

# Electronic Supplementary Material

## Flexible, ultrathin, and multifunctional polypyrrole/cellulose nanofiber composite films with outstanding photothermal effect, excellent mechanical and electrochemical properties

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### Electrochemical test

The electrochemical performance of as-obtained samples was assessed by cyclic voltammetry (CV), galvanostatic charge-discharge (GCD), and electrochemical impedance spectroscopy (EIS). The electrochemical measurements were carried out using CHI 760E electrochemical workstation (ChenHua, Shanghai) in 1 M NaCl electrolyte. The above electrochemical tests were all performed under a three-electrode system, in which the PPy/CNF composite films, Ag/AgCl electrode and the Pt sheet were used as the working electrode, reference and counter electrodes, respectively, for the measurement.

The areal capacitance ( $C_A$ ) was calculated according to the following equations:

$$C_A = \frac{It}{SU} \quad (1)$$

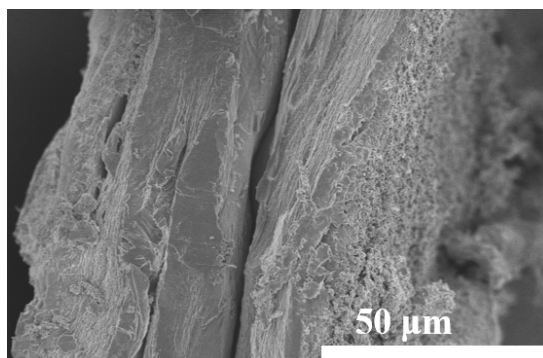
where  $I$  ( $A\ g^{-1}$ ),  $t$  (s),  $S$  ( $cm^2$ ), and  $U$  (V) was the current density, the discharging time, the superficial area of the different PPy/CNF films, and the voltage difference of the discharge curve, respectively.

The gravimetric capacitance ( $C_g$ ) was calculated according to the following equations:

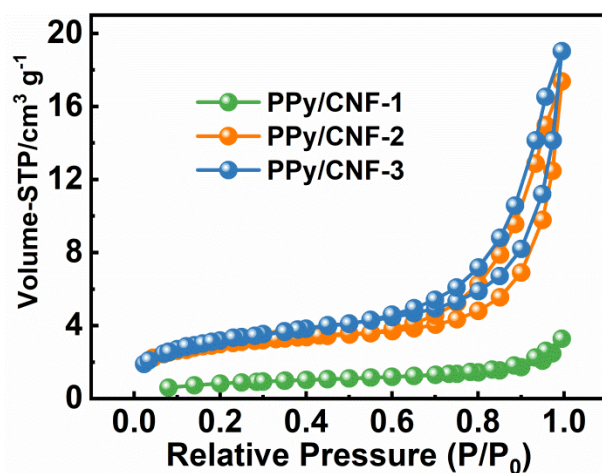
$$C_g = \frac{It}{mU} \quad (2)$$

where  $I$  ( $A\ g^{-1}$ ),  $t$  (s),  $m$  (g), and  $U$  (V) was the current density, the discharging time, the mass loading of PPy, and the voltage difference of the discharge curve, respectively.

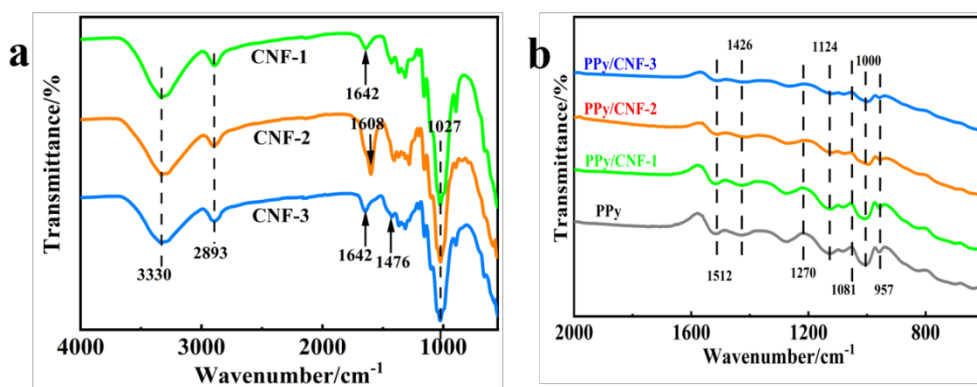
The EIS was measured with a potential amplitude of 10 mV in frequency range of 100kHz to 0.01 Hz.



