

## Supporting Information

# 3D graphene decorated with nickel nanoparticles: in-situ synthesis, enhanced dispersibility, and absorption-dominated electromagnetic interference shielding

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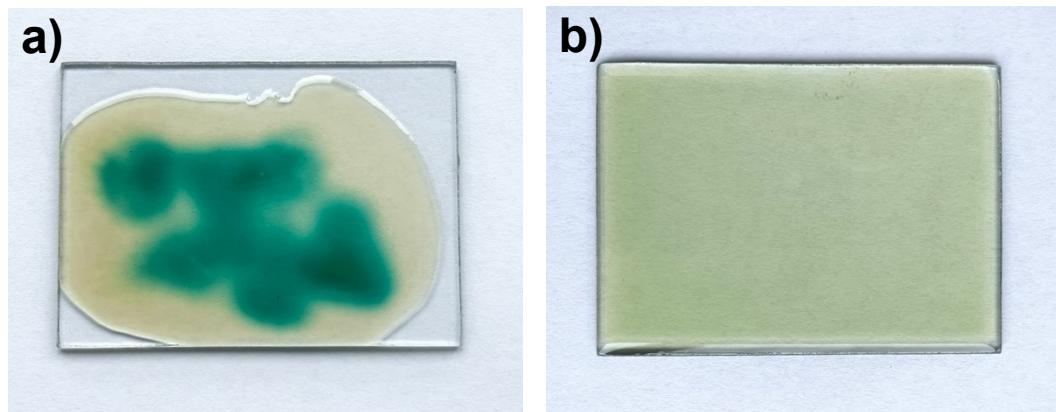
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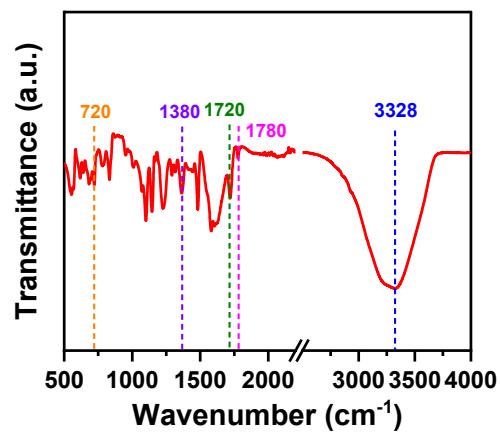
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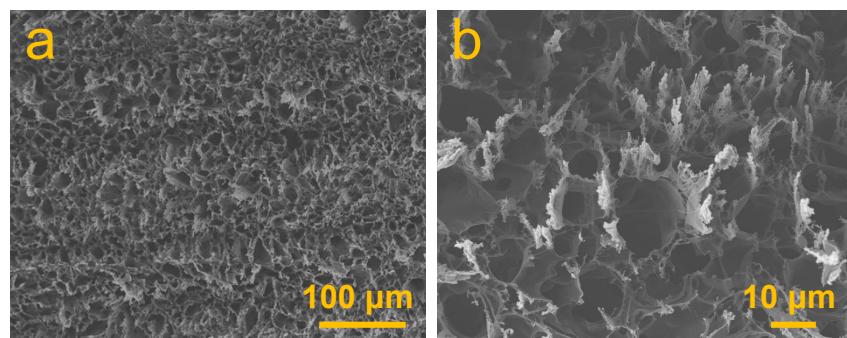
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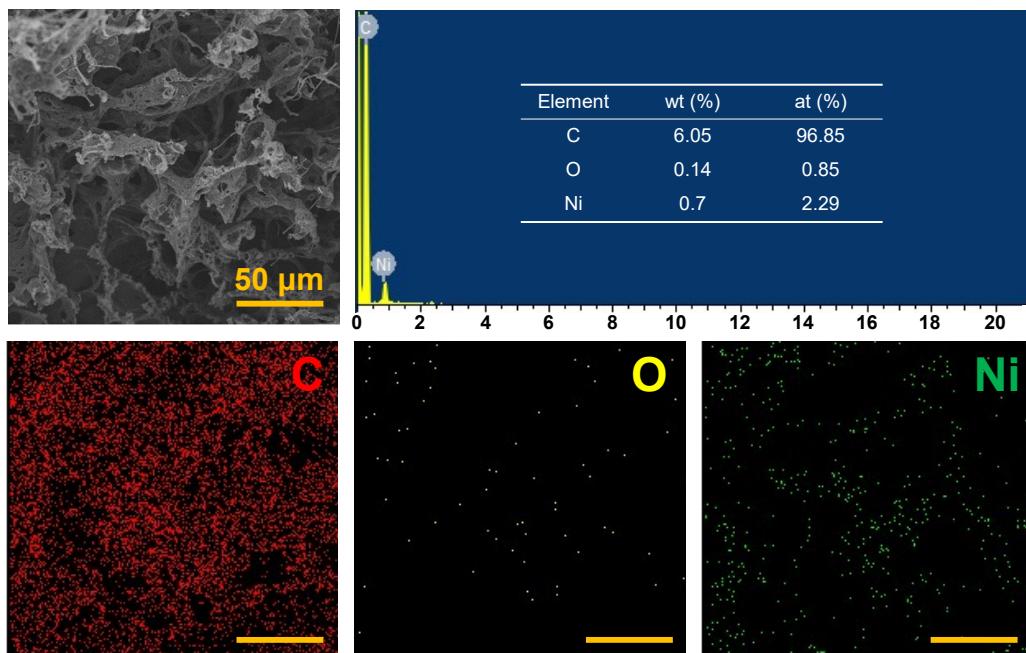
**Fig. S1.** The image of PI/Ni(II) on the glass plate obtained by thermal curing of  $\text{NiCl}_2$  in (a) PAA and (b) PAA-COOH.



