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APPENDICES

Appendix A Determination of Thermal Conductivity of Metal Oxide-filled Epoxy Composite

| Filler type | Filler content (vol%) | Thermal conductivity (W/mK) | | | |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| CuO < 5 micron | 0 | 0.216 | 0.217 | 0.215 | 0.216 |
| | 0.5 | 0.219 | 0.221 | 0.218 | 0.219 |
| | 1.0 | 0.225 | 0.224 | 0.222 | 0.224 |
| | 2.0 | 0.234 | 0.233 | 0.235 | 0.234 |
| CuO nanoparticle | 0 | 0.216 | 0.217 | 0.215 | 0.216 |
| | 0.5 | 0.224 | 0.225 | 0.223 | 0.224 |
| | 1.0 | 0.229 | 0.230 | 0.228 | 0.229 |
| | 2.0 | 0.239 | 0.237 | 0.24 | 0.239 |
| ZnO < 1 micron | 0 | 0.216 | 0.217 | 0.215 | 0.216 |
| | 0.5 | 0.227 | 0.226 | 0.226 | 0.226 |
| | 1.0 | 0.231 | 0.233 | 0.232 | 0.232 |
| | 2.0 | 0.246 | 0.245 | 0.244 | 0.245 |
| ZnO nanoparticle | 0 | 0.216 | 0.217 | 0.215 | 0.216 |
| | 0.5 | 0.231 | 0.233 | 0.227 | 0.230 |
| | 1.0 | 0.237 | 0.236 | 0.233 | 0.235 |
| | 2.0 | 0.251 | 0.250 | 0.247 | 0.249 |

Appendix B Determination of Thermal Conductivity of BN-filled Epoxy Composite

Table B1 Thermal conductivity at various filler content for 30 min at 30°C

| Mixing speed (rpm) | Filler content (vol%) | Thermal conductivity (W/mK) | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| 80 | 0 | 0.216 | 0.217 | 0.215 | 0.216 |
| | 9.09 | 0.356 | 0.357 | 0.352 | 0.354 |
| | 16.67 | 0.487 | 0.483 | 0.485 | 0.485 |
| | 23.08 | 0.650 | 0.649 | 0.645 | 0.648 |
| | 28.57 | 0.863 | 0.862 | 0.858 | 0.861 |
| | 33.33 | 1.064 | 1.063 | 1.060 | 1.062 |
| | 37.50 | 1.255 | 1.253 | 1.251 | 1.253 |
| 300 | 0 | 0.216 | 0.217 | 0.215 | 0.216 |
| | 9.09 | 0.423 | 0.424 | 0.427 | 0.425 |
| | 16.67 | 0.668 | 0.670 | 0.672 | 0.670 |
| | 23.08 | 0.925 | 0.922 | 0.923 | 0.923 |
| | 28.57 | 1.253 | 1.251 | 1.248 | 1.250 |
| | 33.33 | 1.499 | 1.493 | 1.496 | 1.496 |
| | 37.50 | 1.688 | 1.686 | 1.690 | 1.688 |

Table B2 Thermal conductivity at various mixing conditions with 28.57 vol% BN-filled epoxy composite

| Type of condition | Mixing conditions | Thermal conductivity (W/mK) | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| Mixing speed (rpm) | 80 | 0.863 | 0.862 | 0.858 | 0.861 |
| | 150 | 0.998 | 0.102 | 0.994 | 0.998 |
| | 220 | 1.149 | 1.152 | 1.151 | 1.150 |
| | 300 | 1.249 | 1.253 | 1.248 | 1.250 |
| Mixing time (sec) | 5 | 0.216 | 0.217 | 0.215 | 0.770 |
| | 15 | 0.813 | 0.815 | 0.817 | 0.815 |
| | 30 | 0.863 | 0.862 | 0.858 | 0.861 |
| | 60 | 0.976 | 0.970 | 0.973 | 0.973 |
| Mixing temperature (°C) | 30 | 0.863 | 0.862 | 0.858 | 0.861 |
| | 50 | 1.158 | 1.165 | 1.162 | 1.162 |
| | 70 | 1.450 | 1.447 | 1.443 | 1.447 |

