

Supporting Information

Effectively enhanced vapor phase hybridized conductive polymer based on graphene oxide and glycerol influence additive for strain sensor application

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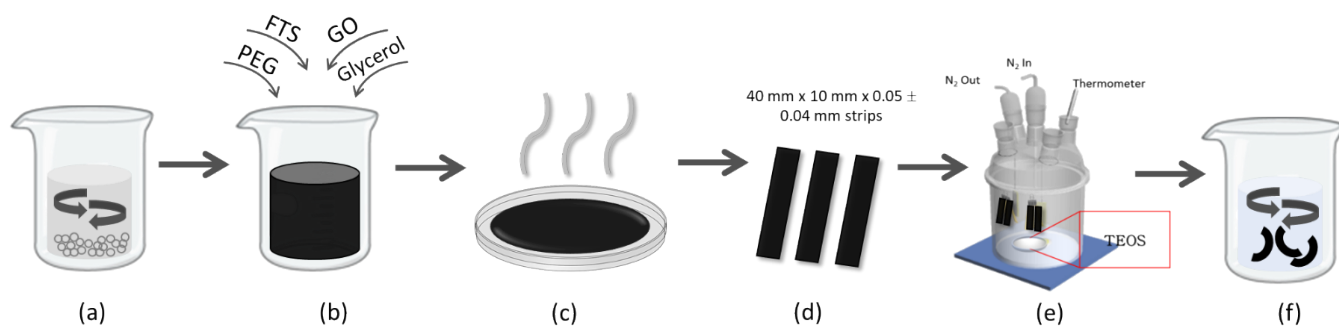


Figure S1. Schematic diagram of the fabrication of the graphene oxide-glycerol strain sensor (a) dissolving of TPU pellets in DMAc solution (b) addition of PEG, FTS, glycerol and graphene oxide (c) evaporating of solvent in an oven for 48 hrs (d) cutting film into strips (e) VPP (f) washing with ethanol then dried

Table S1. XRD data for TPU-GPS and 1% & 3% glycerol plasticized strain sensors

SAMPLE	2(θ)	d(\AA)
TPU-GPS	20.70	2.17
TPU-GPS-1GLY	20.86	2.15
TPU-GPS-3GLY	21.08	2.13

Table S2. Numerical data of the mechanical properties of the graphene oxide-based strain sensor

SAMPLE	STRAIN AT MAXIMUM (%)				MAX STRESS (MPa)				Modulus				Yield Stress (MPa)			
	Trial 1	Trial 2	Average	Standard Deviation	Trial 1	Trial 2	Average	Standard Deviation	Trial 1	Trial 2	Average	Standard Deviation	Trial 1	Trial 2	Average	Standard Deviation
TPU-GPS	27.67	25.87	26.77	1.27	27.60	26.23	26.92	0.97	108.64	104.68	106.66	2.80	19.63	20.59	20.11	0.68
TPU-GPS-1GLY	32.17	27.67	29.92	3.18	30.50	30.32	30.41	0.13	115.92	122.40	119.16	4.58	23.40	22.56	22.98	0.59
TPU-GPS-3GLY	39.00	42.66	40.83	2.59	39.15	32.80	35.98	4.49	135.60	129.68	132.64	4.19	26.36	27.56	26.96	0.85

Table S3. Conductivity of the graphene oxide-glycerol strain sensor

Sample	Conductivity (μS)
TPU-GPS	0.98
TPU-GPS-1GLY	1.20
TPU-GPS-3GLY	2.00

Table S4. Gauge Factors of different strain sensors as reported in the literature and comparing them in our current work

Material	Gauge Factor	Ref.
TPU-GPS-3GLY	20.80	This work
TPU-GO-PEG-SiO ₂	9.01	14
Graphene on PET	9.49	10
TPU-PEDOT	10.00	9
Graphene textile	1.7	38

