

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS

Poly(lactic acid)/plasticizer/nano-silica ternary systems: properties evolution and effects on degradation rate

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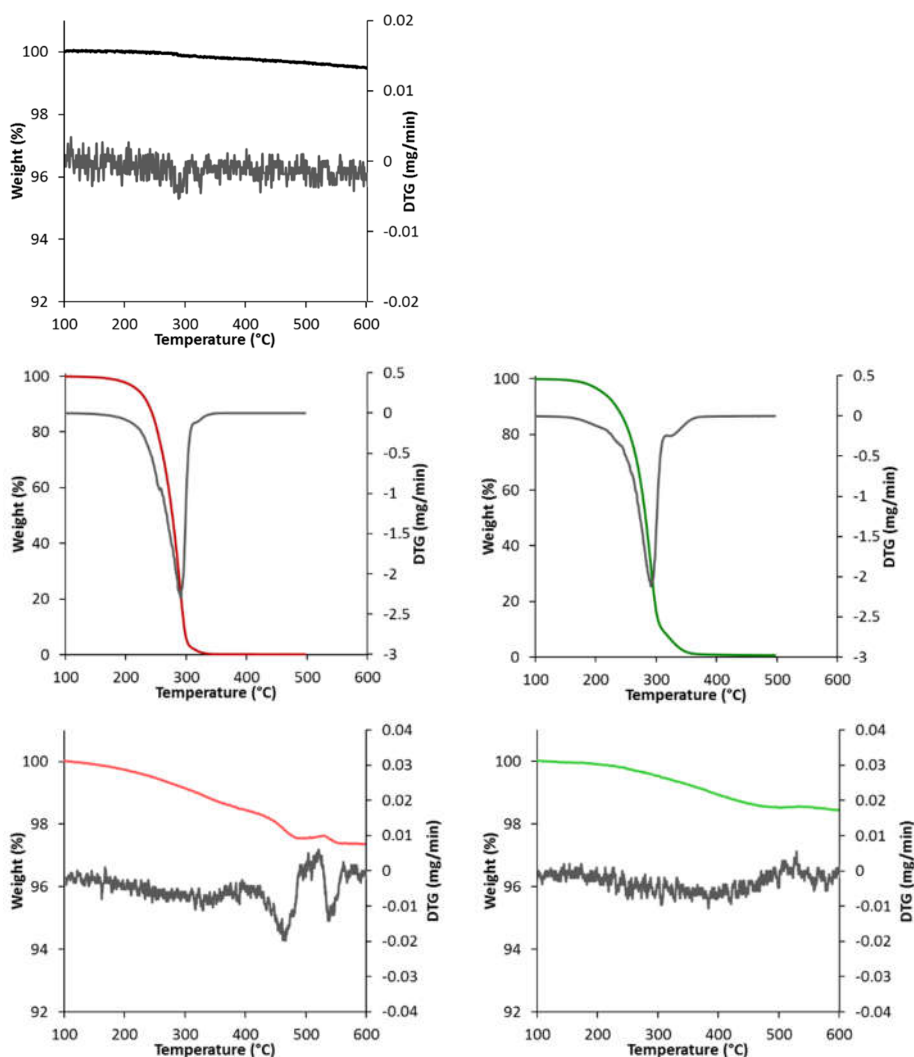


Figure S1. TGA and their derivative (DTG) curves of neat SiNP, neat OLA_OH and OLA_COOH, compared to the curves recorded on the insoluble fraction recovered from OLA_SiNP masterbatches after solvent extraction.