Table B3 Thermal conductivity of admicellar treated BN-filled epoxy composite

| Type of monomer | Surfactant:monomer ratio | Thermal conductivity (W/mK) | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| PMMA | 0 | 1.484 | 1.488 | 1.486 | 1.486 |
| | 1:2.5 | 2.016 | 2.015 | 2.017 | 2.016 |
| | 1:5 | 2.366 | 2.365 | 2.364 | 2.365 |
| | 1:7.5 | 2.541 | 2.542 | 2.540 | 2.541 |
| | 1:10 | 2.683 | 2.685 | 2.684 | 2.684 |
| | 1:12.5 | 2.679 | 2.680 | 2.678 | 2.679 |
| | 1:15 | 2.096 | 2.098 | 2.100 | 2.098 |
| PS | 0 | 1.488 | 1.485 | 1.484 | 1.486 |
| | 1:2.5 | 1.957 | 1.956 | 1.958 | 1.957 |
| | 1:5 | 2.253 | 2.256 | 2.252 | 2.254 |
| | 1:7.5 | 2.433 | 2.432 | 2.434 | 2.433 |
| | 1:10 | 2.569 | 2.570 | 2.568 | 2.569 |
| | 1:12.5 | 2.207 | 2.211 | 2.209 | 2.209 |
| | 1:15 | 1.723 | 1.725 | 1.727 | 1.725 |

Table B4 Thermal conductivity of silane treated BN-filled epoxy composite

| Type of silane | Concentration of Silane solution (wt%) | Thermal conductivity (W/mK) | | | |
|----------------|--|-----------------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| GPS | 0 | 1.484 | 1.488 | 1.486 | 1.486 |
| | 0.025 | 1.633 | 1.630 | 1.631 | 1.631 |
| | 0.05 | 1.786 | 1.788 | 1.787 | 1.787 |
| | 0.075 | 1.866 | 1.865 | 1.864 | 1.864 |
| | 0.1 | 1.933 | 1.934 | 1.935 | 1.934 |
| | 0.15 | 1.953 | 1.955 | 1.954 | 1.954 |
| APS | 0 | 1.488 | 1.485 | 1.484 | 1.486 |
| | 0.025 | 1.568 | 1.566 | 1.567 | 1.567 |
| | 0.05 | 1.664 | 1.662 | 1.663 | 1.663 |
| | 0.075 | 1.762 | 1.763 | 1.764 | 1.763 |
| | 0.1 | 1.855 | 1.856 | 1.857 | 1.855 |
| | 0.15 | 1.886 | 1.887 | 1.885 | 1.886 |

Table B5 Thermal conductivity of surfactant treated BN-filled epoxy composite

| Type of surfactant | pH | Thermal conductivity (W/mK) | | | |
|--------------------|-----|--------------------------------|------|------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| DTAB | 5.5 | 2.35 | 2.36 | 2.37 | 2.36 |
| | 6.0 | 2.43 | 2.42 | 2.44 | 2.43 |
| | 7.0 | 2.56 | 2.58 | 2.60 | 2.58 |
| | 8.0 | 2.73 | 2.74 | 2.72 | 2.73 |
| TTAB | 5.5 | 2.58 | 2.57 | 2.56 | 2.57 |
| | 6.0 | 2.63 | 2.65 | 2.64 | 2.64 |
| | 7.0 | 2.77 | 2.81 | 2.79 | 2.79 |
| | 8.0 | 2.94 | 2.95 | 2.93 | 2.94 |
| HTAB | 5.5 | 2.75 | 2.74 | 2.76 | 2.76 |
| | 6.0 | 2.85 | 2.84 | 2.86 | 2.84 |
| | 7.0 | 2.97 | 3.01 | 2.98 | 2.99 |
| | 8.0 | 3.12 | 3.16 | 3.14 | 3.14 |
| OTAB | 5.5 | 3.05 | 3.06 | 3.08 | 3.07 |
| | 6.0 | 3.15 | 3.13 | 3.14 | 3.14 |
| | 7.0 | 3.27 | 3.28 | 3.31 | 3.29 |
| | 8.0 | 3.44 | 3.43 | 3.40 | 3.42 |

