

Electronic Supplementary Information

Effects of graphene oxide on surface energy, mechanical, damping and thermal properties of ethylene-propylene-diene rubber/petroleum resin blends

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Dispersion of G-O into EPDM(/PR) matrices

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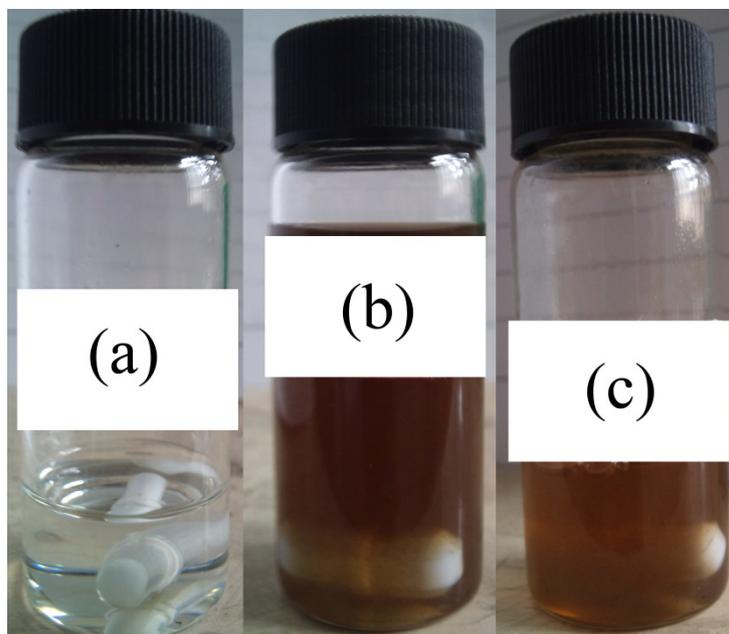


Fig. S1 (a) EPDM/toluene solution (b) G-O/THF solution (c) G-O/EPDM/ THF/toluene solution

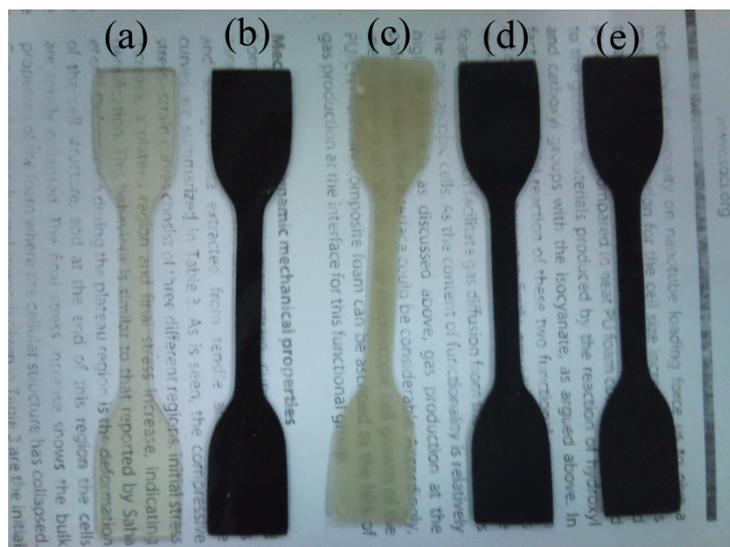


Fig. S2 Vulcanized samples (a) EPDM, (b) G-O/EPDM composite with G-O concentration of 0.5 wt%, (c) EPDM/PR blend and G-O/EPDM/PR composites with G-O concentration of (d) 0.2 wt%, (e) 0.5 wt%

