

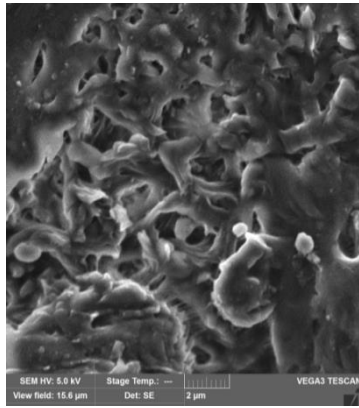
Supplementary Material

Properties of Poly(3-hydroxybutyrate-*co*-3-hydroxyvalerate)/ Polycaprolactone Polymer Mixtures Reinforced by Cellulose Nanocrystals: Experimental and Simulation Studies

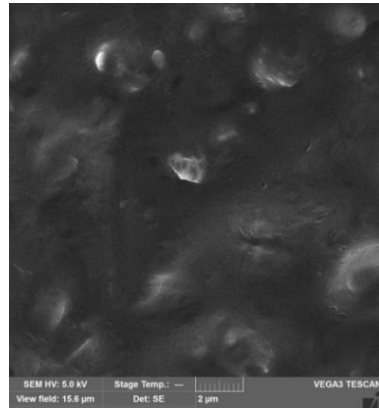
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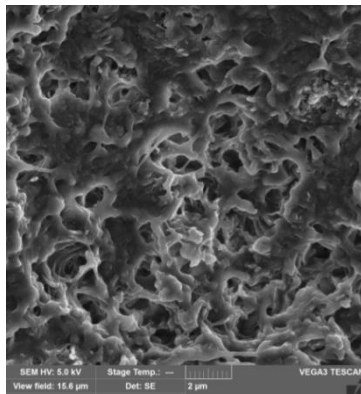
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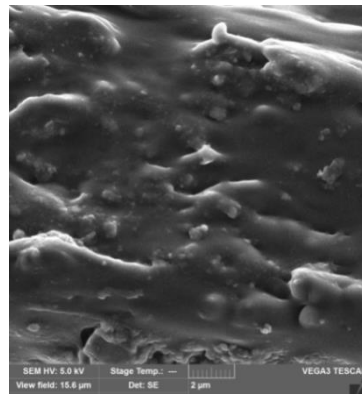
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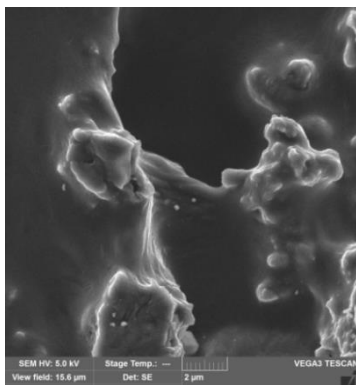


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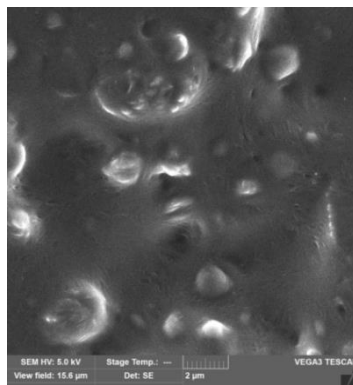


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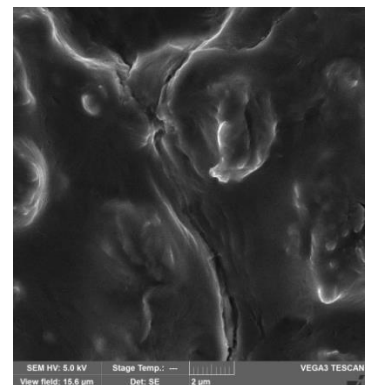
Figure S1. SEM images of the surface (a, b) and cleavage (c, d) of the PHBV/PCL mixture films: 1:1 (a, c); 1:2 (b, d). The scale is 2 μm .



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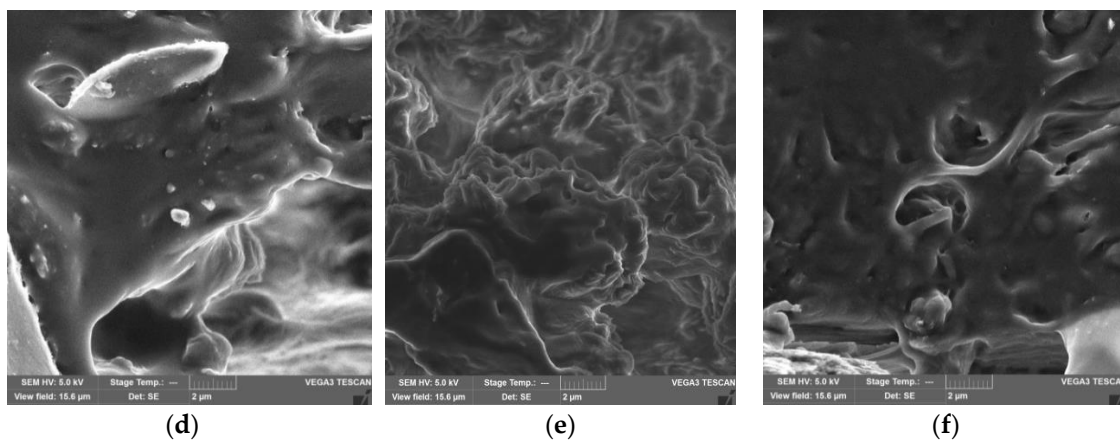


Figure S2. SEM images of the surface (a-c) and cleavage (d-f) of the PHBV/PCL/CNC composite films: PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-5 (a, d); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-10 (b, e); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-15 (c, f). The scale is 2 μm .

