

Synthesis of Water-induced Cellulose-based Shape Memory Material from Pineapple Leaves



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Shape memory materials





What Is Shape Memory? (N. Seema,2018) **Compressed stent**



Self-expanding stents based on shape memory alloys and shape memory polymers (M. Ali,2020)

Waste from pineapple leaves





Thailand's Pineapple Situation: 2021 Outlook (GCF International, 2021)

- During harvesting and manufacturing, pineapple leaves are discarded.
- However, pineapple leaf is an abundantly available potential source of cellulose.

Products per year > 1.5 million tons

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From mechanisms of shape memory materials





- CMC : Can be synthesized from abundant pineapple leaves.
- PEG : Be a cross linkage agent that can improve water absorption
- CA : Reduce overmuch water absorption.

Liu, Y., Li, Y., Chen, H., Yang, G., Zheng, X., & Zhou, S. (2014). Water-induced shape-memory poly(d,l-lactide)/ microcrystalline cellulose composites. Carbohydrate Polymers, 104, 101–108.

Objective



- To synthesize water-induced cellulose-based shape memory materials from pineapple leaves with the best proportion of CMC : PEG : CA







Part I: Preparation of cellulose from pineapple leaves **Part II : Synthesis of shape memory materials** Part III: Shape recovery behavior of materials and physical properties test



Pineapple leaves preparation





Alkali treatment for isolation cellulose









CMC preparation from cellulose





(CMC)

CMC preparation from cellulose

vacuum filter

& wash with DI water





Carboxymethyl cellulose (CMC) Characterization by FTIR



Part II : Synthesis of shape memory materials







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The proportions of materials in each sample (%w/w)

Part III: Shape recovery behavior of materials test



Part III: Tensile modulus and elongation at break test





Use Universal testing machine (UTM) to test the 12 different ratios of materials.

Materials characterization by FTIR





Materials characterization by FTIR







Physical properties of materials



Stress-Strain



Physical properties of materials



Effect of PEG



Physical properties of materials



Effect of CA



Tensile modulus of the materials in different %CA

%Water absorption





%Swelling





Shape recovery of materials





The picture example of experiment

 $R_r = \left(\frac{\theta_f - \theta_i}{180^0 - \theta_i}\right) x 100\%$

 θ_i is the initial angle θ_f is the final angle R_r is the percentage of shape recovery

Results : Shape recovery behavior





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Conclusion



- The best ratio of CMC:PEG:CA is 80:10:10 with the recovery rate 84.84% in 6 seconds.
- CA has the ability to decrease water absorption and swelling of the materials, but PEG has only the ability to increase water absorption.
- CA improves tensile modulus, but decrease elongation at break of the materials. In contrast, PEG increases elongation at break of the materials ,but it don't have predictable trends of tensile modulus.

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