

**Supporting information**

**Facile fabrication of superhydrophobic coatings with polyimide particles using a reactive electrospraying process**

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**Fig. S1** The cross-sectional TEM image of the microtoming epoxy resin containing dimpled PI particles.

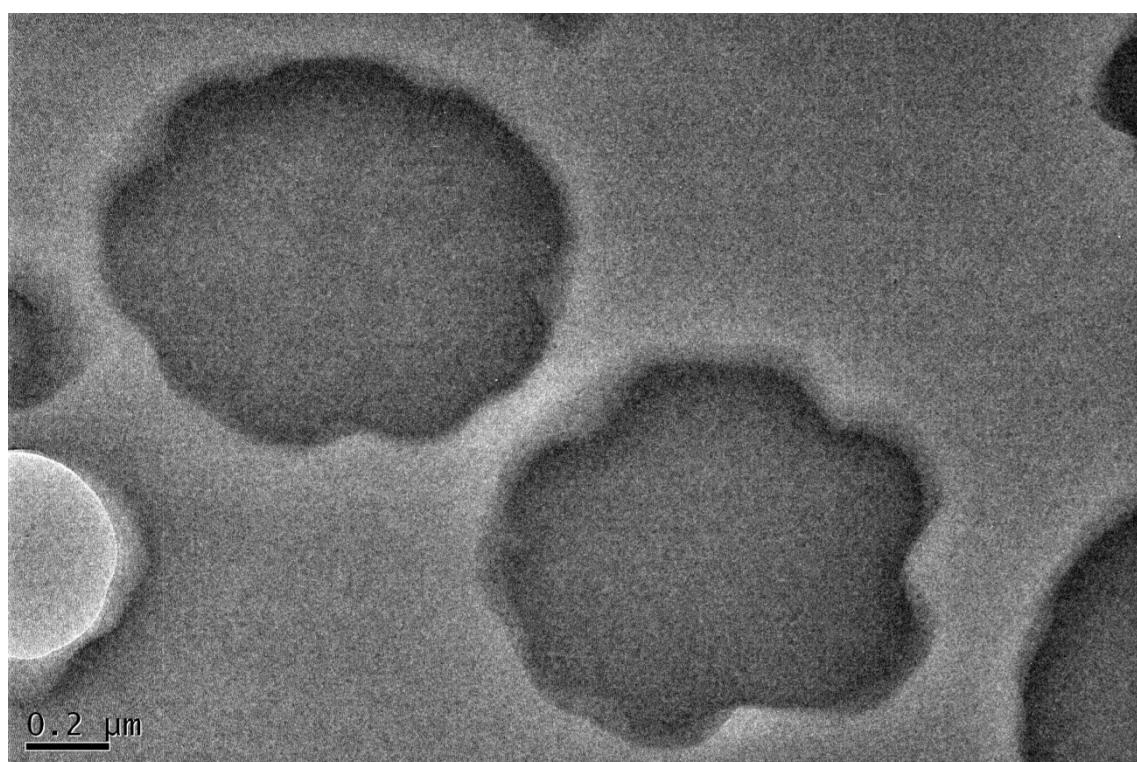
**Fig. S2** Optical microscope images of microdrops: (a) 0 min; (b) 5 min; (c) 30 min; (d) 50 min. Operating parameter : PAA concentration 10 wt%, flow rate 0.5 ml/h, applied voltage 8.0 kV, collector temperature 30 °C.