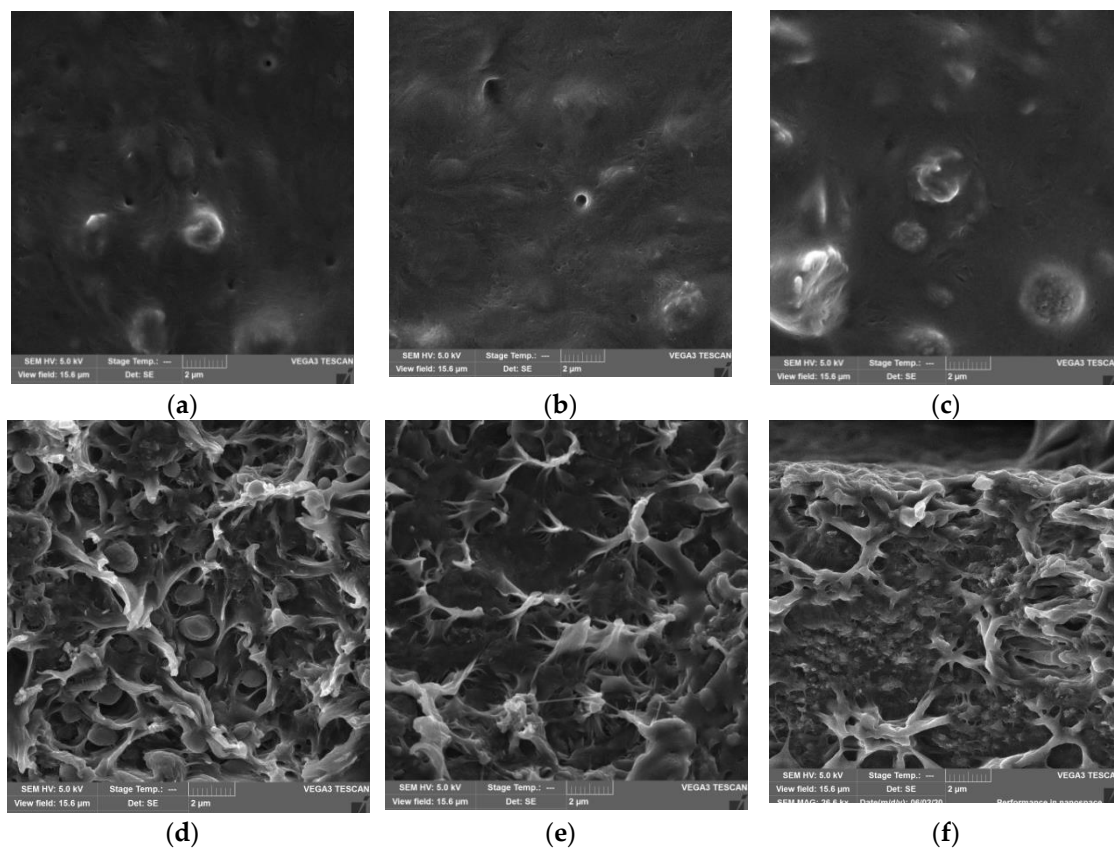


Figure S3. SEM images of the surface (a-c) and cleavage (d-f) of the PHBV/PCL/CNC composite films: PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-5 (a, d); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-10 (b, e); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-15 (c, f). The scale is 2 μm .

