



Abstract

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Keywords

Polymers are widely used in a variety of medical applications,

Nonetheless, the ebb and flow writing for the most part comprises of unique exploration articles inspecting antibacterial movement and seldom mechanical properties of biodegradable polymer/GRM composites; Consequently, a comprehensive critical review paper that discusses and contrasts the findings of the extensive available literature is required. The authors are aware of only a few review papers focusing on coatings and GO reinforced polymer nanocomposites. Examples of GRM-reinforced polymer matrix composites (mostly PLA, PVA, PLA, and polymathic methacrylate composites) can be found in these examples. However, they only briefly discuss a small number of composite systems' antimicrobial activity without going into detail about their mechanical properties or processing methods [2, 3, 4, 5].

As a result, we believe that GRMs reinforced biodegradable polymer composites for antibacterial applications require a comprehensive critical review. As a result, the recent difficulties associated with the processing and creation of such composites specifically for clinical applications are the subject of this review's critical evaluation of the relevant literature [6]. The antibacterial activity of biodegradable polymer-based GRMs composites under various in vivo and in vitro conditions is the primary focus. In order to produce biodegradable polymer/GRM composites for antibacterial applications, polysaccharide-based (CS, Cel, and alginate), protein-based (Gel and Col), synthetic-based (PLA, PVA, and PCL), and microbial-based (PHA) polymers have been among the most widely considered biomaterials. As a result, the current review provides a comprehensive overview of the current state of the art in relation to the aforementioned polymers GRMs used in biomedical applications are also briefly discussed, their antibacterial functionalization is discussed, and the proposed antibacterial mechanisms are summarized. Based

GRMs, which include GR, GO, FLG, GNP, and rGO, are versatile high-strength and high-modulus materials with high electrical conductivity; these can bind to oxygen-containing functional groups in aliphatic polymers, allowing the polymer matrix and GRMs to interact effectively. The development of composites with superior process ability, good electrical conductivity, relatively high mechanical properties, and most importantly, as discussed in the present review article, a broad-spectrum bactericidal activity has been documented by the exponential increase in the number of studies on GO and GR reinforced composites over the past few years. By incorporating GRMs into various bulk polymers, excellent antibacterial properties and relatively high mechanical properties like fracture strength and modulus can be maintained for biomedical and filtration applications.

on the classification of these polymers that was provided earlier, the antibacterial properties of biodegradable polymer/GRM composites, as well as their microstructural, mechanical, surface, and biological characteristics, are discussed. A brief overview of the investigated processing paths for the creation of these composites is provided. Each composite system's future research directions shed light on how to overcome composite performance challenges like long-term health effects, time-dependent mechanical properties, toxicity, and durability [7, 8].

CONCLUSION

PLA is a thermoplastic engineered polymer and an alluring biopolymer given its inexhaustibility, biodegradability and somewhat minimal expense. It has some drawbacks, despite its widespread use in tissue engineering, drug delivery, and food packaging [196]: lack of intrinsic bioactivity, slow crystallization rate, low barrier to oxygen, excessive brittleness, and poor mechanical behaviour [9].

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The following are some of the (mostly) GR and GO reinforced biodegradable polymer composites' antibacterial uses that have been critically examined in this article: (1) polysaccharide-based polymers, such as CS, Cel, and alginate; 2) protein-based polymers, such as Gel and Col; 3) synthetic polymers, such as PLA, PVA, and PCL; and 4) microbial polymers made from renewable resources (PHA). The development, processing methods, mechanical properties, and especially the antibacterial activity of these composites are all discussed in the paper [10].

AVAILABILITY OF DATA AND MATERIALS

None.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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