The innovative study was carried out to produce nano-cellulose based bioplastic biomaterials for vehicle use coming after bioprocess technology. The data show that nano-cellulose particle size was 20 nm and negligible water absorption was 0.03% in the bioplastic. Moreover, burning test, size and shape characterizations, spray coating dye, energy test and firmness of bioplastic have been explored and compared with the standardization of synthetic vehicle plastic bumper following the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM). Tensile test was observed 120 MPa/kg m^3. In addition to that pH and cellulose content were found positive in the bioplastic compared to the synthetic plastic. Chemical tests like K, CO3, Cl, Na were determined and shown positive results compared to the synthetic plastic using the EN-14214 (European Norm) standardization.

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### Value of the data

- The data are an innovative and important in the research area of nano-cellulose based bio-plastic biomaterials utilizing banana peel waste biomass in the pharmaceuticals, medical, biomedical and bioengineering aspect.
- Innovative information regarding biopolymer production from biomass has been explored. The data can be most useful for the researcher, research student and academician to acquire innovative knowledge.
- Identification of the suitability of produced nano-cellulosed based bio-plastic materials plays a significant role for the researcher in further studies for automotive biobumper production.

### 1. Data

The data have been shown the sample collection, preparation and biochemical process in Figs. 1.1–1.5. Fig. 1.1a shows the procedure of nano-bioplastic and biobumper preparation. Moreover, Fig. 1.2 demonstrates the absorption test of nano-cellulose based bioplastic. Fig. 1.3 indicates the burning test image. The Universal Test Machine procedure is denoted in Fig. 1.4. Besides, nano-bioplastic having spray coating test has been exhibited (Fig. 1.5). From the data it had been seen that nano-cellulose particle size was 20 nm found in the bioplastic. It was considered for plastic bumper as mentioning the result of ASTM (0–0.16) (Table 1.1). In addition to that burning test (Table 1.2), spray coating dye (Table 1.3), size and shape characterizations (Table 1.4), energy test (Table 1.5), firmness test (Table 1.6) were found positive and standard in bioplastic compared to the synthetic plastic following ASTM standardization. Tensile test was observed 120 MPa/kg m³ (Table 1.7). In addition to that chemical analysis like K⁺, CO₃⁻, Cl₂, Na were determined (Table 1.8) and shown positive results compared to the synthetic plastic in the laboratory using the EN (166) standardization (Table 1.9).

### 2. Experimental design, materials and methods

#### 2.1. Sample collection and preparation

A total of 10 kg waste banana samples (*Musa acuminata*) were collected from the local market, Hail city, KSA. Afterwards, banana peel was removed and washed to ensure proper cleaning. Washed peel was sliced with scissors, then the sliced peel was blended using conventional blender. After blending, the sample was ground again with mortar and pestle, to get a fine mixture and put it into the beaker.
2.2. **pH determination**

The pH was determined using Horiba Scientific pH meter.

2.3. **Cellulose determination**

2.3.1. **Dinitrosalicylic acid (DNS) method for cellulose determination**

Cellulose content was determined by utilizing 3,5-dinitrosalicylic acid (DNS). A standard curve was drawn by measuring the absorbance of known concentration of cellulose solution at 575 nm. DNS reagent consisted of 1% dinitrosalicylic acid, 0.2% phenol, 0.05% sodium sulfite and 1% sodium hydroxide. To measure cellulose content, 3 ml of unknown cellulose solution was poured into a test tube followed by addition of 3 ml of DNS reagent. The test tubes were then heated in boiling water bath for 15 min. 1 ml of 40% potassium sodium tartrate solution was then added prior to cooling the sample. All test tubes were then cooled under running tap water and its absorbance was measured at 575 nm.

2.4. **Samples pyrolysis**

Blended and ground sample was heated at 150 °C in pressure cooker for 2 h at 30 psi until the sample became liquid paste. After heating, the liquid paste sample was cooled down.

2.5. **Acid hydrolysis**

Paste sample was hydrolyzed (100 ml/50 g sample) by hydrochloric acid (HCl, 99%) to make it micro to nano size particle for 8 h. The water bath was used during the hydrolysis came after in bioprocess technique. After 8 h, the samples were separated using separation funnel and washed by distilled water.

