



Fibers for Life.

JRS – Recent Topics

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Top 2: Influence of bio-based fibers on biodegradability

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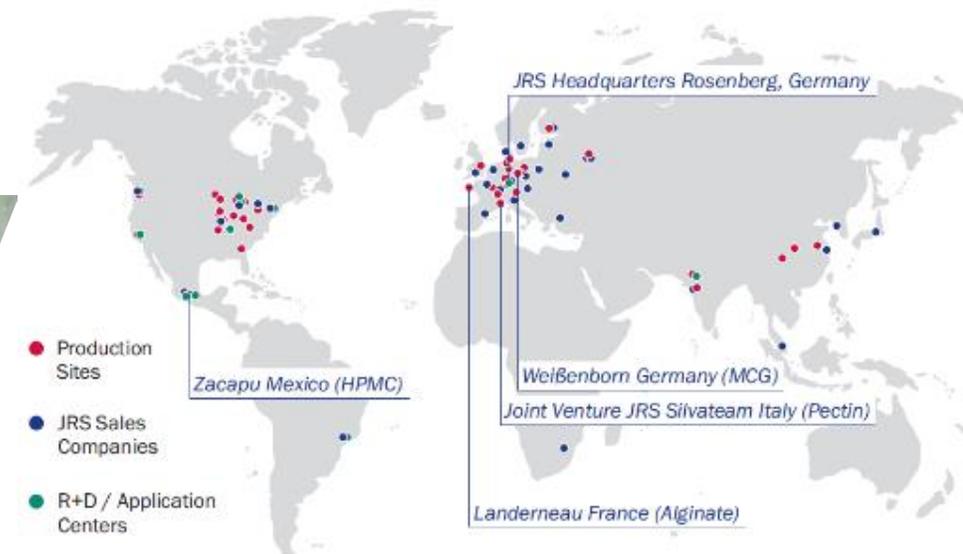
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Company Profile JRS

- Founded in 1878
- Owner-managed family company group with >3500 employees
- Producer of bio-based particles/fibers (wood, wheat, cellulose, corn cob, cereals, fruits,) and hydrocolloids (modified cellulose, alginates, pectins...)
- Global network structures : 90 production sites and sales offices
- Supplier for industries from pharma to road construction



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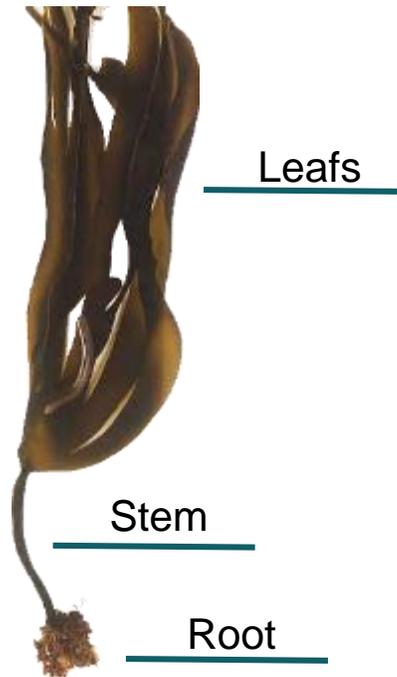




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- **External Control**
 - ✓ Strong relationships with **local fishermen**
 - ✓ **Superior administrative control**
 - ✓ Cooperation with **maritime scientists** and local **authorities**



