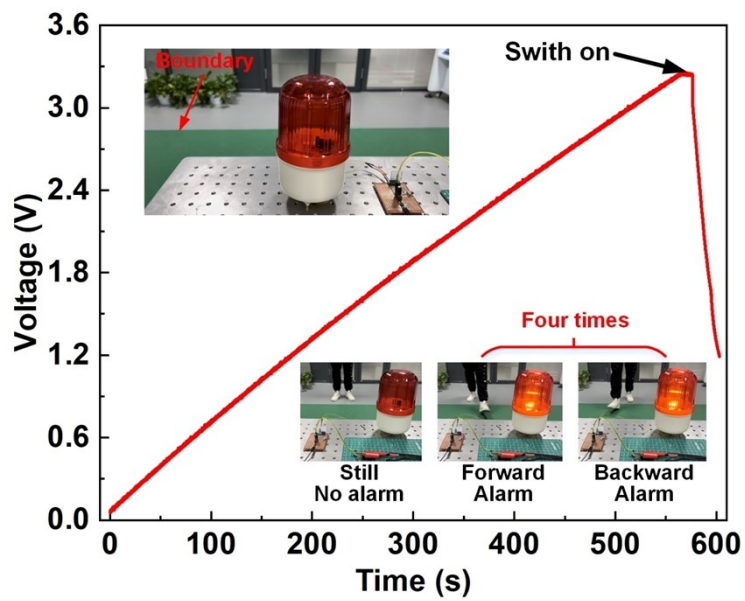
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**Supplementary Table 1** Comparison of the charge density of CSS-TENG with other reports improving the lifetime of TENG.

Method	Charge density ( $\mu\text{C m}^{-2}$ )	Reference
No-contact	28.4	<i>Nano Energy</i> 2021, <b>90</b> , 106585
Structure design	36.7	<i>ACS Energy Lett.</i> 2021, <b>6</b> , 2343–2350
Surface modification	40.9	<i>Nanoscale</i> <b>13</b> , 2021, 8837–8847
Contact-noncontact	62.4	<i>Adv. Mater.</i> 2022, <b>34</b> , 2105882
Floating self-excited	71.5	<i>Nat. Commun.</i> 2021, <b>12</b> , 4689
Soft contact	115.2	<i>Adv. Energy Mater.</i> 2021, <b>11</b> , 2003066
Dual capacitor	129.1	<i>Adv. Energy Mater.</i> 2021, <b>n/a</b> , 2101958
Lubricated interface	200.0	<i>Adv. Energy Mater.</i> 2020, <b>10</b> , 2002920
Contact-sliding-separation	321.6	This work

**Supplementary Table 2** Comparison of the attenuation rate of CSS-TENG with other reports improving the lifetime of TENG.

Method	Attenuation rate (%)	Reference
No-contact	45.8	<i>Nano Energy</i> 2021, <b>90</b> , 106585
Structure design	20.0	<i>Micromachines</i> 2021, <b>12</b> , 1089
Surface modification	12.8	<i>Nanoscale</i> 2021, <b>13</b> , 8837–8847
Lubricated interface	10.0	<i>Adv. Energy Mater.</i> 2020, <b>10</b> , 2002920
Self-cleaning material	8.8	<i>ACS Nano</i> 2021, <b>15</b> , 18172–18181
Contact-noncontact	8.6	<i>Adv. Mater.</i> 2022, <b>34</b> , 2105882
Soft contact	4.3	<i>Adv. Energy Mater.</i> 2021, <b>11</b> , 2003066
Dual capacitor	0.6	<i>Adv. Energy Mater.</i> 2021, <b>n/a</b> , 2101958
Contact-sliding-separation	0.1	This work

**Supplementary Table 3** The comparison of peak power using CSS-TENG with other reports.

Report	Peak power (mW)	Reference
Wang Z L et al	4.6	<i>Adv. Energy Mater.</i> 2020, <b>10</b> , 2000064
Cheng J et al	7.4	<i>Adv. Energy Mater.</i> 2022, <b>12</b> , 2202627
Zhang C et al	8.8	<i>Energy Environ. Sci.</i> 2020, <b>13</b> , 277–285
Wang J et al	12.5	<i>Joule</i> 2021, <b>5</b> , 1613–1623
Xu L et al	14.4	<i>Energy Environ. Sci.</i> 2023, <b>16</b> , 473–483
Cheng T H et al	23.5	This work