Appendix C Determination of Viscosity of BN-filled Epoxy Suspension**Table C1** The viscosity of BN-filled epoxy suspension with various filler content

| Filler content (vol%) | Viscosity (Pa.s) |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| 0 | 2.10 |
| 9.09 | 2.70 |
| 16.67 | 3.70 |
| 23.08 | 5.65 |
| 28.57 | 9.50 |
| 33.33 | 15.32 |
| 37.50 | 36.50 |

Table C2 The viscosity of BN-filled epoxy suspension with various mixing conditions

| Type of condition | Mixing conditions | Viscosity (Pa.s) | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| Mixing speed (rpm) | 80 | 9.53 | 9.48 | 9.51 | 9.50 |
| | 150 | 10.08 | 10.00 | 10.03 | 10.04 |
| | 220 | 10.97 | 10.95 | 10.93 | 10.95 |
| | 300 | 14.02 | 14.38 | 14.00 | 14.00 |
| Mixing time (sec) | 5 | 7.55 | 7.49 | 7.48 | 7.51 |
| | 15 | 8.45 | 8.42 | 8.40 | 8.42 |
| | 30 | 9.53 | 9.48 | 9.51 | 9.50 |
| | 60 | 11.04 | 10.98 | 10.99 | 11.00 |
| Mixing temperature (°C) | 30 | 9.53 | 9.48 | 9.51 | 9.50 |
| | 50 | 12.02 | 12.00 | 11.58 | 12.00 |
| | 70 | 15.03 | 15.01 | 14.97 | 15.00 |

Appendix D Determination of Zeta Potential of BN Particles

| pH | Zeta potential (mV) |
|----|------------------------|
| 2 | 3.8 |
| 3 | 1.9 |
| 4 | 0.9 |
| 5 | -1.5 |
| 6 | -2.6 |
| 7 | -5.2 |
| 8 | -6.1 |
| 9 | -6.4 |
| 10 | -6.8 |

Appendix E Determination of Surfactant Adsorption on BN Surface

Table E1 The amount of adsorbed surfactant ($\mu\text{mol/g BN}$)

| Type of surfactant | pH | The amount of adsorbed surfactant ($\mu\text{mol/g BN}$) | | | |
|--------------------|-----|--|------|------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| DTAB | 5.5 | 1.46 | 1.49 | 1.47 | 1.48 |
| | 6.0 | 1.65 | 1.61 | 1.63 | 1.63 |
| | 7.0 | 1.81 | 1.80 | 1.77 | 1.79 |
| | 8.0 | 1.85 | 1.91 | 1.88 | 1.88 |
| TTAB | 5.5 | 1.62 | 1.65 | 1.61 | 1.63 |
| | 6.0 | 1.71 | 1.72 | 1.73 | 1.72 |
| | 7.0 | 1.87 | 1.89 | 1.88 | 1.89 |
| | 8.0 | 1.99 | 1.98 | 1.98 | 1.98 |
| HTAB | 5.5 | 1.76 | 1.74 | 1.75 | 1.75 |
| | 6.0 | 1.88 | 1.84 | 1.86 | 1.86 |
| | 7.0 | 2.00 | 1.96 | 1.97 | 1.98 |
| | 8.0 | 2.08 | 2.12 | 2.10 | 2.10 |
| OTAB | 5.5 | 1.98 | 1.96 | 1.94 | 1.96 |
| | 6.0 | 2.01 | 2.05 | 2.05 | 2.04 |
| | 7.0 | 2.13 | 2.12 | 2.17 | 2.15 |
| | 8.0 | 2.24 | 2.29 | 2.26 | 2.27 |

Appendix F Determination of Mechanical Properties of BN-filled Epoxy Composite

Table F1 Determination of flexural property with various filler content

| Mechanical Property | Filler content (vol%) | Result | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------|------|------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| Flexural strength (MPa) | 0 | 24.8 | 26.7 | 25.6 | 25.7 |
| | 9.09 | 33.6 | 32.4 | 31.4 | 32.5 |
| | 16.67 | 37.9 | 36.4 | 36.9 | 37.1 |
| | 23.08 | 41.5 | 39.7 | 40.7 | 40.6 |
| | 28.57 | 46.2 | 42.5 | 44.3 | 44.1 |
| | 33.33 | 47.6 | 44.9 | 45.2 | 46.0 |
| | 37.50 | 49.2 | 46.3 | 47.3 | 47.6 |
| Flexural modulus (MPa) | 0 | 2462 | 2482 | 2455 | 2466 |
| | 9.09 | 2509 | 2532 | 2520 | 2520 |
| | 16.67 | 2598 | 2574 | 2585 | 2586 |
| | 23.08 | 2670 | 2645 | 2660 | 2658 |
| | 28.57 | 2718 | 2738 | 2752 | 2736 |
| | 33.33 | 2878 | 2920 | 2888 | 2895 |
| | 37.50 | 3110 | 3072 | 3063 | 3082 |

