Rare bi-wetting TiO₂-F/SiO₂/F-PEG fabric coating for selfcleaning and oil/water separation

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Supporting Information

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Figure S2. Variation of oil/water separation efficiency via coated fabric in different does (pH=3, 5, 7, 9, 11).

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Movie S1. Self-cleaning process.

Movie S2. Oil/water separation process.

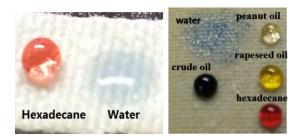


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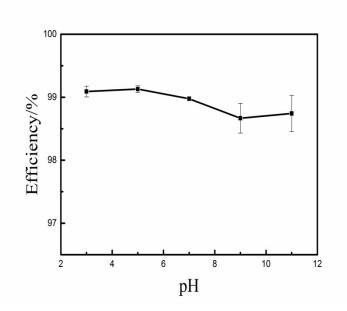


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As shown in Figure S2, the material in acid and alkali conditions can maintain oil-water separation performance, indicating that the material own better performance of acid and alkali resistance. Oil water separation efficiency under the alkali environment has a slight decline, but also maintained at more than 98%.

sample	F 1s	O 1s	Ti 2p	N 1s	C 1s	Si 2p	O/C	F/C	OA	WA
TiO ₂ -F/SiO ₂ /F-PEG	24.50	18.01	2.04	1.03	53.41	1.01	0.34	0.46	142	0
F-PEG	22.16	19.14	/	2.84	55.85	/	0.34	0.39	106	14.3
E-44	/	20.42	/	/	79.58	/	0.25	/	18	52.5

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	Mechanical tensile strength/ Mpa
Pristine polyester fabric	41.46 ± 4.48
Coated polyester fabric	46.86 ± 1.96

Table S2. Mechanical tensile strength

Tensile tests were carried out on a LD26.10 microcomputer control electronic universal testing machine. The tensile properties of isotropic and orthotropic fiber reinforced composites were tested by the experiment at room temperature. The tensile speed and fixture spacing is 2mm/min and 10 mm, respectively. Thus the average of five samples were taken as shown in Table S2. Compared with the pristine polyester fabric and the coated polyester fabric, the mechanical tensile strength of the coated fabric was increased by 13%. To a certain extent, TiO₂-F/SiO₂/F-PEG coating can enhance the mechanical tensile strength of the fabric.