## Supporting Information

Ultra-high thermally conductive graphite microplatelet/aramid nanofiber composites with reduced interfacial thermal resistances by engineered interface  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions

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## **Supplementary Figures and Tables**



Figure S1. Digital photos of the ANF film and the ANF/DMSO/DI dispersion.



Figure S2. XRD patterns of pristine PPTA fiber and ANF film.



Figure S3. SEM image of pristine EG.



Figure S4. TEM image of F-GMP.



Figure S5. TEM image of GMP.



**Figure S6.** (a) XPS spectra of pristine EG, F-GMP, and GMP. (b) Oxygen and carbon contents in EG, F-GMP, and GMP.



Figure S7. XRD patterns of pristine EG, F-GMP, and GMP.



Figure S8. Cross-sectional SEM images of the (a) F-GMP30 and (b) GMP30 composite films.



Figure S9. TGA and DTG curves of ANF, F-GMP and GMP composite films.



Figure S10. Cross-sectional SEM image of the F-GMP70 composite film.



Figure S11. In-plane thermal diffusivity of the composite films.



Figure S12. XRD patterns of the F-GMP/ANF and GMP/ANF composite films.



Figure S13. AFM images of (a) F-GMP/ANF and (b) GMP/ANF composite films.



**Figure S14.** A comparison of the thermal conductivity and the elongation at break between the composite films developed in this work and previously-reported nanofiber-based thermally conductive composite films <sup>[S1-16]</sup>.



**Figure S15.** Thermal conductivity variation of the F-GMP70 composite film after bending for 10, 000 and 50, 000 times.



Figure S16. Dimensional statistics of (a) F-GMP and (b) GMP.



Figure S17. Through-plane thermal conductivity of the composite films.



Figure S18. Normalized Raman spectra of F-GMP/ANF and GMP/ANF composite films.



**Figure S19.** Digital photos of the composite films prepared from (a) GMP/ANF and (b) F-GMP/ANF pastes after the long-term storage for 7 days.



Figure S20. XRD patterns of the F-GMP70 composite film before and after storing for 7 months.

Samples	Density (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	Porosity (%)
F-GMP20	1.20	20.3
GMP20	1.01	32.9
F-GMP30	1.22	24.1
GMP30	0.95	40.9
F-GMP50	1.13	37.4
GMP50	0.87	51.8
F-GMP70	1.05	46.5
GMP70	0.87	55.7

Table S1. Density and porosity of the F-GMP/ANF and GMP/ANF composite films.

Table S2. Average surface roughness of the F-GMP/ANF and GMP/ANF composite films.

Samples	Roughness average (nm)
F-GMP/ANF	37.3
GMP/ANF	128.9

**Table S3.** A comparison of the thermal conductivity, thermal conductivity enhancement efficiency and elongation at break of F-GMP/ANF composite films with the previously-reported thermally conductive composite films.\*

Materials	Content	Thermal	Thermal	Elongation	Refs.
	of fillers	conductivity	conductivity	at break	
	(wt%)	(W m <sup>-1</sup> K <sup>-1</sup> )	enhancement	(%)	
			efficiency (%)		
GNP/ANF	30	25.2	34.8	6.4	[S1]
GNP/ANF	20	20.54	\	~3.85	[S2]
rGO/ANF	30	~8	\	~3.3	[83]
Graphene/ANF	40	48.2	\	18.6	[S4]
BNNS/ANF	30	46.7	\	5.55	[85]
BNNS/ANF	30	7.5	9.2	3.6	[S6]
BNNS/ANF	28	0.75	\	~13.2	[S7]
Graphene/ANF	30	6	12.7	2.75	[S8]
BNNS@PVP/ANF	40	14.5	13.5	11.75	[S9]
BNNS/ANF					
-AgNWs@BNNS-	30	~8	21.6	25.5	[S17]
BNNS/ANF (BAB)					
s-IL@BNNS/ANF	30	~16	8.5	\	[S18]
LM@GN/ANF	32.5	5.67	11.5	3.72	[S10]
MBLM/ANF/PVA	75	8.45	\	9.3	[S11]
IL@BNNS/ANF	40	15.2	3.3	22.3	[S19]
<i>m</i> -BN/PNF	30	~6.5	5.3	~9	[S12]
MXene/PNF	30	~41	2	~30	[S20]
f-Ti <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub> T <sub>x</sub> /PNF	30	~4	2	~7.8	[S13]

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F-GMP/ANF	30	56.89	33.4	7.2	This
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> -NH <sub>2</sub> /MXene/BC	40	20.02	10.9	\	[823]
LM/CNF	85	4.9	1.9	5.5	[S22]
BNNS-OH@CNF	30	~5.8	10.5	\	[S21]
BNNS/CCNF	50	17.3	67.2	~7.5	[S16]
GNP/CNF	40	21.42	51.1	~5.6	[S15]
GNP/BNNS/CNF	30	~20	6.9	~2.56	[S14]

\*GNP: graphene nanoplatelet, rGO: reduced graphene oxide, BNNS: boron nitride nanosheet, PVP: polyvinylpyrrolidone, AgNWs@BNNS: hetero-structured silver nanowires@boron nitride nanosheets, s-IL@BNNS: sulfonated ionic liquid modified BNNSs, MBLM: MXene-bridging-liquid metal, PVA: polyvinyl alcohol, *m*-BN: benzidine-functionalized boron nitride, f-Ti<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>T<sub>x</sub>: polyetherimide-unctionalized Ti<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>T<sub>x</sub>, PNF: poly(*p*-phenylene benzobisoxazole) nanofiber, BNNS-OH: hydroxylated boron nitride nanosheets, CNF: cellulose nanofiber, CCNF: carboxymethylated CNF, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-NH<sub>2</sub>: ammoniated alumina, BC: bacterial cellulose.

Table S4. Mass and volume fractions of thermally conductive fillers in the composite films.

Samples	Mass fraction (wt%)	Volume fraction (vol%)
F-GMP70/GMP70	70	60.4
F-GMP50/GMP50	50	39.6
F-GMP30/GMP30	30	21.9
F-GMP20/GMP20	20	14.1

Table S5. Parameters for the calculation of interfacial thermal resistance.

Samples	Thickness of graphite (nm)	Effective length of graphite (µm)
F-GMP	11.7	28.3
GMP	22.7	31.8

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