## SUPPORTING INFORMATION BIOINSPIRED SELF-HEALING NICKEL COATING

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PUF microcapsules synthesis

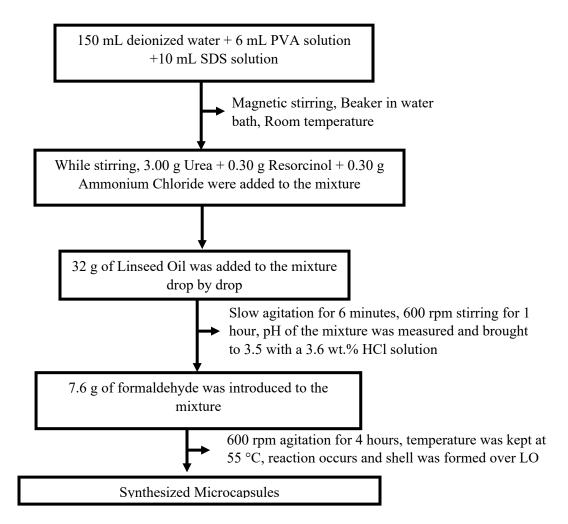


FIGURE S1: SYNTHESIS PROCEDURE OF PUF SHELL MICRO-CAPSULES CONTAINING LINSEED OIL.

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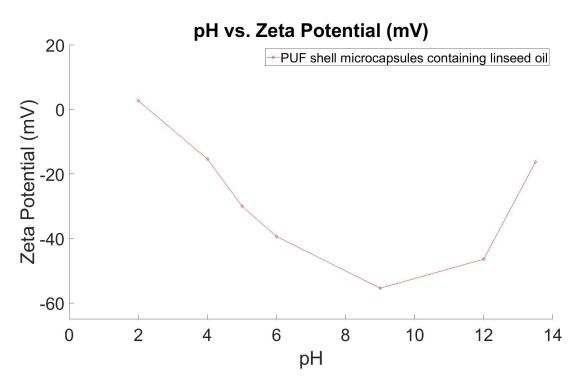


FIGURE S2: PH VS. ZETA POTENTIAL OF PUF SHELL MICROCAPSULES CONTAINING LINSEED OIL.

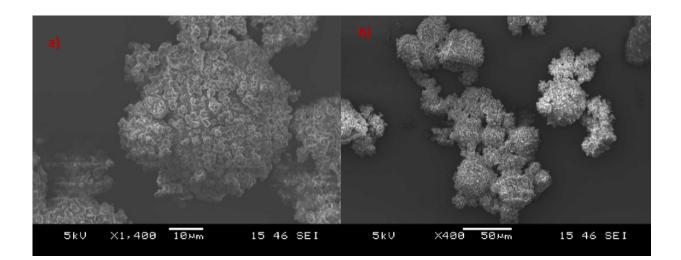


FIGURE S3: SIZE AND MORPHOLOGY OF SYNTHESIZED MICROCAPSULES. A) MICROCAPSULES EXHIBIT A ROUGH SURFACE WITH BRANCH-LIKE SPOTS (SIZE OF THE SCALE BAR: 10 MM), B) MICROCAPSULES HAVE A MEAN SIZE OF ~25 MICROMETERS (SIZE OF THE SCALE BAR: 50 MM).

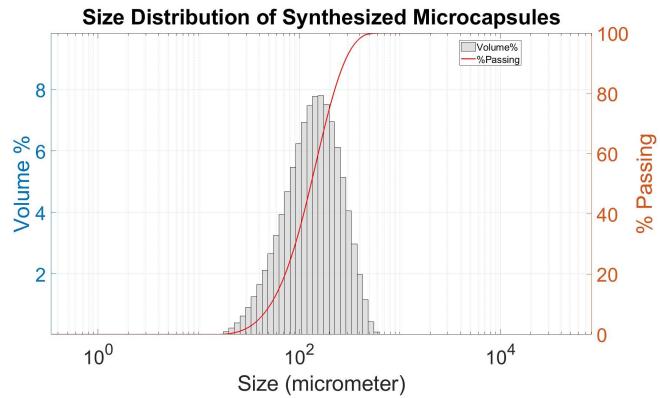
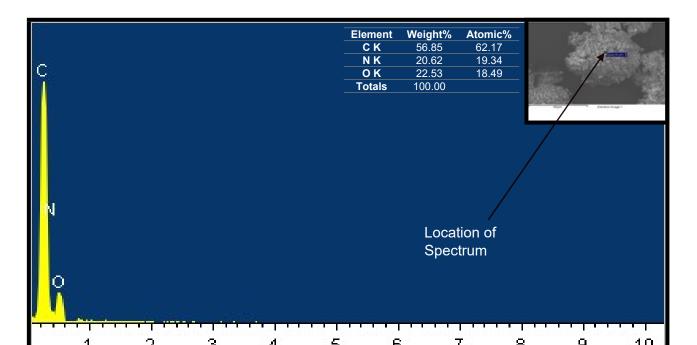


