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Synthesis of Natural Sourced, Recyclable, Intrinsically Flame-retardant Benzoxazine Satisfying Twelve Principles of Green Chemistry

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Abstract

An intrinsically self-extinguishing and flame-retardant benzoxazine resin is designed using natural renewable raw materials. All materials used, and other synthesis conditions are designed to improve the safety, greenness, and sustainability along the spirit of the 12 Principles of Chemistry. A quantitiative yield method was developed for ester preparation. The ester is used to terminate carboxlic -OH group and to prepare a bio-based bis-phenol. A statistical mixture of furfurylamine and ethanol amine-terminated asymmetric benzoxazine with bis-furfurylamine and bis-ethanol amine-terminated benzoxazines is synthesized to improve processability by preparing a liquid resin at room temperature. The enthalpies of polymerization of the monomers are studied by DSC using the Kissinger's and modified Ozawa equations. A high yield of <99% for ester synthsis is achieved. The terminal -OH group exhibits a catalytic effect and low activation energy of 53.4 kJ/mol from Ozawa and 48.6 kJ/mol from Kissinger's equation obtained for the polymerization of the isomeric mixture resin. TGA is employed to study the activation enthalpy for the degradation of crosslinked polybenzoxazine using the Flynn-Wall-Ozawa equation. The transesterification mechanism is used and the effect of the terminal -OH functionality on the polymerization temperature is studied. All the 12 Principles of Green Chemistry are quantitatively evaluated.



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Muti-stimuli Controlled Properties of Shape Memory Polymers from Biobased Benzoxazine-Epoxy Copolymers Filled with Iron Oxide Nanoparticles <u>Sarawut Rimdiusit^{*}</u>, Lunjakorn Amornkitbamrung^a, Sitanan Leungpuangkaew^a, and Chanchira Jubsilpb^b

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Thermosetting bio-based shape memory polymer composites were prepared from vanillin based benzoxazine (V-fa) and epoxidized castor oil (ECO) with iron oxide nanoparticles (NPs) as magnetic filler. Shape memory characteristics were resulted from copolymerization of suitable composition between the biobased flexible epoxy segments and the rigid benzoxazine chain structures. Thermomechanical and shape memory properties of the V-fa/ECO copolymers were investigated. Furthermore the obtained iron oxide filled V-fa/ECO nanocomposite can be effectively softened via NIR laser irradiation in addition to heat and can be deformed under magnetic attraction. Once the laser is removed and allowed to cool down, the actuated shape can be fixed. The incorporation of magnetic filler helps facilitate the shape recovery by converting electromagnetic energy to joule heating. The shape memory performance was also improved with the filler addition with reported shape fixity and shape recovery as high as 93% and 95%. Moreover, functionalization of the copolymers with acid anhydride can grant self-healing capabilities, the SMPs based on bio-based benzoxazine and epoxy is a promising multifunctional thermoset for various engineering applications.

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Design, Synthesis, Polymerization Mechanism and Property Investigations of Benzoxazine Resins

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The development of high performance polymers has been the requirement for promoting the innovation in fields of aerospace, micronanoelectronic technology and mobile communications. However, polymers with high performance generally possess difficulties in both synthesizing and processing procedures, which seriously restricts the speed and scale of their development. In the current work, we focus on design and fabrication of novel benzoxazine resins with different molecular structures based on various organic synthetic strategies. It is possible to obtain polymers with excellent thermal stability and low dielectric constant by combing benzoxazine chemistry with other synthetic methods. Through systematic studies on synthesis, molecular configuration and polymerization mechanisms, we intend to address the correlation between chemical structures and properties, which will establish the theoretical basis for developing property tunable polymers via macromolecular configurational design. Ultimately, this work can potentially renovate the industries relating to ultrahigh performance polymeric materials.

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Boosting polybenzoxazine sustainability through vitrimers-inspired innovation

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Benzoxazines belong to a class of thermoset resins that are known for their exceptional thermal, fire, and mechanical properties. These resins are widely used in various industries, including composites and electronic components. However, like conventional thermosets, benzoxazines have limited end-of-life options and are typically disposed of by landfilling or incineration. To address this issue, researchers have been exploring the incorporation of dynamic bonds into the structure of polybenzoxazines to introduce functionalities such as reprocessability, self-healing, or recycling capabilities, and to develop polybenzoxazine-based vitrimers. This presentation will provide an overview of recent efforts focused on introducing dynamic bonds within polybenzoxazine structures. It will highlight the synergies between the molecular structure of benzoxazines and dynamic exchanges, such as transesterification, and presents a comparative summary of the properties achieved by the materials developed in this context. By leveraging the strengths of benzoxazine structures, this presentation will aim to encourage the exploration and development of innovative approaches that combine the unique properties of benzoxazines and vitrimers, resulting in more sustainable and environmentally friendly materials.

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Invited Speakers



Benzoxazine derived ligands for Chain Shuttling Polymerization catalysts: Straightforward access to polylactide multiblock copolymers

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Chain shuttling copolymerization (CSP) is a powerful tool allowing the access to original multiblock copolymers in a one-pot one-step route. The growing macromolecular chain is allowed to "shuttle" via a chain transfer agent (CTA) between two catalysts presenting a difference in comonomers reactivity ratios, and thus leading to statistical copolymeric blocks of different composition. Since the seminal work on polyolefins, the synthesis of original multiblock microstructures by chain shuttling copolymerization was extended to only one other comonomers combination, i.e styrene / conjugated diene, by rare earth based catalysts. We present herein the extension of the concept to the ring opening polymerization of cyclic esters, affording the access to new polylactide based multiblock copolymers. The chain shuttling ring-opening copolymerization of L-lactide and ε -caprolactone is achieved using two aluminum catalysts presenting different selectivities and benzyl alcohol as the chain transfer agent (see figure below). A benzoxazine derived ligand supported aluminum complex affords the formation of lactone rich poly(L-lactide-co- ε -caprolactone) statistical copolymeric blocks, while Al(OiPr)₃ produces semi-crystalline poly(L-lactide) rich blocks. The shuttling between the two catalysts occurs via transalkoxylation, in a similar way to the so-called immortal polymerizations. The structure and properties of the resulting multiblock copolymers will also be discussed.