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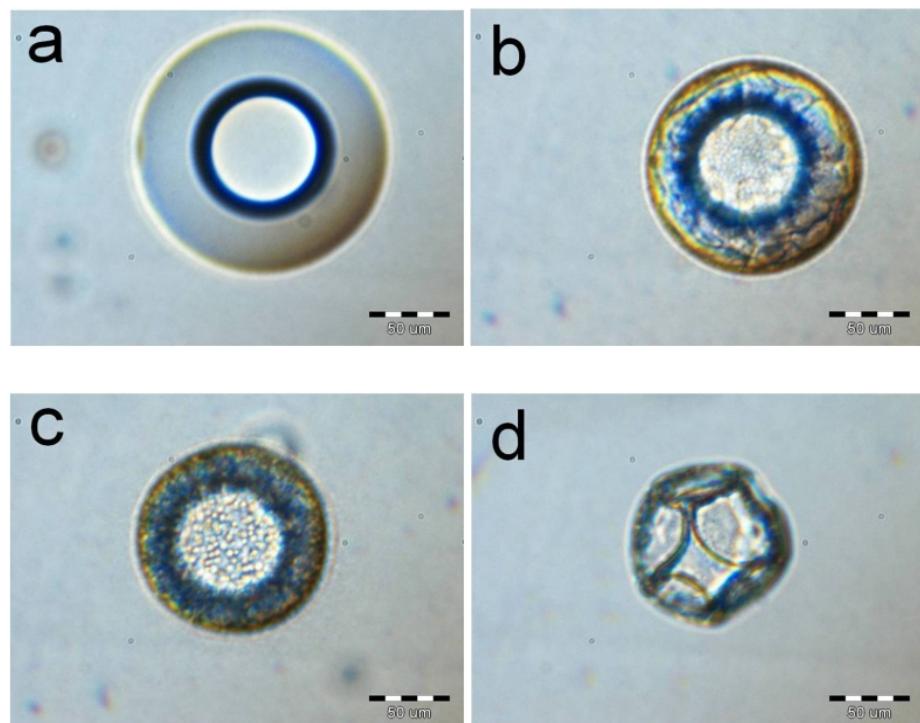
**Fig. S4** SEM images of deposition of PI particles as coating on ITO glass with different particle size: (a, c) 0.2 mAh<sup>-1</sup>; (b, d) 0.5 mAh<sup>-1</sup>. Operation parameter: PAA concentration 10 wt%, applied voltage 12.8 kV and 14.0 kV, respectively.

**Fig. S5** Dynamic contact angle of PI particles coating layer: (a, b, c) advancing contact angle; (d, e, f) receding contact angle.

