## **Supporting Information**

## **Electric Fano resonance-based terahertz metasensors**

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**Figure S1** Based on the electric near-field distribution, a significant enhancement of the electric field (with more than 35-fold at the maximum position) at the resonance frequency point with  $L_2 = 55 \ \mu m$ .



Figure S2 (a, b) Distribution of electric and magnetic field components for bound states in the continuum (BIC). (c) The  $E_z$  distribution of the dimer microrods with the same size as a contrast.

The defined building blocks of the metasurface is to be gold microrods trimer with adjustable mid-microrod length to enhance the near-filed amplitude of the Fano resonance. In the resonator, the electric and magnetic field distribution of the symmetry-protected BIC mode can be observed directly in the Figure S2(a,b), which is superior to the dimer microrods in the literature in the Figure S2(c). More importantly, one can find that the electric and magnetic field distributions of the BIC and quasi-BIC are similar by comparing Figure S2(a,b) and Figure 2(c,d), which indicate the quasi-BIC resonance inherits the BIC and Fano resonance is BIC-inspired.

In the section, we would introduce the multipoles scattering method in detail. Electric Fano resonance is formed by the destructive interference between a leaky electric dipole resonance and a bounded toroidal dipole mode, thus resulting in the sharp resonance. Furthermore, to quantitatively analyze the cause of forming this high Q resonance, we integrate the electric current density over the surface of the PEC microrods through simulation. The obtained surface current describes the effective current that creates the scattered field from our PEC microrods. <sup>[a, b]</sup> We then perform the spherical multipolar decomposition using these calculated surface currents and obtained the contributions from different multipolar decomposition to obtain the contributions of electric dipole mode. <sup>[d]</sup> The following representations of the multipole distribution are based on the Cartesian basis ( $\alpha, \beta = x, y, z$ ). <sup>[e, f]</sup>

$$I = \frac{2w^4}{3c^3} \left| \vec{P} \right|^2 + \frac{2w^4}{3c^3} \left| \vec{M} \right|^2 + \frac{2w^6}{3c^5} \left| \vec{T} \right|^2 + \frac{w^6}{5c^5} \left| \vec{Q}_e \right|^2 + \frac{w^6}{20c^5} \left| \vec{Q}_m \right|^2$$
(S1)

$$\vec{P} = \frac{1}{iw} \int d^3 r \vec{J}$$
(S2)

$$\vec{M} = \frac{1}{2c} \int d^3 r(\vec{r} \times \vec{J})$$
(S3)

$$\vec{T} = \frac{1}{10c} \int d^3 r[(\vec{r} \cdot \vec{J})r - 2r^2 J]$$
(S4)

$$\vec{Q}_e = \frac{1}{2iw} \int d^3 r [r_\alpha J_\beta + r_\beta J_\alpha - \frac{2}{3} \delta_{\alpha\beta} (\vec{r} \cdot \vec{J})]$$
(S5)

$$\vec{Q}_m = \frac{1}{3c} \int d^3 r [(\vec{r} \times \vec{J})_\alpha r_\beta + (\vec{r} \times \vec{J})_\beta r_\alpha]$$
(S6)

Where *J* is the surface current density, *c* is the speed of light in vacuum and  $\vec{r}$  is the displacement vector. We used the charge conservation relation  $iw\rho + \nabla \cdot \vec{J} = 0$  to eliminate the charge density ( $\rho$ ) in favor of current density (*J*) in the electric dipole and quadrupole.

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