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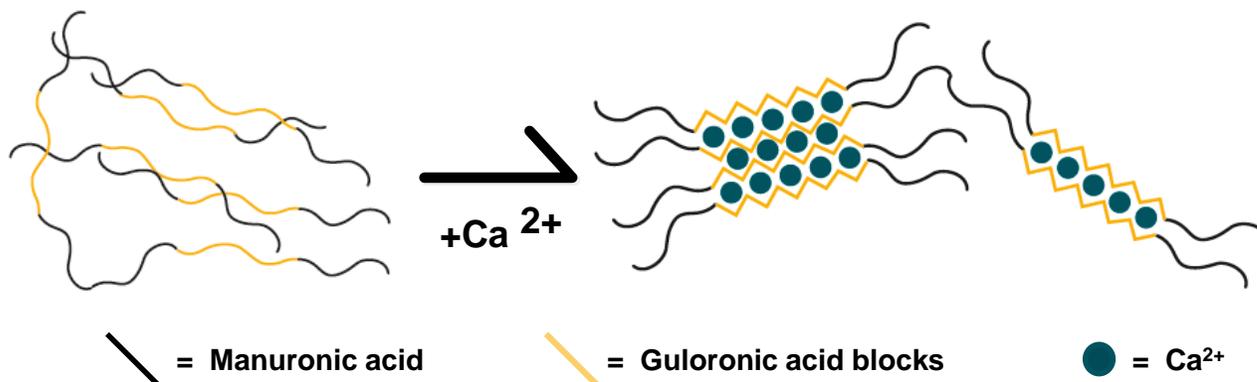
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- **Strong interactions with Calcium**
 - Gelling
 - Water insoluble film
 - 2 component systems possible



Alginate as new packaging material

- Water soluble or insoluble coatings possible
- Oxygen barrier sufficient for most food packaging requirements
- Very good oil and grease barrier even with 1 g/sqm coating



OTR measurements	OTR [cm ³ /(m ² ·d·1.0 bar) 23°C, 50% humidity	Thickness [µm]
3% Alginate + 10% sorbitol	0.85	Wet: 750
5% Alginate + 10% sorbitol	0.50	Dry: ~ 40-50 (Film)
3% Alginate + 3% Cellulose Gel +10% sorbitol	0.84	

KIT measurements	Kitchen oils, KIT 1 to 12	Thickness [µm]
3% Alginate	no penetration	Wet: 100 Dry: ~ 10 (Film)
3% Alginate + 20% glycerol	no penetration	

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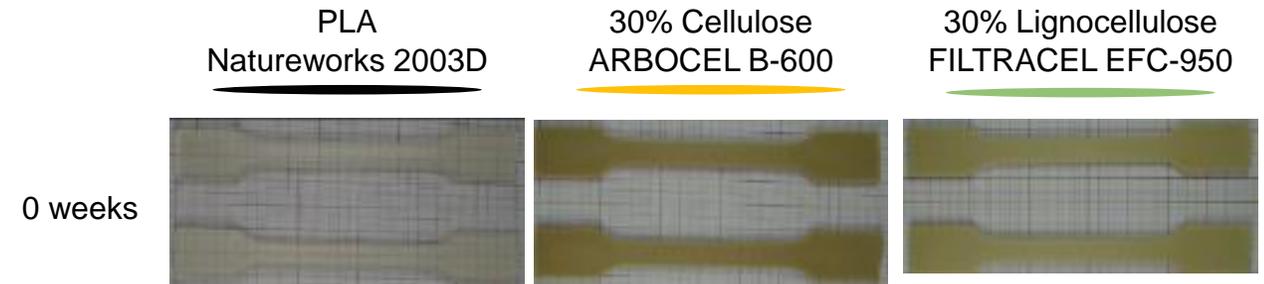
Influence of cellulose and wood fillers on biodegradability of PLA

