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## Supporting information

### 2 Growing bimetallic CoNi-MOF derivatives between MXene layers with 3 hierarchically coral-like interfaces for enhanced electromagnetic wave absorption

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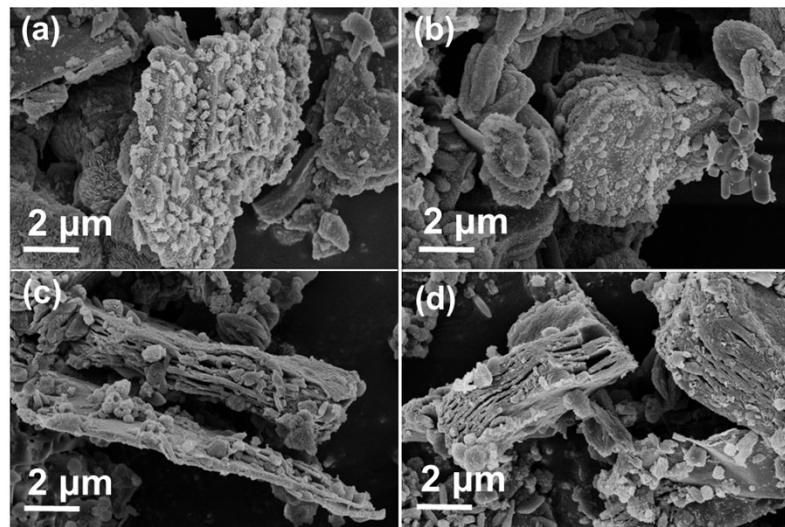
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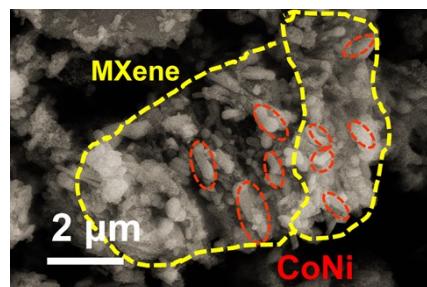
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18 **Fig. S1.** The SEM images of (a) 3MXene/CoNi-MOF, (b) 4MXene/CoNi-MOF,  
19 and (d) 6MXene/CoNi-MOF composites.

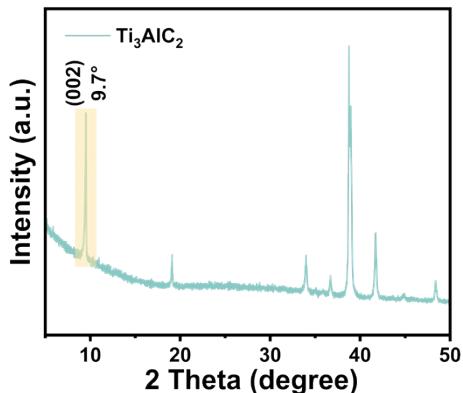
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22 **Fig. S2.** SEM image of 5MXene/CoNi@C before EDS sweeping.

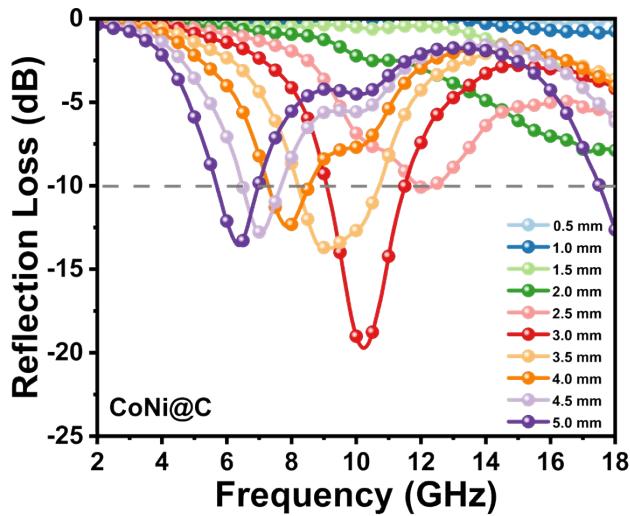
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25 **Fig. S3.** XRD pattern of  $\text{Ti}_3\text{AlC}_2$ .