FIGURE S4: SIZE DISTRIBUTION OF MICROCAPSULES. SIZE OF THE MICROCAPSULES WAS MEASURED USING MASTERSIZER 3000 LASER DIFFRACTION PARTICLE SIZE ANALYZER.



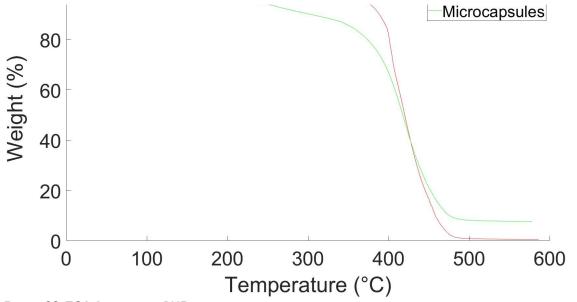


FIGURE S5: EDS ANALYSIS OF THE SURFACE OF THE SYNTHESIZED MICROCAPSULES.

FIGURE S6: TGA ANALYSIS OF PUF SHELL MICROCAPSULES CONTAINING LINSEED OIL AND PURE UNENCAPSULATED LINSEED OIL PERFORMED IN AN ARGON GAS ENVIRONMENT.

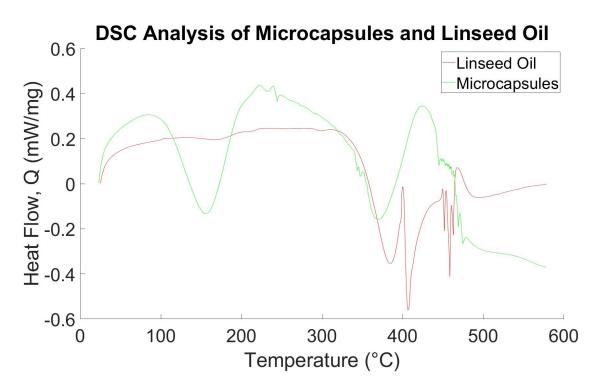
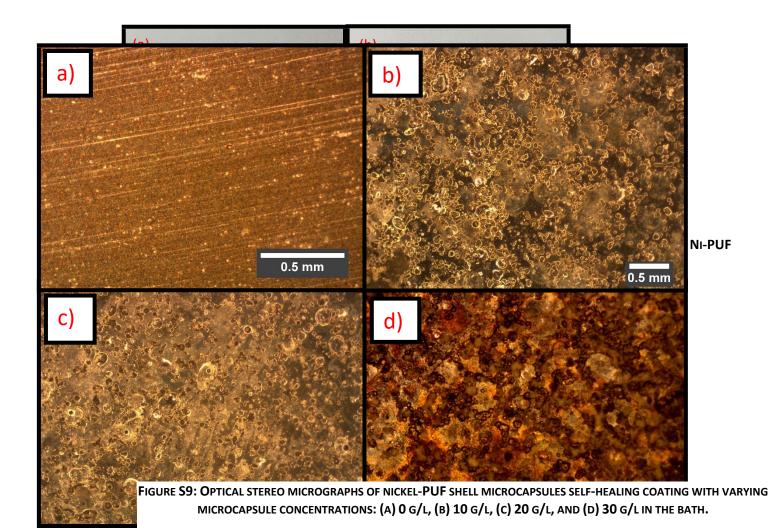


FIGURE S7: DSC ANALYSIS OF PUF SHELL MICROCAPSULES CONTAINING LINSEED OIL AND PURE UNENCAPSULATED LINSEED OIL PERFORMED IN AN ARGON GAS ENVIRONMENT



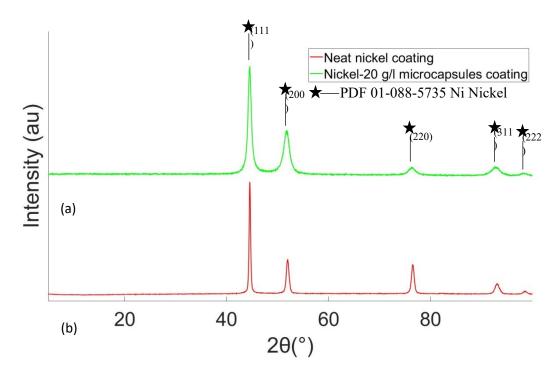


FIGURE S10: X-RAY DIFFRACTION PATTERNS FOR (A) NEAT NICKEL COATING, (B) NICKEL-20G/L MICROCAPSULES COATING.