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Functionalized Polybenzoxazines: Ionic Conductivity, Thermal Conductivity, and Low Dielectric Properties

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Based on the cross-linking chain backbone of polybenzoxazine, a series of novel functionalized polybenzoxazines were designed and synthesized by introducing different functional groups. It mainly includes: (1) Ionic conductive polybenzoxazine. The phenol or amine sources containing ionic groups undergo Mannich reaction to generate benzoxazine monomers containing ionic groups. Followed by ring-opening polymerization, the conductive cross-linked films containing ionic groups were prepared through solution casting method. (2) Thermal conductive polybenzoxazine. The amine or phenolic sources containing liquid crystal units undergo Mannich reaction to generate benzoxazine monomers containing liquid crystal units. Followed by ring- opening polymerization, which induces the formation of the thermosetting polybenzoxazines with liquid crystal structure were formed through reaction-induced mechanism. (3) Low dielectric polybenzoxazine. The phenol or amine sources containing large bulky groups of tert-butyl undergo Mannich reaction to generate monocyclic benzoxazine monomers containing tert-butyl groups, and then catalyze to form the azacalixarenes. Their phenolic hydroxyl groups react with p-chloromethylstyrenes to generate the azacalixarenes containing double bonds. Undergoing free radical polymerization, the cross-linked resins containing calixarenes were synthesized. The experimental results show that those functionalized polybenzoxazines exhibit excellent conductivity, thermal conductivity, and low dielectric properties, respectively.

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Solid state chemical transformation of benzoxazine-linked porous organic polymers

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Porous organic polymers (POPs) have received much interest because of their potential applications in adsorption, separation, and sensing fields. In this talk, several new benzoxazine (BZ)-linked porous organic polymers were prepared through different coupling reaction. In general, to confirm the chemical structure of the benzoxazine monomers and their corresponding polybenzoxazines were used by Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) and nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectroscopy. The specific surface area were measured by N₂ adsorption/desorption isotherms. Furthermore, the solid-state chemical transformation occurred during thermal ring-opening polymerization (ROP), and the resulting new surface functional groups to have high CO₂ capture ability through strong intermolecular hydrogen bonding or acid/base interactions.

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Rise of Biobased Benzoxazines: Conventional to Innovative Applications

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Depleting fossil fuel reserves and increasing waste reservoirs are among the world's most pressing problems. This calls for exploring naturally occurring building blocks for developing bio-based polymers. Polybenzoxazines is a new class of thermally curable thermosets being pitched as superior alternates of phenolics. In this work, we intend to exploit the options of synthesizing partially bio-based polybenzoxazines following green chemical principles of atom economy, bio-renewable feedstock, solventless synthesis, and nontoxic waste generation. In addition, the molecular flexibility of benzoxazine moiety has been utilized by studying the relation between higher functionality and properties. These polymers have shown improved thermal stability compared to their non-green counterparts and the ability to copolymerize with other industrial wastes/resources, thus finding wide applicability from adhesive and antibacterial materials to cathodes for energy storage devices.

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Next-Generation Materials via Modern Benzoxazine Chemistry Approaches

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The field of benzoxazine chemistry has experienced significant advancements in recent years, with the synthesis of various benzoxazines for high-performance thermosetting applications. In addition, researchers have recognized the potential of benzoxazine chemistry to create novel polymers with advanced properties suitable for unconventional applications. Recent research has produced a large amount of information on topics such as self-healing polybenzoxazines, porous benzoxazine polymers, smart coatings, batteries, electrochromic materials, shape memory polybenzoxazines, and superhydrophobic surfaces. Furthermore, the reactive nature of benzoxazine monomers has enabled their integration with other polymers and compounds, such as elemental sulfur, in emerging areas like inverse vulcanization. Notably, the curing of benzoxazines typically demands high temperatures, which can be a drawback due to energy consumption and processibility concerns. To address this issue, various methods have been successfully employed to lower cure temperatures, with varying degrees of success for classical benzoxazines. In this presentation, an overview of polybenzoxazine chemistry, and the reduction of cure temperatures for benzoxazines is provided.



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The Wide-ranging Applications of Simple Monomers: 3,4-Dihydro-1,3-2H-benzoxazines

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Benzoxazine monomers, known as 3,4-dihydro-1,3-2H-benzoxazines, are heterocyclic compounds composed of a fused benzene and oxazine ring. They are typically synthesized using primary amines, paraformaldehyde, and phenols through the Mannich reaction. Researchers have explored different starting materials to create a diverse range of benzoxazine monomers, which serve as the fundamental units for polybenzoxazines. By modifying the molecular structures of these monomers, scientists have successfully developed various types of polybenzoxazines with specific properties tailored for different materials and applications.

Benzoxazine monomers, primarily known for their role in synthesizing polybenzoxazines, have also displayed promising potential as ligands for rare earth ions like Ce(III). These resultant complexes have found application in the creation of CeO₂, a valuable component in reforming catalysts. Intriguingly, benzoxazine monomers possess an unexpected reducing capability towards precious metal cations, such as silver(I) ions, even though they lack the typical reducing groups found in their chemical structures. This distinctive attribute has been harnessed in the development of an innovative coating process for materials like TiO₂, SiO₂, carbon black, chitosan, and PVA. These coated materials, especially those with enhanced antibacterial properties, have been integrated as additives within polymer matrices.

Furthermore, benzoxazine monomers exhibit luminescent properties when exposed to ultraviolet (UV) light, as initially reported by our research group. Expanding on this discovery, we have successfully synthesized novel grafted copolymers called poly(acrylic acid)-grafted-benzoxazine (PAA-g-BZX). These copolymers serve as luminescent additives for poly(lactic acid) and are produced through an esterification reaction between benzoxazine monomers and poly(acrylic acid). With no additional inorganic phosphors required, a 3D printing process can create a golden filament with a greenish luminescent property.

