

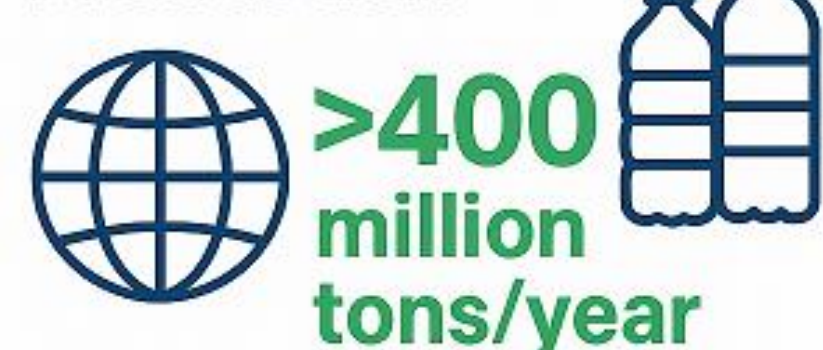
Characterization of Biodegradable Films from Holocellulose from Natural Polymers via Electrospinning

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INTRODUCTION

Global Plastic Production



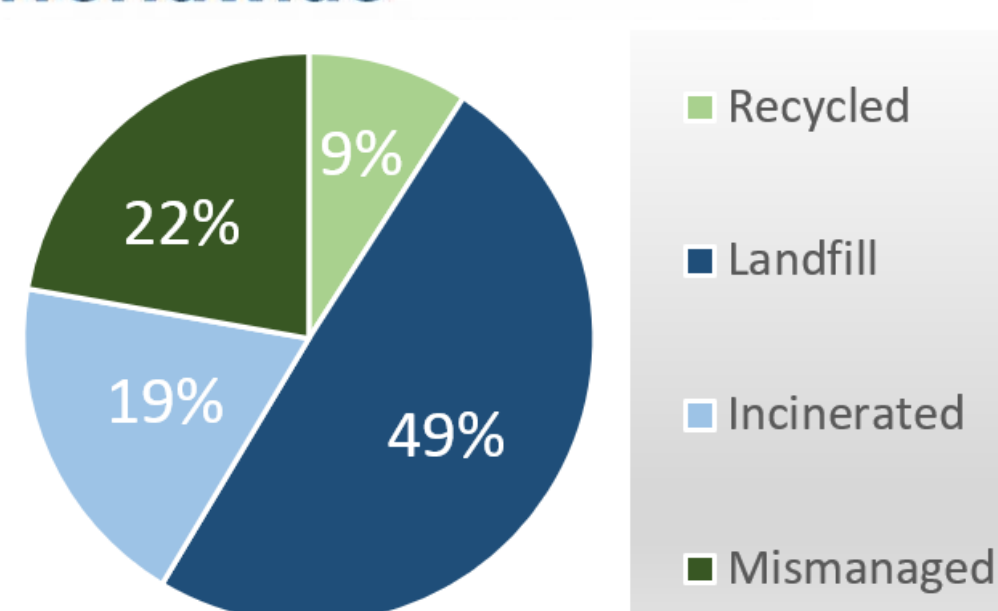
Waste Generation in Brazil



Prevalence of Packaging



Destination of Plastic Worldwide



BIOPLASTICS FROM AGROINDUSTRY



1. PETROLEUM ALTERNATIVE: Replaces fossil-fuel-fuel plastics
2. ADDS VALUE: Turns 'waste' into a new source of income
3. ACTIVE PACKAGING: Preserves food for longer