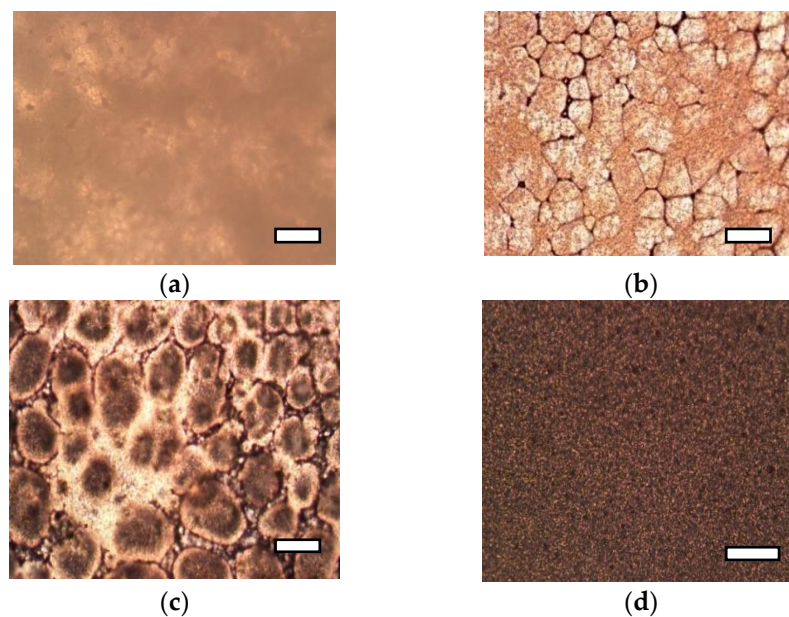


Figure S4. POM images of the surface of PHBV (a), PCL (b), and the PHBV/PCL mixture films: 1:1 (c); 1:2 (d). The scale is 100 μm .

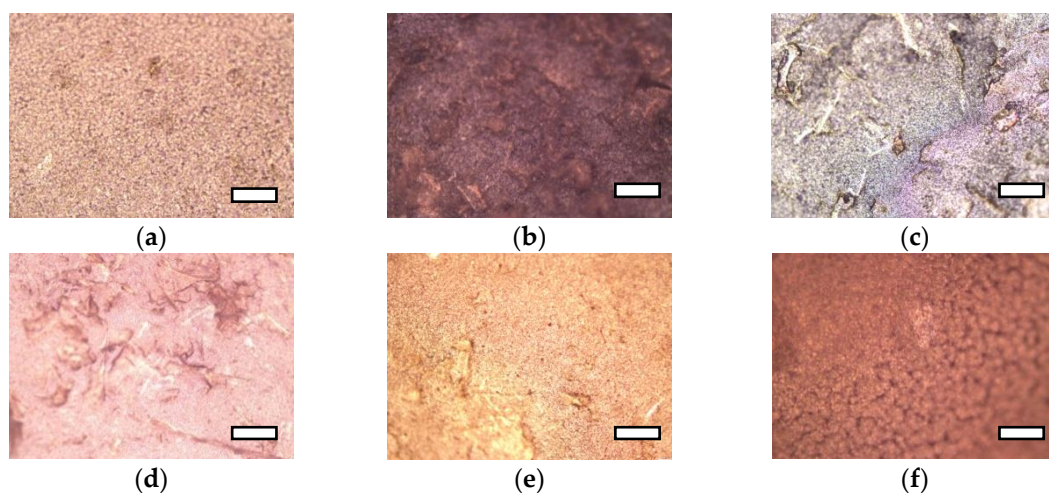


Figure S5. POM images of the surface of the PHBV/PCL/CNC composite films: PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-5 (a); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-10 (b); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-15 (c); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-5 (d); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-10 (e); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-15 (f). The scale is 100 μm .

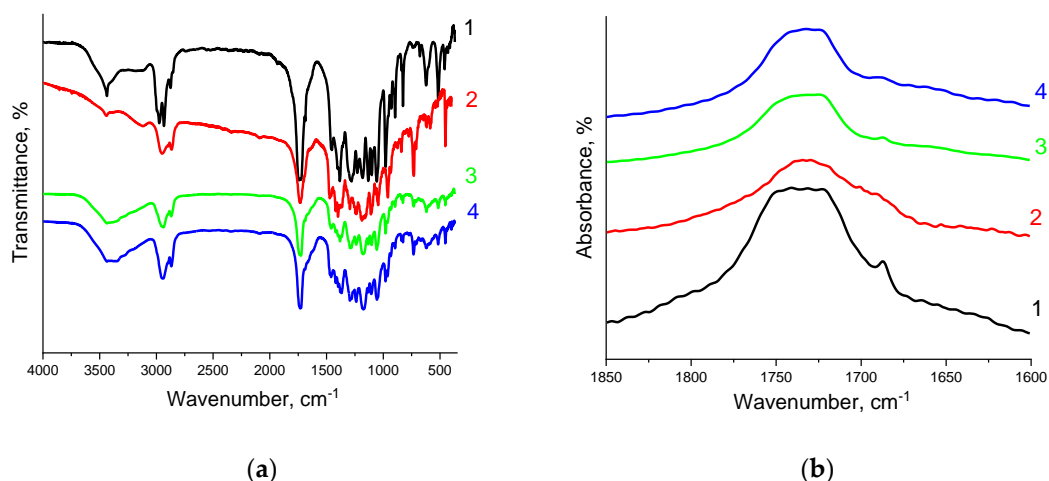


Figure S6. FTIR spectra of the neat PHBV (1) and neat PLC (2), PHBV/PLC(1:1) (3) and PHBV/PLC(1:2) (4) mixtures: (a) in the 4000-400 cm^{-1} range; (b) in the 1850-1600 cm^{-1} range.

