

# Supplementary Data 1 for

## Strong Graphene Oxide Nanocomposites from Aqueous Hybrid Liquid Crystals

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**Supplementary Data 1.** The enhancement in modulus ( $\Delta E$ ) and tensile strength ( $\Delta\sigma$ ) for polymer+GO nanocomposite films.<sup>a</sup>

No.	Matrix	GO type <sup>a</sup>	Test <sup>b</sup>	GO <sup>c</sup> wt. %	E <sub>PM</sub> GPa	$\Delta E$ GPa	$\sigma_{PM}$ MPa	$\Delta\sigma^d$ MPa	Reference
<b>Aliphatic polymers</b>									
1	Polyethylene succinate	GO	Tensile	0.5	0.38	0.03	38	16	1
2	HDPE/MAPE (90/10)	GO	Tensile	0.3	0.43	0.15	11.6	1.4	2
3	Polypropylene (PP)	rGO	Tensile	10	0.98	0.52	NA	NA	3
4	polyethylene oxide (PEO)	GO	Tensile	0.5	0.3	2.9	38	14	4
5	Nafion	GO	Tensile	4.5	NA	NA	9.4	70.07	5
6	Poly (lactic acid) (PLLA)	GOf	Tensile	1	1	0	33	42	6
7	PLLA	GO	Tensile	1	1	0	33	17	7
8	PLLA	GO	Tensile	2	1.56	0.93	41.4	21.6	2
9	Polycaprolactone (PCL)	GO	Tensile	2	0.21	0.23	14.2	13.3	2
10	PCL	GO	Tensile	2	0.25	0.065	NA	NA	7
11	PCL	rGO	Tensile	2	0.25	0.165	NA	NA	7
12	chitosan-PVP	GO	Tensile	0.5	2	1.5	60	60	8
13	Polyester resin +MEKP hardner	rGO	Tensile	3	1.6	1.4	26	32	9
14	Polyester-Carbon fiber	rGO	DMTA	10.3	0.5	0.5	NA	NA	10
15	Polyester-Carbon fiber	rGO	Tensile	10.3	NA	NA	1.75	0.65	10
16	Polyester	GO	Tensile	3	1.2	0.5	35	40	9
17	Polyamide 6	TrGO	Tensile	10	1.65	0.78	NA	NA	3
18	Polycarbonate (PC)	TrGO	Tensile	10	1.48	1.19	NA	NA	3
19	PC	rGO	Tensile	1	1.9	0.9	62	26	11
20	Linear PC	GOf	Tensile	3	0.09	0	NA	NA	12
21	Branched PC	GOf	Tensile	0.5	0.072	-0.012	NA	NA	12
22	PC	rGOf	Tensile	3	1.9	0.2	51	3	13
23	Polyvinyl alcohol (PVA)	GO	Tensile	5.4	2.9	3	33.00	29	14
24	PVA	GO	Tensile	5.4	2.5	1.5	64.00	3	14
25	PVA	GO	Tensile	0.5	2.1	1.2	41.5	11.9	15
26	PVA	GOf	Tensile	1.4	0.16	0.37	22.5	23.2	16

27	PVA	GOf	Tensile	0.525	2.75	1.35	90	50	17
28	PVA	GO	Tensile	1	3.8	3.4	90	40	18
29	PVA	GO	Tensile	5	2.1	4.0	63	22	19
30	PVA	GO	Tensile	20	-	-	16	43.6	20
31	PVA	rGO	Tensile	1	4.1	1.4	97	41	21
32	PVA	GO	Tensile	1	3.75	3.75	95	40	22
33	PVA	rGO	Tensile	0.3	2.32	0.23	25.3	13.7	23
34	PVA	GO	Tensile	0.3	2.32	3.5	25.3	37.7	22
35	PVA	GO	Tensile	0.5	0.45	0.03	22	3	24
36	PVA	rGO	Tensile	4.97	0.1	1	15	28	25
37	chitosan-PVA	GO	Tensile	6	1.83	3.95	52	13	26
38	Polymethylmethacrylate (PMMA)	GOf	Tensile	1	0.0187	0.0031	35.5	6.5	27
39	PMMA	GO	Tensile	1	0.0187	0	35.5	-2.8	26
40	PMMA	GOf	Tensile	1	1.2	0.75	34	16	28
41	PMMA-HA bone cement	GO	DMTA	0.5	2.67	0.48	NA	NA	26
42	PMMA	GO	DMTA	1	2.5	0.5	NA	NA	29
43	PMMA	GO	Tensile	1	2.1	0.8	76.5	16.065	28
44	PMMA-PEO	GO	DMTA	6.7	0.52	0.619	NA	NA	30