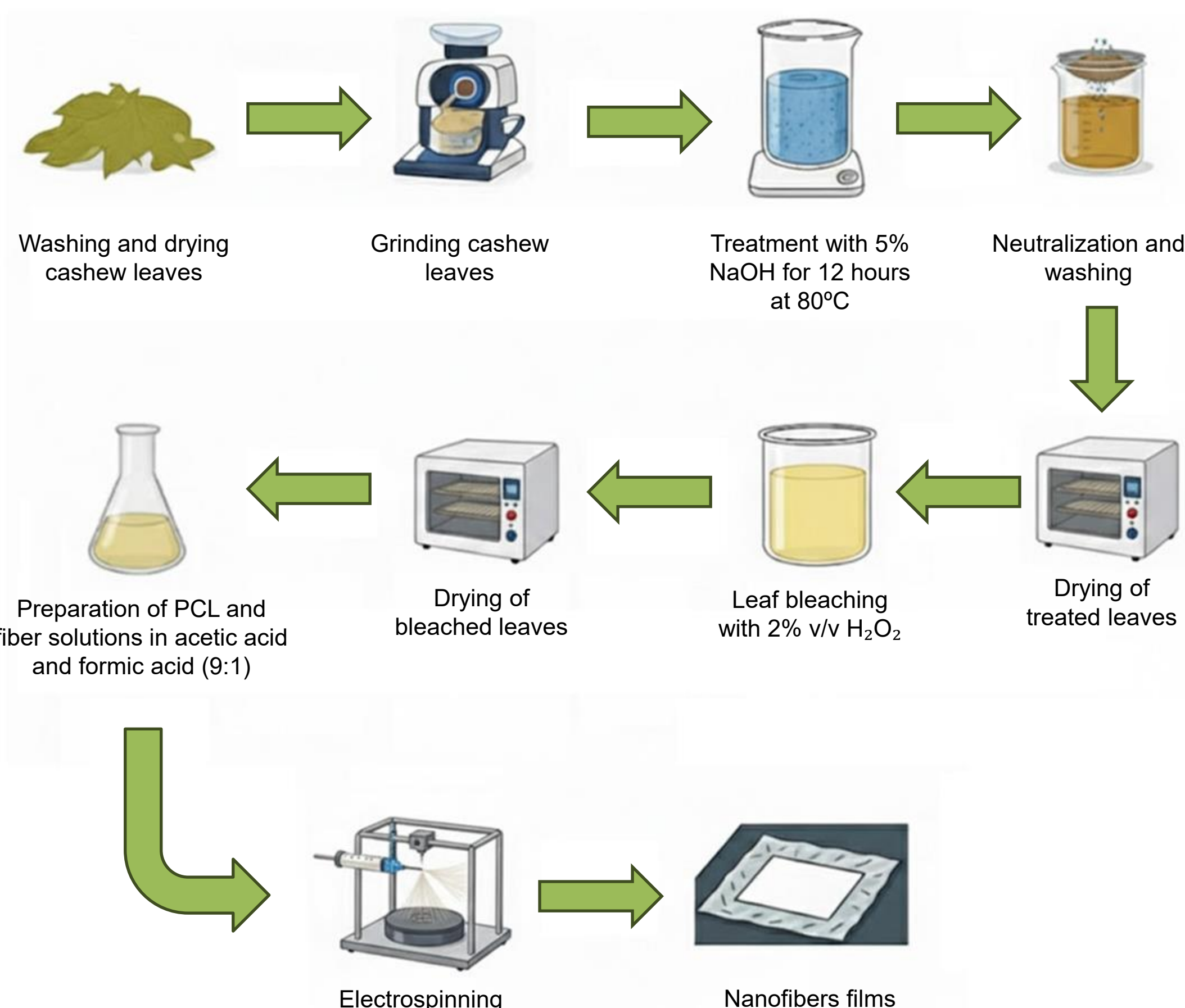
GREEN SOLUTION FOR POLLUTION & WASTE

Source: ABIHPEC and WWF, 2024.

OBJECTIVE

The objective of this work is to obtain and characterize polycaprolactone (PCL) and cashew leaf fiber films produced by electrospinning, focusing on their morphology, thermal stability, and fiber treatment process for polymer incorporation.