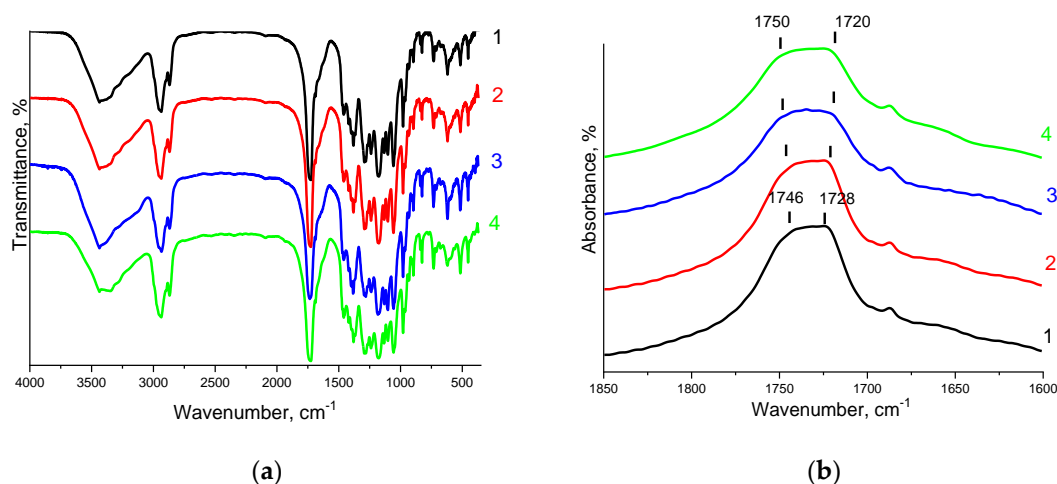


Figure S7. FTIR spectra of the PHBV/PLC(1:1) mixture (1); PHBV/PLC(1:1)/CNC(PAM)-5 (2), PHBV/PLC(1:1)/CNC(PAM)-10 (3), PHBV/PLC(1:1)/CNC(PAM)-15 (4) composites: (a) in the 4000-400 cm^{-1} range; (b) in the 1850-1600 cm^{-1} range.

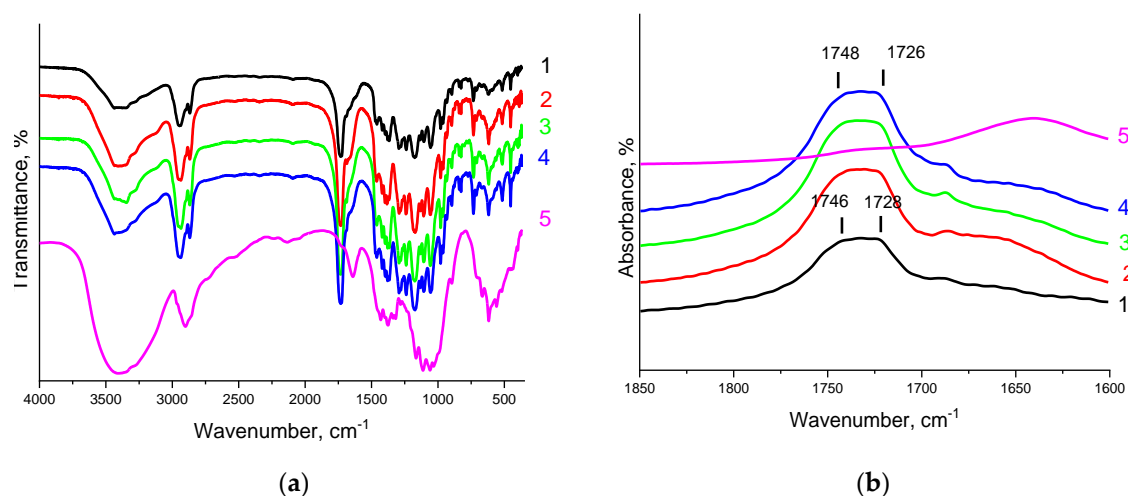


Figure S8. FTIR spectra of the PHBV/PLC(1:2) mixture (1); PHBV/PLC(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-5 (2), PHBV/PLC(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-10 (3), PHBV/PLC(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-15 (4) composites; the neat CNC (5): (a) in the 4000-400 cm^{-1} range; (b) in the 1850-1600 cm^{-1} range.

