

## Supplementary Material

# Designing antioxidant and antimicrobial polyethylene films with bioactive compounds/clay nanohybrids for potential packaging applications

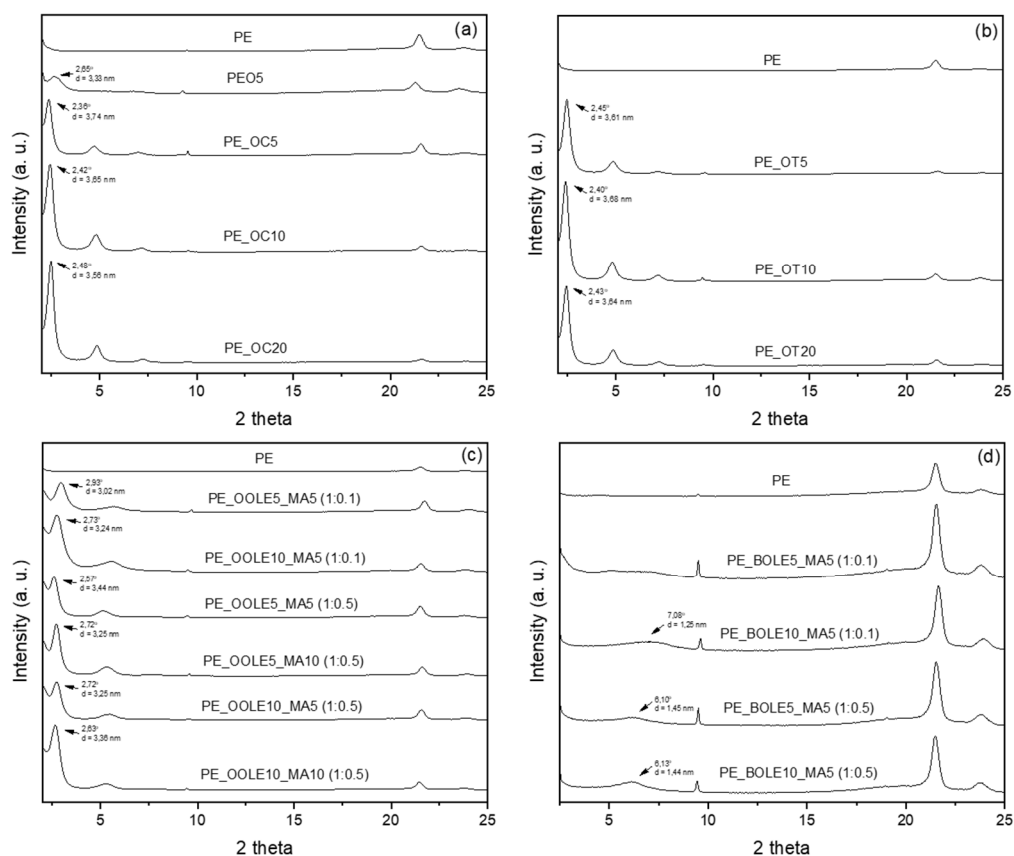
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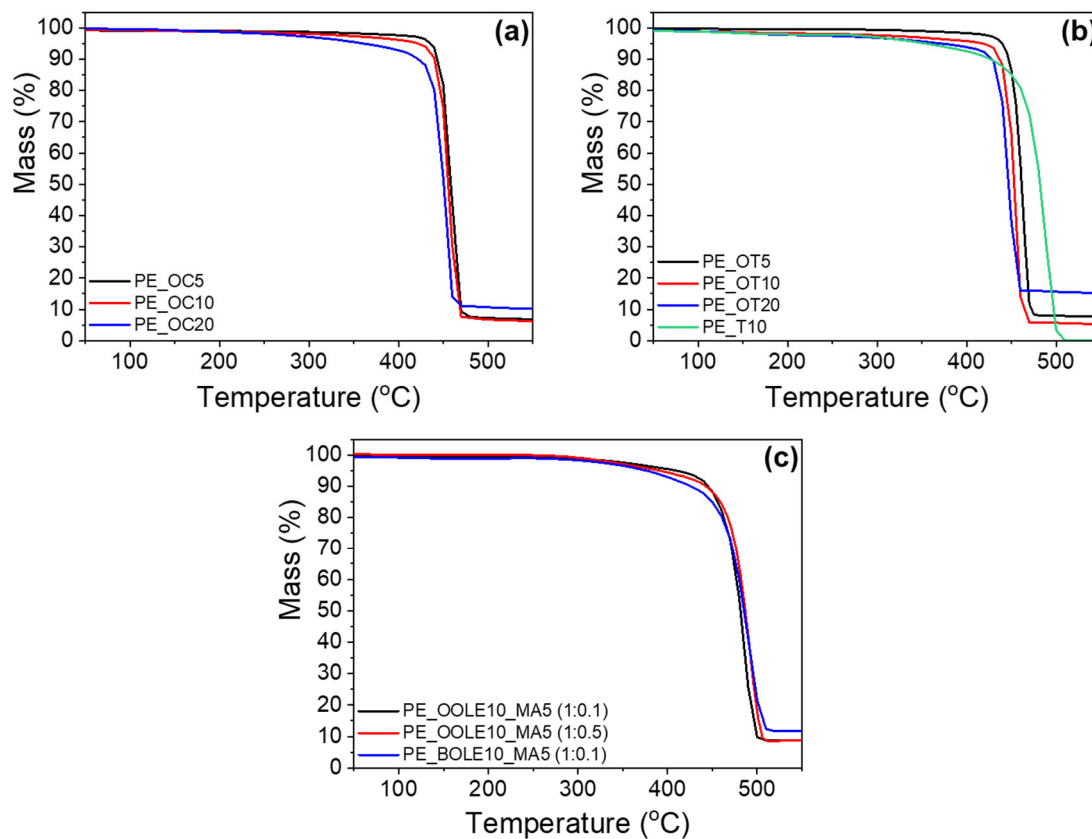
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**Figure S1.** XRD patterns of LDPE films with organically modified montmorillonite loaded with (a) carvacrol (OC) (b) thymol (OT), (c) solgar (OOLE) and (d) bentonite loaded with solgar (BOLE).



**Figure S2.** TGA profiles of films incorporated with bioactive nanocarriers with (a) carvacrol, (b) thymol and (c) OLE.

**Table S1.** Composition of selected films based on TGA analysis.

Film's code name	Blends	Clay:bioactive substance ratio (r)	Composition (% wt.)	Bioactive substance content (% wt.)
PE_OC5	LDPE/OC	1:1	95/5	0.2
PE_OC10	LDPE/OC	1:1	90/10	0.7
PE_OC20	LDPE/OC	1:1	80/20	1.6
PE_OT5	LDPE/OT	1:1	95/5	0.3
PE_OT10	LDPE/OT	1:1	90/10	1.2
PE_T10	LDPE/T	-	90/10	0.1
PE_OT20	LDPE/OT	1:1	80/20	2.3
PE_OOLE10_MA5	LDPE/OOLE/PE-g-MA	1:0.1	85/10/5	1.1
PE_OOLE10_MA5	LDPE/OOLE/PE-g-MA	1:0.5	85/10/5	1.1
PE_BOLE10_MA5	LDPE/BOLE/PE-g-MA	1:0.1	85/10/5	0.9