

Contents

Part I Cellulose Fibers and Nanofibers

1 Natural Fibres: Structure, Properties and Applications	3
S. Thomas, S.A. Paul, L.A. Pothan, and B. Deepa	
2 Chemical Functionalization of Cellulose Derived from Nonconventional Sources	43
V.K. Varshney and Sanjay Naithani	
3 Production of Flax Fibers for Biocomposites	61
Jonn Foulk, Danny Akin, Roy Dodd, and Chad Ulven	
4 Cellulosic Bast Fibers, Their Structure and Properties Suitable for Composite Applications	97
Malgorzata Zimniewska, Maria Wladyka-Przybylak, and Jerzy Mankowski	
5 Potential Use of Micro- and Nanofibrillated Cellulose Composites Exemplified by Paper	121
Ramjee Subramanian, Eero Hiltunen, and Patrick A.C. Gane	

Part II Cellulosic Fiber-Reinforced Polymer Composites and Nanocomposites

6 Greener Surface Treatments of Natural Fibres for the Production of Renewable Composite Materials	155
Koon-Yang Lee, Anne Delille, and Alexander Bismarck	
7 Nanocellulose-Based Composites	179
Kelley Spence, Youssef Habibi, and Alain Dufresne	

8 Dimensional Analysis and Surface Morphology as Selective Criteria of Lignocellulosic Fibers as Reinforcement in Polymeric Matrices	215
Kestur Gundappa Satyanarayana, Sergio Neves Monteiro, Felipe Perisse Duarte Lopes, Frederico Muylaert Margem, Helvio Pessanha Guimaraes Santafé Jr., and Lucas L. da Costa	
9 Interfacial Shear Strength in Lignocellulosic Fibers Incorporated Polymeric Composites	241
Sergio Neves Monteiro, Kestur Gundappa Satyanarayana, Frederico Muylaert Margem, Ailton da Silva Ferreira, Denise Cristina Oliveira Nascimento, Helvio Pessanha Guimarães Santafé Jr., and Felipe Perissé Duarte Lopes	
10 The Structure, Morphology, and Mechanical Properties of Thermoplastic Composites with Lignocellulosic Fiber	263
Slawomir Borysiak, Dominik Paukszta, Paulina Batkowska, and Jerzy Mańkowski	
11 Isora Fibre: A Natural Reinforcement for the Development of High Performance Engineering Materials	291
Lovely Mathew, M.K. Joshy, and Rani Joseph	
12 Pineapple Leaf Fibers and PALF-Reinforced Polymer Composites	325
S.M. Sapuan, A.R. Mohamed, J.P. Siregar, and M.R. Ishak	
13 Utilization of Rice Husks and the Products of Its Thermal Degradation as Fillers in Polymer Composites	345
S.D. Genieva, S.Ch. Turmanova, and L.T. Vlaev	
14 Polyolefin-Based Natural Fiber Composites	377
Santosh D. Wanjale and Jyoti P. Jog	
15 All-Cellulosic Based Composites	399
J.P. Borges, M.H. Godinho, J.L. Figueirinhas, M.N. de Pinho, and M.N. Belgacem	

Part III Biodegradable Plastics and Composites from Renewable Resources

16 Environment Benevolent Biodegradable Polymers: Synthesis, Biodegradability, and Applications	425
B.S. Kaith, Hemant Mittal, Rajeev Jindal, Mithu Maiti, and Susheel Kalia	

17 Biocomposites Based on Biodegradable Thermoplastic Polyester and Lignocellulose Fibers	453
Luc Avérous	
18 Man-Made Cellulose Short Fiber Reinforced Oil and Bio-Based Thermoplastics	479
Johannes Ganster and Hans-Peter Fink	
19 Degradation of Cellulose-Based Polymer Composites	507
J.K. Pandey, D.R. Saini, and S.H. Ahn	
20 Biopolymeric Nanocomposites as Environment Benign Materials	519
Pratheep Kumar Annamalai and Raj Pal Singh	

Part IV Applications of Cellulose Fiber-Reinforced Polymer Composites

21 Cellulose Nanocomposites for High-Performance Applications	539
Bibin Mathew Cherian, Alcides Lopes Leao, Sivoney Ferreira de Souza, Sabu Thomas, Laly A. Pothan, and M. Kottaisamy	
22 Sisal Fiber Based Polymer Composites and Their Applications	589
Mohini Saxena, Asokan Pappu, Ruhi Haque, and Anusha Sharma	
23 Natural Fibre-Reinforced Polymer Composites and Nanocomposites for Automotive Applications	661
James Njuguna, Paul Wambua, Krzysztof Pielichowski, and Kambiz Kayvantash	
24 Natural Fiber-Based Composite Building Materials	701
B. Singh, M. Gupta, Hina Tarannum, and Anamika Randhawa	
About the Editors	721
Index	723