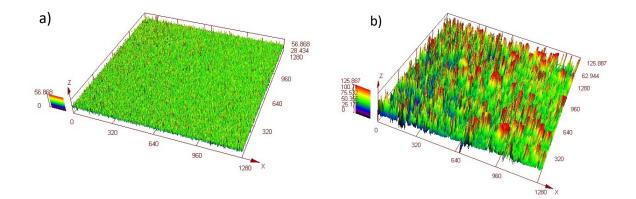


FIGURE S11: CONFOCAL LASER SCANNING MICROSCOPY SURFACE ROUGHNESS MEASUREMENTS FOR (A) NEAT NICKEL COATING, (B) NICKEL-20G/L MICROCAPSULES COATING, SHOWING THE 3D SURFACE.

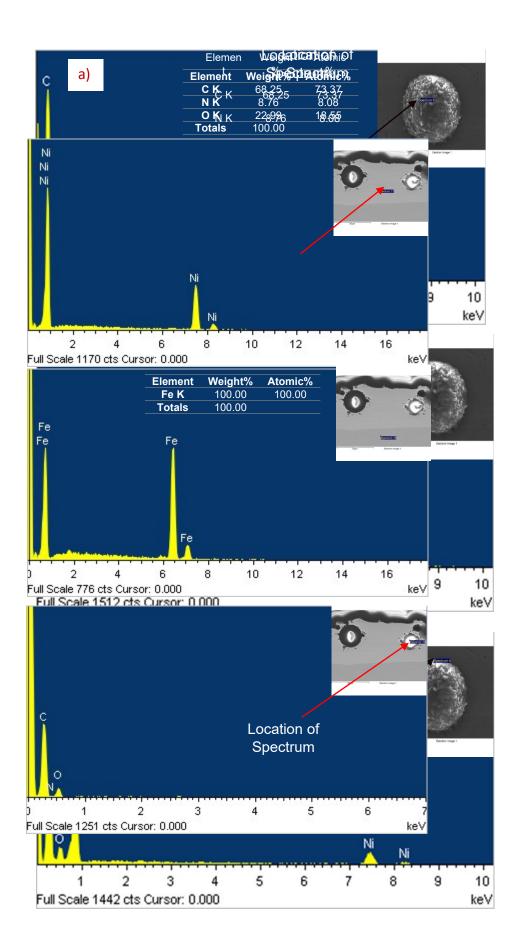


FIGURE S12: EDS ANALYSIS OF NI-PUF MICROCAPSULES SELF-HEALING COATING, SPECTRA FOR A) EXPOSED MICROCAPSULES, B) AREA SURROUNDED NICKEL COATING, C) MICROCAPSULES-NICKEL

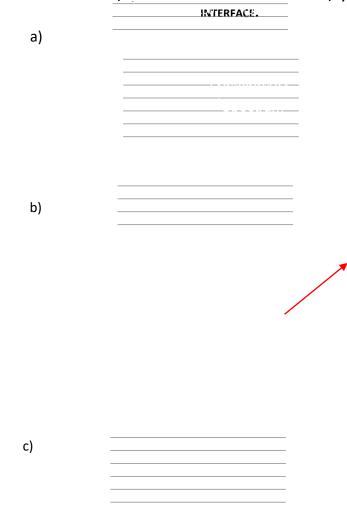


FIGURE S13: EDS ANALYSIS OF THE CROSS-SECTIONAL AREA OF NI-PUF MICROCAPSULES SELF-HEALING COATING; SPECTRA FOR A) NICKEL DEPOSIT, B) MILD STEEL SUBSTRATE, C) SURFACE OF MICROCAPSULE.

## TABLE S1: THE IMAGES FROM THE IMMERSION TEST ACCORDING TO ASTMG31 IN 3.5% NACL SOLUTION TO ASSESS THE CORROSION PROTECTION OFSELF-HEALING COATINGS

Amount of Microcapsul es		0 g/l	10 g/l	20g/l	30 g/l
Elaps ed Time	0 hou rs				
	6 hou rs				
	24 hou rs				