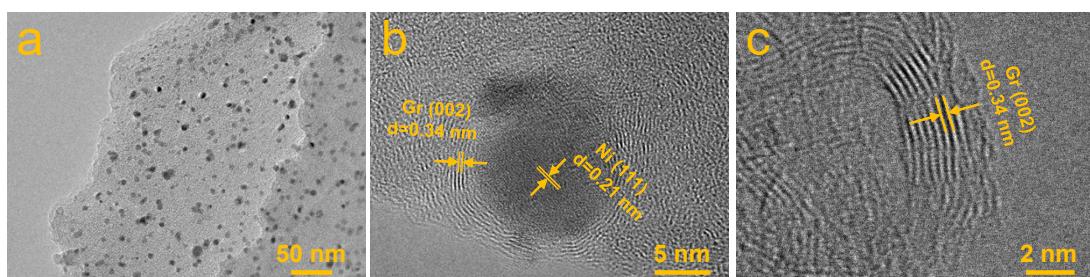
**Fig. S2.** FTIR spectrum of PI containing Ni(II).



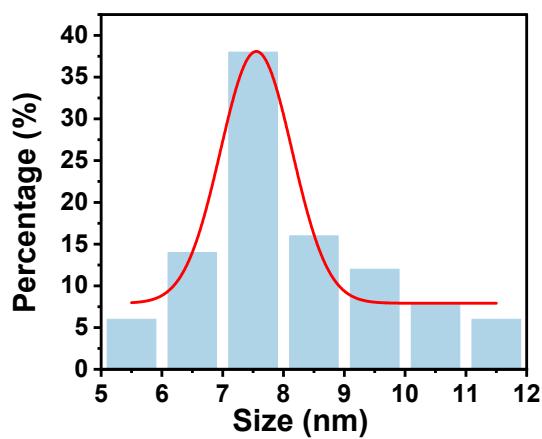
**Fig. S3.** (a, b) Top view SEM images of LIG/Cu.



