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# ADVANCED NANOCARBON POLYMER BIOCOMPOSITES SUSTAINABILITY TOWARDS ZERO BIOWASTE



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#### Advanced Nanocarbon Polymer Biocomposites Sustainability Towards Zero Biowaste

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## Description

Nanocarbon polymer biocomposites have gained increased attention from both researchers and manufacturers due to the significant improvement in their physico-mechanical, thermal and barrier properties when compared to conventional materials. Their dimensions, biodegradable character, cost-effectiveness, and sustainability are among the main drivers for increasing demand.

However, it is difficult to achieve uniform dispersion between the carbon filler and matrix as it easily forms agglomerations. Production of nanocarbon polymer biocomposites with high mechanical and thermal properties is also limited, but there has been rapid progress in processing possibilities to produce nanocomposites based on various biodegradable fillers.

Advanced Nanocarbon Polymer Biocomposites: Sustainability Towards Zero Biowaste collects all these novel scientific findings in one place. It discusses in detail their physical, chemical, and electrical properties and presents the latest research findings on nanocarbon polymer biocomposites with filler loadings and their improvement on compatibility. The book will be of great interest for those researchers who are concerned with the production and use of nanocarbon polymer biocomposites as a new innovative advanced material.

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## Key features

- Emphasis on nanoscale fillers and their improvement on compatibility
- Evaluates the impact of polymer production through life cycle analysis of both single and hybrid polymers and nanocomposites
- A strong focus on sustainability and green chemistry perspectives

## Readership

Academic and industrial researchers working in the development of sustainable polymers, biocomposites and advanced nanocarbon polymer composites, Postgraduate students working in materials science and engineering

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