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The glass fiber-reinforced biocomposites based on biopolybenzoxazine (V-fa)/bioepoxy (ECO) for restoration material like a dental fiber post were developed. The effects of the glass fiber contents on chemical, mechanical and thermal properties of the biocomposites were evaluated. In addition, the possibility to use the biocomposite as a dental fiber post to restore tooth model was estimated by finite element analysis (FEA). It was found that modulus and strength under flexure mode, glass transition temperature and degradation temperature the biocomposites were improved with increasing glass fiber content due to reinforcing effect of the glass fiber and substantial interfacial adhesion between bio-based polybenzoxazine/ epoxy matrix and the glass fiber. In addition, the thermal expansion of the obtained biocomposites was reduced with an increase of glass fiber content. The simulated mechanical response to external applied loads by FEA of the tooth model restored with glass fiber-reinforced V-fa/ECO biocomposite post showed a similar stress field with that restored with a commercial glass fiber post. By demonstrating favorable properties and performance, the obtained glass fiber-reinforced V-fa/ECO biocomposite overcomes many of the conventional shortcomings associated with petroleum-based epoxy resins used for dental fiber post, while demonstrating good mechanical and thermal properties

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Porous material from polybenzoxazine and its catalytic, energy, and environmental applications

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The continuous increase in world population has led to the growing consumption of traditional resources such as petrochemical-based energy and materials. Hence, the partial replacement of such resources by sustainable and alternative sources is challenging. To support these, highperformance porous materials are one of the requirements. Recently, polybenzoxazine (PBZ) has drawn tremendous attention from researchers since it is a potential precursor for the production of porous carbons, which have been used in various applications such as catalyst for fine-chemical synthesis, CO₂ adsorption, and supercapacitor electrode material. Sulfonation of PBZ-based porous carbon with sulfuric acid resulted in the solid acid catalyst that could efficiently transform furfural into succinic acid in the presence of hydrogen peroxide owing to the synergistic activity of nitrogen functionalities and sulfonic groups on the porous carbon surface. The computational study revealed that pyrrolic and pyridonic functionalities on porous carbon surfaces could form hydrogen bonding with furfural, which supported the formation of intermediate products and expedited the reaction. For CO₂ adsorption application, using a silica rigid template could modify the pore structure of PBZ-based porous carbon to achieve a narrow pore size distribution. The results showed that the as-prepared PBZ-based porous carbon had the highest amount of CO₂ uptake of 25.07 mmol g⁻¹ measured at 40 bar, and the computation study also uncovered that only pyridinic nitrogen on porous carbon surface plays a significant role in chemical adsorption for CO₂ molecules. Apart from these, porous carbon from PBZ co-polymerized with chitosan was used as an electrode material for supercapacitors. The pore structure of porous carbon was changed from type I to type IV isotherm using the non-ionic surfactant as a soft template. The specific capacitance of 149 F g⁻¹ and good cyclic performance was also achieved owing to a balanced volume of micro/mesopore and the chemical activation/graphitization processes.

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Re-thinking Future Mobility – The Case for Sustainable Composites

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We continue to expect growth in the aerostructures market, and along with it an uptrend in composite use. Much of this will be driven by increased composite use in the next generation single aisle aircraft, which should see significant changes to designs and technologies beyond the incumbent 737MAX and A320NEO. But aviation is essentially one of the most carbon-intensive industry, and with the current growth trajectory, there is an imminent need to re-think the future of flight for greater sustainability. While the aerospace industry has expressed a commitment to achieving net-zero by 2050, current technologies are by no means close to realising that goal. There is a need to re-look at all segments of the industry and drive new technologies to support that grand ambition. Here, we identify key opportunities in de-carbonising aerospace, as well as broad strategies and enabling technologies that next generation composites will require to drive greater sustainability in the industry.

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Fiber-reinforced polymers (FRP) have the potential to improve the ecological footprint of ships as lightweight construction materials and impact it further if fibers and polymers are based on renewable raw materials. However, strict safety regulations and fire protection requirements apply to passenger ships in particular, which are specified by the International Maritime Organization of the United Nations through global standards for the safety and operation of cruise ships. The necessary approval for use of FRPs has not yet been granted for load-bearing structures. According to the "Interim Guidelines", so far only parts that do not contribute to the strength of the ship can currently be replaced by FRP. Thus, our research aims at the development of sustainable composites with intrinsic fire safety studying the potential for use in load-bearing structures in ships. Benzoxazines shall be utilized as matrix in monolithic and sandwich composites for the challenging thermal and mechanical shipbuilding requirements. Conventional benzoxazines as well as novel benzoxazine monomers with intrinsic flame retardant properties were studied with respect to composite manufacturing related properties such as viscosity, polymerization and processing window. Furthermore, the effect of phosphorous based groups on monomer and polymer properties will be presented.

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Incorporation of Responsive Functions to Benzoxazine with Supramolecular Interaction

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Benzoxazine dimers, N, N'-bis(3,5-dimethyl-2-hydroxybenzyl) methylamine derivatives, have unique structure and behavior. They can be derived into various structures because of their simple chemistry. By simply changing the simple phenol and primary amine to responsive molecules in benzoxazine synthesis, responsive benzoxazine can be obtained. The present work shows simple way to develop multi-responsive materials, i.e. block copolymer and its molecular assembly as nanoparticle, benzoxazine with rotaxane structure, and multi-responsive supramolecular hydrogel, based on supramolecular chemistry of benzoxazine dimer.

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Benzoxazine Derivatives: Crystal Structures, Optical and Electronic Properties, Coordination Chemistry, and Anticorrosion Applications

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Dihydro-1,3,2H-benzoxazines (or benzoxazine monomers) are a class of compounds that have been widely utilized in many areas, such as the production of functional polybenzoxazines, optoelectronic materials, antimicrobial agents, and medicinal agents. Moreover, the benzoxazine monomers can be used to synthesize benzoxazine dimers, which are a group of compounds with a variety of properties, such as anticancer properties and good chelating behaviors. The structure variety of the benzoxazines plays a vital role in their desired properties. In order to gain a full understanding of the effects of the benzoxazine structures on their properties, the crystal structures of benzoxazines obtained from X-ray crystallography are required. According to the crystal structures of the benzoxazine monomers, it was found that the oxazine ring adopts a half-chair conformation to locate all the members of the benzoxazine ring as planar as possible by employing the expansion of the bond angles within the ring, which is the origin of the photoluminescent properties of the benzoxazine monomers. The intramolecular O-H···N hydrogen bond with the S(6) graph set motif is observed in all the derivatives for the benzoxazine dimers. This activates the phenol moieties when forming the coordination compounds, so the benzoxazine dimers are very good chelating agents for several metal ions in ambient conditions. Apart from the intramolecular hydrogen bonds, O-H···O hydrogen bonds with different patterns are observed in the crystal structure of the benzoxazine dimers. It was noticed that the substituent groups play significant roles in the intermolecular hydrogen bonding motifs. Moreover, the effect of substituent groups on thermal, electronic, optical, and anticorrosion properties is also investigated and discussed.