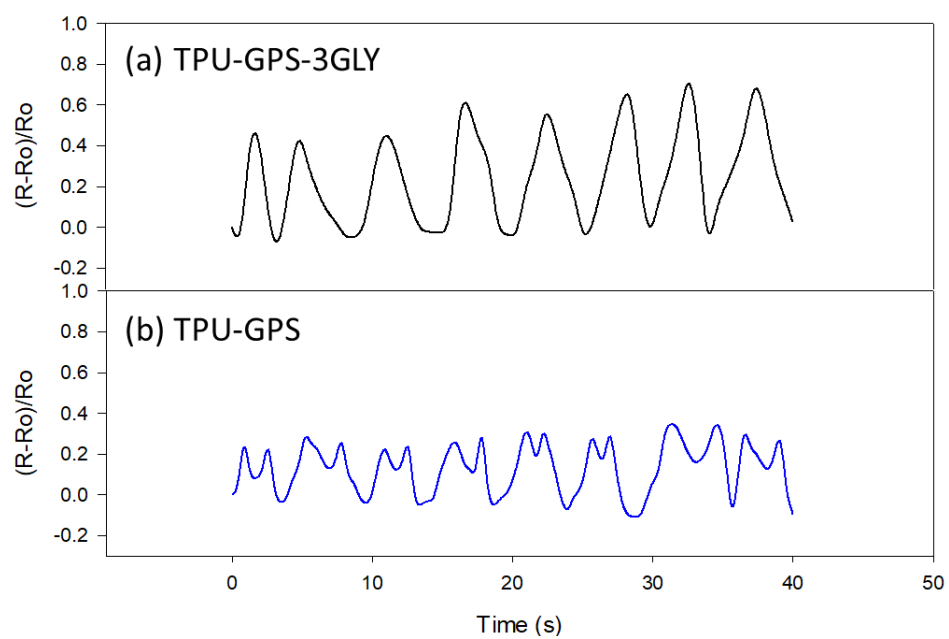


Figure S2. Human sensing application (finger bending) using the TPU-GPS-GLY sensors

