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**Wireless Biomechanical Power Harvesting
via Flexible Magnetostrictive Ribbons**

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Supplementary Information

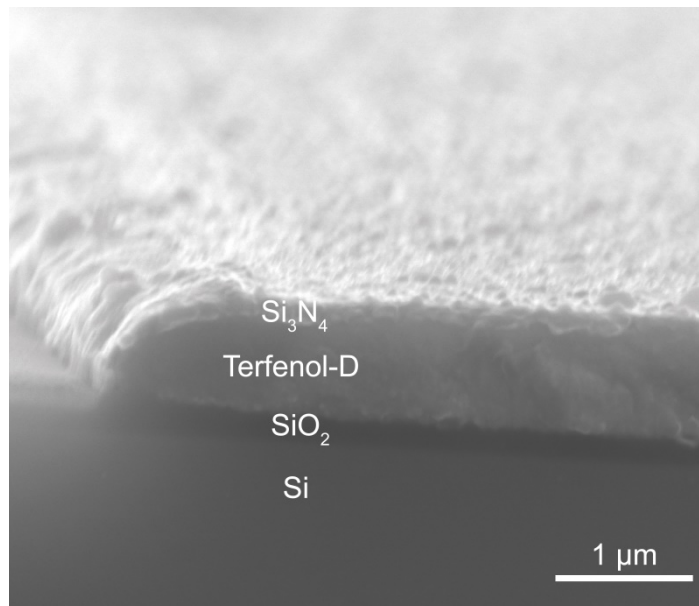


Figure S1. Cross sectional SEM of Si₃N₄/Terfenol-D/SiO₂/Si (from top to bottom) after annealing. The ribbon thickness is ~650 nm.

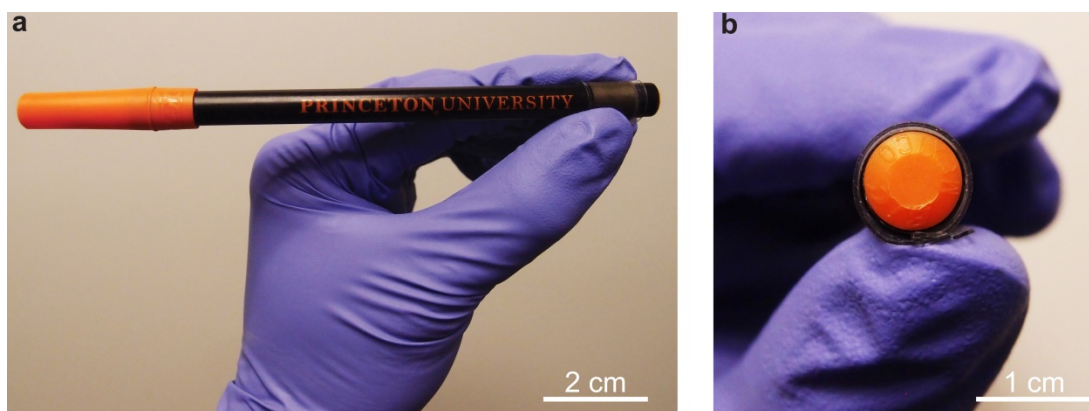


Figure S2. Flexible magnetostrictive ribbon / PDMS composite wrapped around a pen (diameter 8.1 mm). (a) Viewed from the side, and (b) viewed from the end.

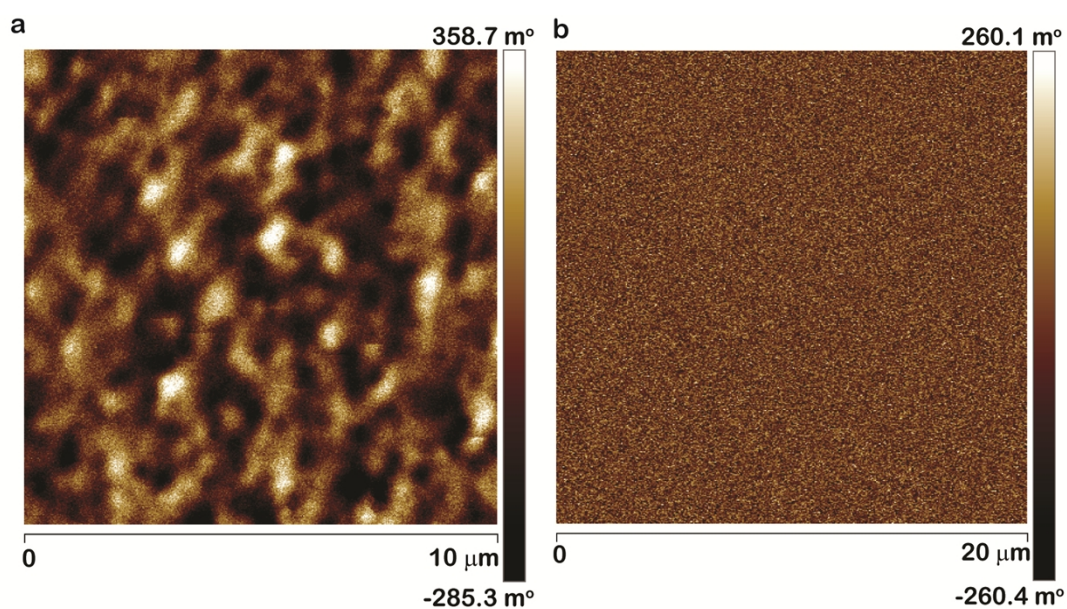


Figure S3. Magnetic Force Microscopy (MFM) scans of (a) a magnetostrictive Terfenol-D ribbon, and (b) a non-magnetic SiO_2 sample.