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Session 1 Designed and Synthesis of Benzoxazines



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Synthesis and properties of new benzoxazines based on aromatic diamines and phenol

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Benzoxazine monomers based on diaminodiphenylmethane isomers (3,3'-diaminodiphenylmethane, 3,4'-diaminodiphenylmethane, 4,4'- diaminodiphenylmethane) were obtained. The structure of all monomers was confirmed by 1H NMR spectroscopy. The behavior of benzoxazine monomers during polymerization and the glass transition temperature (Tg) of each polymer were studied using differential scanning calorimetry (DSC). The polymer obtained from benzoxazine based on 3,3'-diaminodiphenylmethane has the highest glass transition temperature. Synthesized monomers can be used as thermal- and fire-resistant matrix for polymer composites.

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Scheme of three-stage synthesis of benzoxazine monomers based on 3,3'diaminodiphenylmethane, 3,4'- diaminodiphenylmethane, 4,4'- diaminodiphenylmethane

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Insights into Internally Catalyzed Transesterification in Benzoxazine Vitrimers

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If thermosets stand out for their unique thermo-mechanical properties, the permanent nature of the covalent cross-links that construct their three-dimensional network impedes their recyclability. This has prompted researchers to explore sustainable strategies to mitigate the adverse impacts of plastic pollution on the environment [1]. Recently, the introduction of dynamic covalent bonds into covalent adaptable networks (CANs) has revealed new avenues for their recyclability [2]. Among the different reversible reactions integrated into these polymer networks, more commonly known as vitrimers, transesterification reactions (TERs) between ester bonds and hydroxyl groups have garnered extensive attention owing to their compatibility with various classes of polymers. The design flexibility of polybenzoxazines makes them promising candidates for the development of TERs-based vitrimers [3]. Notably, the tertiary amines generated in situ during benzoxazine ring-opening polymerization served as internal catalysts for the TERs. To shed more light on the underlying mechanism of internally catalyzed TERs in benzoxazine vitrimers, a series of model molecules was synthesized through consecutive Fischer esterification and Mannich-like condensation. The thermally activated TERs within these monoester-containing benzoxazine monomers terminated with hydroxyl groups are irreversible, yielding volatile alcohols as a TERs byproduct. The released products were identified and quantified using spectroscopic and coupled thermogravimetric analyses, which provided direct evidence of the chemical occurrence of TERs. This presentation aims to identify the optimal structural design that promotes the TERs in benzoxazine vitrimers (Figure 1).



Figure 1 Optimal benzoxazine structure promoting Internally catalyzed transesterification.

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Meldrum's acid functionalized mainchain polybenzoxazines and the corresponding crosslinked resins: synthesis and properties

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Mainchain-type polybenzoxazines (PBz) are a class of self-crosslinkable polymers possessing benzoxazine groups contributing to the crosslinking reaction. Further functionalization of PBz provides an effective approach to enhance the properties of the crosslinked PBz. In this work, reactive Meldrum's acid (MA) groups are introduced to PBz with newly synthesized MA-containing diamine and bisphenol compounds as monomers. The effect of MA group on the polymerization feature and synthesis of MA-containing PBz is examined and discussed. In addition, MA-mediated ketene chemistry (ketene generated from MA thermolysis) provides additional chain-crosslinking reactions to PBz, through ketene dimerization and ketene/PhOH addition reaction. Compared to the conventional crosslinked PBz based on bisphenol-A and aniline, the prepared PBz resins exhibit similar film formability, film flexibility, and bended feature. Moreover, high mechanical strengths are observed with MA-modified crosslinked PBz.

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Session 2 Biobased and Green Benzoxazines



Mechanochemical Synthesis of Environmentally Benign Fully Biobased 4th Generation Benzoxazines and their Polymers: New Mechanistic Insights Into Latent Catalyst Effect

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Sustainable methodologies such as mechanochemical mixers have revolutionized the way compounds are synthesized with minimal time and better yields. A series of the latest 4th generation benzoxazine monomers are synthesized via a facile, highly scalable, efficient mechanochemical ball-milling process, making it more viable compared with traditional synthesis route. The 4th generation benzoxazine (BZ) monomers contained 100% biosynthons and were purified without strenuous separation techniques. We find that the variation in nature of aryl substitution (with and without phenolic-OH) at the reactive oxazine C₂ centre governs the polymerization temperature, volatilization of monomer, kinetics of polymerization, thermal and mechanical properties. Expectedly the control monomer without inherent phenolic-OH showed high polymerization temperature and advantages offered by regioisomers enabled ease of polymerization with minimal volatiles release. The latent catalyst effect in the monomer was confirmed by both temperature dependent NMR and SCXRD studies. Interestingly, distal phenolic-OH found to be more labile and polymerized at a lower temperature easily than when it presents at the ortho-position. Additionally, the former monomer structure led to a well-defined polymer network with a high T_g (116 °C) and appreciable thermal stability (T_{max} 348 °C and char yield 36%). Furthermore, it also revealed excellent storage modulus and good adhesion properties compared to many classical petro-based polybenzoxazines. Overall, we showcased the viability of employing the benefits of copolymers of benzoxazines at low temperature and explored as greener adhesives and improved stability to enable future designing and exploration of this new class of latest benzoxazine monomers in several practical and innovative applications.

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Session 3 Benzoxazine In-depth





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There are several problems associated with the polymerization of monofunctional benzoxazines. Firstly, the role of the processes of intramolecular hydrogen bond formation and thermal dissociation of monobenzoxazine is not clear. These processes compete with chain growth and prevent the formation of high-molecular structures. Secondly, the polymerization process is complicated by the evaporation of the monofunctional monomer. In this work, it is shown that during the curing of the monomer, its sublimation occurs at a temperature close to the polymerization temperature. In this case, a large number of side products are released, for example, with an imine bond -C=N-, quinone methides, etc., which are formed due to thermal dissociation of the initial monomer. Thirdly, the formation of insoluble polymers from the starting monobenzoxazine with one oxazine ring is not clear.

In this work, X-ray photoelectron spectra of 3-phenyl-3,4-dihydro-1,3-benzoxazine (P-a) and its polybenzoxazine (polyP-a) were studied in order to establish the nature and relative content of functional groups in the polymer and the presence of side products.

The overview XPS spectra of the studied samples show the atoms included in the monomer P-a and the polymer based on it - C, N, O.

