#### Supporting Information for

# Waterproof Artificial Compound Eyes with Variable Field of View

## based on the Bioinspiration from Natural Hierarchical Micro-Nano

### Structures

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## **Supplementary Figures**



**Fig. S1** Optical image of the homebuilt measurement system for characterizing the water contact angles (WCAs) of the samples



**Fig. S2** Optical images of the measurement of WCAs on the surface of natural dragonfly eyes



Fig. S3 SEM images of compound eyes of natural dragonfly



**Fig. S4** Optical images of the measurement of WCAs on the surface of natural lotus leaf. (**a**) Lotus leaf was treated via conventional drying process at the room temperature (20 °C). (**b**) Lotus leaf was treated via heat treatment at 120 °C for 30 min after the conventional drying process







**Fig. S6** Optical image and SEM images of MLAs film for the fabrication of artificial compound eyes. (a) The optical microscope image of MLAs fabricated on PDMS film. (b) The SEM image of the bending state of the soft MLAs film. (c) and (d) SEM images of the fabricated artificial compound eyes.



Fig. S7 AFM images of NLAs fabricated via the DOD printing under the stable cone-jet mode [S1]. (a) NLAs contain nanolenses of 900 ( $30 \times 30$ ), the average diameter and height of which were 384 nm, and 73 nm, respectively. (b) NLAs of complex shapes "NANO LENS" consist of 1016 nanolenses with homogeneous sizes, the average diameter and height of which were 840 and 153nm

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Fig. S8 AFM image of NLAs with more than  $1 \times 10^4$  nanolenses fabricated via the CR printing under the electrospray mode in ~0.2 s



Fig. S9 Statistical analysis of the volume of the nanolenses printed by nozzles with diameters of 1, 2, and 10  $\mu$ m under different applied voltages



**Fig. S10** SEM and AFM images of the nanolenses printed via different printing nozzles under the electrospray printing mode, respectively. (**a**–**c**) printing nozzles with diameters of 1  $\mu$ m, (**d**–**f**) 2 $\mu$ m, (**g**–**i**) 10 $\mu$ m



**Fig. S11** The optical images in cross-sectional view angle of eight different configurations when the soft MLAs film was deformed from a planar surface to a curved surface for the tunable deformation of artificial compound eyes.



**Fig. S12** The optical image of the letters "SIA" focused by the eyeball of the artificial compound eyes.



**Fig. S13** Schematic of the optical system for characterization of focusing property of the artificial compound eyes

### **Supplementary Reference**

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