Supporting Information

Cellulose Nanocrystals-Enabled Tailoring Of Interface In Carbon Nanotube- And

Graphene Nanoplatelet-Carbon Fiber Polymer Composites: Implications For

Structural Applications

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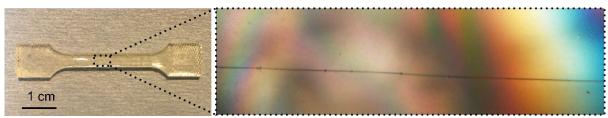


Figure S1 The single fiber fragmentation test sample

Table S1 The relative amount of C1s components for uncoated, CNC, CNC-CNT and CNC-

| | C-C (%) | C-O (%) | C=O (%) | π-π (%) |
|-------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Uncoated CF | 71.55 | 24.80 | 2.77 | 0.87 |
| CNC | 65.81 | 31.54 | 2.06 | 0.59 |
| CNC-CNT | 69.13 | 25.01 | 5.03 | 0.83 |
| CNC-GnP | 72.79 | 22.97 | 3.40 | 0.85 |

GnP coated CF

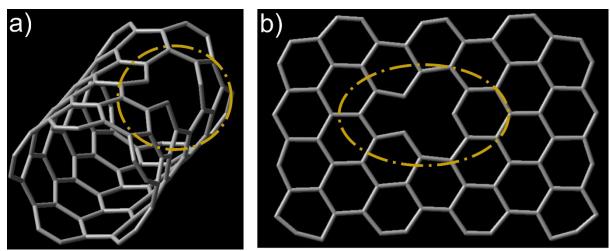


Figure S2 The single vacancy (sv)- (a) CNT and (b) GnP

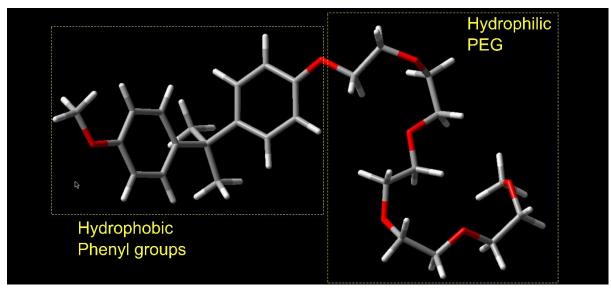


Figure S3 The representative sizing agent adopted from Ref.¹ for DFT calculations. The sizing agent is composed of two regions, which are hydrophobic phenyl groups and hydrophilic Polyethylene glycol (PEG). PEG model consists of 10 repetitive units.

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