Table F2 Determination of flexural property at various mixing speed

| Mechanical Property | Mixing speed (rpm) | Result | | | |
|-------------------------|--------------------|--------|------|------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| Flexural strength (MPa) | 80 | 46.2 | 42.5 | 44.3 | 44.1 |
| | 150 | 42.1 | 44.7 | 43.6 | 43.5 |
| | 220 | 46.5 | 50.7 | 48.6 | 48.6 |
| | 300 | 49.5 | 51.7 | 53.5 | 51.5 |
| Flexural modulus (MPa) | 80 | 2718 | 2738 | 2752 | 2736 |
| | 150 | 2879 | 2860 | 2950 | 2896 |
| | 220 | 3278 | 3312 | 3334 | 3305 |
| | 300 | 3575 | 3589 | 3482 | 3549 |

Table F3 Determination of flexural property at various mixing time

| Mechanical Property | Mixing time (sec) | Result | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|--------|------|------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| Flexural strength (MPa) | 5 | 41.8 | 43.9 | 42.6 | 42.8 |
| | 30 | 46.2 | 42.5 | 44.3 | 44.1 |
| | 60 | 47.9 | 43.8 | 44.9 | 45.6 |
| Flexural modulus (MPa) | 5 | 2616 | 2625 | 2652 | 2631 |
| | 30 | 2718 | 2738 | 2752 | 2736 |
| | 60 | 2832 | 2812 | 2786 | 2810 |

Table F4 Determination of flexural property at various mixing temperature

| Mechanical Property | Mixing temperature (°C) | Result | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------|------|------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| Flexural strength (MPa) | 30 | 46.2 | 42.5 | 44.3 | 44.1 |
| | 50 | 47.6 | 46.4 | 47.8 | 47.2 |
| | 70 | 49.8 | 51.4 | 50.1 | 50.6 |
| Flexural modulus (MPa) | 30 | 2718 | 2738 | 2752 | 2736 |
| | 50 | 2948 | 2951 | 2963 | 2956 |
| | 70 | 3089 | 3126 | 3101 | 3105 |

Table F5 Determination of impact strength with various filler content

| Filler content (vol%) | Impact strength (kJ/m ²) | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|------|------|---------|
| | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| 0 | 10.8 | 11.6 | 12.4 | 11.8 |
| 9.09 | 15.6 | 16.4 | 18.4 | 16.9 |
| 16.67 | 19.9 | 21.4 | 22.9 | 21.8 |
| 23.08 | 24.5 | 28.7 | 23.7 | 26.4 |
| 28.57 | 32.2 | 30.5 | 31.3 | 31.6 |
| 33.33 | 38.6 | 34.9 | 35.2 | 36.4 |
| 37.50 | 29.2 | 28.6 | 32.3 | 30.1 |

Table F6 Determination of impact strength at various mixing speed

| Mixing speed (rpm) | Impact strength (kJ/m ²) | | | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|------|------|---------|
| | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| 80 | 32.2 | 30.5 | 31.3 | 31.6 |
| 150 | 34.1 | 35.7 | 38.6 | 36.2 |
| 220 | 38.5 | 39.7 | 42.6 | 40.1 |
| 300 | 41.5 | 44.7 | 43.5 | 43.4 |

Table F7 Determination of impact strength at various mixing time

| Mixing time (sec) | Impact strength (kJ/m ²) | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------|------|------|---------|
| | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| 5 | 26.8 | 27.9 | 29.6 | 28.6 |
| 30 | 30.2 | 29.8 | 32.7 | 31.6 |
| 60 | 31.9 | 32.6 | 34.9 | 33.2 |

