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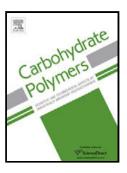
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#### Highlight

- Composites were successfully manufactured using masterbatch approach.
- Masterbatches were prepared using solvent casting and spin-coating technique.
- Composites with spin-coated masterbatch had superior mechanical properties.
- A huge advance in degree of crystallinity was seen in spin-coated composites.

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