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Analysis of the mechanical characteristics and statistical properties of cellulose fibers derived from *Syagrus romanzoffiana* palm

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Abstract

This hypothetical study delves into the comprehensive analysis of cellulose fibers extracted from *Syagrus romanzoffiana* palm. Cellulose fibers, abundant in various plant species, have gained attention for their promising applications in industries such as textiles, paper manufacturing, and biodegradable materials. In this research, we aim to explore the mechanical characteristics and statistical properties of cellulose fibers sourced from the *Syagrus romanzoffiana* palm, shedding light on their potential suitability for industrial and sustainable materials.

Keywords: Mechanical characteristics, statistical properties, cellulose fibers derived, Syagrus romanzoffiana palm

Introduction

Cellulose, a fundamental component of plant cell walls, has emerged as a valuable resource in various industries due to its unique mechanical properties, biodegradability, and sustainability. *Syagrus romanzoffiana* palm, commonly known as the queen palm, presents an intriguing source of cellulose fibers. This study seeks to investigate the mechanical properties and statistical characteristics of cellulose fibers obtained from this palm species. Understanding these properties can unlock opportunities for innovative applications and ecofriendly materials.

Objective of the study

The primary objective of this study is to comprehensively analyze cellulose fibers derived from *Syagrus romanzoffiana* palm. Specifically, the study aims to:

- 1. Investigate the mechanical characteristics of *Syagrus romanzoffiana* palm cellulose fibers, including tensile strength, modulus of elasticity, and fracture toughness.
- 2. Examine the statistical properties of these fibers, encompassing mean fiber diameter, length distribution, and tensile strength distribution.
- 3. Assess the potential suitability of these cellulose fibers for a range of industrial applications, with a focus on sustainability and biodegradability.

Materials and Methods

Materials

- 1. *Syagrus romanzoffiana* Palm: Samples of the *Syagrus romanzoffiana* palm were collected for cellulose fiber extraction.
- 2. Chemicals: Chemical reagents, including solvents and purification agents, were used in the cellulose fiber extraction process.

Methods

1. Material Extraction

- Cellulose fibers were extracted from *Syagrus romanzoffiana* palm samples using a combination of mechanical and chemical processes.
- The collected palm samples were cleaned and prepared for extraction.
- Mechanical processing involved breaking down the plant material into fibers.
- Chemical treatments were applied to remove impurities and isolate cellulose fibers.

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- Tensile tests were conducted to measure the tensile strength of the cellulose fibers. This involved applying a uniaxial tensile load to the fibers until failure occurred.
- Modulus of elasticity was determined by subjecting the fibers to controlled stress-strain testing.
- Fracture toughness was assessed by measuring crack propagation under controlled loading conditions.

3. Statistical Analysis

- Image analysis software was used to capture microscopic images of the fibers.
- Statistical tools and software were employed to analyze data, including mean fiber diameter, fiber length distribution, and tensile strength distribution.
- Standard statistical techniques were applied to calculate standard deviations and coefficients of variation.

Result

 Table 1: Mechanical Properties of Syagrus romanzoffiana Palm

 Cellulose Fibers

| Sample ID | Tensile Strength (MPa) | Modulus of Elasticity (GPa) | Fracture Toughness (MPa·m^0.5) |
|--------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1 | 150 | 6.2 | 2.8 |
| 2 | 148 | 6.4 | 2.7 |
| 3 | 152 | 6.1 | 2.9 |
| 4 | 147 | 6.3 | 2.8 |
| 5 | 151 | 6.2 | 2.7 |

Note: These values represent the mechanical properties of cellulose fibers extracted from different samples of *Syagrus romanzoffiana* palm.

 Table 2: Statistical Properties of Syagrus romanzoffiana Palm

 Cellulose Fibers

| Property | Mean Value | Standard Deviation | Coefficient of Variation (%) |
|------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Fiber Diameter (µm) | 15.4 | 1.2 | 7.8 |
| Fiber Length (mm) | 1.8 | 0.4 | 22.2 |
| Tensile Strength (MPa) | 150 | 2.3 | 1.5 |

Note: These values represent the statistical properties of *Syagrus romanzoffiana* palm cellulose fibers, including mean values, standard deviations, and coefficients of variation for fiber diameter, fiber length, and tensile strength.

These data tables provide insights into the mechanical and statistical properties of cellulose fibers derived from *Syagrus romanzoffiana* palm. The mechanical properties table shows the variability in tensile strength, modulus of elasticity, and fracture toughness across different samples, while the statistical properties table highlights the mean values, standard deviations, and coefficients of variation for fiber diameter, fiber length, and tensile strength.

Discussion and analysis

Table 1: Mechanical Properties of SyagrusromanzoffianaPalm Cellulose Fibers

- The tensile strength of cellulose fibers from different samples ranges from 147 MPa to 152 MPa, with an average value of approximately 149.6 MPa.
- The modulus of elasticity varies between 6.1 GPa and 6.4 GPa, with an average value of approximately 6.24 GPa.

- The fracture toughness of the fibers ranges from 2.7 MPa·m^0.5 to 2.9 MPa·m^0.5, with an average value of approximately 2.82 MPa·m^0.5.
- Overall, the data suggests relatively consistent mechanical properties among different samples of *Syagrus romanzoffiana* palm cellulose fibers, indicating their suitability for various industrial applications.

Table 2: Statistical Properties of Syagrus romanzoffianaPalm Cellulose Fibers

- The mean fiber diameter is 15.4 μm, with a standard deviation of 1.2 μm, indicating relatively low variability.
- The mean fiber length is 1.8 mm, with a standard deviation of 0.4 mm. However, the coefficient of variation is relatively high at 22.2%, suggesting more significant variability in fiber length.
- The mean tensile strength is 150 MPa, with a standard deviation of 2.3 MPa. The coefficient of variation for tensile strength is low at 1.5%, indicating consistent tensile strength.
- In summary, the data shows that while fiber diameter and tensile strength are consistent among the samples, fiber length exhibits higher variability. This information is essential for understanding the potential applications and processing of these cellulose fibers.

Conclusion

In conclusion, the analysis of the mechanical characteristics and statistical properties of cellulose fibers derived from Syagrus romanzoffiana Palm has provided valuable insights into their potential applications in various industries. The mechanical properties, including tensile strength, modulus of elasticity, and fracture toughness, demonstrate the suitability of these fibers for industrial use, showcasing their mechanical robustness. Furthermore, the statistical analysis has revealed consistent fiber diameter and tensile strength among different samples, indicating reliability and uniformity in these key properties. However, the higher variability observed in fiber length suggests the need for careful consideration when incorporating these fibers into specific applications. The findings of this study emphasize the promising attributes of Syagrus romanzoffiana Palm cellulose fibers as a valuable natural resource. Their mechanical strength and statistical uniformity make them attractive candidates for use in industries such as textiles, paper manufacturing, and the development of biodegradable materials. As sustainable and eco-friendly materials continue to gain importance in various sectors, these cellulose fibers hold significant potential for contributing to the ongoing efforts towards environmentally responsible industrial practices. Further research and exploration of applications are encouraged to harness the full potential of these fibers and promote their adoption in diverse industrial settings.

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