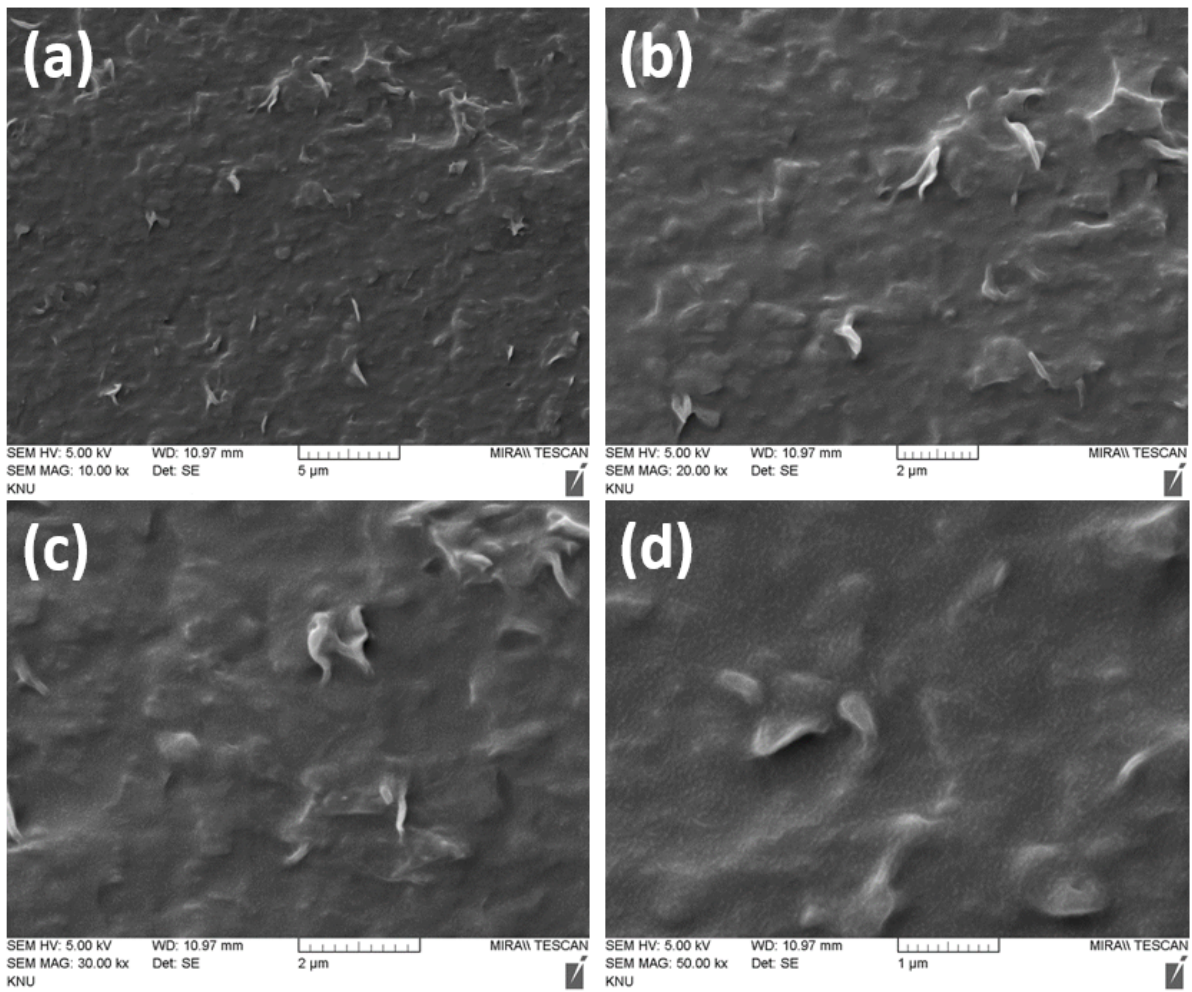


Figure S3. Morphology of TPU-GPS strain sensor at various magnifications (a) 10k (b) 20k (c) 30k and (d) 50 k showing the gradual deformation of the surface morphology