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Scheme of polymerization and chemical structure of polybenzoxazines based on diamines

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Benzoxazine monomer based on 4,4'-diaminodiphenylmethane was cured at 180°C for 6 hours and at 200°C for 2 hours, and its chemical structure during polymerization was studied by solid-state ¹³C NMR with magic angle rotation. The chemical structure of polybenzoxazine consists mainly of methylene bridges, with both the ortho-phenol and ortho-amine positions involved in the polymerization process. The spectra indicates on non-typical inclusion of arylamine moiety in the polymer network. However no relevant weigth loss was found. Based on obtained spectral data the new scheme was proposed fort he polymerization of diamine based benzoxazine monomers.

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Session 4 Benzoxazine Blends and Composites



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In the polymerization of monomers BA-mt and BA-a, hexachlorocyclotriphosphazene (HCP) and the products of its interaction with aniline (PN-a); m-toluidine (PN-mt(6), PN-mt(4)) and phenol (hexaphenoxyphosphazene - HPP), as well as benzoxazine-functionalized aryloxyphosphazenes (BF); were tested as flame retardant catalysts. PN-a turned out to be almost inapplicable due to insolubility in the matrix, HPP, although it did not affect the polymerization, is an effective additive-type flame retardant. The catalytic effect BF is due to influence of phenolic impurities, and not the aryloxyphosphazene ring. The catalytic activity of phosphazenes during the curing decreased in the order: HCP > PN-mt(4) > PN-mt(6) > PN-a > HPP.

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Manufacturing by filament winding of benzoxazine vitrimers : a route to ultralightweight and recyclable composites

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The robotic endless filament winding GRAM is a cutting-edge manufacturing process involving winding continuous fibers around parts to product ultra-light weight composite structures for various applications such as aerospace, automotive, medical or industry. In addition to the lightness, this method promotes a geometrical freedom, scalability, an excellent structural mechanical behavior and an increased production speed for high performance composites.

Although this manufacturing concept is an outstanding solution to enhance durability, using less resources, the main concerns of these composite lightweight structures are made from petroleum-based resin and also do not offer proper end-of life waste management.¹ One way of tackling this limitation is to use benzoxazine-based vitrimer resins. These resins are easily reparable, chemically and mechanically recyclable while maintaining thermosets-like physical behavior.^{2–4} However, they have never been employed for this type of GRAM manufacturing process due to their high viscosity. Therefore, they need to be formulated to enable the processing with GRAM.

The presentation will focus on the strategies employed to develop formulations made of benzoxazinebased vitrimer resins to produce composite structures by filament winding. It will illustrate the most promising approach and will detail the mechanical and morphological characterizations of the ultralight weight structures. It will finally conclude by presenting the recycling strategies to separate the fibers from the resin (figure 1).



Figure 1. Left. GRAM winding of basalt fiber impregnated with a vitrimer. Middle. Half-recycled composite parts. Right. Fully recovered basalt fiber after chemical degradation of the vitrimer.

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Session 5 Unique Applications of Benzoxazines



Sustainable solution processable copolymers derived from bio-based benzoxazine and sulfur waste

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Polymers are widely produced high-utility materials with numerous applications. However, the massive dependence of its production on petrochemical resources is limiting its long-term use. Alternative feedstocks, either of a greener origin or waste-derived, must be investigated to meet the growing demand while mitigating pollution and ensuring long-term sustainability. Polybenzoxazines (PBzs) are a novel class of phenolic thermoset resins with high performance and tremendous applications, but the high ring-opening polymerization (ROP) temperature limits its utility. Also, sulfur is a high-tonnage waste generated from the petrochemical industry, but its transformation into functional copolymers at low temperatures is still challenging. The current study focuses on the "inverse vulcanization" of the bio-based isoeugenol-furfuryl (IE-fa) benzoxazine monomer with elemental sulfur at room temperature to produce the copolymer poly(S-*r*-IE-fa). This unusual lowering of ring-opening polymerization temperature of benzoxazine and structural transformation was supported by *in situ* nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) kinetics experiment, Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy, and other extensive characterization techniques. Further, the covalent fixation of sulfur resulted in amorphous solution processable copolymers with high glass transition temperature, T_g (10-86 °C). These copolymers provide a low-cost and sustainable alternative to materials with mid-wave infrared (MWIR) transparency and may advance Bz chemistry towards transparent optics.

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Fig: Utilization of biobased feedstocks and industrial byproduct sulfur to synthesize innovative copolymer with mid-wave infrared transparency.





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Session 6 High Performances and Smart polybenzoxazines



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Recyclable ionogel : an illustration of the efficient combination of benzoxazine and vitrimer chemistries

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Solid polymer electrolyte membranes consist of a class of materials where ionic liquid (IL) is confined in a polymer network. IL provides conductivity to the membranes, while the polymer network is responsible for the chemical and mechanical properties of the membrane. [1] The use of a crosslinked polymer network for the elaboration of the membranes is favored for its mechanical strength and good thermal resistance. However, thermoset polymer membranes are more exposed to mechanical damage during their use and their lifetime is thus limited. [2] Due to their excellent thermal and mechanical properties, and their versatile molecular design, polybenzoxazines, especially PBz vitrimers, are excellent candidates for the development

of novel solid polymer electrolyte membranes. [3, 4] Conductive membranes were elaborated by crosslinking a novel transesterification-based benzoxazine vitrimer which was swollen with different amount of ionic liquid (1-ethyl-3methylimidazolium bis(trifluoromethylsulfonyl)imide (EMIm TFSI)) ranging from 0 wt% to 150 wt%.

The development of novel PBzs vitrimers and the presence of dynamic bonds in the polymeric structure of the membrane enables the effective recycling, reprocessing and reshaping of the solid polymer electrolyte membranes while recovering excellent mechanical properties and conductivity (Fig 1.). These promising results are opening the way to sustainable application of PBzs vitrimers for smart electronics, fuel cells, and electrochemical generation of energy and storage systems.

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Figure 1. Evolution of the ionic conductivity of membranes containing from 0 wt% to 150 wt% of IL and recycled up to 5 times.