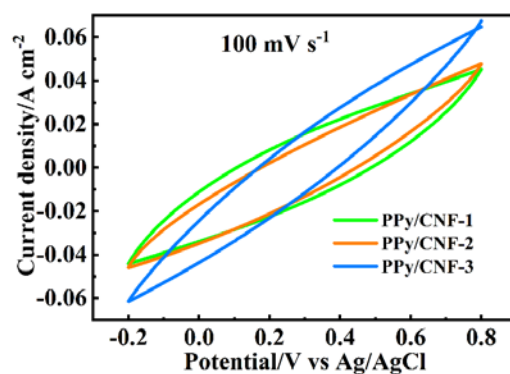
**Figure S1.** The cross-sectional SEM image of PPy/CNF-3 composite films.



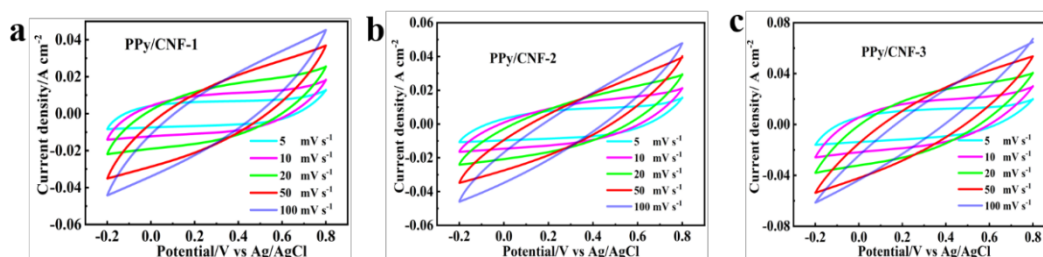
**Figure S2.** N<sub>2</sub> adsorption/desorption isotherms for the PPy/CNF composite films.



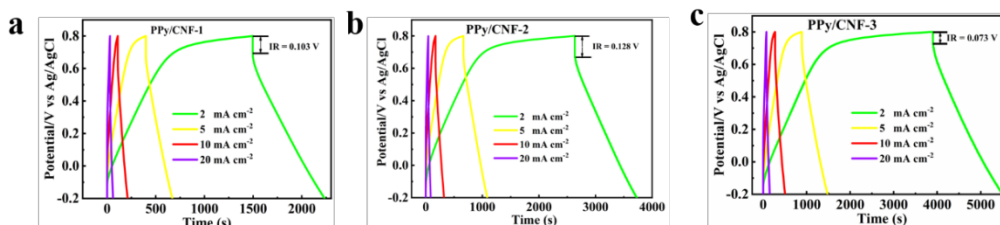
**Figure S3.** FTIR spectra of the various (a) CNFs and (b) PPy/CNFs.



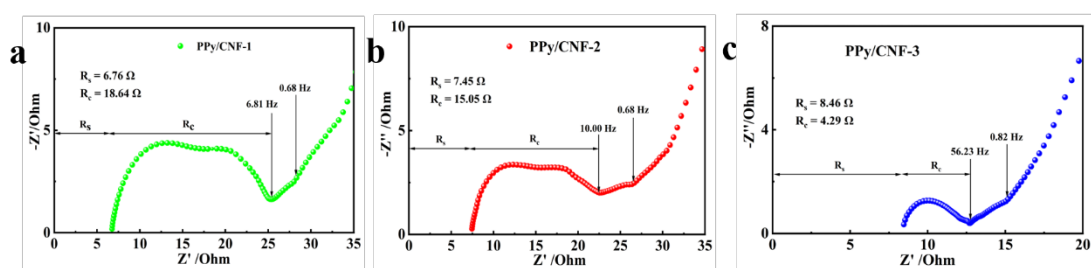
**Figure S4.** Comparison between cyclic voltammograms (CVs) of PPy/CNF-1, PPy/CNF-2, PPy/CNF-3 composite film electrodes at scan rates of  $100 \text{ mV s}^{-1}$ .