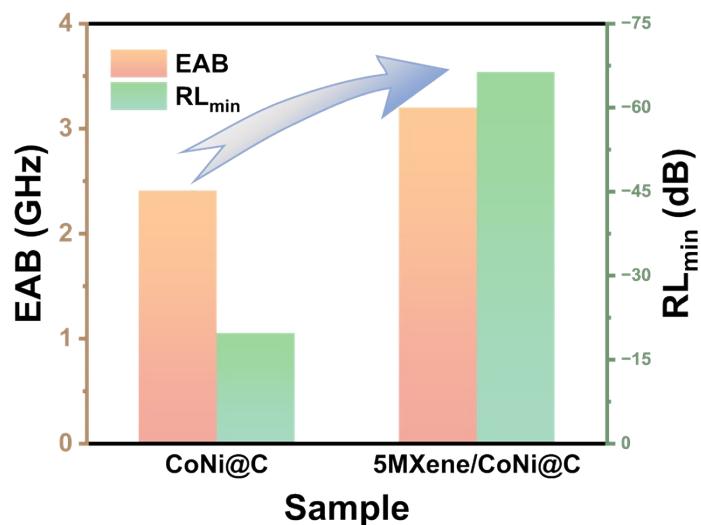
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28 **Fig. S4.** The RL values of CoNi@C.

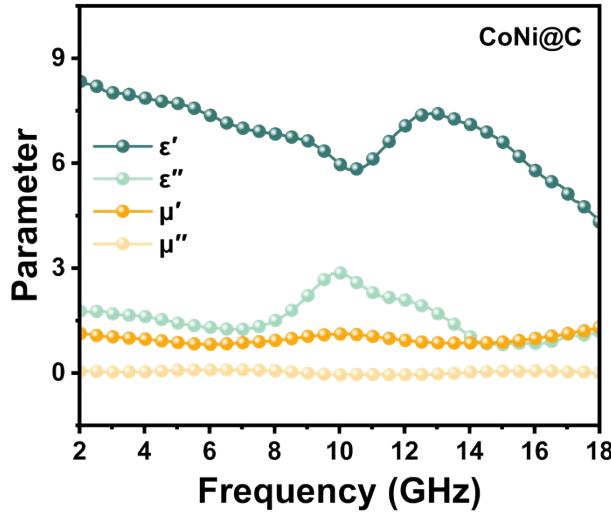
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31 **Fig. S5.** The RL<sub>min</sub> values and maximum EAB of CoNi@C and 5MXene/CoNi@C.

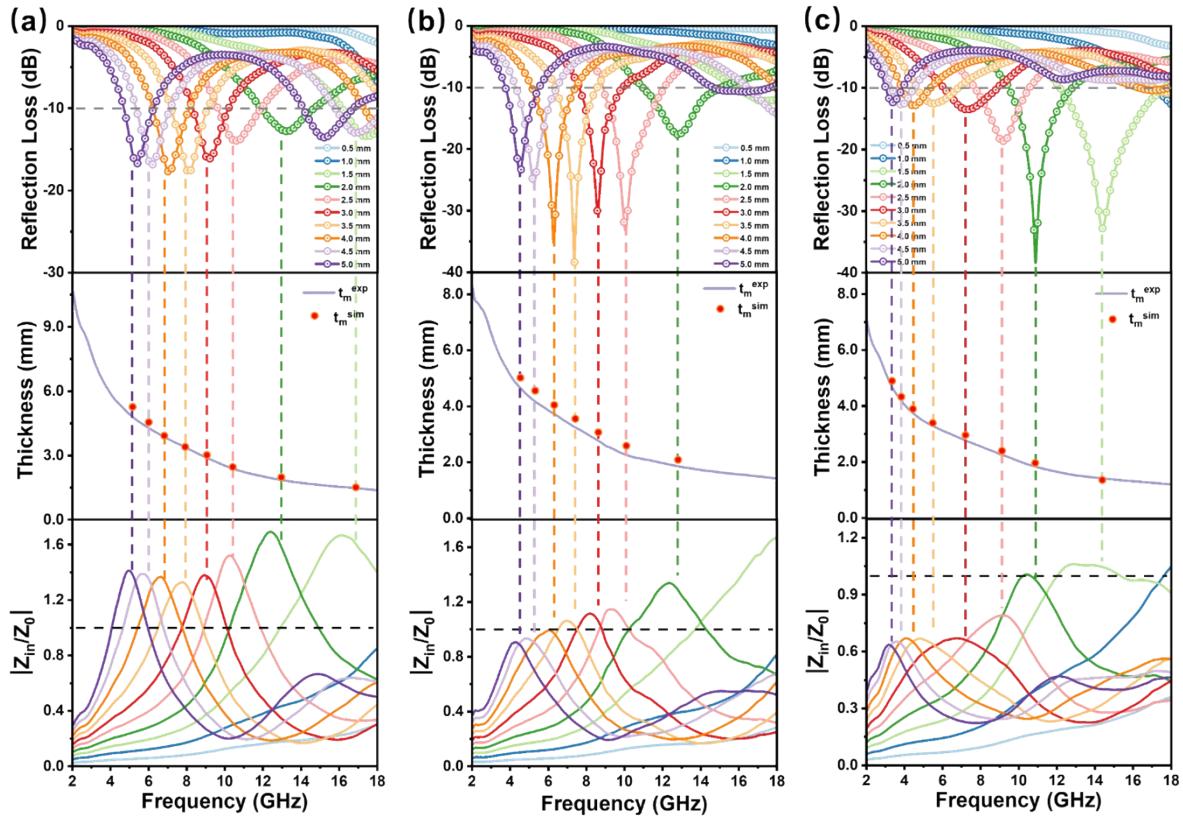
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34 **Fig. S6.** The permittivity and permeability versus frequency of CoNi@C.