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High-performance, degradable, and UV-curable polybenzoxazine vitrimers for 3D printing applications

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In recent years, polybenzoxazines (PBz) have garnered significant interest due to their exceptional properties, including high thermal stability, high T_g, excellent mechanical properties, low shrinkage upon polymerization, and low water absorption. However, along with the afford mentioned properties, thermosets due to their cross-linked nature are commonly non-reusable and non-recyclable. To address this limitation, dynamic covalent bonds, specifically esters, and aliphatic alcohol sites, were introduced into the PBz structure, allowing for transesterification reactions to occur at certain temperatures. This "vitrimeric" behavior, in conjunction with the unique properties of PBz, creates high-performance materials with new possibilities for end-of-life, suitable for a wide range of applications.¹ The 3D printing, which provided freedom of design and easy fabrication of complex geometries was tested in the suggested work as one of the perspective applications. However, a challenge was encountered with the decrease in viscosity of the resin during the thermal curing process, which led to the collapse of the printed structure before its shape was fixed. To address this issue, additional and various methacrylate functionalities were introduced into benzoxazine monomers, allowing for rigidity to be provided under UV radiation before of the start of thermal curing. The presentation will encompass the description of the synthesis, 3D printing, and properties investigation of the newly developed monomers, as well as the thermal and mechanical attributes of the final material. A discussion on the interplay between UV curing properties and vitrimer properties will also be emphasized (Fig. 1).

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Design of high performances and sustainable materials from the synthesis step (green chemistry principles) to end-of-life possibilities (reprocessing, recycling).

Poster Presentation Abstract

Session 1 Designed and Synthesis of Benzoxazines



Synthesis of Three-Dimensional Porous Organic Polymers with Enhanced CO₂ Uptake Performance through Solid-State Thermal Conversion of Tetrahedral Benzoxazine-Linked **Precursors**

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A new 3D benzoxazine-linked porous organic polymer (3D TPM-BZ-Py POP) was synthesized by linking tetra(p-aminophenyl)methane benzoxazine (TPM-BZ-Br₄) with tetraethynylpyrene (Py-T) monomer through Sonogashira-Hagihara coupling. The TPM-functionalized BZ monomer was prepared using several steps including Schiff base, NaBH₄ reduction, and Mannich condensation, which was confirmed the chemical structure of benzoxazine monomer and its corresponding POP by using Fourier transform infrared (FTIR) and nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) spectroscopy. The surface area and total pore volume of the 3D TPM-BZ-Py POP were determined through N₂ adsorption/desorption isotherms and they were found to be 185 m²/g and 0.52 cm³/g, respectively. The solid state chemical transformation was occurred during thermal ring-opening polymerization (ROP), the resulting 3D poly(TPM-BZ-Py) POP displayed higher CO₂ capture ability (1.81 mmol/g) compared with the TPM-BZ-Py POP (0.60 mmol/g) at room temperature. This enhancement was due to the formation of Mannich bridges and phenolic units in this 3D poly(TPM-BZ-Py) POP. These functional groups of 3D poly(TPM-BZ-Py) POP could form strong intermolecular hydrogen bonding or acid/base interactions with CO₂ molecules, which provide the clear evidence of the benefit of incorporating benzoxazine ring into the 3D POP frameworks.

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Synthesis diagram of TPM-BZ-Py POP

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Session 2 Biobased and Green Benzoxazines



Hydrogen Bonding-Rich Bio-Benzoxazine Resin Provides High-Performance Thermosets and Ultrahigh-Performance Composites

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Producing thermosetting polymers using natural renewable resources has attracted great attention due to the requirement of sustainable development for human beings. Herein, we represent our designing of a novel bio-based thermosetting resin (KAE-fa) containing polymerizable oxazine ring and furan group derived from renewable kaempferol and furfurylamine. The distinctive presence of rich intra- and intermolecular hydrogen bonds within KAE-fa imparts it with thermal latent polymerization characteristic, long shelf life, and exceptional high performance of its resulting polybenzoxazine. Notably, the resulting thermoset, poly(KAE-fa), demonstrates a substantially high glass transition temperature (T_g) of 304 °C, an impressively elevated char yield (in N₂) of 63%, and an extraordinarily low heat release capacity of 10.12 J·g⁻¹·K⁻¹. In addition, KAE-fa has also been utilized to fabricate a carbon fiber reinforced composite (CF/poly(KAE-fa)). Employing this newly obtained high-performance bio-resin as the matrix, CF/poly(KAE-fa) exhibits a remarkable property enhancement. For instance, CF/poly(KAE-fa) shows 108%, 28% and 82.7% increases in T_g, tensile strength and Young's modules (room temperature), respectively, compared with the carbon fiber reinforced BA-a composite (CF/poly(BA-a)). These advantages underscore the great potential of using renewable bio-resins for developing both high-performance thermosets and composites with key applications spanning from transportation to aerospace.

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Comparison of the properties of polybenzoxazines and carbon fiber reinforced polybenzoxazine composites

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Competitive Study of Novel Triptycene-Containing Benzoxazine Monomers and a Thermoresponsive Linear Main Chain-Type Benzoxazine Copolymer: Synthesis, Polymerization, and Thermal Properties of Their Thermosets

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Two novel triptycene-based dioxazine benzoxazine monomers (**TB-a** and **TB-fa**) have been synthesized using triptycene-1,4-hydroquinone (TB), aniline/furfurylamine, and paraformaldehyde as raw materials. The chemical structures of both dioxazine benzoxazine monomers were elucidated by ¹ H and ¹³C NMR, Fourier transform infrared,high-resolution mass spectroscopy, and elemental analysis. By taking advantage of the furan groups present in TB-fa and the reversibility of the Diels–Alder reaction,4,4'- bismaleimidodiphenylmethane (DDM-BMI) was used as a comonomer for synthesizing a thermores ponsive linear main chain-type benzoxazine copolymer (**TB-fa-co-DDM-BMI**). The polymerization processes of oxazine ring-containing monomers and the copolymer were studied by DSC and in situ FT-IR analyses, while the thermal stability and flammability of the resulting thermosets were studied by thermogravimetric analysis and microscale combustion calorimetry. The thermoset derived from the thermoresponsive **TB-fa-co-DDM-BMI** exhibits the best thermal stability as demonstrated by the Td₁₀ and Yc values of 388 °C and 55% at 800 °C under a nitrogen atmosphere, respectively. Its low heat release capacity value of 31.9 J g⁻¹ K⁻¹ shows its great potential as a good flame retardant agent. The outstanding properties exhibited by the herein presented polybenzoxazines, compared to those of many other reported traditional polybenzoxazines, evidence their potential applications in the design of advanced materials.

