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Transesterification of ethylene(vinyl acetate) or EVA via catalytic reactive extrusion in the presence of 1-dodecanal and dibutyl tin dilaurate (DBTL) catalyst was completely occurred in a twin-screw extruder at a screw speed of 10 rpm in order to alter the vinyl acetate groups in the chains to be hydroxyl groups. The result from FTIR and dynamic mechanical test revealed that the increment of hydroxyl groups to EVA chains was successfully obtained via catalytic reactive extrusion. The synthesis of modified EVA (mEVA) via the effective methods as mentioned earlier was blended with PLA and four different type of compatibilizers; i.e. Ethyleneglycidyl methacrylate copolymer (E-GMA), ethylene-methyl acrylate-glycidyl methacrylate terpolymer (T-GMA), Ethylene-acrylic acid copolymer (PE-AA), and Poly(2-ethyl-2-oxazoline) (Oxa) at various amounts of mEVA (10, 20, 30, and 40 15 phr of compatibilizers loading. wt%) and 5, 10 and PLA/mEVA/compatibilizers blends were prepared in a co-rotating twin-screw extruder with a screw speed of 30 rpm. Morphological interpretation through FE-SEM revealed the separation between PLA and mEVA phases in the presence of mEVA. On the other hand, FE-SEM images presented the improvement in compatibility of the PLA/mEVA blends in the presence of compatibilizers.

# บทคัดย่อ

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ปฏิกิริยาทรานเอสเทอริฟิเคชั่นของเอธทิลีนไวนิลอะซีเทตผ่านกระบวนการอัครีคแบบ เกิดปฏิกิริยาภายใน เกิดขึ้นอย่างสมบูรณ์เมื่อมีโคเคกซิลแอลกอฮอลล์และตัวเร่งปฏิกิริยาไคบิว ทิลทินใคลอเรท ภายในเครื่องอัครีคแบบเกลียวหนอนคู่ที่ความเร็ว 10 รอบต่อนาที เพื่อเปลี่ยนหมู่ ไวนิลอะซีเทตบนสายโซ่เป็นหมู่ไฮครอกซิล ผลการวิเคราะห์ทางเคมีด้วยเทคนิคอินฟราเรคสเปค โทรสโคปีและผลการวิเคราะห์สมบัติเชิงกลแบบพลวัตยืนยันว่า การเพิ่มขึ้นของหมู่ไฮครอกซิลบน สายโซ่ของเอธทิลีนไวนิลอะซีเทตเกิดขึ้นสำเร็จผ่านกระบวนการอัครีคแบบเกิดปฏิกิริยาภายใน การสังเคราะห์เอธทิลีนไวนิลอะซีเทตดัดแปรด้วยวิธีการที่มีประสิทธิภาพดังที่ได้กล่าวมาข้างค้น ถูกนำมาผสมเข้ากับพอลิแลกติกแอซิดและสารเพิ่มความเข้ากันได้ 4 ชนิดแตกต่างกัน โดยใช้ อัตราส่วนโดยน้ำหนักของพอลิแลกติกแอซิคกับเอธทิลีนไวนิลอะซีเทตที่อัตราส่วนต่างๆคิคเป็น 90:10, 80:20, 70:30 และ 60:40 และใช้ปริมาณสารเพิ่มความเข้ากันได้ที่ปริมาณ 5, 10 และ 15 phr พอลิเมอร์ผสมระหว่างพอลิแลกติกแอซิด เอธทิลีนไวนิลอะซีเทตคัดแปร และสารเพิ่มความเข้ากัน ได้ถูกเตรียมขึ้นภายในเครื่องอัดรีดแบบเกลียวหนอนคู่ที่หมุนในทิศทางเดียวกัน ทำปฏิกิริยาที่ ความเร็วรอบ 30 รอบต่อนาที ผลการทคสอบสัณฐานวิทยาแสคงให้เห็นว่ามีการแยกเฟสเกิดขึ้น ระหว่างพอลิแลกติกแอซิคกับเอธทิลีนไวนิลอะซีเทต อย่างไรก็ตามขนาคอนุภาคกระจายของ เอธทิลีนไวนิลอะซีเทตจะมีขนาคเล็กลงเมื่อผสมสารเพิ่มความเข้ากันได้ลงไป ซึ่งแสคงให้เห็นว่า พอลิแลกติกแอซิคผสมเข้ากับกับเอธทิลีนไวนิลอะซีเทตได้ดียิ่งขึ้น

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