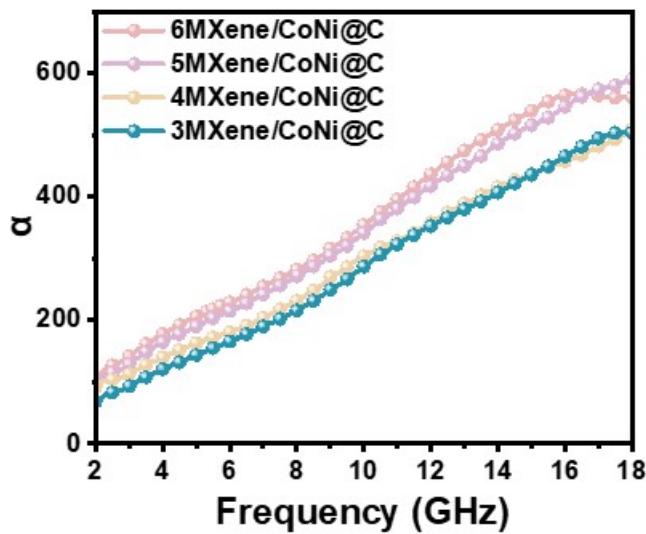
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37 **Fig. S7.** The  $RL$  values at various thicknesses and theoretical matching thickness curves of (a)

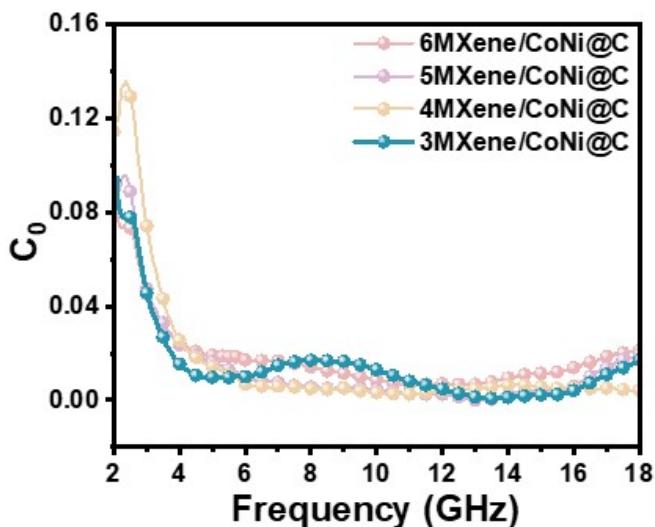
38 3MXene/CoNi@C, (b) 4MXene/CoNi@C, and (c) 6MXene/CoNi@C at different frequencies.



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40 **Fig. S8.** The attenuation constants of MXene/CoNi@C.

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43 **Fig. S9.** The  $C_0$  values of MXene/CoNi@C.

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50 **Table S1.** Comparison of the EWA properties of 5MXene/CoNi@C and other reported materials.

Materials	Thickness (mm)	RL <sub>min</sub> (dB)	EAB (GHz)	Ref.
M-CN	2.20	-42.5	3.20	1
Ti <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub> T <sub>x</sub> /Ni <sub>0.5</sub> Zn <sub>0.5</sub> Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	6.50	-42.5	3.00	2
Ti <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub> T <sub>x</sub> /ZnO	4.00	-26.3	1.40	3
CNT/Ti <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub>	3.95	-24.4	4.20	4
CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> @CNT	2.50	-34.6	7.10	5
Fe <sub>3</sub> O <sub>4</sub> @Ti <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub> T <sub>x</sub>	4.20	-57.2	1.40	6
Ti <sub>3</sub> C <sub>2</sub> T <sub>x</sub> @NiCo <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub>	2.20	-51.0	1.00	7
MXene/Co	1.00	-46.5	3.00	8
WS <sub>2</sub> /NiO	4.30	-53.3	2.00	9
MMC	2.90	-53.7	3.00	10
CoNi/N-CNTs	3.80	-52.6	3.12	11
RGO/CoFe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> /ZnS	1.80	-43.2	5.50	12
TiO <sub>2</sub> @C-Ni/CNT	1.60	-32.3	5.50	13
Na <sub>2</sub> Ti <sub>3</sub> O <sub>7</sub> /MQDs	2.60	-48.3	6.40	14
MXene/TiO <sub>2</sub> /NCNTs	1.65	-55.8	5.90	15
5MXene/CoNi@C	2.50	-68.1	3.20	<b>This work</b>

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