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Heat Resistance of Bio-based Polybenzoxazine with Epoxy-Difunctionalized Poly(dimethylsiloxane) Hybrids

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A monofunctionalized bio-based benzoxazine (VAnBZ-CN) was synthesized by condensation of vanillin, formaldehyde, and aniline and a bifunctional epoxy-functionalized poly(dimethylsiloxane) (PDMS-epoxy) was also prepared through hydrosilylation reactions with allyl glycidyl ether. By blending the inorganic PDMS-epoxy with the VAnBZ-CN, organic/inorganic hybrids were formed, which exhibited enhanced heat resistance after curing polymerization. The improved heat resistance observed in the hybrid material could be attributed to combination from the formation of the triazine structure by VAnBZ-CN and the presence of the inorganic part of PDMS-epoxy on the surface. For example, the PDMS-epoxy/VAnBZ-CN = 1/1 hybrids showed the thermal decomposition temperature (T_{d10}) of 309 °C, the glass transition temperature (T_g) of 165 °C, and the char yield of 54 wt.% after the thermal curing polymerization process conducted at 240 °C based on thermogravimetric (TGA) and dynamic mechanical analyses (DMA). Furthermore, the char yield of the hybrid material with PDMS-epoxy /VAnBZ-CN = 1/3 (61 wt.%) was higher than that both of pure VAnBZ-CN (59 wt.%) and PDMS-epoxy after the thermal curing polymerization process. This result indicates that the addition of PDMS-epoxy resin could improve the formation of a char residue and then enhance the resistance to the thermal decomposition for their overall thermal stabilities.

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Char yields of PDMS-epoxy/PDA hybrid after thermal curing polymerization procedures

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Bio-based benzoxazines are favored by researchers, however, there are only a few types of biobased amine sources. In this work, two fully bio-based benzoxazines (V-bfa and Gu-bfa) were designed and synthesized using difuran diamine (B-DFDA) as the amine source, synthesized by benzaldehyde and furfurylamine, and vanillin and guaiacol as phenol sources, respectively. The chemical structures of V-bfa and Gu-bfa were characterized by fourier transforms infrared spectroscopy (FT-IR), ¹H and ¹³C nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR). The curing behavior of these two polymers was studied by differential scanning calorimeter (DSC) and FT-IR, finding that the curing temperature of V-bfa was significantly lower than that of Gu-bfa. At the same time, V-bfa has a lower activation energy ($E_k = 119.2 \text{ kJ/mol}$ and $E_o = 120.9 \text{ kJ/mol}$), calculated by Kissinger and Ozawa methods, respectively, due to the promotion of the oxazine ring opening by the aldehyde group. The results of dynamic thermomechanical analysis (DMA) and thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) show that poly(V-bfa) has better thermal properties (glass transition temperature (T_g): 248 °C) and thermal stability (char yield (Y_c): 59.8%).

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Isothermal and nonisothermal cure kinetics of benzoxazine based on Bisphenol-A

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The curing process of benzoxazine was studied by DSC in both isothermal and non-isothermal modes. Based on the obtained data, using the advanced isoconversional method, the dependences of the activation energy (E_{α}) on the cure extent α were estimated and then analyzed. It was shown that for relatively low heating rates, the dependence of the activation energy is similar to that obtained under isothermal conditions. Model-free isothermal predictions of kinetic curves ($\alpha - t$) were also carried out. The predictions based on relatively low heating rates turned out to be the most accurate. This allows us to conclude that the curing mechanism is complex and depends on the temperature regime under which it proceeds.

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Activation energy E_{α} of the curing as a function of conversion α for different sets of heating rates.

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Session 5 Unique Applications of Benzoxazines



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Environmentally Benign Flame Retardant & Adhesive Modulator: Low ROP Temperature Systems

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To enhance sustainability in polymers, eco-friendly initiators and environmentally safe flameretardant (FR) adhesives are highly desired. However, it is difficult to produce high-performance polymers produced from biomass by combining all of the qualities at once in a single step. This biobased benzoxazine monomer was synthesized via a simple solventless catalyst-free method employing phenol (cardanol, C) from agro-waste. Due to their high ROP temperature requirement (about 250 °C), extended polymerization cycle, high flammability, and weak adhesive strength of the resulting polybenzoxazines limit their applications at an industrial scale. Blends of naturally occurring phytic acid (PA) with the monomers, helped to ease these problems and resulted in faster polymerization (~ 90% monomer conversion in 1 h) to form hybrid polybenzoxazine networks at a moderate temperature (~100 °C).PA enacted as a reactive halogen-free biobased FR and green initiator due to favourable interactions across the polymer framework. The appreciable adhesive strength (71.1 kg/cm², which is nearly 3.7 times higher than that of the pristine polybenzoxazine) was attributed to the design, physical, ionic, and covalent cross-linking networks of polymer with PA. The limiting oxygen index (LOI), vertical burning (UL-94), and cone calorimetry measurements confirmed that the hybrid polybenzoxazines burnt with very low flammability and showed an excellent smoke suppression, due to the formation of an intumescent char. Current study offers the design of green thermosets with good combination of multiple benefits in one go, with facile and universal utility for upcoming potential applications of polybenzoxazine in future.

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Benzoxazine-grafted-chitosan biopolymer films with inherent disulfide linkage: Antimicrobial properties

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As effective antibacterial agents, the synthesis and manufacturing of naturally occurring biopolymers-particularly chitosan-grafted with regenerative small molecules have garnered attention lately. These materials are significantly required for the creation of sustainable materials. Beneficial intrinsic properties of biobased benzoxazine increase its prospects for crosslinking with chitosan exponentially. To create benzoxazine-graftedchitosan copolymer films, benzoxazine monomers with aldehyde and disulfide connections are covalently enclosed within chitosan using a lower-temperature, easier-to-use technique. In response to the synergistic effects of benzoxazines, its correlation as Schiff base, hydrogen bonding, and ring-opened structures, the decomposition of chitosan galleries became possible. These host-quest controlled interactions showed exceptional characteristics like hydrophobicity, high thermal stability, and solution durability. Moreover, the structures had remarkable antibacterial characteristics towards E. Coli and S. aureus, as demonstrated by GSH loss, live/dead fluorescence microscopy, and surface morphological modification by SEM. The study highlights the advantages of disulfide-linked benzoxazines on chitosan, presenting a viable path for widespread and environmentally benign application in wound-healing and packaging materials.