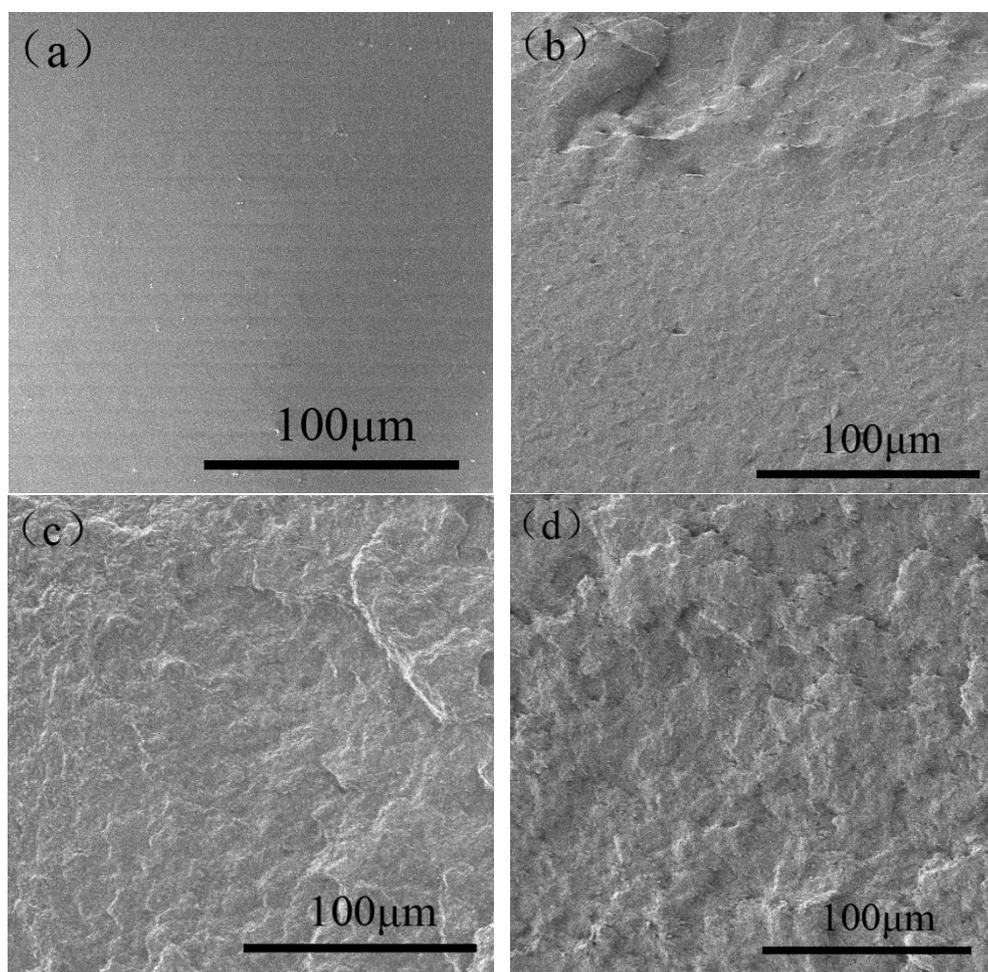
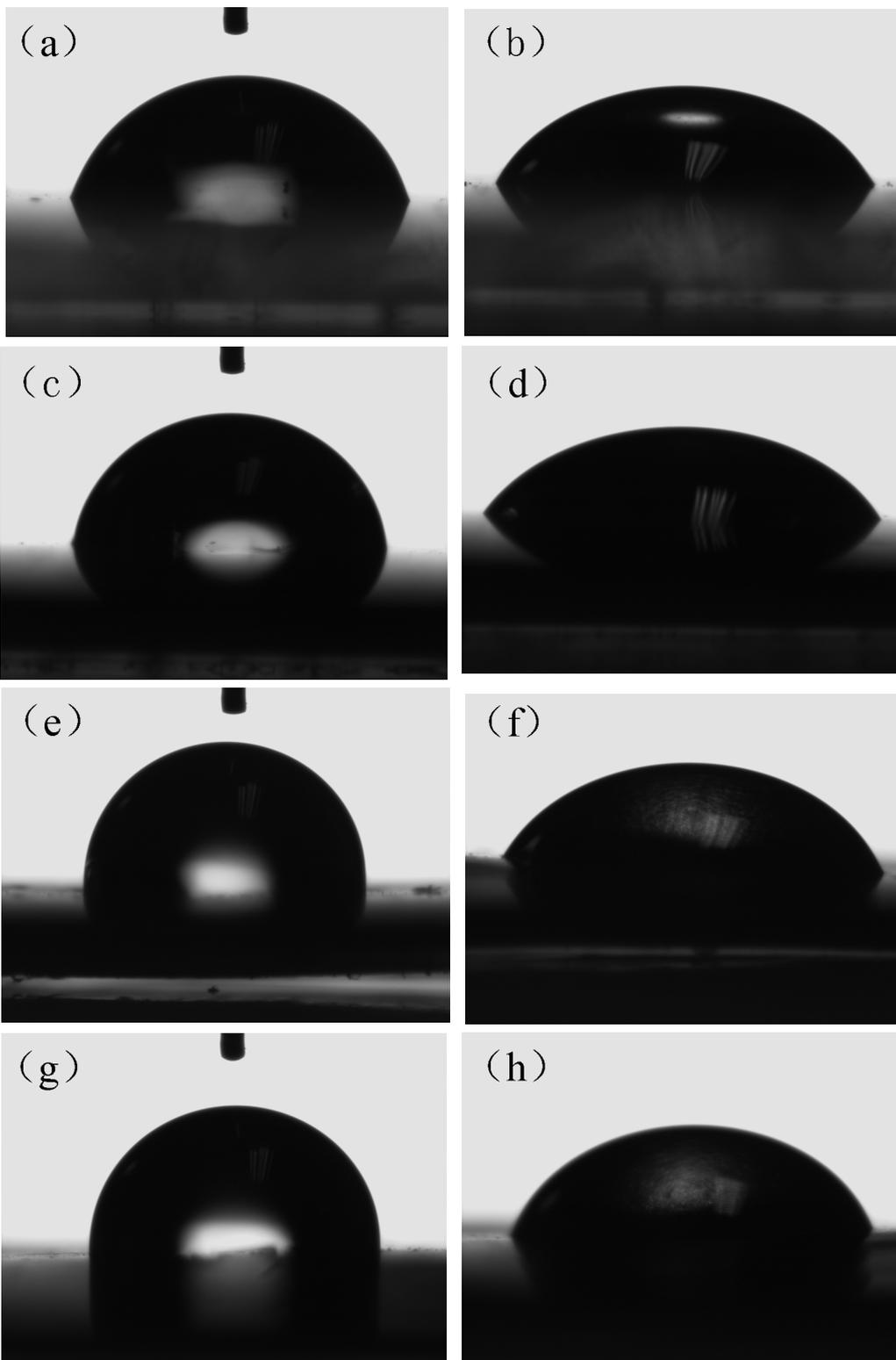


