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Sommario/riassunto

This timely text integrates disciplines such as materials science, polymer chemistry, plant science, chemical engineering, and nanotechnology to provide comprehensive coverage of the state of the art in bio-based composite materials, as well as their biological feedstocks, basic design principles, properties, industrial applications, environmental friendliness, and life cycles. It presents a strategic and policy-oriented view of bio-based composites, addressing the competing needs for plants as food versus plants as manufacturing feedstocks, while considering the costs of retrofitting existing chemical production plants for bio-based composite manufacture. --