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Chitosan derived from chitin has gathered tremendous interest as a biopolymer because of its efficient antimicrobial properties. These materials are significantly required for the creation of sustainable materials. Beneficial intrinsic properties and inherent functionalities of biobased benzoxazine exponential increase its prospects for crosslinking with chitosan. To create benzoxazine-grafted-chitosan copolymer films, benzoxazine monomers with aldehyde and disulfide connections are covalently-bound within chitosan using a low-temperature, and facile technique. In response to the synergistic effects of benzoxazines, its correlation as Schiff base, hydrogen bonding, and ring-opened structures, enabled expansion of interlayer spacing of chitosan galleries than without it. These host-guest controlled interactions showed exceptional characteristics like hydrophobicity, high thermal stability, and solution durability. Moreover, the structures had remarkable antibacterial characteristics towards bacterium E. coli and S. aureus, as demonstrated by glutathione (GSH) loss, live/dead fluorescence microscopy, and surface morphological modification by scanning electron microscopy (SEM). The study highlights the advantages of incorporation of disulfide-linkages in benzoxazines on chitosan as a viable approach for widespread as in wound-healing and packaging materials, relatively environmentally benign compared to the existing application.

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Unique applications of Photocatalytic Preparation of Hydrogen Peroxide(H₂O₂) to benzoxazines

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Benzoxazine is a unique type of phenolic resin that offers the advantage of molecular design flexibility and the use of diverse raw materials^[1]. The use of synthesized benzoxazine as a photocatalyst offers the benefits of a broad range of sources and convenient accessibility. Importantly, benzoxazines as a photocatalyst exhibit the charge-transfer excitation characteristic^[1,2]. Benzoxazine photocatalysts containing Si-O-Ti bonds named nano-BZT were prepared through Mannich reaction and co-hydrolysis reaction sequentially. With good durability, the benzoxazine structure of nano-BZT has a strong affinity for reactants and intermediates, resulting in commendable product selectivity and high efficiency in producing H₂O₂ under visible-light without the need for sacrificial agents. This discovery provides inspiration for designing effective organic photocatalysts on a molecular level.

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A proposed reaction mechanism of H₂O₂ photosynthesis on active benzoxazines structure in nano-BZT.

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A new type of porous organic polymers (POPs) was successfully synthesized by connecting Dibenzocrownrther[18]-crown-6-benzoxaine (Cr-BZ-Br₄) and tetraethynypyrene (Py-T). For the synthesis of Cr-BZ-Br₄ monomer, we use the classic three-step method of Schiff base, NABH₄ reduction and Mannich condensation reaction. we need use sonogashira reaction to link the Cr-BZ-Br₄ monomer and Py-T monomer to synthesize the Cr-BZ-POP. To prove that we have successfully synthesized Cr-BZ-POP, we used Fourier transform infrared spectrum (FTIR). ¹H.¹³C NMR. Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC), and Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) to prove the success of our experiment. After confirming that the synthesis was successful, we carried out carbonization and KOH activation procedures. Through these two important steps, we can synthesize Cr-BZ-POP-C a carbon material structure similar to graphite. After KOH activation we use XRD.XPS and Raman to determine its structure. Cr-BZ-POP-C shows strong carbon dioxide adsorption ability (4.4 mmol/g) and capacitance (397.22 Fg⁻¹) value. These two abilities are mainly derived from the ratio of its doping heteroatoms and the specific surface area. ffrrank128@gmail.com



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Session 6 High Performances and Smart polybenzoxazines


Main-Chain Polymer: Synthesis, Thermal Stability, and Self-Healing Properties of Double-Decker Polyhedral Silsesquioxane and Benzoxanzine Moieties

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Main-chain Benzoxazine (DA-BZ) was prepared through Diels-Alder reaction of double-deckershaped polyhedral silsesquioxane monomer containing maleimide group (DDSQ-BMI) and polydimethylsiloxane-Benzoxazine monomer (PDMS-FBZ) containing furan group, the structure of the DA-BZ was identified by FTIR and ¹H NMR measurements. In addition, PDA-BZ showed had high thermal stability and high carbon residue rate after thermal curing, which was attributed to the high cross-linking density of DA-BZ and the uniform dispersion of DDSQ inorganic nanoparticles. It was also observed by DSC that the cross-linking temperature of DDSQ-BMI was decreased by the ring-opening temperature of benzoxazine, DA-BZ indeed has a self-healing function in part of the curing.

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N-doped carbon aerogels were prepared from carbonization and CO_2 activation using melaminebased polybenzoxazine with a reactive template as carbon precursor. The synthesis of carbon precursor was done via the sol-gel process of the melamine-based benzoxazine pre-polymer blended with dicyandiamide (DCDA). The effects of the reactive template concentrations and CO_2 activation on porous structure and CO_2 adsorption performance were observed. The successful incorporation of DCDA was confirmed using FTIR. The pore characteristic of the adsorbents is slit pores with micropore and mesopore. The degradation of the reactive template contributed to the enhancement of N content in the carbon framework which was revealed by CHN analysis. The XPS spectra of all samples exhibited the peak of pyridinic-N and pyrrolic-N which would play an important role for strengthening the CO_2 adsorption reactor under pressure from 0 to 12 bar at room temperature. For CO_2 adsorption and regeneration performance, A-DCDA-5 showed the highest CO_2 uptake capacity compared to others due to the combination of high mesopore, micropore and N-species. The reusability of A-DCDA-5 was subsequently examined, revealing a consistent CO_2 adsorption efficiency of the adsorbent over five cycles.

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In this study, a nitrile-functionalized benzoxazine was successfully synthesized and utilized as a precursor for producing porous carbon. Ammonium chloride (NH₄Cl) was applied as a template to create nanosheet morphology and mesopore structure, while Nickel (II) chloride hydrate was incorporated as a nickel source. The introduction of NH₄Cl altered the carbon sample's isotherm from microporous (Type I) to mesoporous (Type IV), resulting in a nanosheet-like structure with increased NH₄Cl loading. The specific surface area, mesoporosity, and pore volume increased with higher NH₄Cl template loading, reaching a maximum mesoporosity of 88.7% for Ni-PCN5 (5 g of NH₄Cl template). The electrochemical performance of Ni-PCN-300 exhibited a high specific capacitance of 181 F g⁻¹ at 0.1 A g⁻¹ in a 1 mol L⁻¹ KOH aqueous electrolyte, with excellent cycling stability (96.5% retention over 2000 cycles). Overall, the study presents a cost-effective and environmentally friendly approach to designing porous carbon nanosheets embedded with nickel/nickel oxide nanoparticles, making them promising for supercapacitor electrode applications.

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