Table F8 Determination of impact strength at various mixing temperature

| Mixing temperature (°C) | Impact strength (kJ/m ²) | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|------|------|---------|
| | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| 30 | 32.2 | 30.5 | 31.3 | 31.6 |
| 50 | 31.9 | 32.4 | 34.7 | 33.8 |
| 70 | 34.8 | 35.8 | 37.9 | 36.3 |

Table F9 Determination of flexural strength of admicellar treated BN-filled epoxy composite

| Type of monomer | Surfactant:monomer ratio | Flexural strength (MPa) | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| PMMA | 0 | 45.63 | 45.22 | 45.45 | 45.58 |
| | 1:2.5 | 48.72 | 48.65 | 48.97 | 48.82 |
| | 1:5 | 49.78 | 49.57 | 49.63 | 49.68 |
| | 1:7.5 | 50.55 | 50.34 | 50.41 | 50.43 |
| | 1:10 | 51.08 | 50.76 | 50.86 | 50.97 |
| | 1:12.5 | 50.96 | 50.72 | 50.62 | 50.85 |
| | 1:15 | 50.51 | 50.32 | 50.28 | 50.40 |
| PS | 0 | 45.63 | 45.22 | 45.45 | 45.58 |
| | 1:2.5 | 48.12 | 47.75 | 47.83 | 47.95 |
| | 1:5 | 48.74 | 48.46 | 48.59 | 48.62 |
| | 1:7.5 | 49.22 | 49.01 | 48.92 | 49.14 |
| | 1:10 | 49.76 | 49.47 | 49.53 | 49.65 |
| | 1:12.5 | 49.38 | 49.12 | 49.21 | 49.23 |
| | 1:15 | 47.89 | 47.57 | 47.71 | 47.75 |

Table F10 Determination of flexural modulus of admicellar treated BN-filled epoxy composite

| Type of monomer | Surfactant:monomer ratio | Flexural modulus (GPa) | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|------------------------|------|------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| PMMA | 0 | 2.75 | 2.63 | 2.98 | 2.86 |
| | 1:2.5 | 3.14 | 3.21 | 3.43 | 3.24 |
| | 1:5 | 3.22 | 3.30 | 3.54 | 3.36 |
| | 1:7.5 | 3.26 | 3.38 | 3.62 | 3.44 |
| | 1:10 | 3.39 | 3.45 | 3.74 | 3.51 |
| | 1:12.5 | 3.35 | 3.71 | 3.42 | 3.50 |
| | 1:15 | 3.28 | 3.62 | 3.38 | 3.4 |
| PS | 0 | 2.75 | 2.63 | 2.98 | 2.86 |
| | 1:2.5 | 2.97 | 3.08 | 3.32 | 3.16 |
| | 1:5 | 3.11 | 3.23 | 3.41 | 3.28 |
| | 1:7.5 | 3.32 | 3.24 | 3.55 | 3.35 |
| | 1:10 | 3.29 | 3.36 | 3.64 | 3.40 |
| | 1:12.5 | 3.18 | 3.31 | 3.57 | 3.38 |
| | 1:15 | 3.11 | 3.53 | 3.19 | 3.20 |

Table F11 Determination of flexural strength of silane treated BN-filled epoxy composite

| Type of silane | Concentration of Silane solution (wt%) | Flexural strength (MPa) | | | |
|----------------|--|-------------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| GPS | 0 | 45.63 | 45.22 | 45.45 | 45.58 |
| | 0.025 | 46.66 | 46.74 | 46.98 | 46.82 |
| | 0.05 | 47.52 | 47.63 | 47.82 | 47.68 |
| | 0.075 | 48.33 | 48.40 | 48.63 | 48.43 |
| | 0.1 | 48.76 | 48.85 | 49.10 | 48.97 |
| APS | 0 | 45.63 | 45.22 | 45.45 | 45.58 |
| | 0.025 | 45.78 | 45.84 | 46.12 | 45.95 |
| | 0.05 | 46.31 | 46.39 | 46.60 | 46.42 |
| | 0.075 | 47.02 | 47.11 | 47.34 | 47.14 |
| | 0.1 | 47.48 | 47.59 | 47.85 | 47.65 |

