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Evaluation of water adsorption, mechanical properties, light-barrier properties
and transparency**

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Highlights

- Natural sources to produce biodegradable films for food packaging are demanded.
- Composite films of cellulose, glycerol and polyvinyl alcohol are presented
- Polyvinyl alcohol enhances the toughness of cellulose films
- Water adsorption up to 222.09% was obtained.
- Films showed higher burst strength (up to 12014 g) than other biodegradable films.

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