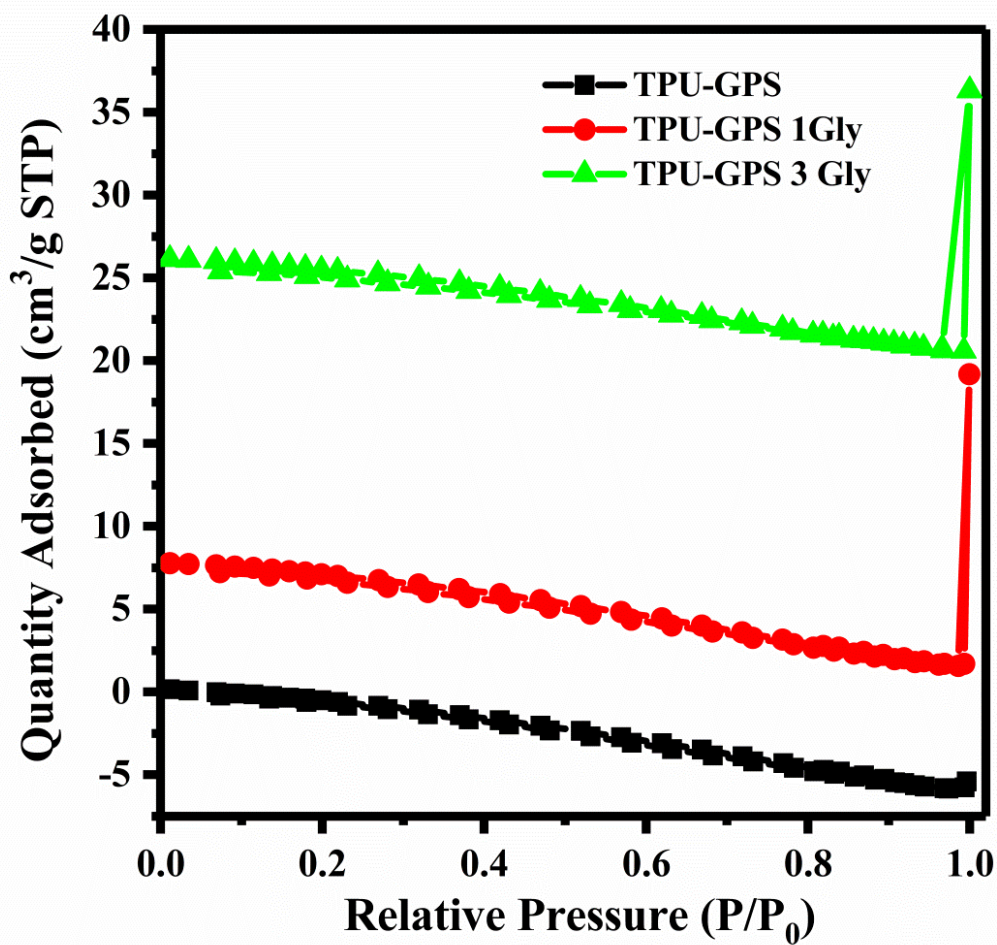


Figure S4. BET analysis of the TPU-GPS, TPU-GPS-1Gly and TPU-GPS-3Gly strain sensors showing higher N₂ adsorbed amounts for glycerol plasticized sensors.

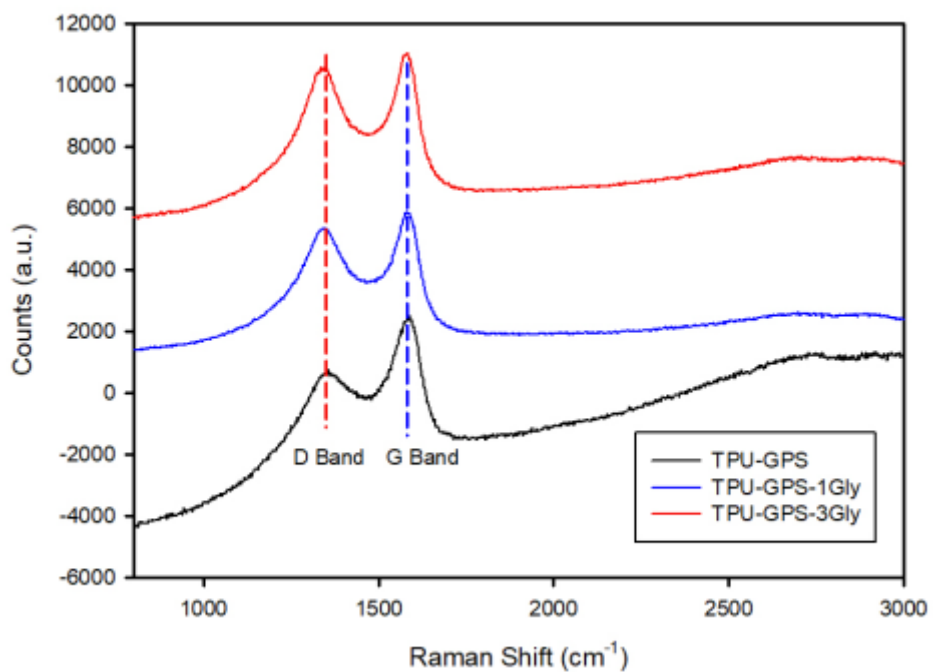


Figure S5. Raman spectra showing D band and G band for TPU-GPS and 1 & 3% glycerol plasticized strain sensors showing the increase in the intensity of D band upon the addition of glycerol plasticizer due to the presence of abundant hydroxyl functional groups.