Table F12 Determination of flexural modulus of silane treated BN-filled epoxy composite

| Type of silane | Concentration of Silane solution (wt%) | Flexural strength (MPa) | | | |
|----------------|--|-------------------------|------|------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| GPS | 0 | 2.75 | 2.63 | 2.98 | 2.86 |
| | 0.025 | 2.76 | 2.98 | 2.85 | 2.90 |
| | 0.05 | 2.87 | 2.94 | 3.04 | 2.97 |
| | 0.075 | 3.01 | 3.28 | 3.11 | 3.15 |
| | 0.1 | 3.19 | 3.46 | 3.25 | 3.30 |
| APS | 0 | 2.75 | 2.63 | 2.98 | 2.86 |
| | 0.025 | 2.74 | 2.83 | 2.97 | 2.88 |
| | 0.05 | 2.98 | 2.85 | 2.73 | 2.90 |
| | 0.075 | 2.88 | 3.16 | 3.08 | 3.05 |
| | 0.1 | 2.88 | 2.97 | 3.12 | 2.93 |

Table F13 Determination of impact strength of admicellar treated BN-filled epoxy composite

| Type of monomer | Surfactant:monomer ratio | Impact strength (kJ/m ²) | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|------|------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| PMMA | 0 | 31.2 | 34.7 | 32.2 | 32.5 |
| | 1:2.5 | 37.5 | 38.0 | 39.1 | 38.1 |
| | 1:5 | 40.1 | 41.2 | 42.8 | 41.5 |
| | 1:7.5 | 45.9 | 44.0 | 42.8 | 44.1 |
| | 1:10 | 45.2 | 46.3 | 48.5 | 46.8 |
| | 1:12.5 | 44.9 | 45.6 | 48.4 | 46.0 |
| | 1:15 | 43.1 | 47.0 | 46.2 | 45.5 |
| PS | 0 | 31.2 | 34.7 | 32.2 | 32.5 |
| | 1:2.5 | 35.6 | 38.7 | 36.8 | 37.2 |
| | 1:5 | 37.0 | 38.6 | 41.7 | 39.8 |
| | 1:7.5 | 42.1 | 41.0 | 44.5 | 42.3 |
| | 1:10 | 43.9 | 44.8 | 47.2 | 45.2 |
| | 1:12.5 | 43.3 | 44.0 | 46.2 | 44.5 |
| | 1:15 | 42.1 | 43.5 | 45.4 | 43.8 |

Table F14 Determination of impact strength of silane treated BN-filled epoxy composite

| Type of silane | Concentration of Silane solution (wt%) | Impact strength (kJ/m ²) | | | |
|----------------|--|--------------------------------------|------|------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| GPS | 0 | 31.2 | 34.7 | 32.2 | 32.5 |
| | 0.025 | 34.5 | 38.0 | 35.6 | 36.1 |
| | 0.05 | 38.1 | 41.2 | 37.6 | 39.4 |
| | 0.075 | 40.4 | 44.1 | 39.8 | 42.1 |
| | 0.1 | 42.7 | 43.6 | 46.0 | 44.4 |
| APS | 0 | 31.2 | 34.7 | 32.2 | 32.5 |
| | 0.025 | 34.3 | 36.8 | 35.1 | 35.2 |
| | 0.05 | 35.9 | 36.4 | 39.2 | 37.3 |
| | 0.075 | 37.5 | 38.9 | 41.2 | 39.7 |
| | 0.1 | 40.9 | 41.6 | 44.0 | 42.8 |

Table F15 Determination of flexural property of HTAB treated BN-filled epoxy composite

| Mechanical Property | The amount of adsorbed surfactant ($\mu\text{mol/g BN}$) | Result | | | |
|-------------------------|--|--------|------|-------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| Flexural strength (MPa) | 1.75 | 57.3 | 58.6 | 60.04 | 59.0 |
| | 1.86 | 59.5 | 63.0 | 60.2 | 61.9 |
| | 1.98 | 66.4 | 69.1 | 67.2 | 67.5 |
| | 2.10 | 75.4 | 73.9 | 77.6 | 75.1 |
| Flexural modulus (GPa) | 1.75 | 3.75 | 3.96 | 3.83 | 3.86 |
| | 1.86 | 4.01 | 3.79 | 3.81 | 3.88 |
| | 1.98 | 3.70 | 3.86 | 4.05 | 3.90 |
| | 2.10 | 3.84 | 3.90 | 4.01 | 3.92 |