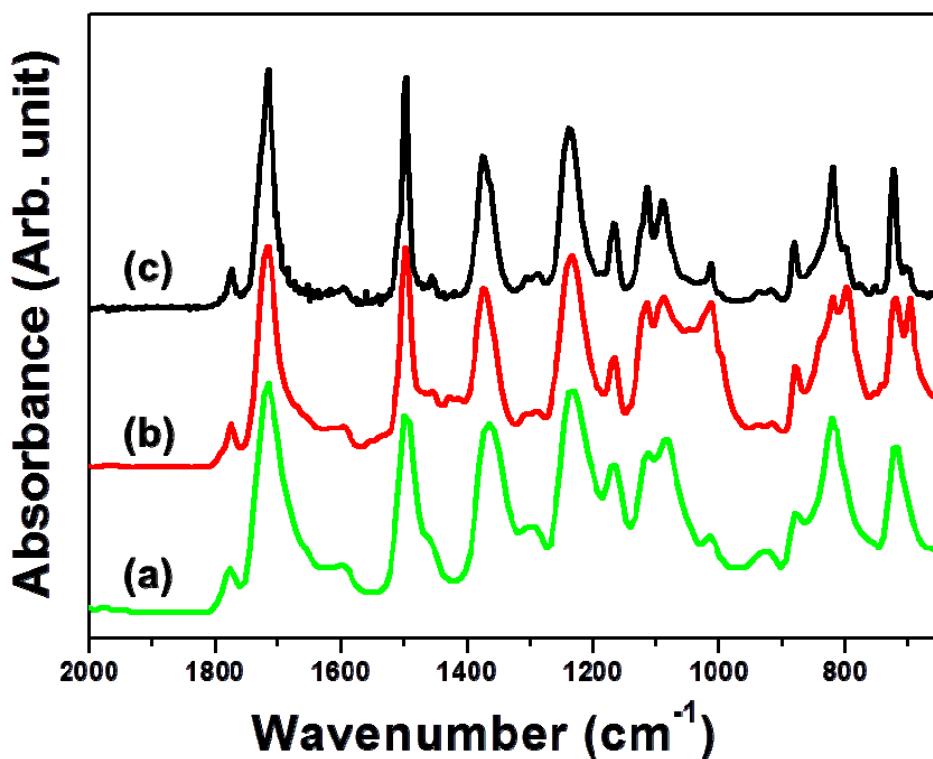
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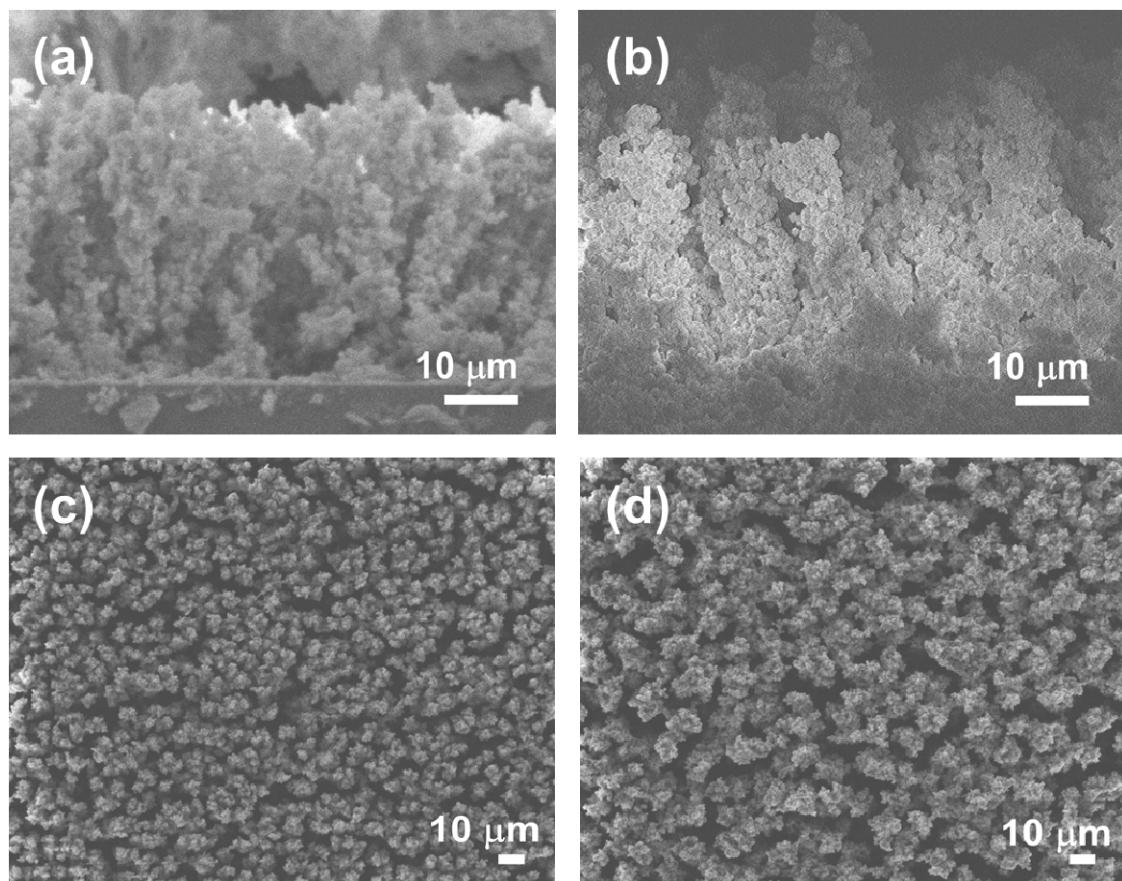
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