2.6. **Nanoparticle measurement**

Nano particle size of the sample was measured by employing Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM).

2.7. **Plastilizer and mixture of chemicals**

Chlorinated paraffin liquid plasticizers (1:8 of sample), 5% acetic acid (5 ml/100 g sample), 5 ml/100 g (polyvinyl chloride), cellulose (25%) and 25% starch powder, 5% film forming agent (toluene, Phthalates ester) and 10% water were added with the 1000 g of samples. Later 10 ml/100 g polyvinyl chloride (PVC) and glycerin were added with the mixture of samples and kept for 10 min to mix up well. The dye (benozophenone and stearalkonium) was mixed and kept for 5 min to mix up well and then the mixture was heated implementing pyrolysis method following ASTM standard [1] (at 150 °C in the oven for 30 min; at 30 psi pressure) until visual plasticity in the oven for bioplastic material. The samples were taken out from the oven and stored in room temperature (28 °C) to cool down for 10 min. Afterwards, it was put in the exposed aluminum foils for few hours to make it dry bioplastic. Then it was set for molding process. Finally it was oven dried at 80 °C. The bioplastic was used for different test for fitness.

2.8. **Molding in the laboratory**

The bio-plastic sample was molded using manually prepared mold former and burner for 24–30 h drying and shaping of vehicle bumper. Dryer was used every 5 h to form a curve shape of the bio-bumper. It was kept at −5 °C for one day and taken out from the deep freezer, dried by dryer and kept for hardening at normal temperature.
Fig. 1.1. (a) Procedure of nano-bioplastic and biobumper preparation. (b) Nanocellulose.
Fig. 1.2. Absorption test.

Fig. 1.3. Burning test image.

Fig. 1.4. (a) Universal Test Machine procedure, (b) Universal Test Machine, (c) plastic bumper, and (d) bioplasic.
For the water absorption test, the specimens were dried in an oven for a specified time and temperature and then placed into the desiccator to cool. Immediately upon cooling the specimens were weighed. The material was then merged in water upon conditions, often 23 °C for 24 h.

### Table 1.1
Determination of water absorption by ASTM D570.

| Materials            | Water absorption | ASTM D570       |
|----------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Bioplastic bumper    | 0.03%            | Water absorption|
| Plastic bumper       | 0–0.16%          | Water absorption by ASTM is 0-0.16% |

### Table 1.2
Burning test according to the ASTM D3801.

| Materials                  | Odor       | Color of flame | Speed of burning | Spark or not |
|----------------------------|------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|
| Bioplastic bumper          | Low odor   | Yellow–orange  | Slow             | Spark        |
| Plastic bumper (by ASTM D3801) | Low odor   | Yellow–orange  | Slow             | Spark        |

### Table 1.3
Spray coating dye was used as the mode of application by ASTM B 117

| Materials                  | Spray coating test | ASTM B117       |
|----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Bioplastic bumper          | (Drying time)      | Maximum 2 hours |
| Plastic bumper             | 1.5 h              |                 |
| By ASTM B 117              | 2 h (max.)         |                 |

### Table 1.4
Determination of size and shape characteristics

| Materials                  | Size and shape     | ASTM A500       |
|----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Bioplastic bumper          | No swell or shrink | Resistant characters |
| Plastic bumper             | No swell or shrink |                 |
| By ASTM A 500              |                    |                 |

### 2.9. Fitness testing of bioplastic

#### 2.9.1. Absorption test as ASTM D570 [2]

For the water absorption test, the specimens were dried in an oven for a specified time and temperature and then placed into the desiccator to cool. Immediately upon cooling the specimens were weighed. The material was then merged in water upon conditions, often 23 °C for 24 h.
**Table 1.5**  
Energy test of bioplastic that can be used for bumper

| Materials       | Energy Formula | ASTM E1886 |
|-----------------|----------------|-------------|
| Bioplastic bumper | $E = \frac{1}{2}x \cdot M \cdot V^2$ | 2.5 Joule  |
| Plastic bumper  | 1.75-25 Joule |             |

**Table 1.6**  
Firmness test represented by bore and crack test.

| Materials       | Firmness test | Firmness test |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Bioplastic bumper | Bore test ASTM D2925 | Crack test by ASTM D5419 |
| Plastic bumper  | No bore symptom | No crack symptom |