### Semi-aromatic polymers

45	Polystyrene	GO	Tensile	2	1.83	1.75	23	20.5	2
46	Polyurethane/Epoxy	GO	Tensile	0.033	0.218	0.079	17.2	2.2	31
47	Epoxy	GOf	Tensile	0.5	3.15	0.45	52.9	12.0	32
48	Epoxy	GO	Tensile	0.5	3.15	0.52	52.9	32.5	32
49	Epxoy	GOf	DMTA	0.5	1.841	0.22	NA	NA	32
50	Epxoy	GOf	Tensile	0.2	2.5	0.8	69	12	33
51	Epxoy	GOf	DMTA	0.4	1.5	1.7	NA	NA	34
52	Epxoy	GOf	Tensile	1	2.8	0.8	140	30	35
53	Polyethyleneterephthalate	GO	DMTA	7	2.2	1.2	NA	NA	36
54	PI (P84)	GOf	Tensile	0.2	2.03	0.71	77.40	20.6	28

### Aromatic Polymers

55	Polyimide (PI) (sBPADA-BAPP)	GOf	DMTA	4	1	1.25	NA	NA	37
56	PI (BTDA-ODA-PA)	GOf	Tensile	0.75	1.81	1.12	128.00	76	38
57	PI (PMDA-ODA)	GOf	Tensile	0.3	2.3	0.8	86.00	22	39
58	PI (PMDA-ODA)	rGO	Tensile	0.3	2.3	0.05	NA	NA	41
59	PI (PMDA-ODA)	rGO	Tensile	2	2.5	3.1	75.70	-8.7	40
60	PI (PMDA-ODA)	GOf	Tensile	2	2.5	7.1	75.70	22.3	42

71	PI (PMDA-ODA)	rGOf	Tensile	0.75	1.8	0.6	122.00	5	41
72	PI (PMDA-ODA)	GO	Tensile	1	1.347	0.333	87.00	4	42
73	PI (PMDA-ODA)	GO	Tensile	1	2.215	0.455	73.80	6.2	44
74	PI (PMDA-ODA)	rGO	Tensile	0.5	1.8	0.2	88.00	32	43
75	PI (PMDA-ODA)	GO	Tensile	0.5	1.8	0.2	88.00	4	45
76	Polybenzimidazole	GO	Tensile	1	3.2	0.75	145	26	44
77	Poly ether ether ketone	GOf	Tensile	3	2.2	0.9	100	5	45
78	Polyarylene ether nitrile	GOf	DMTA	0.75	1.95	1.31	NA	NA	46
79	Polyarylene ether nitrile	GOf	Tensile	0.75	3.26	0.61	105.3	14.7	50
80	Polyethersulfone (PES)	GO	Tensile	1	1.16	0.79	31	25	47
81	PES	GO	Tensile	1.3	0.15	0.052	NA	NA	48
82	PES	GO	Tensile	1	0.187	0.031	3.4	0.44	49

<sup>a</sup> GO = graphene oxide, rGO = reduced GO, GOf = functionalized GO.

<sup>b</sup> Tensile = stress strain tests, DMTA = dynamic mechanical thermal analysis; the storage modulus (E') at 30 °C is considered for calculating enhancement.

<sup>c</sup> When GO is reported in vol.%, conversion to wt.% was performed using polymer and GO densities of 1.3 and 2.0 g/cm<sup>3</sup> respectively.

<sup>d</sup> Reported tensile strength for nanocomposites is the maximum tensile value reported when maximum enhancement in Young's modulus is attained.

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