Table F16 Determination of flexural property of surfactant treated BN-filled epoxy composite

| Mechanical Property | Chain length (C-atom) | Result | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------|------|------|---------|
| | | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| Flexural strength (MPa) | 12 | 66.0 | 68.0 | 67.0 | 68.0 |
| | 14 | 69.8 | 70.4 | 73.5 | 71.9 |
| | 16 | 75.4 | 73.9 | 77.6 | 75.1 |
| | 18 | 76.8 | 78.9 | 77.1 | 77.3 |
| Flexural modulus (GPa) | 12 | 3.75 | 3.66 | 3.83 | 3.77 |
| | 14 | 4.01 | 3.72 | 3.81 | 3.83 |
| | 16 | 3.84 | 3.90 | 4.01 | 3.92 |
| | 18 | 3.84 | 3.90 | 4.08 | 3.97 |

Table F17 Determination of impact strength of HTAB treated BN-filled epoxy composite

| The amount of adsorbed surfactant ($\mu\text{mol/g BN}$) | Impact strength (kJ/m^2) | | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|------|------|---------|
| | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| 1.75 | 47.6 | 51.2 | 48.7 | 49.5 |
| 1.86 | 49.8 | 48.2 | 51.7 | 50.1 |
| 1.98 | 50.8 | 49.6 | 52.7 | 51.2 |
| 2.10 | 50.7 | 51.4 | 53.6 | 52.0 |

Table F18 Determination of impact strength of surfactant treated BN-filled epoxy composite

| Chain length (C-atom) | Impact strength (kJ/m^2) | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|------|------|---------|
| | I. | II. | III. | Average |
| 12 | 47.2 | 50.1 | 48.5 | 48.6 |
| 14 | 52.5 | 51.3 | 49.8 | 51.2 |
| 16 | 54.4 | 50.1 | 51.2 | 52.0 |
| 18 | 54.8 | 50.9 | 51.6 | 52.5 |

Appendix G Determination of Contact Angle of Surface-treated BN particles

Table G1 Determination of contact angle of admicellar-treated and silane-treated BN using water droplet

| Time (s) | Epoxy | Type of BN particles | | | | |
|-------------|-------|----------------------|------|------|------|-----------|
| | | PMMA | PS | GPS | APS | Untreated |
| 0 | 96.5 | 94.0 | 92.8 | 90.0 | 88.3 | 86.8 |
| 5 | 95.5 | 93.0 | 91.5 | 89.0 | 87. | 86.4 |
| 10 | 94.7 | 92.2 | 90.6 | 88.2 | 87.2 | 86.2 |
| 15 | 94.0 | 91.5 | 89.6 | 87.5 | 86.6 | 85.5 |
| 20 | 93.4 | 90.9 | 89.1 | 86.9 | 86.1 | 85.1 |
| 25 | 92.5 | 90.0 | 88.6 | 86.0 | 85.2 | 84.4 |
| 30 | 92.2 | 89.7 | 88.2 | 85.7 | 84.6 | 84.0 |
| 35 | 91.6 | 89.1 | 87.5 | 85.1 | 84.3 | 83.5 |
| 40 | 91.1 | 88.6 | 87.1 | 84.6 | 83.9 | 83.2 |
| 45 | 90.4 | 87.9 | 86.5 | 83.9 | 83.2 | 82.5 |
| 50 | 89.6 | 87.1 | 85.8 | 83.1 | 82.5 | 81.8 |
| 55 | 89.1 | 86.6 | 85.4 | 82.6 | 82.2 | 81.3 |
| 60 | 88.6 | 86.1 | 84.5 | 82.1 | 81.5 | 80.7 |

