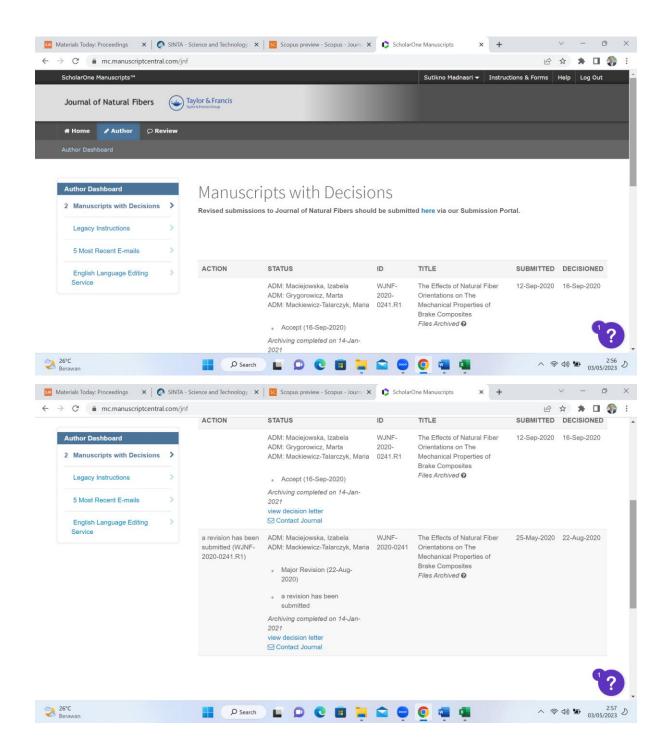
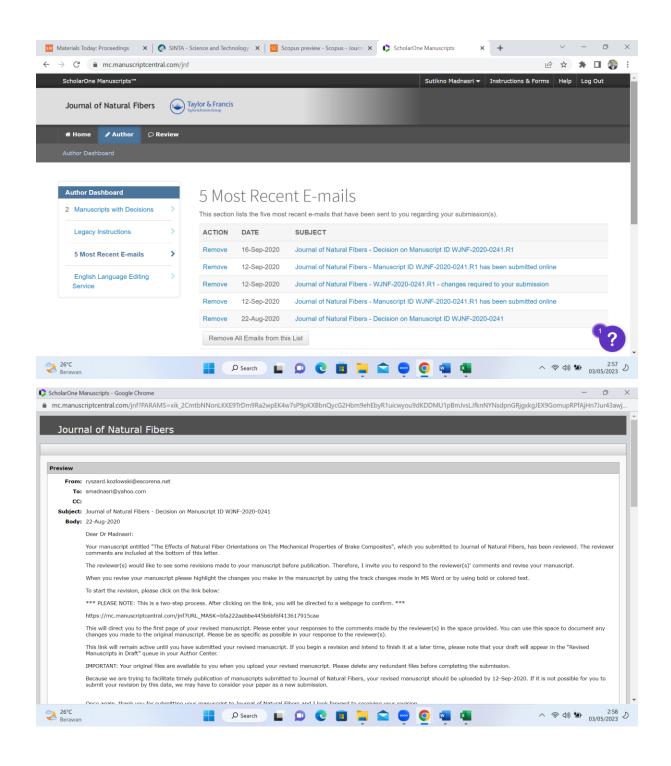
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We have come studied several articles reporting on the chemical composition of PALF. Then we have considered selecting data that is nearly as accurate as possible as recommended by reviewers and based on the largest number of articles reporting nearly the same chemical composition of PALF. The chemical composition of PLAF is already revised. We have also read and cited all articles recommended by reviewers and relevant to the topic of our manuscript. We thank for the material and critical opinions that make our manuscripts become better.

3. Towards the end of the introduction, a road map for the research can be incorporated. Also, the novelty of the works should be mentioned precisely.

Response:

OK. Thank. The roadmap file already is completed and attached to the main document.

4. The physic-mechanical properties of the selected fibres like fineness, length, bundle strength, elongation, moisture content, etc should be mentioned in the manuscript

Response:

Ok. Thank. They are already completed in the revised manuscript as complete as possible, taken from some references.

5. Mention the name of all the chemical suppliers and the purity of chemicals used for the study.

Response:

Ok. Thank you. They are written in details in the Materials and Method part.

6. In materials and methods, provide separate sub headings for fibre extraction, composite preparation and testing

Response:

Thank you. It is already done.

7. Do you have the SEM images of cross section of the composite?

Response:

The cross-section SEM image is not taken, because no supporting instruments can be accessed.

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Response:

We thank for this smart correction. We have revised that substance based on the credible and reputable references. We have tried to re-arrange that explanation.

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Response:

OK. Thank. We have explained it in the revised manuscript. Actually, we have observed the specimen surfaces in the various magnifications (400x-3000x). In the experiments, we captured some images with different qualities of images depend on each ingredient, especially fiber type. We tried to exhibit the clearer image in the revised manuscript.

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Response:

OK. It's done. The file of merged images is completed.

12. What is the tensile strength of the each fibre composites based on their volume fraction from 2-10 %?

Response:

Actually, we want to complete this data, but unfortunately the lockdown situation is expanding, and the laboratory accesses have been closed for the whole island for uncertain period. Expectedly, this attempt is already enough to fulfill the requirement of minimum dataset in reporting brake composite research.

13. In the table 1, use decimal point, instead of coma

Response:

OK. It's done. Thanks.

14. In the figure 7, clearly mention, which images corresponds to coconut, arecanut and PALF fibre composite.

Response:

OK. It's done. Thanks. The revised manuscript it is already revised, and revised image file is attached.

15. SEM explanation seems to be blurry.

Response:

OK. It's done. Thanks. The text is already corrected.

16. Page no 9, line no 19 describes about the fibre diameter, however, the figure refers to SEM images of the composite.

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Response:

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Response:

We have controlled this fiber orientations since the brake composite research in 2010 manually. We placed the fibers one by one according the fiber patterns. For this manuscript, we have used masks as tools in adjusting the fiber orientations. The masks were designed based on the three fiber orientations.

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science. The results should be discussed in detail

Reviewer: 2

Comments to the Author The paper is very poor. No new. I reject it.

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