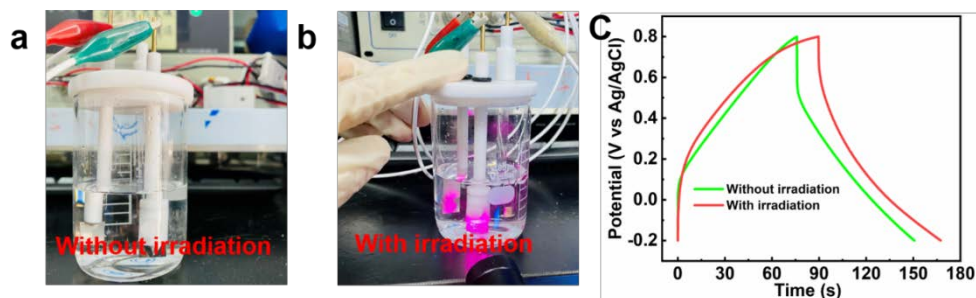
**Figure S5.** CV curves for the PPy/CNF composite film electrodes at different scan rates of 5, 10, 20, 50, and  $100 \text{ mV s}^{-1}$ , respectively.



**Figure S6.** GCD curves recorded at different current densities ( $2, 5, 10, \text{ and } 20 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$ ) for the PPy/CNF composite film electrodes.



**Figure S7.** Nyquist plots of the PPy/CNF composite film electrodes.



**Figure S8.** (c) GCD curves recorded at current densities ( $2 \text{ mA cm}^{-2}$ ) for the PPy/CNF-3 composite film electrodes under different test conditions with (a) or without (b) near laser irradiation.

**Table S1.** Compare of specific capacitance and Capacitance retention of PPy/CNF-3 with other recently reported PPy-based SSC.

Electrodes	Areal capacitance	Capacitance retention	Ref.
PPy@PPNF	$156 \text{ mF cm}^{-2}$ (1.00 mA $\text{cm}^{-2}$ )	75% after 5000 cycles	[1]
MXene/BC@PPy hybrid films	$200.47 \text{ mF cm}^{-2}$ (0.01 mA $\text{cm}^{-2}$ )	82.56% after 5000 cycles	[2]
PPy/B-PVA/KCl films	$224 \text{ mF cm}^{-2}$ (0.8 mA $\text{cm}^{-2}$ )	—	[3]
PPy@BC/Ti <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub> Tx composite film	$879 \text{ mF cm}^{-2}$ (1.00 mA $\text{cm}^{-2}$ )	83.5% after 10,000 cycles	[4]
TOCN/RGO/PPy film	$915 \text{ mF cm}^{-2}$ (0.1 mA $\text{cm}^{-2}$ )	96.6% after 2000 cycles	[5]
Newspaper-based graphite - PPy nano/microcones	$1122 \text{ mF cm}^{-2}$ (1.00 mA $\text{cm}^{-2}$ )	87% after 2000 cycles	[6]
PPy/Ag/GO/Cotton fabric	$1664.0 \text{ mF cm}^{-2}$ (0.5 mA $\text{cm}^{-2}$ )	—	[7]
PPy/CNF-3	<b><math>3.32 \text{ F cm}^{-2}</math> (1.00 mA <math>\text{cm}^{-2}</math>)</b>	70% after 5000 cycles	<b>This work</b>

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