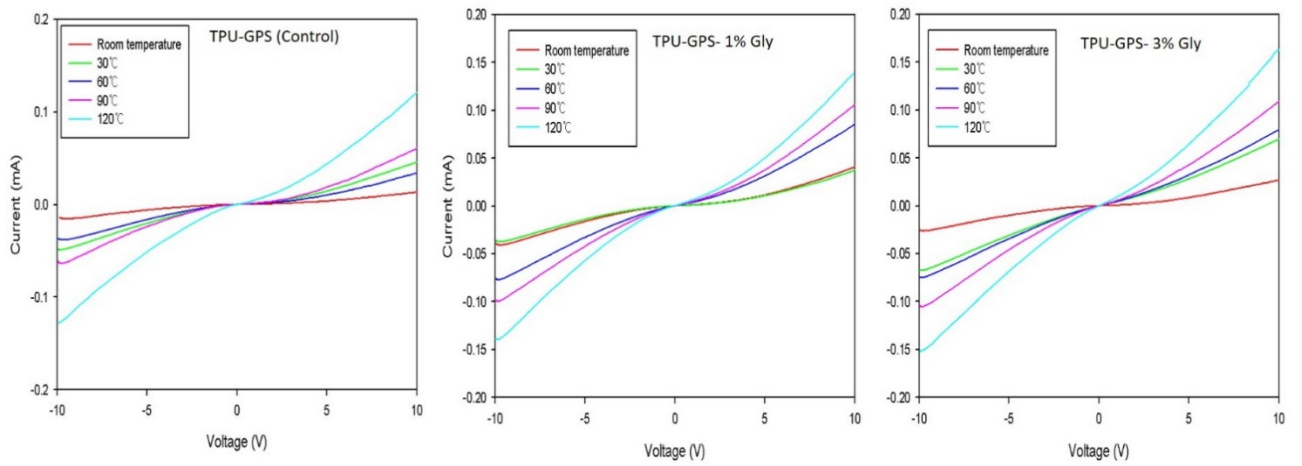


Figure S6. I-V curves generated at various temperatures (room temperature to 120°C) for TPU-GPS, TPU-GPS-1%Gly and TPU-GPS-3%Gly strain sensors showing higher conductivity at higher temperatures.