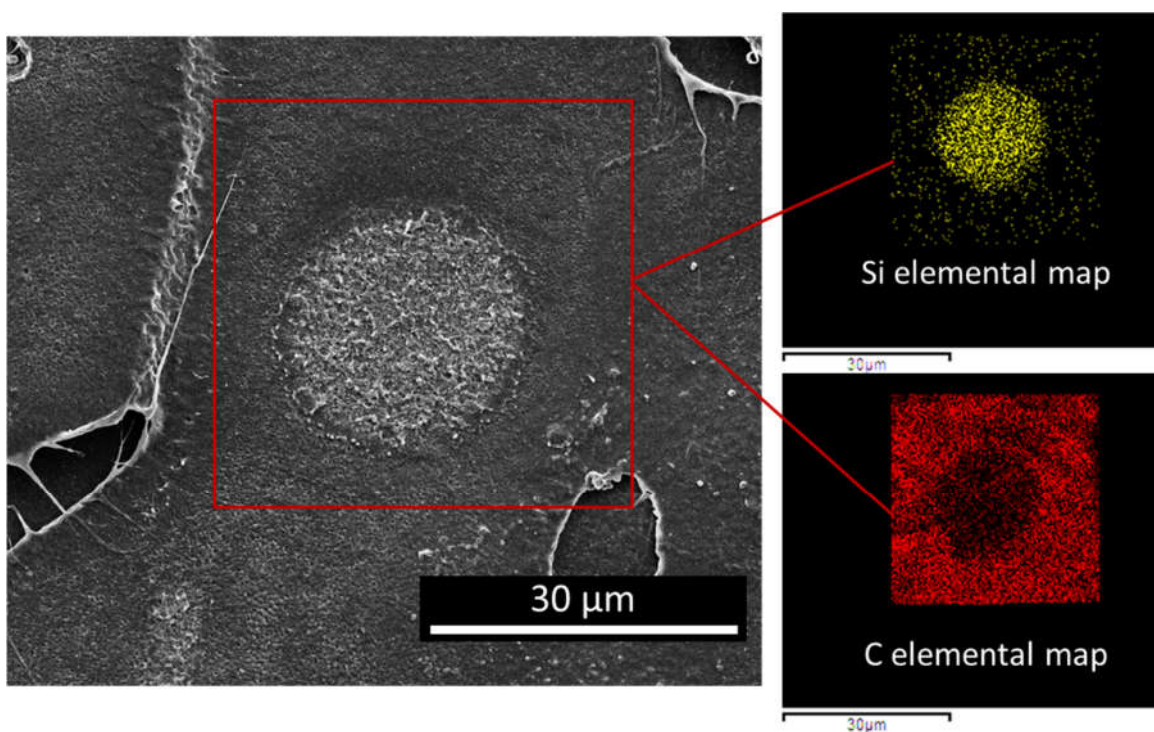


Figure S2. SEM micrograph of the fracture surface of a representative sample, with EDX elemental map showing the distribution of carbon and silicon atoms.

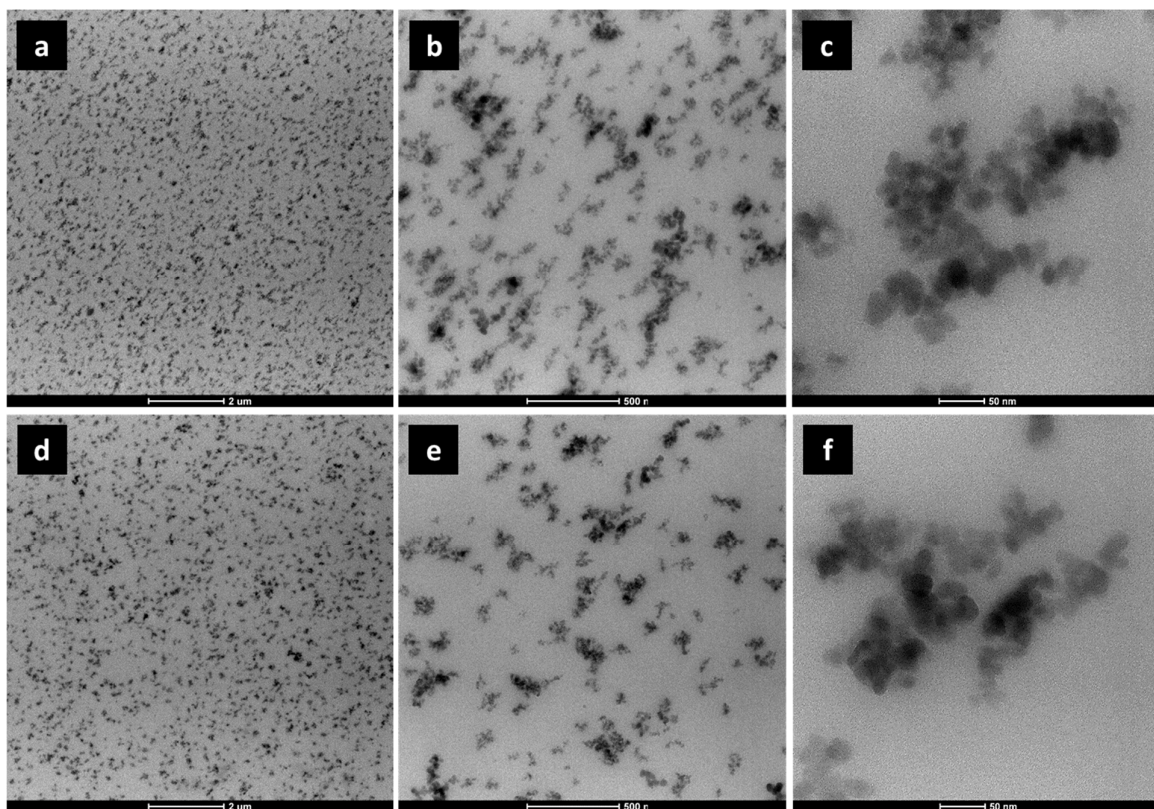


Figure S3. TEM micrographs at different magnification of samples S3_OH (a, b, c) and S3_COOH (d, e, f)