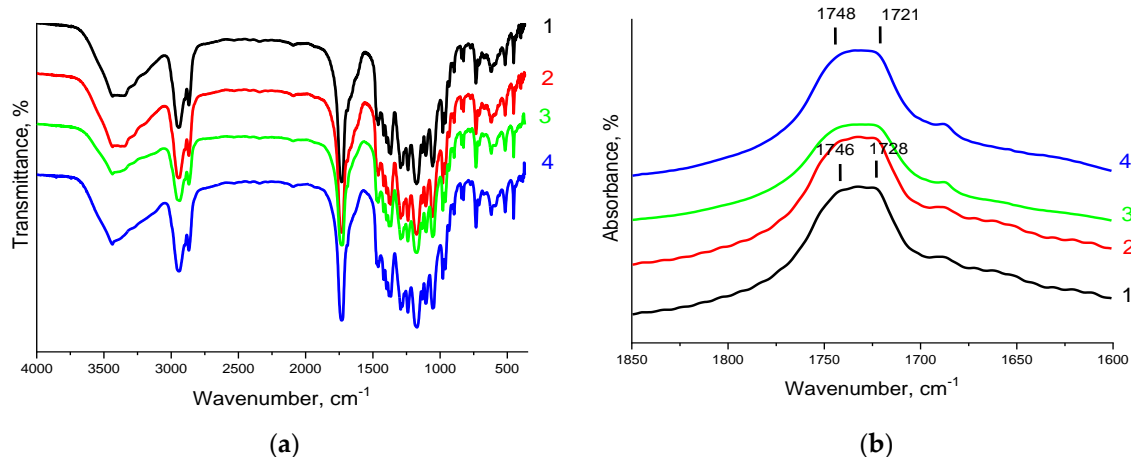


Figure S9. FTIR spectra of the PHBV/PCL(1:2) mixture (1); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-5 (2), PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-10 (3), PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-15 (4) composites: (a) in the 4000-400 cm^{-1} range; (b) in the 1850-1600 cm^{-1} range.

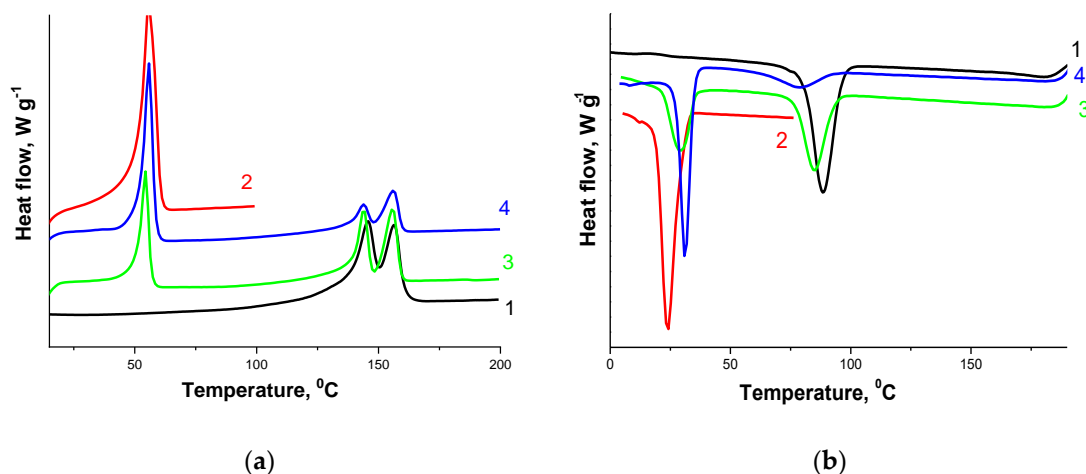


Figure S10. DSC curves for neat PHBV (1), neat PCL (2); PHBV/PCL(1:1) (3), and PHBV/PCL(1:2) (4) mixtures: at heating (a); at cooling (b).

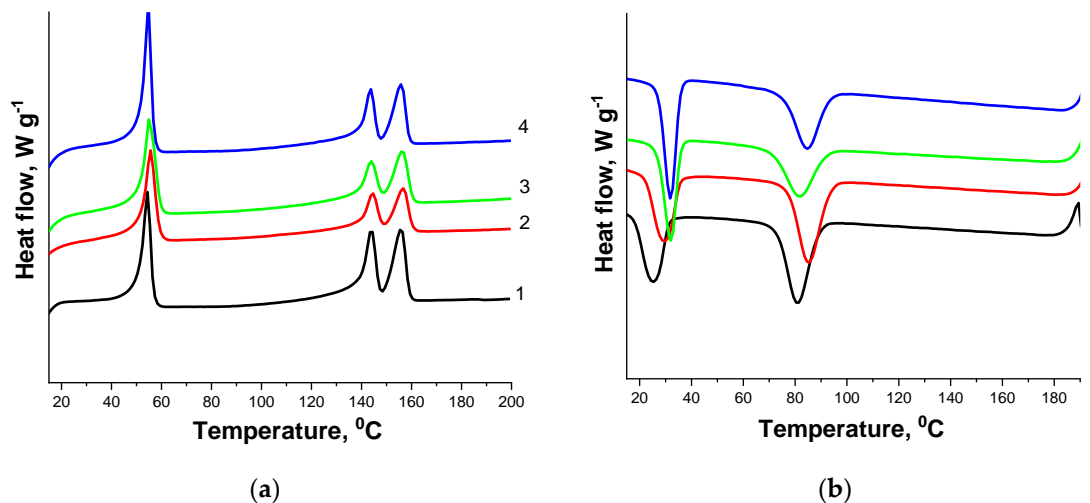


Figure S11. DSC curves for the PHBV/PCL(1:1) mixture (1); PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PAM)-5 (2), PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PAM)-10 (3), and PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PAM)-15 (4) composites: at heating (a); at cooling (b).