Table G2 Determination of contact angle of admicellar-treated and silane-treated BN using epoxy droplet

| Time (s) | Type of BN particles | | | | |
|-------------|----------------------|------|------|------|------|
| | Untreated | APS | GPS | PS | PMMA |
| 0 | 93.1 | 84.9 | 79.9 | 76.4 | 70.5 |
| 5 | 87.5 | 76.8 | 73.8 | 67.5 | 59.9 |
| 10 | 82.4 | 72.4 | 69.6 | 63.2 | 54.1 |
| 15 | 77.4 | 69.8 | 66.4 | 60.1 | 49.7 |
| 20 | 73.0 | 67.5 | 64.6 | 57.5 | 45.6 |
| 25 | 70.7 | 65.6 | 62.2 | 55.4 | 42.1 |
| 30 | 69.2 | 64.6 | 61.1 | 54.2 | 40.1 |
| 35 | 67.2 | 63.3 | 60.4 | 52.3 | 38.3 |
| 40 | 65.8 | 61.5 | 58.9 | 50.7 | 36.8 |
| 45 | 64.2 | 60.4 | 56.8 | 48.6 | 35.6 |
| 50 | 63.6 | 59.7 | 55.5 | 47.1 | 34.4 |
| 55 | 62.3 | 58.6 | 54.7 | 46.5 | 33.5 |
| 60 | 61.1 | 57.6 | 53.8 | 46.2 | 32.4 |

Table G3 Determination of contact angle of surfactant- treated BN using water droplet

| Time (s) | Type of BN particles | | | | |
|-------------|----------------------|------|------|------|-----------|
| | OTAB | HTAB | TTAB | DTAB | Untreated |
| 0 | 96.5 | 94.0 | 91.0 | 89.0 | 86.6 |
| 5 | 95.5 | 93.0 | 90.0 | 88.0 | 86.4 |
| 10 | 94.7 | 92.2 | 89.2 | 87.2 | 86.2 |
| 15 | 94.0 | 91.5 | 88.5 | 86.5 | 85.5 |
| 20 | 93.4 | 90.9 | 87.9 | 85.9 | 85.3 |
| 25 | 92.5 | 90.0 | 87.0 | 85.0 | 84.7 |
| 30 | 92.2 | 89.7 | 86.7 | 84.7 | 84.0 |
| 35 | 91.6 | 89.1 | 86.1 | 84.1 | 83.5 |
| 40 | 91.1 | 88.6 | 85.6 | 83.8 | 83.2 |
| 45 | 90.4 | 87.9 | 84.9 | 83.4 | 82.5 |
| 50 | 89.6 | 87.1 | 84.1 | 82.9 | 81.8 |
| 55 | 89.1 | 86.6 | 83.6 | 82.2 | 81.3 |
| 60 | 88.6 | 86.1 | 83.1 | 81.4 | 80.7 |

Appendix H Determination of the Occupied Surface Area of Surfactant-treated BN particles

Table H1 Determination of the occupied surface area of surfactant treated-BN with various the amount of surfactant adsorption at pH 5.5

| Experimental data | DTAB | TTAB | HTAB | OTAB |
|--|------|------|------|------|
| The amount of surfactant adsorption ($\mu\text{mol/g BN}$) | 1.48 | 1.63 | 1.79 | 1.88 |
| The occupied surface area (m^2/g) | 2.69 | 2.93 | 3.00 | 3.09 |

Table H2 Determination of the occupied surface area of surfactant treated-BN with various the amount of surfactant adsorption at pH 6.0

| Experimental data | DTAB | TTAB | HTAB | OTAB |
|--|------|------|------|------|
| The amount of surfactant adsorption ($\mu\text{mol/g BN}$) | 1.63 | 1.72 | 1.89 | 1.98 |
| The occupied surface area (m^2/g) | 3.70 | 3.93 | 4.03 | 4.17 |

Table H3 Determination of the occupied surface area of surfactant treated-BN with various the amount of surfactant adsorption at pH 7.0

| Experimental data | DTAB | TTAB | HTAB | OTAB |
|--|------|------|------|------|
| The amount of surfactant adsorption ($\mu\text{mol/g BN}$) | 1.75 | 1.86 | 1.98 | 2.10 |
| The occupied surface area (m^2/g) | 4.77 | 4.98 | 5.21 | 5.44 |

Table H4 Determination of the occupied surface area of surfactant treated-BN with various the amount of surfactant adsorption at pH 8.0

| Experimental data | DTAB | TTAB | HTAB | OTAB |
|--|------|------|------|------|
| The amount of surfactant adsorption ($\mu\text{mol/g BN}$) | 1.96 | 2.04 | 2.15 | 2.27 |
| The occupied surface area (m^2/g) | 5.28 | 5.52 | 5.77 | 5.87 |

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