## **Supplementary Information**

## A self-roughened and biodegradable superhydrophobic coating with UV shielding, solar-induced self-healing and versatile oil-water separation property

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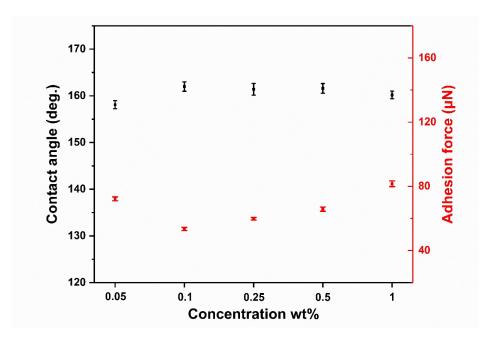
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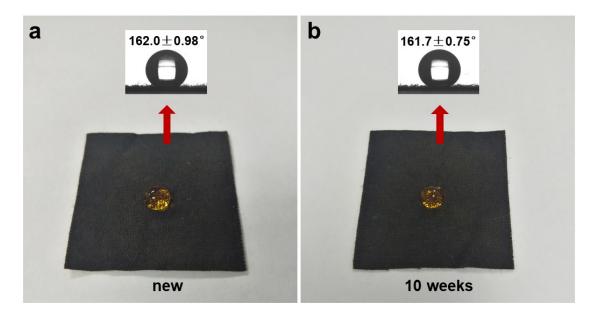
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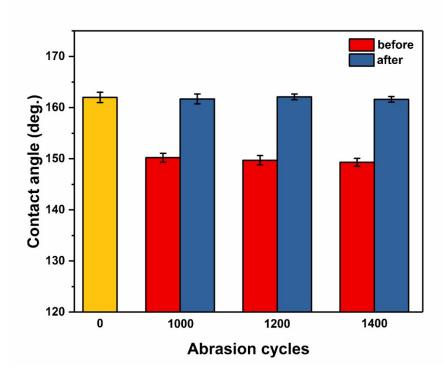
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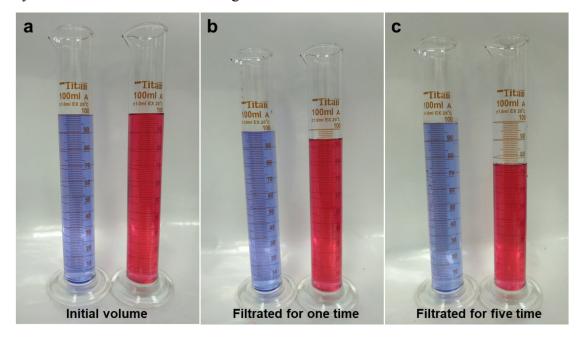
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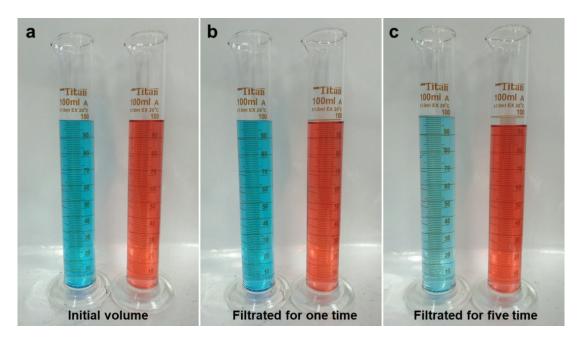
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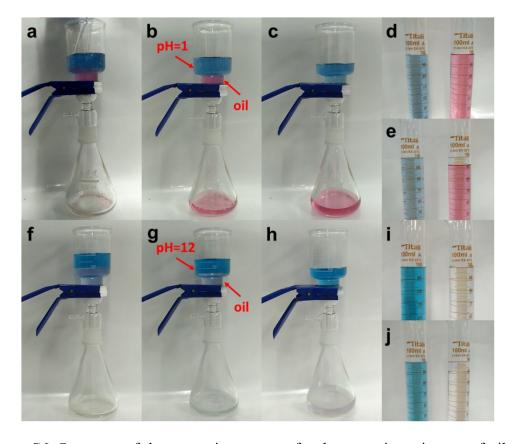
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