

Supporting Information

High loading BaTiO₃ nanoparticles chemically bonded with fluorinated silicone rubber for largely enhanced dielectric properties of polymer nanocomposites

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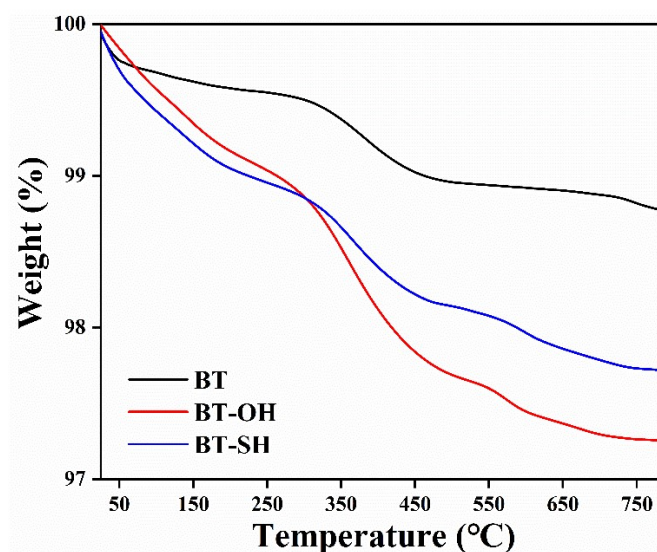


Figure S1. TGA spectrum of the BT, BT-OH and BT-SH nanoparticles.

Table S1 TG data and grafting density of BT, BT-OH and BT-SH

	Weight loss	Grafting ratio/ (group nm ⁻²)
BT	1.2%	-
BT-OH	2.1%	32.6
BT-SH	2.7%	10.3

Weight loss of BT, BT-OH and BT-SH nanoparticles are determined by TGA, as shown in **Figure S1** and **Table S1**. According to the method in literature ^[3], the grafting density of BT-OH and BT-SH nanoparticles are calculated based on the weight loss and molar mass of grafting groups. Considering each nanoparticle as a sphere with $d=100\text{nm}$, and product of KH580 after decomposition as neat SiO_2 . The molar mass of hydroxyl groups, KH580, SiO_2 and BaTiO_3 are 17 g mol^{-1} , 238 g mol^{-1} , 60 g mol^{-1} and 233 g mol^{-1} , respectively. The structure of BT unit cell is cubic with $a=b=c=0.395\text{nm}$.

