Supporting Information

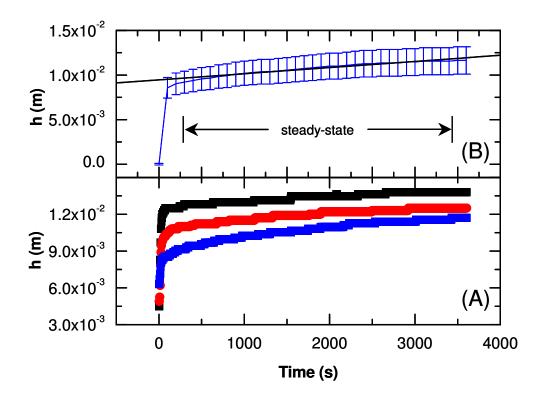


Figure SI1. Wetting rate data for epoxy-curative sytems containing 0 wt% (■), 2 wt% (●) and 4 wt% (▲) nanoclay on tow (A) and wetting rate data for 4 wt% nanoclay system in (A) with reduced number of data points, error bars and steady-state limits for linear least-squares fitting (B).

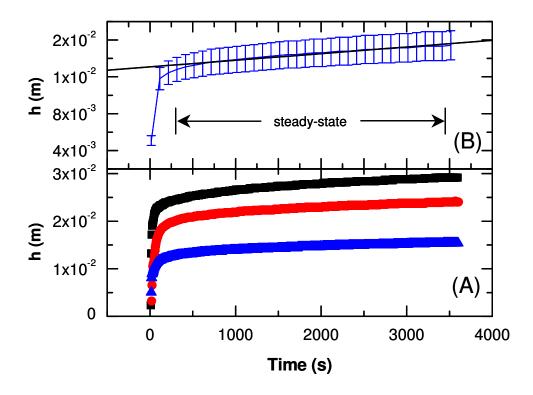


Figure SI2. Wetting rate data for epoxy-curative sytems containing 0 wt% (■), 2 wt% (●) and 4 wt% (▲) nanoclay on fabric (A) and wetting rate data for 4 wt% nanoclay system in (A) with reduced number of data points, error bars and steady-state limits for linear least-squares fitting (B).

Table SI1. Summary of density, surface tension and viscosity measurements of various reactive and unreactive epoxy-nanoclay mixtures.

Material System	ρ (g/cm³)	Surface Tension	μ (Pa•s) *
		(mN/m)	
Ероху	1.092 ± 0.006	50.9	12.5 ± 0.2
Curative	0.948 †	31.4	1.04 × 10 ^{-2 †}
Epoxy-curative	1.027 ± 0.002	38.4	0.767 ± 0.01
Epoxy-curative-2 wt% clay	1.064 ± 0.003	38.9	0.585 ± 0.1
Epoxy-curative-4 wt% clay	1.066 ± 0.003	43.4	10.8 ± 0.2

^{*} Averaged over 10⁻¹ to 10² s⁻¹ shear rates. [†] At 20 ℃ from Huntsman Inc.

Table SI2. Summary of the density, surface tension and viscosity measurements of silicone oil [†] and silicone oil-nanoclay mixtures.

Wt % clay	μ (Pa∙s) [‡]	ρ _{est} (g/cm³)*
0	$4.79 \pm 0.03 \times 10^{-3}$	0.913
2	$7.35 \pm 0.9 \times 10^{-3}$	0.929
4	$6.65 \pm 0.5 \times 10^{-3}$	0.945

[†] Dow Corning200[®] silicone oil fluid. γ = 19.7 mN/m. [‡] Averaged over 10⁻¹ to 10² s⁻¹ shear rates. * ρ_{est} = (weight fraction clay × 1.71 g/cm³ ||)+ (weight fraction silicone oil × 0.913 g/cm³). || Nanocor Inc.