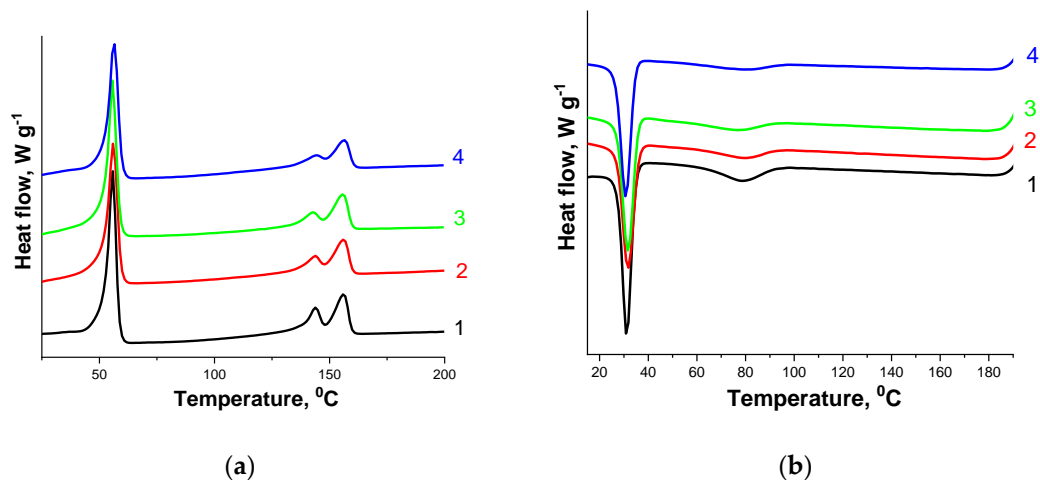


Figure S12. DSC curves for the PHBV/PCL(1:2) mixture (1); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-5 (2), PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-10 (3), and PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-15 (4) composites: at heating (a); at cooling (b).

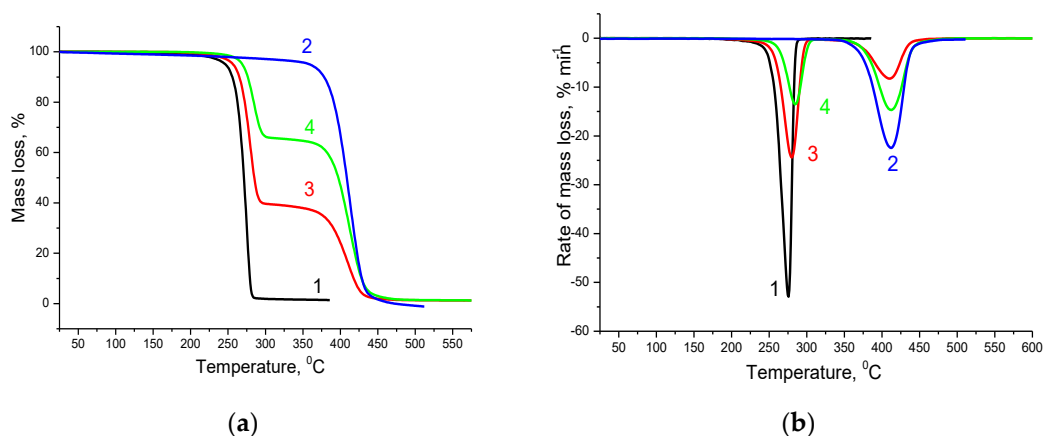


Figure S13. TG (a) and DTG (b) curves for neat PHBV (1), neat PLC (2); PHBV/PCL(1:1) (3) and PHBV/PCL(1:2) (4) mixtures.

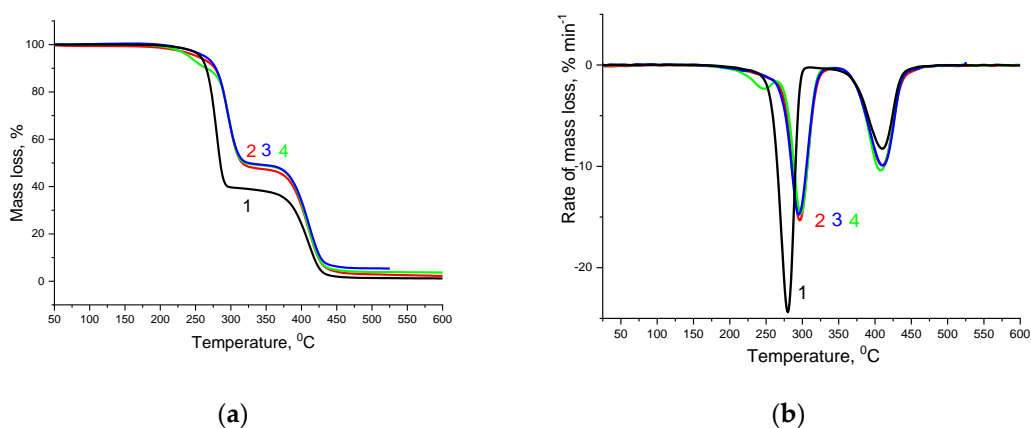


Figure S14. TG (a) and DTG (b) curves for the PHBV/PCL(1:1) mixture (1); PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PVP)-5 (2), PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PVP)-10 (3), and PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PVP)-15 (4) composites.