METHOD



RESULTS & DISCUSSION

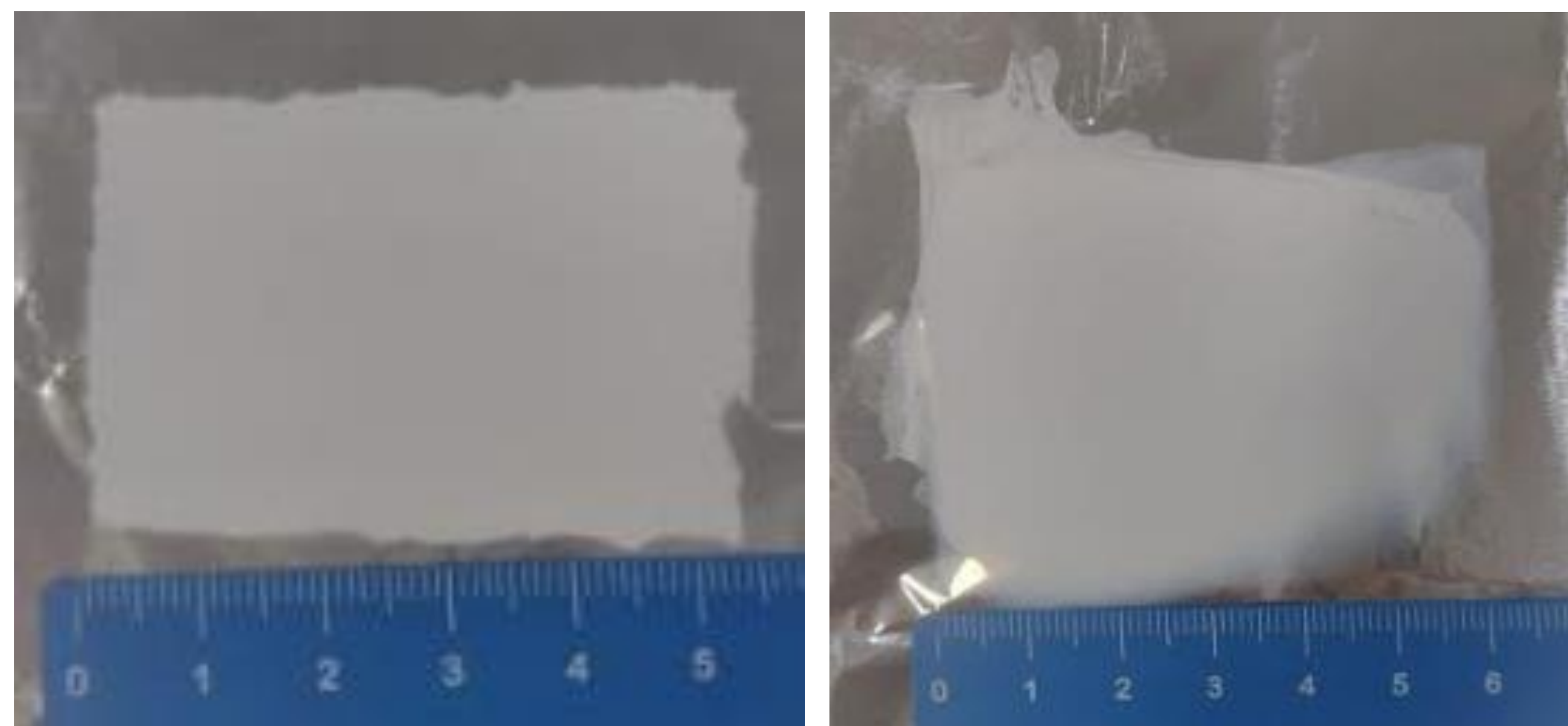


Fig. 1 – Nanofibers films obtained by electrospinning for PCL plain and PCL with 20% m/m cashew leaves samples.

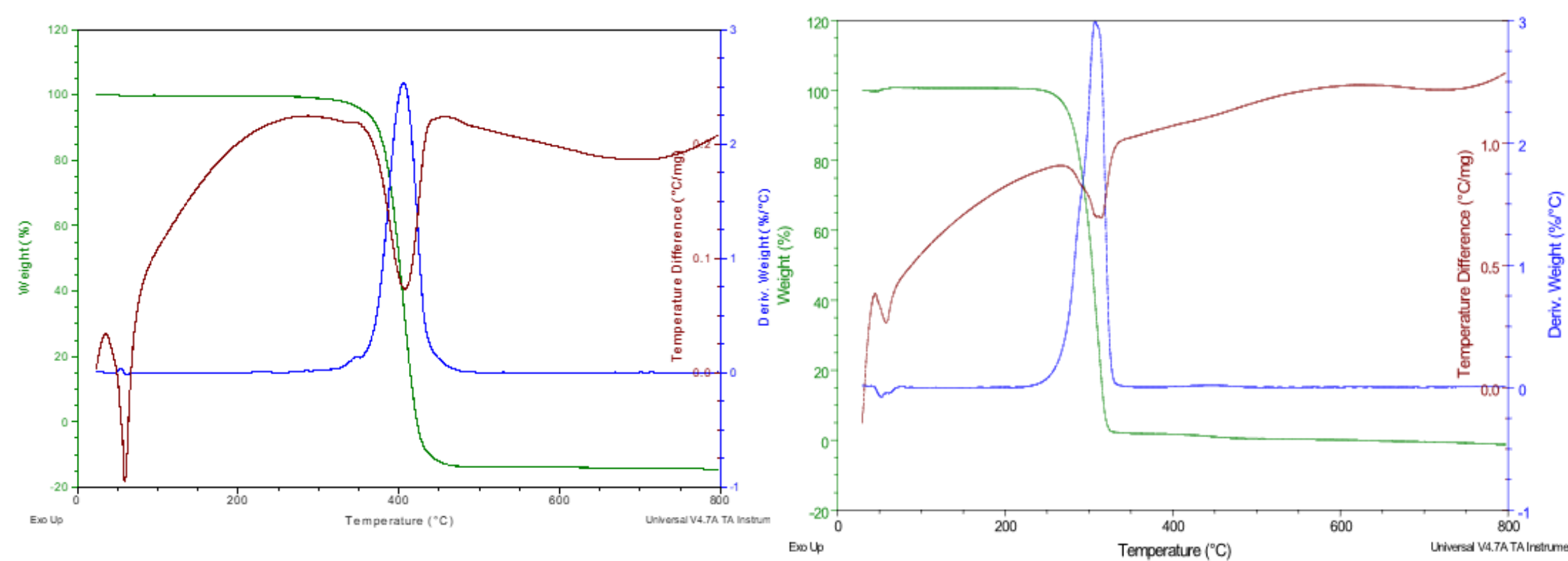


Fig. 2 – TG/DTG and DTA curves of film samples PCL plain and PCL with 20% m/m cashew leaves.

