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## Converting waste textiles into highly effective sorbent materials

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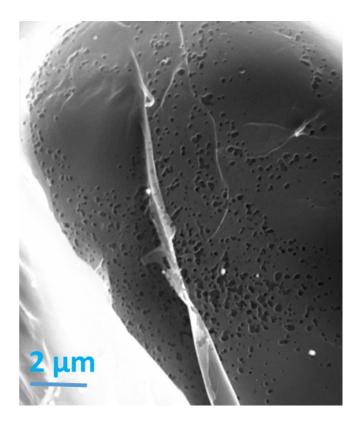
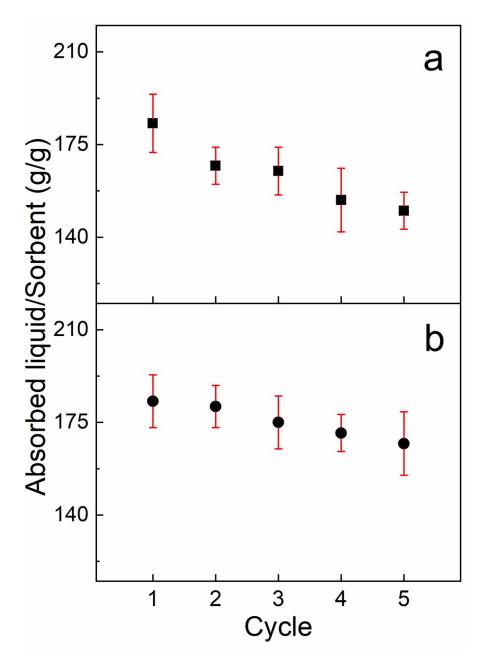
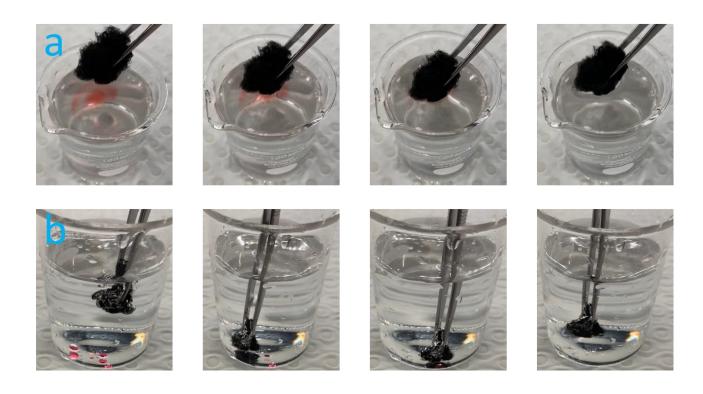


Fig. S1 SEM image of the activated freeze dried carbon fibre (inner surface area).



**Fig. S2** (a) Absorption/combustion recyclability of the AFDCF with gasoline. (b) Absorption/distillation recyclability of the AFDCF with gasoline.



**Figure S3.** FDFCA1100 sample absorption of A) heptane (stained red) from water surface and b) chloroform (stained red) from water showing instant absorption on contact.

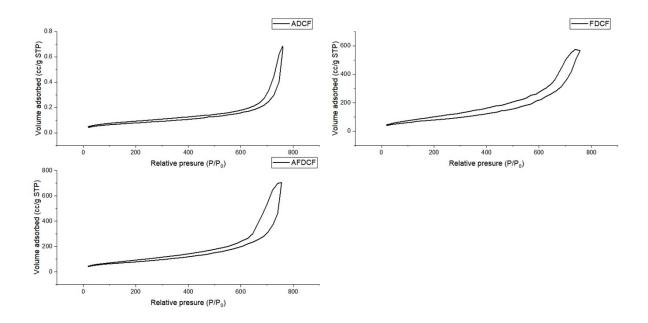


Figure S4. Nitrogen adsorption isoterms of carbon fibres.

ADCF: Air dried carbon fibres, FDCF: Freeze dried carbon fibres, and AFDCF: CO2-Activated freeze dried carbon fibres.