



Supplementary Information

## Fabrication of PPy Nanosphere/rGO Composites via a Facile Self-Assembly Strategy for Durable Microwave Absorption

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**Table S1.** The pH values and zeta potentials of the aqueous dispersions of commercial GO and PPy nanosphere.

Samples	Concentration (mg/mL)	pН	Zeta potential (mV)
Commercial GO	1.0	2.35	-35.0
PPy nanosphere	0.6	6.62	-42.4
PPy nanosphere-HCl <sup>1</sup>	0.6	2.35	-18.2

<sup>1</sup> PPy nanosphere-HCl is the dispersion of PPy nanosphere whose pH value is adjusted to 2.35 by HCl.



**Figure S1.** XPS wide-scan spectra of GO, PPy nanospheres, and PPy nanosphere/GO hybrid (a); C1s core-level spectra of GO, PPy nanospheres, and PPy nanosphere/GO hybrid (b); N1s core-level spectra of PPy nanospheres and PPy nanosphere/GO hybrid (c).



**Figure S2.** Digital photograph of commercial GO suspension (a), PPy nanosphere suspension (b), PPy nanosphere/rGO composite (mass ratio of PPy nanospheres and rGO is 0.6) suspension (c), and pure rGO suspension, after static treatment for 48 h.



**Figure 3.** SEM image of PPy nanospheres, and the inset is the corresponding statistical data on the diameters of PPy nanospheres.



Figure S4. SEM images of commercial GO (a) and as-prepared rGO (b).



**Figure S5.** *RL* values of PPy/rGO-S1, PPy/rGO-S2, PPy/rGO-S3 with absorber thicknesses of 1.46 mm, 3.82 mm, and 1.00 mm, respectively.



**Figure S6.** Real parts  $\mu'$  (a) and imaginary parts  $\mu''$  (b) of complex permeability of PPy/rGO-S1, PPy/rGO-S2, and PPy/rGO-S3, and their corresponding magnetic dissipation factor (c) in the frequency range of 2.0-18.0 GHz.