## **Supporting Information**

## A Direct Foaming Approach for Carbon Nanotube Aerogels with ultra Low Thermal Conductivity and High Mechanical Stability

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Figure S1. Optical images of a CNT film and aerogel



**Figure S2.** Raman spectra of the CNT samples formed at different soaking periods of time of 0, 4, 12, 24 h.



Figure S3. XRD spectrum of a CNT aerogel



Figure S4. XPS spectra (a) and deconvolution of the C1s XPS for CNT film (b) and aerogel (c)



**Figure S5.** SEM images of the cross sections of the CNT samples formed at different soaking periods of time of 1 and 12 h



Figure S6. Variation of density  $\rho$  for CNT aerogel with time t used for direct soaking



**Figure S7.** Pore size analysis. (a) Nitrogen sorption isotherms for a CNT film and aerogel; (b) Pore size distributions for a CNT film and aerogel



Figure S8. Burning test of a commercial XPS thermal shield in the flame of an alcohol lamp



Figure S9. Burning test of a CNT aerogel in the flame of a butane blowtorch