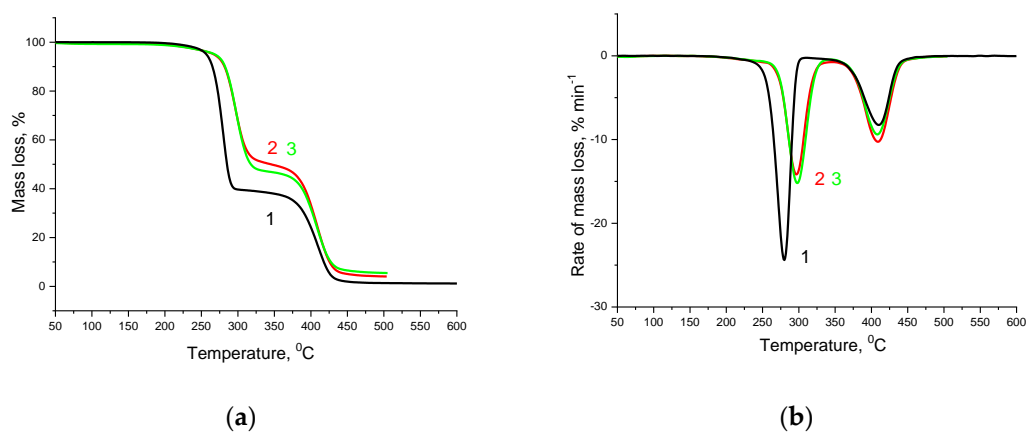


Figure S15. TG (a) and DTG (b) curves for the PHBV/PCL(1:1) mixture (1); PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PAM)-5 (2), PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PAM)-15 (3) composites.

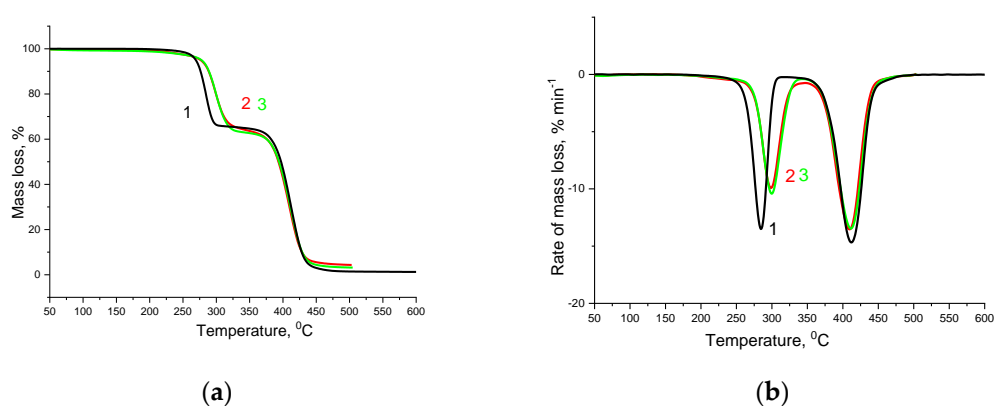


Figure S16. TG (a) and DTG (b) curves for the PHBV/PCL(1:2) mixture (1); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-5 (2), PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-15 (3) composites.

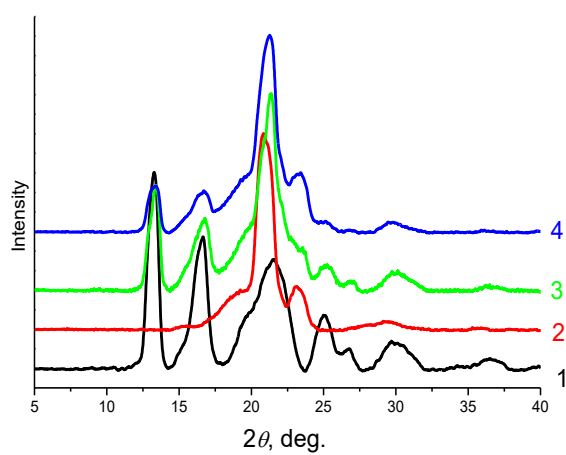


Figure S17. X-ray diffraction patterns of the neat PHBV (1), neat PCL (2); PHBV/PCL(1:1) (3) and PHBV/PCL(1:2) (4) mixtures

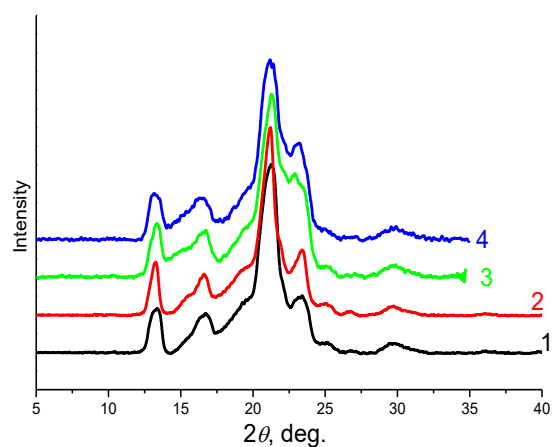


Figure S18. X-ray diffraction patterns of the PHBV/PCL(1:2) mixture (1); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-5 (2), PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-10 (3), and PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-15 (4) composites.