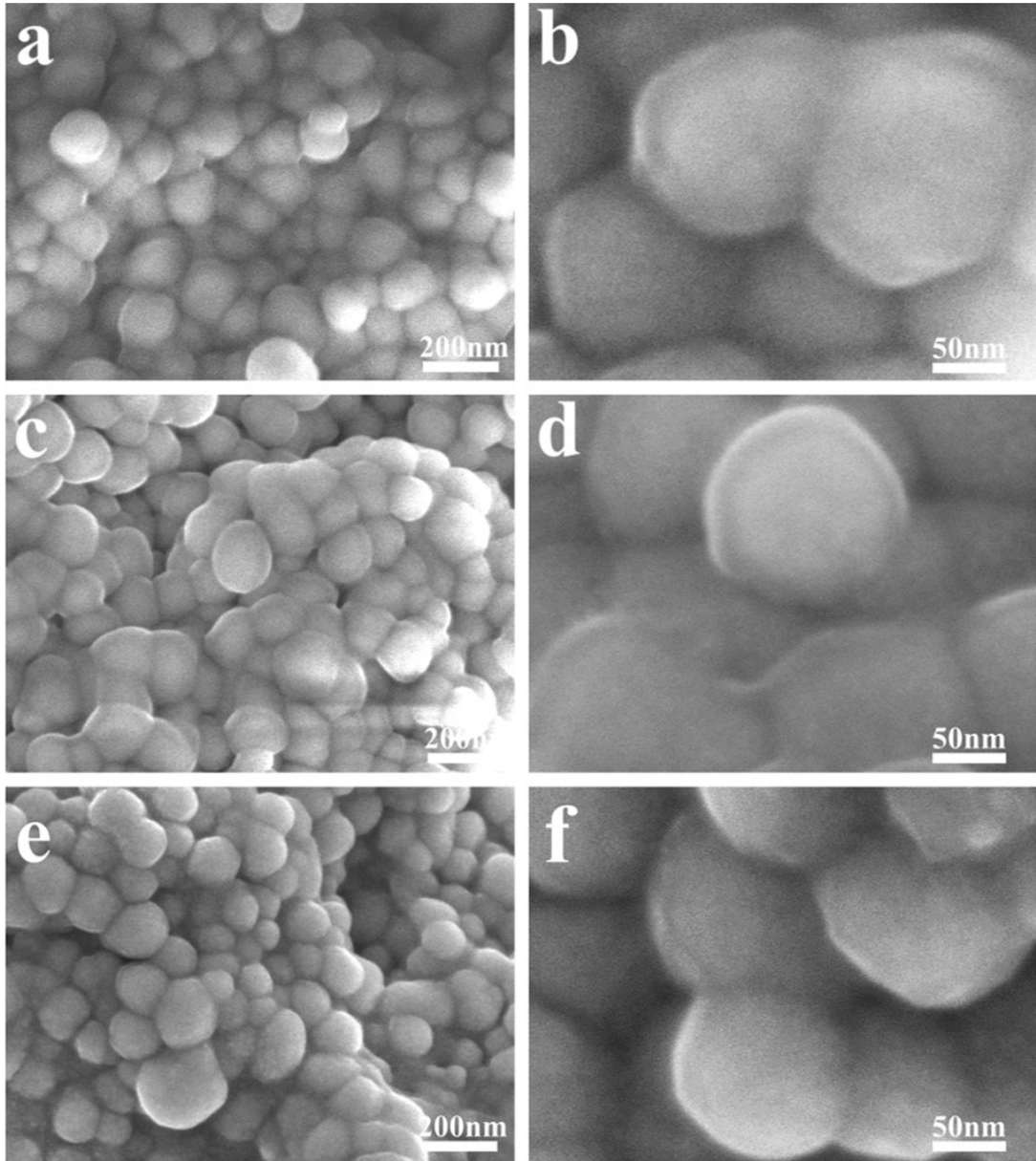


Figure S2 SEM images of the BT/FSR nanocomposites with the loading of 82 wt.% (a, b), 86 wt.% (c, d) and 90 wt.% (e, f).

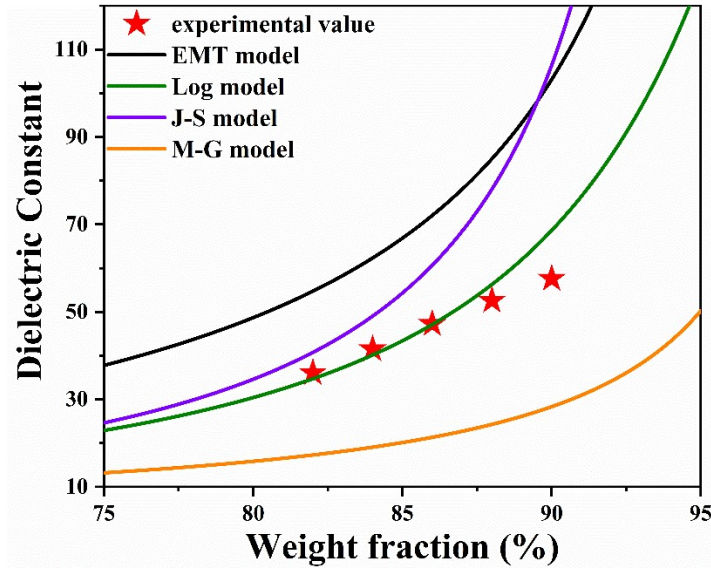


Figure S3. Plots of dielectric constants versus weight fraction ($\rho_{BT}=6.08g/cm^3$, $\rho_{FSR}=1.2g/cm^3$) with various models for polymer-based composites. For calculation, dielectric constants of BT ($\epsilon=300$) and FSR ($\epsilon=5$) were applied as dielectric constants of filler and matrix. The shape factor ($n=0.09$) in EMT model was obtained from BT/VSR composites in former study.

Table S2 Theoretical models for predicting the dielectric constants of polymer composites

Models	Equations
EMT model	$\epsilon = \epsilon_M \left[1 + \frac{vol_F \% (\epsilon_F - \epsilon_M)}{\epsilon_M + n vol_M \% (\epsilon_F - \epsilon_M)} \right]_{[1]}$
Log model	$\epsilon = e^{vol_F \% \ln \epsilon_F + vol_M \% \ln \epsilon_M} [2]$
J-S model	$\epsilon = \frac{\epsilon_M (1 - vol_F \%) + \epsilon_F vol_F \% \frac{3\epsilon_M}{\epsilon_F + \epsilon_M} \left[1 + \frac{3vol_F \% (\epsilon_F - \epsilon_M)}{\epsilon_F + \epsilon_M} \right]}{(1 - vol_F \%) + vol_F \% \frac{3\epsilon_M}{\epsilon_F + \epsilon_M} \left[1 + \frac{3vol_F \% (\epsilon_F - \epsilon_M)}{\epsilon_F + \epsilon_M} \right]} [2]$
M-G model	$\epsilon = \epsilon_M \frac{\epsilon_F (2vol_F \% + 1) + 2\epsilon_M (1 - vol_F \%)}{\epsilon_F (1 - vol_F \%) + \epsilon_M (2 + vol_F \%)} [2]$

Figure S3 shows the experimental dielectric constants of BT/FSR

nanocomposites attached with expectation value of a series of theoretical models. A phenomenon can be noticed that the EMT model fails to match with the experimental value, while the Log and J-S model show good agreement.

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