**Supplementary Table 4** The comparison of peak power density using CSS-TENG with other reports.

Report	Peak power density (W/m <sup>3</sup> )	Reference
Wang Z L et al	1.4	<i>Adv. Energy Mater.</i> 2020, <b>10</b> , 2000064
Xu L et al	2.5	<i>Energy Environ. Sci.</i> 2023, <b>16</b> , 473–483
Zhang C et al	6.6	<i>Energy Environ. Sci.</i> 2020, <b>13</b> , 277–285
Cheng J et al	10.5	<i>Adv. Energy Mater.</i> 2022, <b>12</b> , 2202627
Wang J et al	13.1	<i>Joule</i> 2021, <b>5</b> , 1613–1623
Cheng T H et al	18.0	This work

## **Supplementary Note 1: The working mechanism of different types of TENGs**

CS-TENG: The operating principle of CS-TENG is illustrated in Supplementary Fig. 1a. Initially, the triboelectric materials (PA film and FEP film) are in contact and produce equal and opposite charges due to contact-electrification (Supplementary Fig. 1a(i)). As the materials are separated, a potential difference arises between the PA film and FEP film, causing electrons to flow from the copper at the bottom to the copper at the top to balance the potential (Supplementary Fig. 1a(ii)). This electron transfer reaches saturation when the separation distance between the materials reaches the maximum (Supplementary Fig. 1a(iii)). When the two triboelectric materials come back into contact, electrons flow from the copper at the top to the copper at the bottom (Supplementary Fig. 1a(iv)).

SE-TENG: Supplementary Fig. 1b shows the operating principle of SE-TENG. Initially, the triboelectric materials (PA film and FEP film) are in contact and produce equal and opposite charges due to contact-electrification (Supplementary Fig. 1b(i)). As the materials are separated, a potential difference arises between the PA film and FEP film, causing electrons to flow from the copper at the bottom to the earth to balance the potential (Supplementary Fig. 1b(ii)). This electron transfer reaches saturation when the separation distance between the materials reaches the maximum (Supplementary Fig. 1b(iii)). When the two triboelectric materials come back into contact, electrons flow from the earth to the copper at the bottom (Supplementary Fig. 1b(iv)).

FS-TENG: The operating principle of FS-TENG is illustrated in Supplementary Fig. 1c. Initially, the triboelectric materials (PA film and FEP film) are in contact and produce equal and opposite charges due to contact-electrification (Supplementary Fig. 1c(i)). When the PA film moves to the right, a potential difference arises between the PA film and FEP film, causing electrons to flow from the copper on the left to the copper on the right to balance the potential (Supplementary Fig. 1c(ii)). This electron transfer reaches saturation when the movement distance of the PA film reaches the maximum (Supplementary Fig. 1c(iii)). When the PA film moves to the left, electrons flow from the copper on the right to the copper on the left (Supplementary Fig. 1c(iv)).

LS-TENG: Figure S1d shows the operating principle of LS-TENG. Initially, the triboelectric materials (PA film and FEP film) are in contact and produce equal and opposite charges due to contact-electrification (Supplementary Fig. 1d(i)). When the PA film moves to the right, a potential difference arises between the PA film and FEP film, causing electrons to flow from the copper at the bottom to the copper at the top to balance the potential (Supplementary Fig. 1d(ii)). This electron transfer reaches saturation when the movement distance of the PA film reaches the maximum (Supplementary Fig. 1d(iii)). When the PA film moves to the left, electrons flow from the copper at the top to the copper at the bottom (Supplementary Fig. 1d(iv)).

## **Supplementary Note 2: The measurement system**

The measurement system is depicted in Supplementary Fig. 2, comprising a base, a linear rotary motor, a coupling, a miniature platform optical mount, a TENG, a force sensor, and linear stages. The linear stages offer three degrees of freedom to adjust the relative position between the two triboelectric layers, and can also modulate the contact



force, as quantified by the force sensor. To ensure optimal contact between the two triboelectric materials, a miniature platform optical mount ensures the parallelism of the materials. Notably, the TENG features a modular design that facilitates easy replacement of triboelectric materials.

### **Supplementary Note 3: Movement process of the designed integrated device**

The movement process of the designed integrated device of one cycle is shown in Supplementary Fig. 12. Initially, the prototype is in a steady state with the two triboelectric materials of the CSS-TENG separated from each other, while the two triboelectric materials of the CS-TENG in contact (Supplementary Fig. 12a). As the prototype moves forward, the clump weight generates clockwise rotational movement in the rotate-moving unit, as depicted in Supplementary Fig. 12b. The magnets of the rotate-moving unit gradually move closer to the magnets of the end cap, resulting in the production of linear motion to the right due to the repulsive forces between the magnets. At this stage, the two triboelectric materials of the CSS-TENG are in contact, while those of the CS-TENG are separated from each other (Supplementary Fig. 12c). The rotate-moving unit then produces counter-clockwise rotational movement due to the clump weight, causing the triboelectric materials of the CSS-TENG to gradually separate and those of the CS-TENG to come into contact with each other, as illustrated in Supplementary Fig. 12d.