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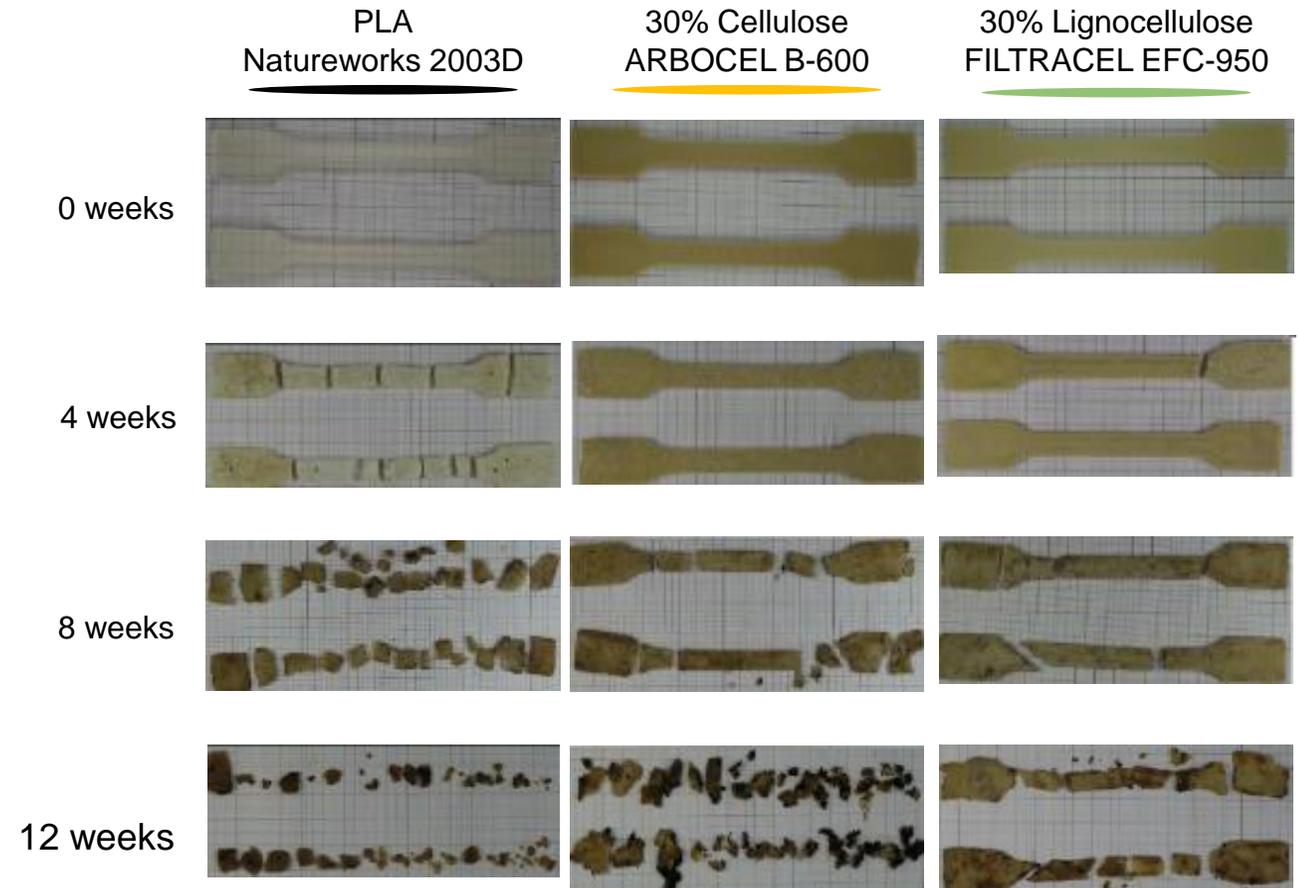
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