Fig. S3 Low magnification ($250\times$) SEM cross-sectional images of (a) EPDM, (b) G-O/EPDM composites with G-O concentration of 0.5 wt%, (c) EPDM/PR blend, (d) G-O/EPDM/PR composites with G-O concentration of 0.5 wt%

Effects of G-O on surface energy of G-O/EPDM(PR) composites



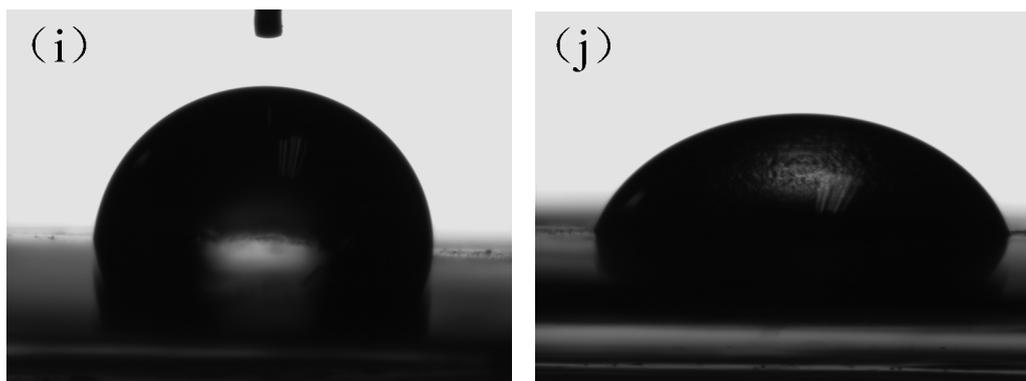


Fig. S4 Contact angle tests under deionized water (left), diiodomethane (right). EPDM (a), (b); G-O/EPDM composites with G-O concentration of 0.5 wt% (c), (d); EPDM/PR blend (e), (f); G-O/EPDM/PR composites with G-O concentration of 0.2 wt% (g), (h), 0.5 wt% (i), (j).

5 Mechanical properties of G-O/EPDM(/PR) composites

Table S1 Mechanical properties of G-O/EPDM(/PR) composites

| Matrix | G-O Contents (wt%) | Stress at 200%, MPa | Stress at 300%, MPa | $N-E_b^a$, % | Permanent set, % |
|-------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------|------------------|
| EPDM | 0 | - | - | 100 | 1 |
| | 0.5 | 2.7±0.2 | - | 133 | 1 |
| EPDM/P R | 0 | 4.5±0.2 | 7.1±0.4 | 100 | 30 |
| | 0.2 | 4.7±0.5 | 7.3±0.4 | 101 | 20 |
| | 0.5 | 3.6±0.4 | 5.8±0.4 | 118 | 35 |

^a $N-E_b$: Elongation at break normalized by 0 wt% G-O

10 Dynamic mechanical properties of G-O/EPDM(/PR) composites

Table S2 Dynamic mechanical properties of G-O/EPDM(/PR) composites

| Matrix | G-O Contents (wt%) | T_g , °C | Tan δ | Temperature Range, °C |
|---------|--------------------|------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| EPDM | 0 | -23.8 | 0.51 | -31.1~-14.2 |
| | 0.5 | -25.3 | 0.53 | -33.1~-15.1 |
| EPDM/PR | 0 | 27.2 | 0.67 | 4.3~56.0 |
| | 0.2 | 30.3 | 0.75 | 4.8~62.7 |
| | 0.5 | 27.6 | 0.64 | 3.8~60.4 |

15 Thermal properties of G-O/EPDM(/PR) composites

Table S3 Thermal properties of G-O/EPDM(/PR) composites

| Matrix | G-O Contents (wt%) | T_5 , °C | T_{onset} , °C | T_p , °C |
|---------|--------------------|------------|------------------|------------|
| EPDM | 0 | 433 | 455 | 477 |
| | 0.5 | 432 | 450 | 472 |
| EPDM/PR | 0 | 271 | 396 | 463 |
| | 0.2 | 271 | 399 | 460 |
| | 0.5 | 281 | 400 | 463 |