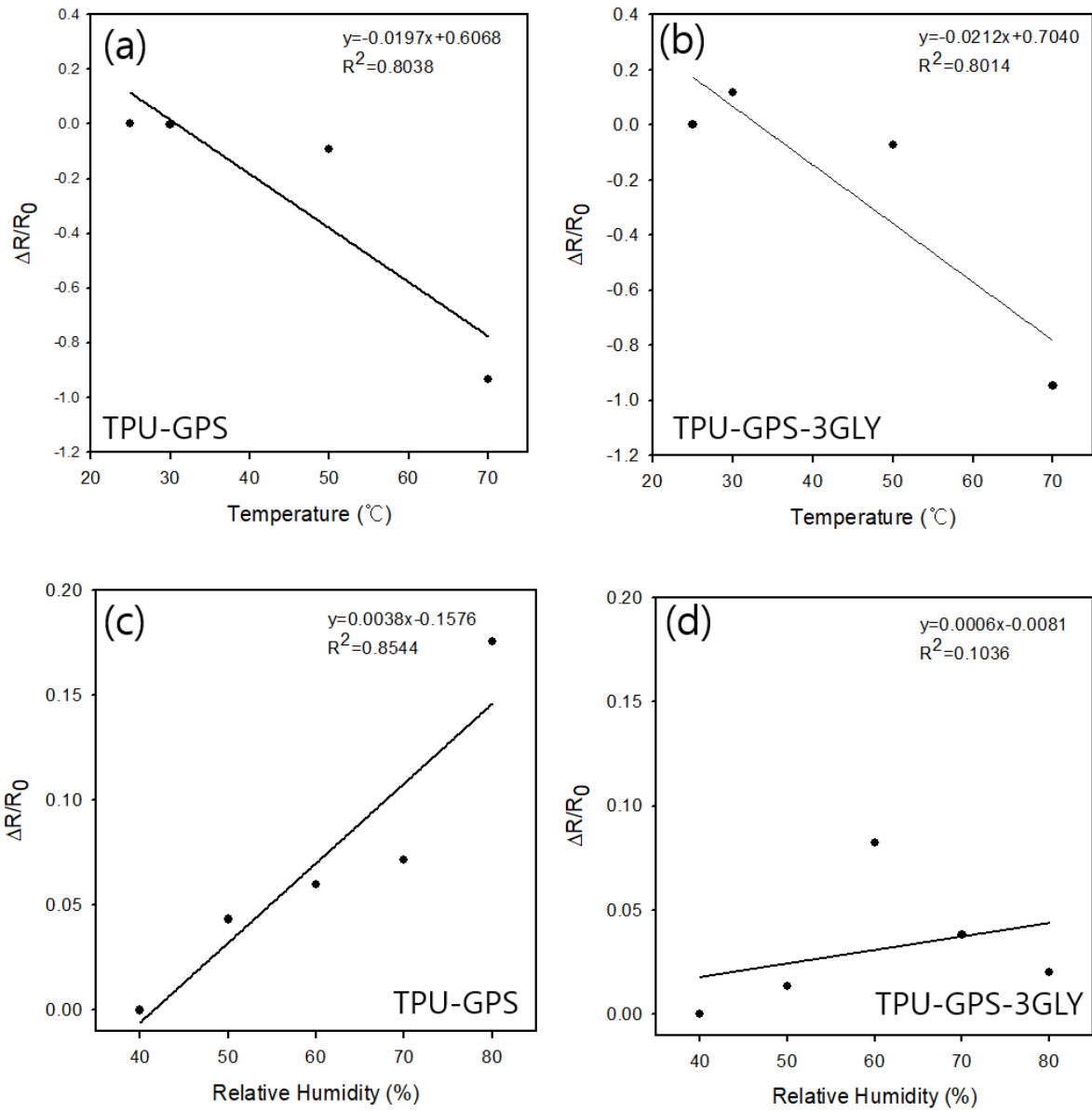


Figure S7. Resistance of variations as a function of (a,b) temperature as well as (c, d) relative humidity

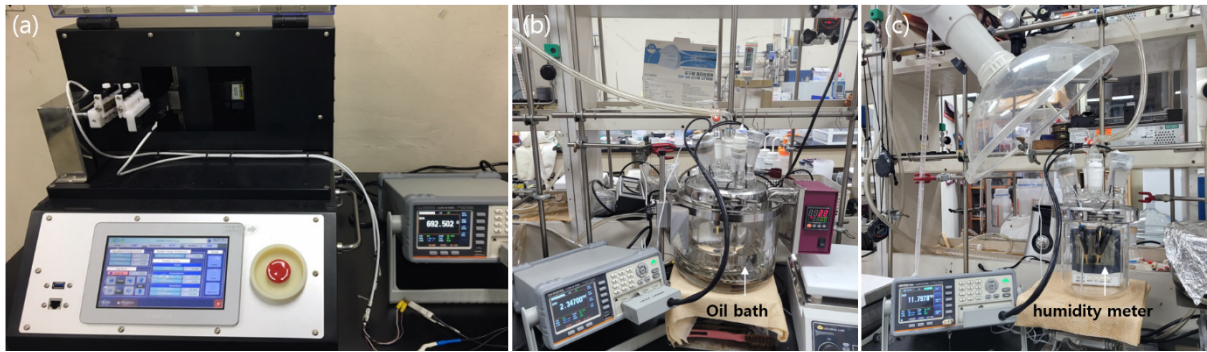


Figure S8. Photograph of (a) multi-purpose flexibility test machine for strain sensing, (b) Temperature variable chamber for resistance test machine (c) Humidity variable chamber for resistance test machine