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- M) Advances and Applications of Electron Microscopy
- N) Prospects for Materials Science with Synchrotron Radiation in Brazil
- O) 1st Brazilian Symposium in Friction Stir Welding and Processing Graphene

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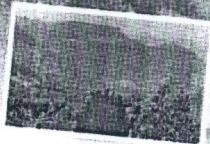


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### Important Dates

April, 5th - Registrations open  
May, 30th - Submissions deadline  
June, 13th - Acceptance

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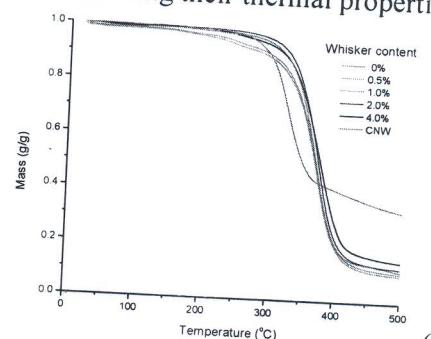
# Tensile properties of poly(glycerol succinate-co-maleate) nanocomposites reinforced with cellulose nanowhiskers

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The use of glycerol for the production of polymers goes back to the beginning of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, but the development of glycerol-based polymers was relatively “forgotten” due to subsequent discoveries of thermoplastic polymers that were more durable, easily processable, and offered a wide range of applications [1,2]. Recently, however, due to a constant search for biodegradable materials from renewable resources, significant attention has been given to the preparation and properties of new polymers from glycerol, because glycerol can be used to synthesize trifunctional branched structures with a wide range of properties with many potential applications in various branches of polymers and biopolymers industry. Thus, systematic studies on synthesis and characterization of glycerol-based polymers not only can result in the development of new materials but can also be a viable alternative to large-scale use of glycerol from biodiesel byproducts. In this sense, mechanical and thermal characterization of a biodegradable polymer based on glycerol, viz., poly(glycerol succinate-co-maleate) – Poly(GlySAMA), unreinforced and reinforced with 0, 0.5, 1 and 4wt.% of cellulose nanowhiskers (CNW) was studied, respectively, by tensile tests and thermogravimetric analyses. Results show that this novel glycerol-based polymer is very thermally stable, which is a consequence of its highly cross-linked structure. It was also found that the addition of materials with relatively low thermal resistance (CNW) did not decrease composite’s thermal properties. Moreover, addition of up to 4wt.% cellulose nanowhiskers caused tensile strength and Young’s modulus to increase, respectively, up to 20 and 40%, while elongation at break decreased by about 16%. These results show that CNW can be used to improve composites mechanical properties without decreasing their thermal properties.

CnF content (%)	Young's Modulus (MPa)	Tensile Strength (MPa)	Elongation at break (%)
0	1527 ± 72	74 ± 5	8.8 ± 0.4
0.5	1565 ± 49	74 ± 4	7.3 ± 0.1
1	1861 ± 79	80 ± 4	7.3 ± 0.2
2	2060 ± 95	87 ± 5	7.2 ± 0.3
4	2140 ± 84	89 ± 4	7.5 ± 0.4

(a)



(b)

Fig. 1. Tensile (a) and thermal (b) characterization of poly(GlySAMA) polymer and nanocomposites.  
Keywords: poly(glycerol succinate-co-maleate), nanocomposites, cellulose nanowhiskers

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