Spray-coated Fluorine-Free Superhydrophobic Coatings with Easy Repairability and Applicability

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Fig.S1 Demonstration of the simple operation of spaying process for the formation of superhydrophobic coating

The XPS spectra in Fig.S2 demonstrate that the stacking nanostructures of these coatings are composed of $Cu[CH_3(CH_2)_{10}COO]_2$. In the full survey spectra of the coating (Fig.S2) there were only C, O, Cu elements. In the insert of Fig.S1 the C1s signal can be deconvoluted into two peaks: one at 288.2 eV due to the carbon of coordinated COO group; the other at 284.6eV due to the alkyl chain carbon. The signal of Cu 2p3/2 coordinated was observed at 943.8eV also shown as in the insert of Fig S2. The atom ratio of copper and carbon (coordinated COO) is about 1:2.

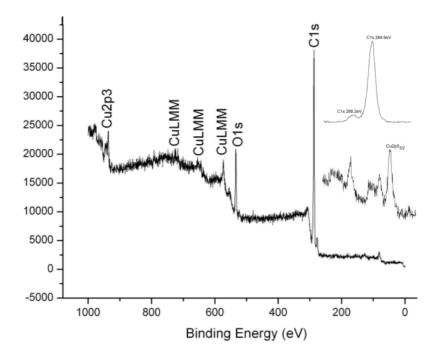


Figure S2. XPS spectrum of the spaying superhydrophobic coatings Cu $[CH_3 (CH_2)_{10}COO]_2$. The insert are the C1s signal and that of Cu 2p3/2 coordinated respectively.

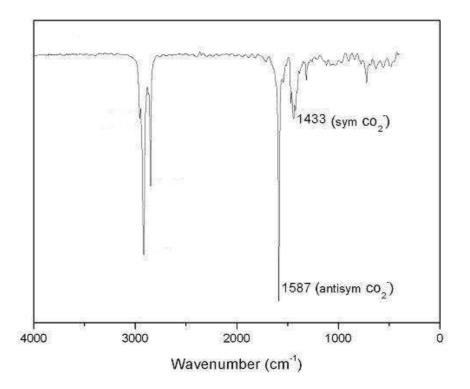


Fig. S3 FTIR spectrum of Cu(CH₃(CH₂)₁₀COO)₂ coatings.

The FTIR spectrum(see Fig.S3) of superhydrophobic coating with nanotexture shows asymmetric COO– absorption at 1544 cm⁻¹ and symmetric absorption at 1461 cm⁻¹ (Fig. 3), which further confirmed the composition of. Cu[CH₃(CH₂)₁₀COO]₂

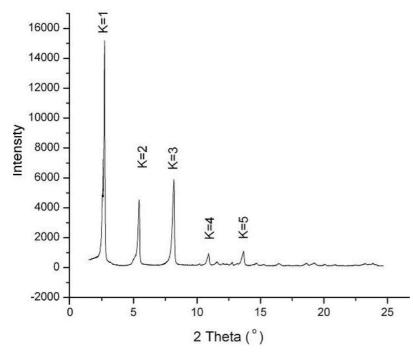


Figure S4. XRD of Cu [CH₃(CH₂)₁₀COO]₂ coatings show a layer structure.

The small angle region diffraction pattern of the X-ray powder diffraction (XRD)(see Fig. S4) demonstrates that copper alkanoate prepared in this method have a layer structure with the same d spacing, as labeled with lines indexed to the interlayer spacing.