

Electronic Supplementary Information

**Flame retardant and anti-dripping properties of polylactic acid/poly(bis(phenoxy)phosphazene)/expandable graphite composite and its flame retardant mechanism**

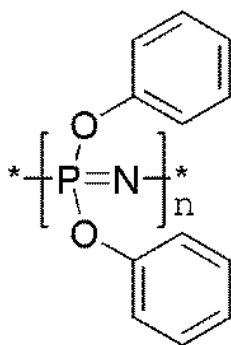
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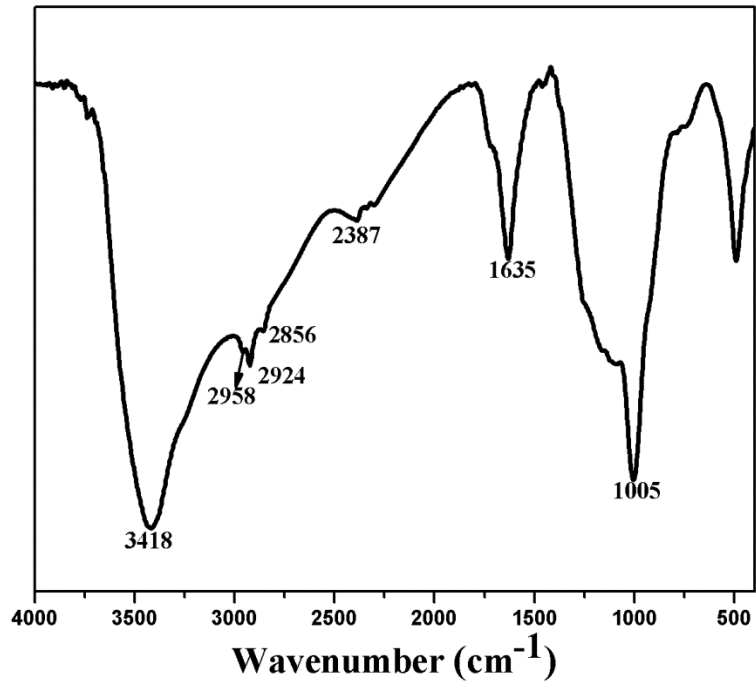
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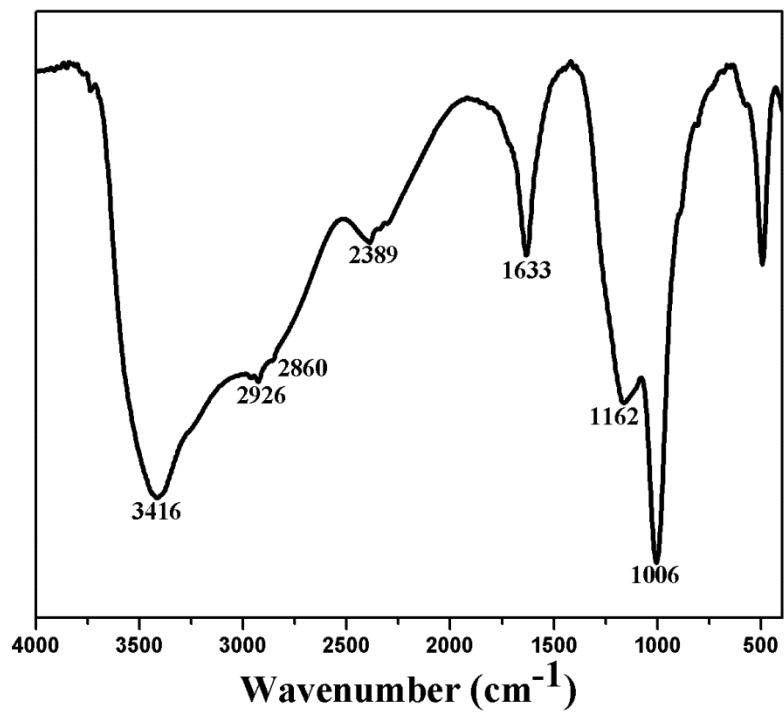


**Fig. S1.** Chemical structure of SPB-100.

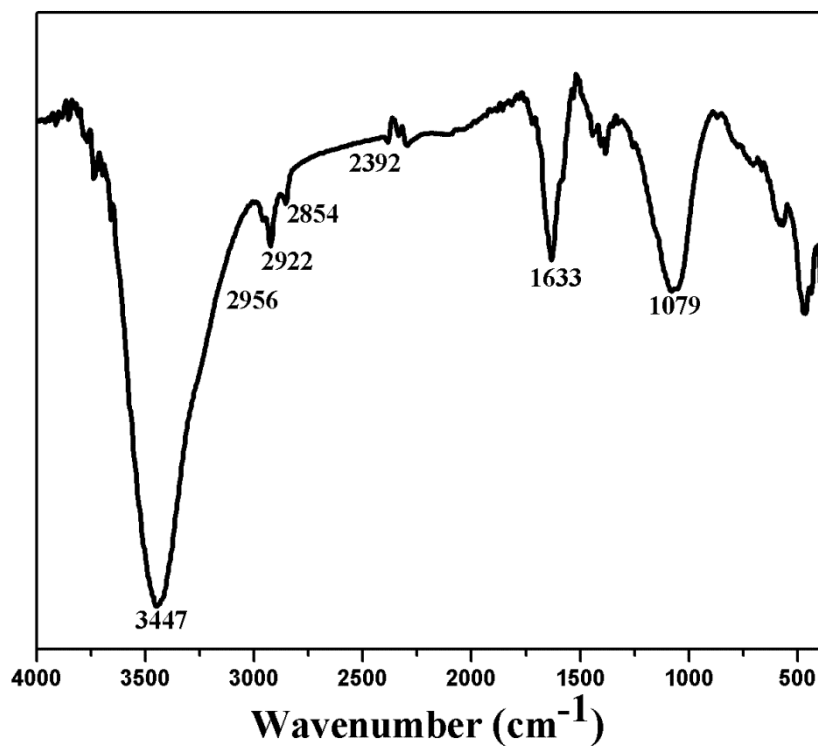
In Fig. S2, the absorption peak at  $3418 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  corresponds to O-H vibration adsorption and of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . The absorption peaks at  $2958$ ,  $2924$  and  $2856 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  are assigned to the vibration adsorption of  $-\text{CH}_3$  and  $-\text{CH}_2-$ . The absorption peak at  $1635 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  is ascribed to the vibration adsorption of  $\text{C}=\text{C}$  in graphite material.<sup>1</sup> The absorption peak at  $1005 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  belongs to the vibration adsorption of  $\text{C}-\text{O}-\text{C}$ .<sup>2</sup> The composition of the char residue of neat PLA is graphitic materials with oxygen functional groups. In the FTIR spectrum of char residue of PLA3, the peak at  $1162 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  is stretching vibration of  $\text{PO}_2/\text{PO}_3$  in phosphate carbon complexes.<sup>3,4</sup> The FTIR spectrum of char residue of PLA4 is similar to that of neat PLA.



**Fig. S2.** FTIR spectrum of char residue of PLA0 after cone calorimeter test.



**Fig. S3.** FTIR spectrum of char residue of PLA3 after cone calorimeter test.



**Fig. S4.** FTIR spectrum of char residue of PLA4 after cone calorimeter test.

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