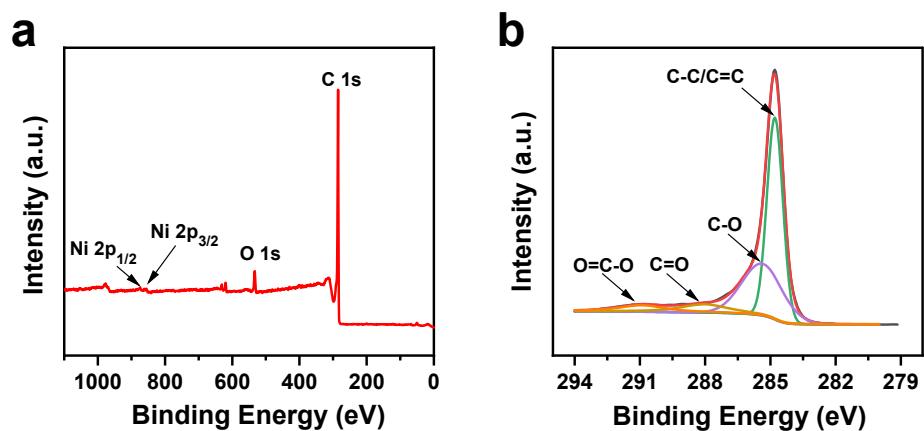
**Fig. S4.** SEM EDS elemental mappings of LIG/Ni.



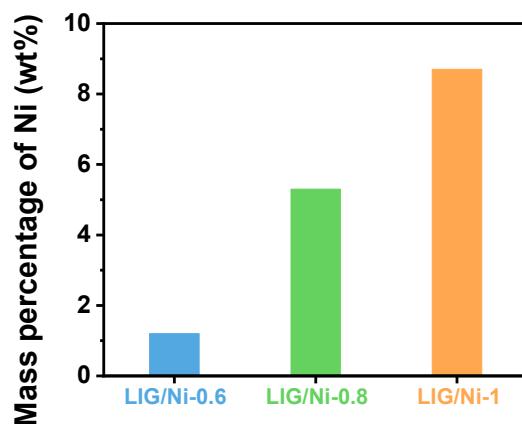
**Fig. S5.** (a) TEM image and (b, c) High-resolution TEM images of LIG/Ni.



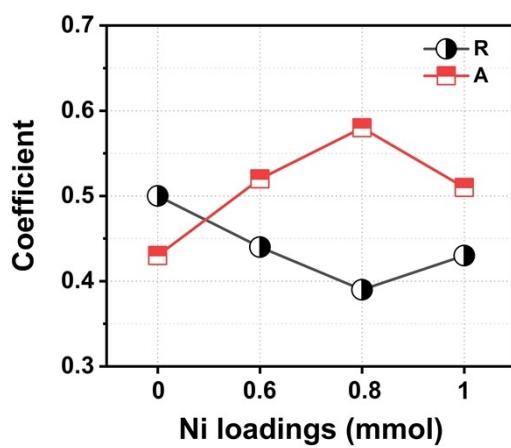
**Fig. S6.** Size distribution of Ni nanoparticles.