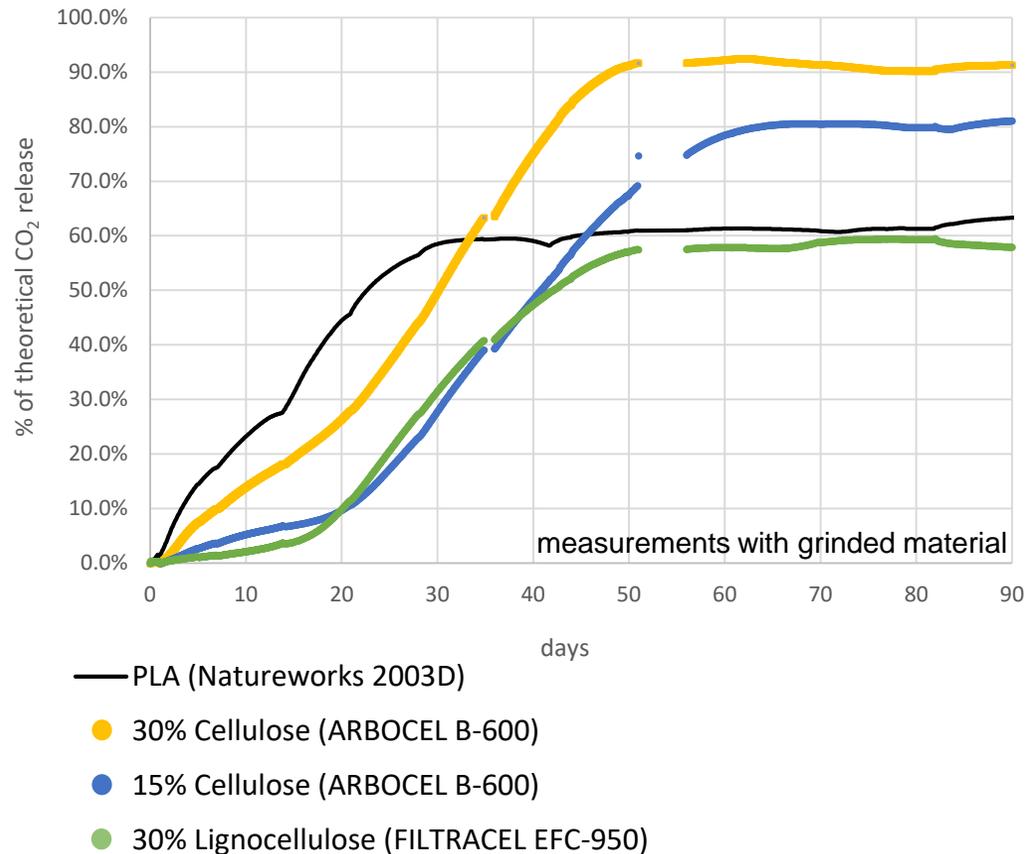
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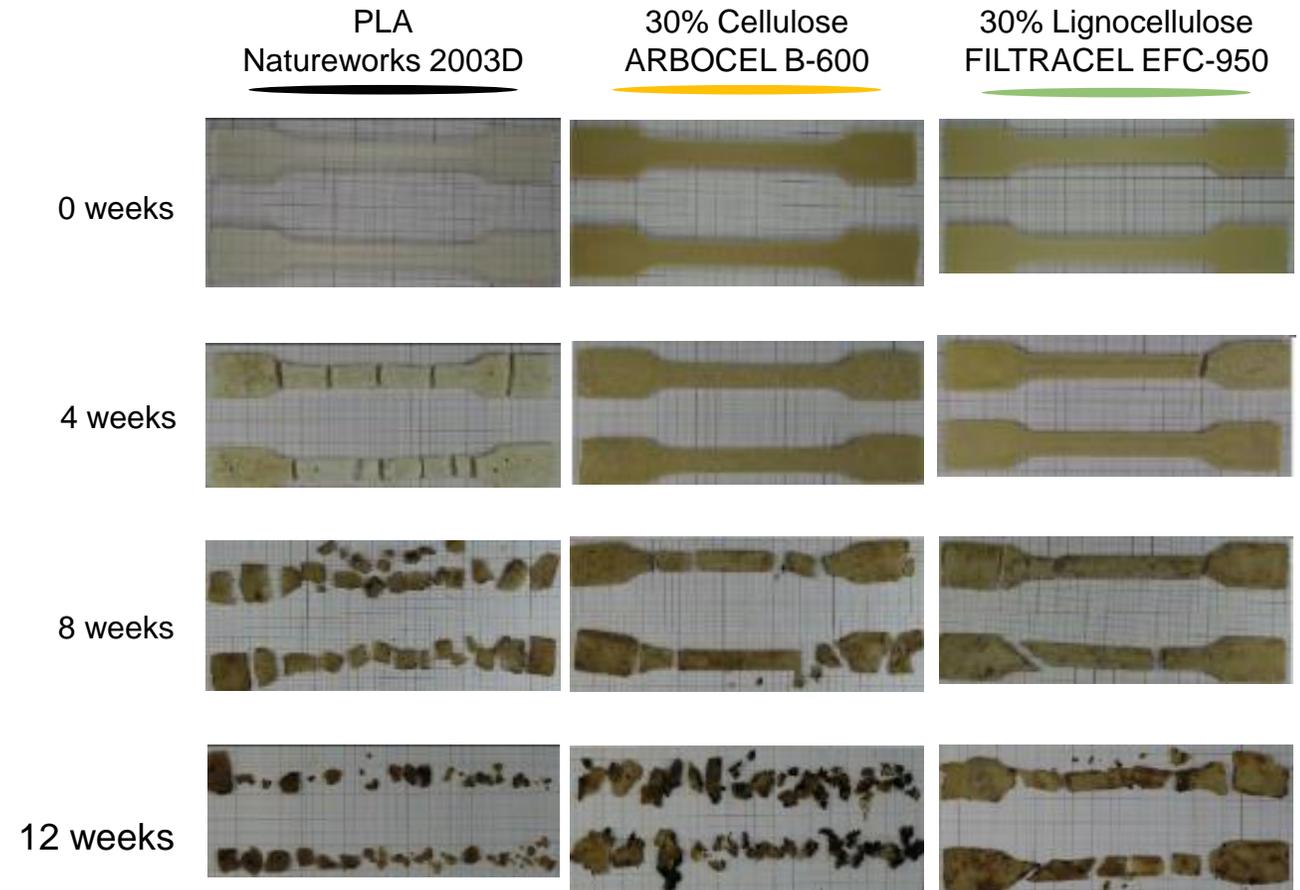


