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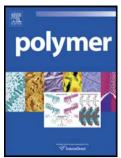
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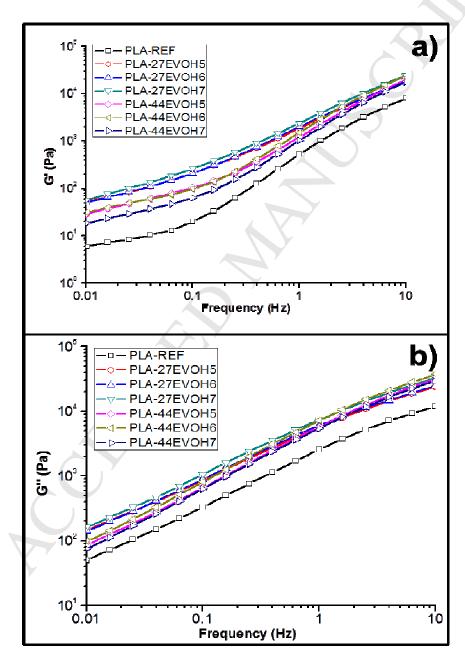
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Bio compatible poly(ethylene vinyl alcohol) (EVOH) copolymer varying by ethylene content (27 and 44%) was used for electrospinning. The presence of EVOH fibres in the poly(lactic acid) (PLA) matrix allowed the material to increase its storage modulus while decreasing its crystallinity, hence enhancing the toughness of the PLA. The possibility to engineer the chemical nature and fibre morphologies allows designing higher resistance materials to impact with high rigidity and with the tunability of biodegradation.



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