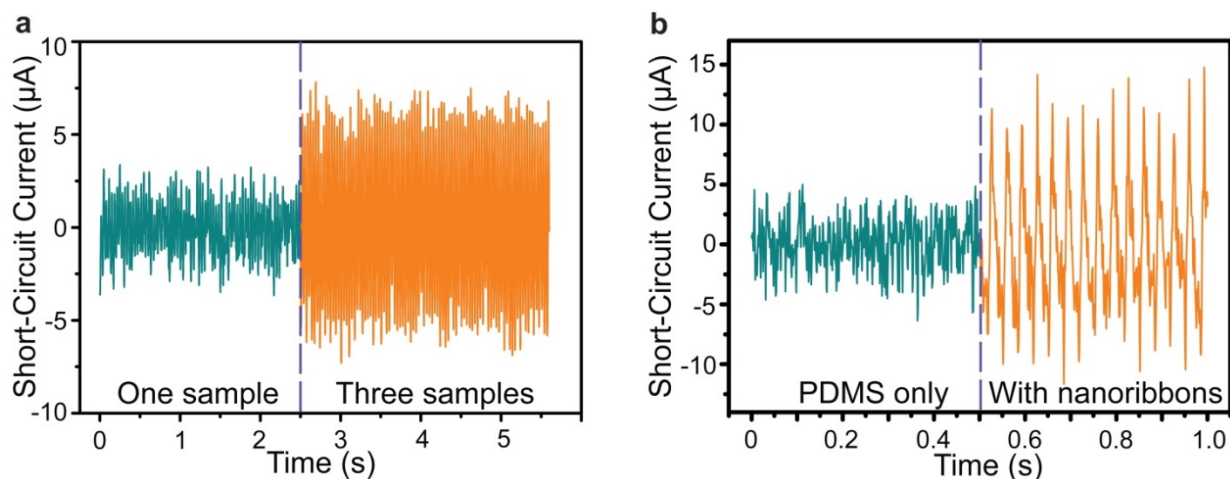


Figure S4. Comparisons of output short-circuit current from (a) one sample vs. three samples of harvesters, and (b) a PDMS only device vs. a composite containing ribbons. The Villari effect is an extensive effect and therefore the output signal should be proportional to the quantity of samples. From (a), it is clear that a larger quantity of samples results in higher output currents. From (b), it is clear that without the Terfenol-D ribbons, a pure PDMS sample only results in background noise without a distinguishable period, in contrast to the sample with Terfenol-D ribbons which has a period corresponding to the deformation period. Both (a) and (b) verify that the origin of the output signal originates from the Terfenol-D ribbons.

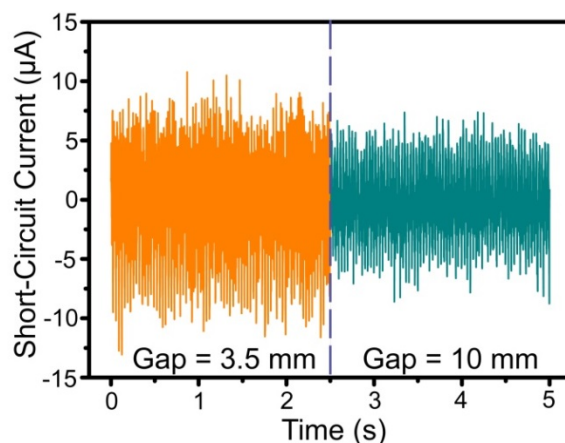


Figure S5. Output current at different distances between the sample and coils. The root-mean-square magnitudes of the current are $3.9 \mu\text{A}$ for a distance of 3.5 mm, and $1.32 \mu\text{A}$ for a gap of 10 mm, corresponding to average powers of 130 pW and 35 pW respectively.

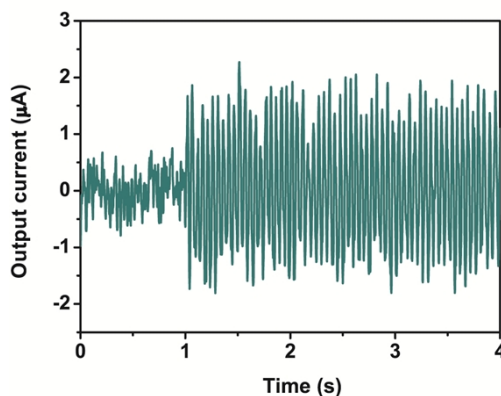


Figure S6. Output current of a flexible Terfenol-D ribbon sample under mechanical flapping deformations. The flapping did not start until 1 s, showing the higher output relative to the noise background signal. Figure 5c is the recording between 3-4 s in this figure.