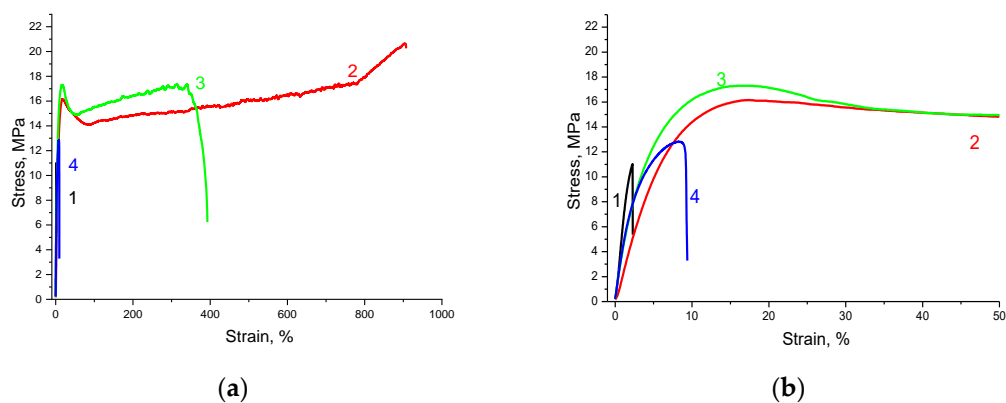


Figure S19. Stress-strain curves of the neat PHBV (1), neat PLC (2); PHBV/PCL(1:2) (3), and PHBV/PCL(1:1) (4) mixtures: (a) in the range of strain up to 1000%; (b) in the range of strain up to 50%.

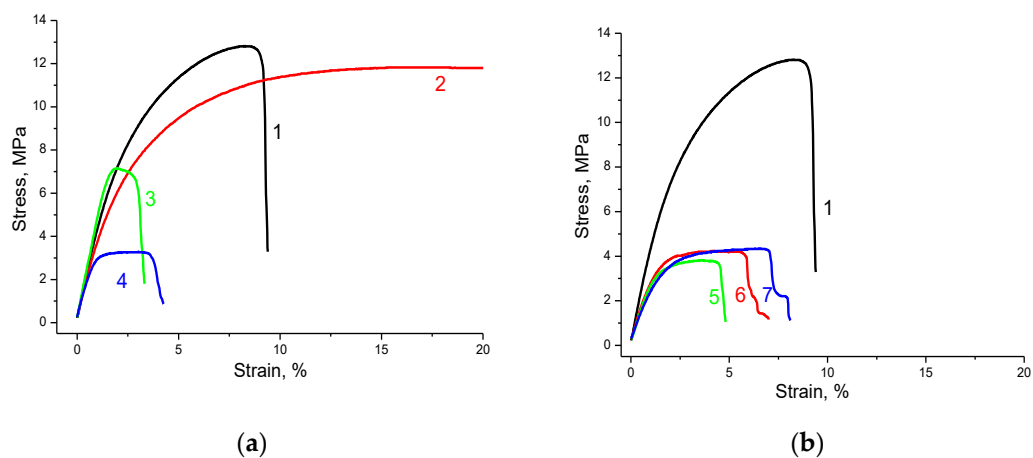
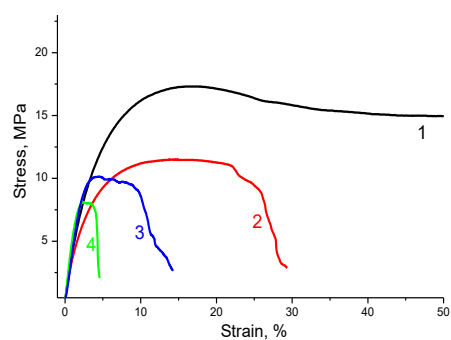
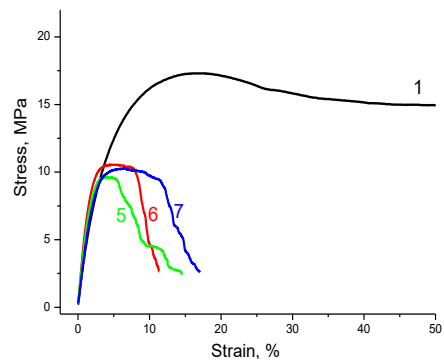


Figure S20. Stress-strain curves of the PHBV/PCL(1:1) mixture (1) and PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PVP)-5 (2), PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PVP)-10 (3), PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PVP)-15 (4) composites (a); PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PAM)-5 (5), PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PAM)-10 (6), and PHBV/PCL(1:1)/CNC(PAM)-15 (7) composites (b).



(a)



(b)

Figure S21. Stress-strain curves of the PHBV/PCL(1:2) mixture (1) and PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-5 (2), PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-10 (3), PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PVP)-15 (4) composites (a); PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-5 (5), PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-10 (6), and PHBV/PCL(1:2)/CNC(PAM)-15 (7) composites (b).