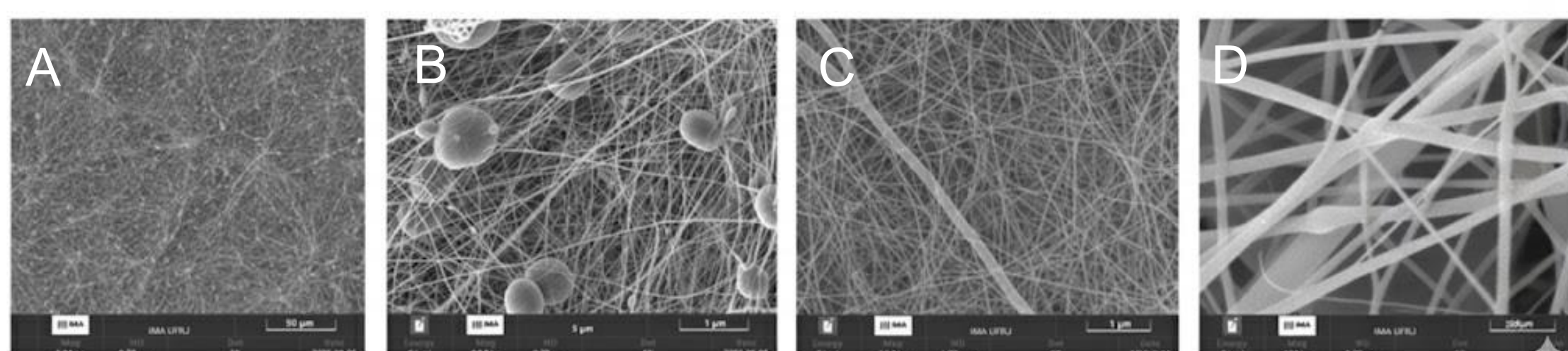


Fig. 3 – SEM images for PCL plain sample at 1000 (A), 10000 (B), 50000 (C) and 100000x (D) magnifications

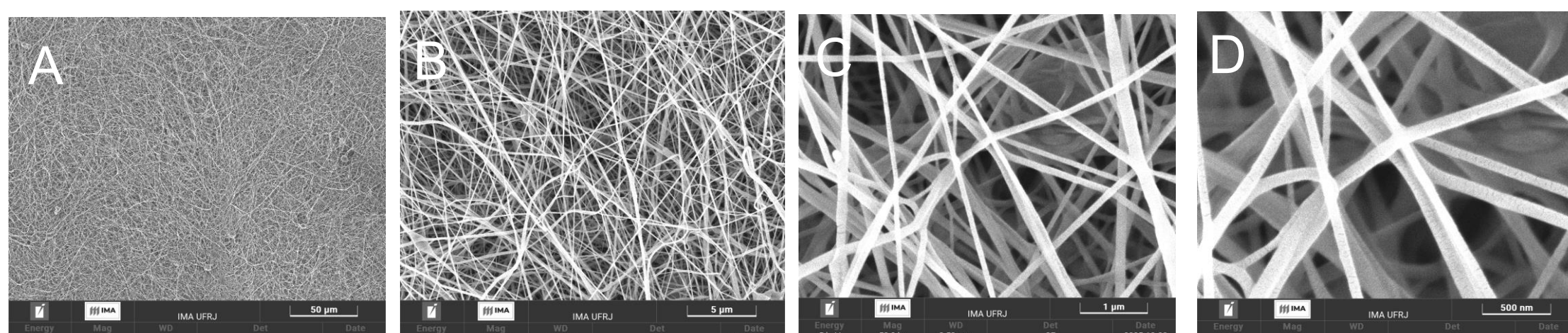


Fig. 4 – SEM images for PCL with 20% m/m cashew leaves sample at 1000 (A), 10000 (B), 50000 (C) and 100000x (D) magnifications

CONCLUSION

Electrospinning proved to be an efficient technique for producing nanometric-scale films. Characterization analyses confirmed successful fiber formation, thermal stability, and complete solvent evaporation during processing, validating the films as a promising alternative for packaging applications.

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