**Fig. S7.** (a) Full XPS spectrum of LIG/Ni. (b) High-resolution C 1s spectrum of LIG/Ni.



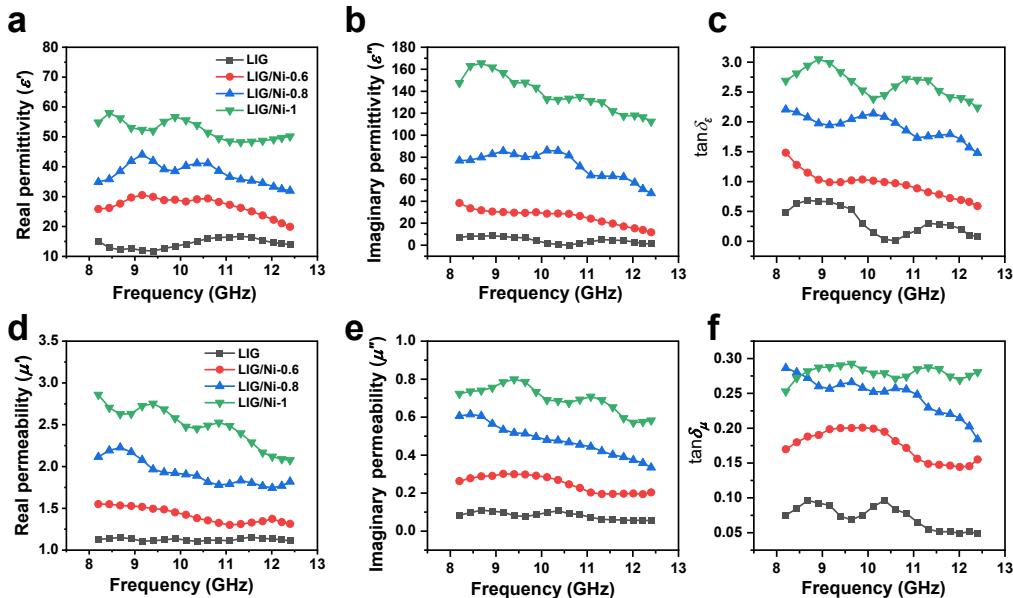
**Fig. S8.** Mass percentage of Ni for different samples.



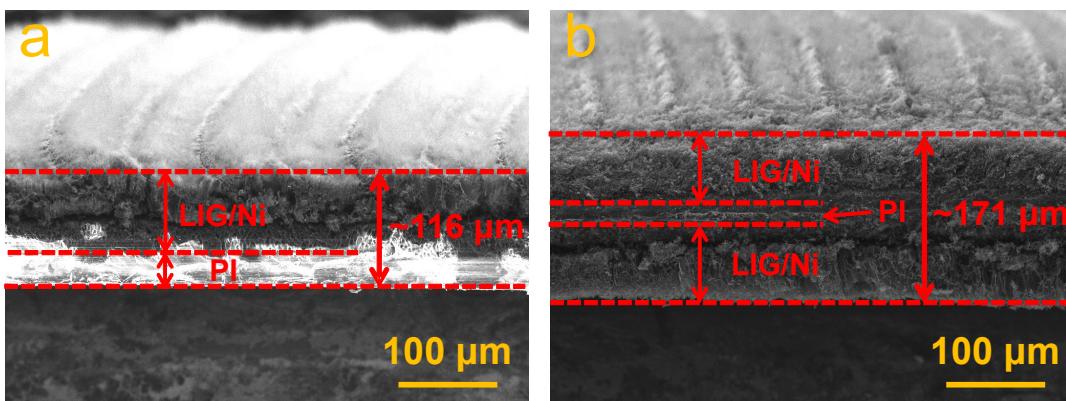
**Fig. S9.** A-R coefficients of different samples.



**Fig. S10.** Mechanical flexibility test of LIG/Ni.



**Fig. S11.** (a-b) Complex permittivity and (c) dielectric loss of LIG/Ni with different Ni contents; (d-e) The complex permeability and (f) magnetic loss of LIG/Ni with different Ni contents.



**Fig. S12.** Cross-sections SEM images of (a) LIG/Ni-0.8 and (b) D-LIG/Ni-0.8.

**Table S1.** Comparison of the EMI shielding performance (in the X-band) of the reported 3D carbon-based shielding materials in terms of filler content and thickness.

Sample	Filler Content (wt%)	Thickness (mm)	EMI SE <sub>T</sub> (dB)	Ref.
FeNi/CNT	30	1.4	35.7	1
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> @graphene foam/PDMS foam	7.1	1	32.4	2
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /Graphene paper	50	0.3	22	3
LIG/Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	10	0.053	32.7	4
GF/h-Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /PDMS	12	2	70.37	5
rGO/MWCNT/PDMS	0.98	2.4	56	6
CNTs@PAN–Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> fibers	10	2	80	7
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> @MWCNT/RGO paper	3.2	0.6	45.9	8
FCC-GF-PDMS	13	1	48	9
Ni@graphene-PVDF	10	0.7	51.4	10
Ni@porous carbon composite	28.76	2	48.7	11
D-LIG/Ni-0.8	5.3	0.171	94	This work

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