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Thank you for your attention!



Matrix	Filling Material		E-Module	Tensile Strength	Elongation at Tensile Strength	Tear Strength	Elongation at Break	HDT
	%	Type	Et [Mpa]	σ_M [Mpa]	ϵ_M [%]	σ_B [Mpa]	ϵ_B [%]	T [°C]
PLA 2003D		Not filled	3580 ± 28	74.2 ± 0.3	2.6 ± 0.0	61.3 ± 0.7	5.8 ± 0.3	55.8 ± 0.3
	15	Cellulose (ARBOCEL® B-600)	4290 ± 101	66.1 ± 0.2	2.0 ± 0.0	61.9 ± 0.4	2.8 ± 0.2	57.2 ± 0.2
	30	Cellulose (ARBOCEL® B-600)	5200 ± 185	68.2 ± 0.8	1.8 ± 0.1	68.1 ± 0.7	1.8 ± 0.1	56.2 ± 0.2
	30	Wood (ARBOCEL® C-100)	6230 ± 97	72.3 ± 0.6	2.7 ± 0.1	71.1 ± 1.8	2.7 ± 0.1	58.5 ± 0.2
	30	CTMP (FILTRACEL® EFC-950)	6110 ± 154	74.2 ± 0.4	1.8 ± 0.0	74.0 ± 0.3	1.9 ± 0.1	58.9 ± 0.2
PLA L130		Not filled	3552 ± 34	69.7 ± 0.6	2.1 ± 0.0	61.4 ± 3.6	7.0 ± 1.7	53.6 ± 0.1
	30	Cellulose (ARBOCEL® B-600)	5505 ± 31	63.8 ± 0.6	1.2 ± 0.0	63.3 ± 1.3	2.4 ± 0.1	57.5 ± 0.1
	30	Wood (ARBOCEL® C-100)	6239 ± 99	68.1 ± 0.8	2.4 ± 0.1	66.2 ± 1.8	2.4 ± 0.1	59.4 ± 0.2
	30	CTMP (FILTRACEL® EFC-950)	6441 ± 94	70.4 ± 0.6	2.4 ± 0.1	69.1 ± 1.1	2.4 ± 0.1	59.8 ± 0.1

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	30	Cellulose (ARBOCEL® B-600)	+ 45%	- 8%	- 31%	+ 11%	- 69%	+ 1%
	30	Wood (ARBOCEL® C-100)	+ 74%	- 3%	- 3%	+ 16%	- 53%	+ 5%
	30	CTMP (FILTRACEL® EFC-950)	+ 71%	+ 0%	- 31%	+ 21%	- 67%	+ 6%
PLA L130		Not filled	3552	69.7	2.1	61.4	7.0	53.6
	30	Cellulose (ARBOCEL® B-600)	+ 55%	- 8%	- 44%	+ 3%	- 63%	+ 7%
	30	Wood (ARBOCEL® C-100)	+ 76%	- 2%	+ 12%	+ 8%	- 63%	+ 11%
	30	CTMP (FILTRACEL® EFC-950)	+ 81%	+ 1%	+ 13%	+ 13%	- 63%	+ 12%

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