**Table 1.7**  
Determination of tensile test by using ASTM by ASTM D5083

| Materials       | Tensile strength (MPa/kg.m³) | Tensile Modulus (GPa) |
|-----------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Bioplastic bumper | 120.0                        | 1.1                   |
| Plastic bumper  | 70-230 (ASTM)                | 1.0- 3.0 (ASTM)       |

**Table 1.8**  
pH and Cellulose determination.

| Test             | pH         | Cellulose       |
|------------------|------------|-----------------|
| Banana samples   | 7.7±0.01   | 39.4%±0.1       |
| Plastic sample   | Alkaline ≥ 7 | (It is zero if from gas or oil sample, if from cellulose sample it is 20-40%) |

Mean ±SE (standard Error, n=3)

**Table 1.9**  
Chemical element test.

| Chemical element | Banana sample based bioplastic (PPM) | Plastic by EN (European Standard EN166) |
|------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| K                | 10 ± 0.5                              | 10                                      |
| Na               | 5.1 ± 0.2                             | 5                                       |
| Cl<sub>2</sub>   | 0.67 ± 0.01                           | 2                                       |
| CO<sub>3</sub>   | 132 ± 2.0                             | 5–440                                   |

Mean ± standard error (SE, n=3).
Specimens were removed, patted dry with a lint free cloth, and weighed (Fig. 1.2). Diameter of disk was 5 cm and 2 mm thick. Water absorption was calculated (Table 1.1).

2.9.2. Burning test
Bioplastic was burnt by using gas burner. Odor, color of flame, speed of burning and spark were observed by visual observation and compared with the synthetic bumper by ASTM D3801 [3] (Fig. 1.3).

2.9.3. Tensile/tension test
Tensile test was performed by Universal Test Machine for bioplastics as ASTM D5083 [4].

2.9.3.1. Test procedure. Specimens were placed in the grips of a Universal Test Machine at a specified grip separation and pulled until failure. For ASTM D5083 [4], the test speed was determined by the material specification. The default test speed was 5 mm/min (0.2 in./min), but modulus determinations were made at 2 mm/min (0.079 in./min). An extensometer or strain gauge was used to determine elongation and tensile modulus. Depending upon the reinforcement and type, testing in more than one orientation might be necessary. Max load capacity was 50 kN/m².

2.9.3.2. Sample size. The standard specimen for ASTM D5083 had a constant rectangular cross section, 25 mm (1 in.) wide and at least 250 mm (10 in.) long. Thickness was between 2 mm (0.079 in.) and 14 mm (0.55 in.). Optional tabs could be bonded to the ends of the specimen to prevent gripping damage. Inter-tek PTL could machine the specimens from larger samples and bond tabs if required (Fig. 1.4). Tensile strength (MPa or psi) was displayed from tensile test.

2.9.4. Shape and size test
The specimen was continuously beaten by hammer for 2 min and pulled on for 5 min. There was no change of its shape and size (Fig. 1.5).

2.9.5. Energy test
Energy was tested for the bioplastic based bumper using the following equation:
The energy = 1/2mv²; m = mass of hammer, V (velocity) = m/s, energy = ? J (Table 1.5).

2.9.6. Firmness test (bore test)
Bioplastic was hit with a 2 kg hammer on the screw set on the bioplastic. Hammering was completed after 5 min.

2.9.7. Crack test
A 10 kg weight (5 J of energy) was dropped on to the bioplastic from 1 m height. There was no crack on it. (5 J of energy was calculated by the following equation: energy = 1/2mv²; m = mass of stone = 10 kg, V (velocity) = m/s = 1/1, m = distance meter, s = second. Therefore, energy = 1/2 × 10 × 1 = 5 J.)

2.9.8. Spray coating test
Spray coating dye was used as the mode of application. It was attached properly with plastic and dried after 1 h.

2.9.9. Chemical test
Chemical test like K, CO₃, Cl₂, Na were determined by using different meters and exhibited positive results (Table 1.8) compared to the synthetic plastic in the laboratory using the EN (14214) [5] standardization.

2.9.10. Statistical analysis
Standard deviation was calculated and standard error was analyzed using 3 replicates of the samples where necessary (n=3).
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