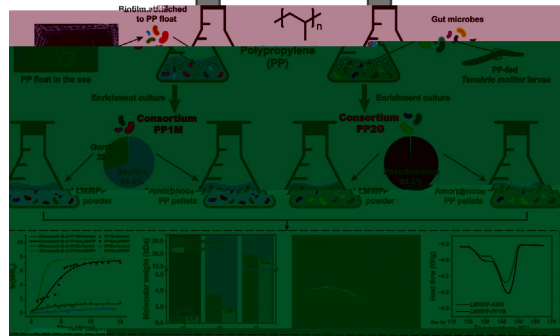




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2.3. Sequencing of the V3-V4 region of 16S rRNA gene amplicons

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2.4. Determination of both consortia grown on PP plastics

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2.5. Biotreatment of PP plastic by consortia PP1M and PP2G

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2.6. Characterization of molecular weight changes of PP polymer by HT-GPC

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2.7. Morphological observation by scanning electron microscopy (SEM)

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2.8. Chemical characterization of PP surface by attenuated total reflection Fourier transform infrared (ATR-FTIR) spectroscopy

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2.9. Characterization of the crystalline properties of PP plastics by differential scanning calorimetry (DSC)

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3. Results and discussion

3.1. Enrichment and diversity of two cultivable PP degrading consortia

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Table 1

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3.3. Molecular weight changes of PP treated by bacterial consortia

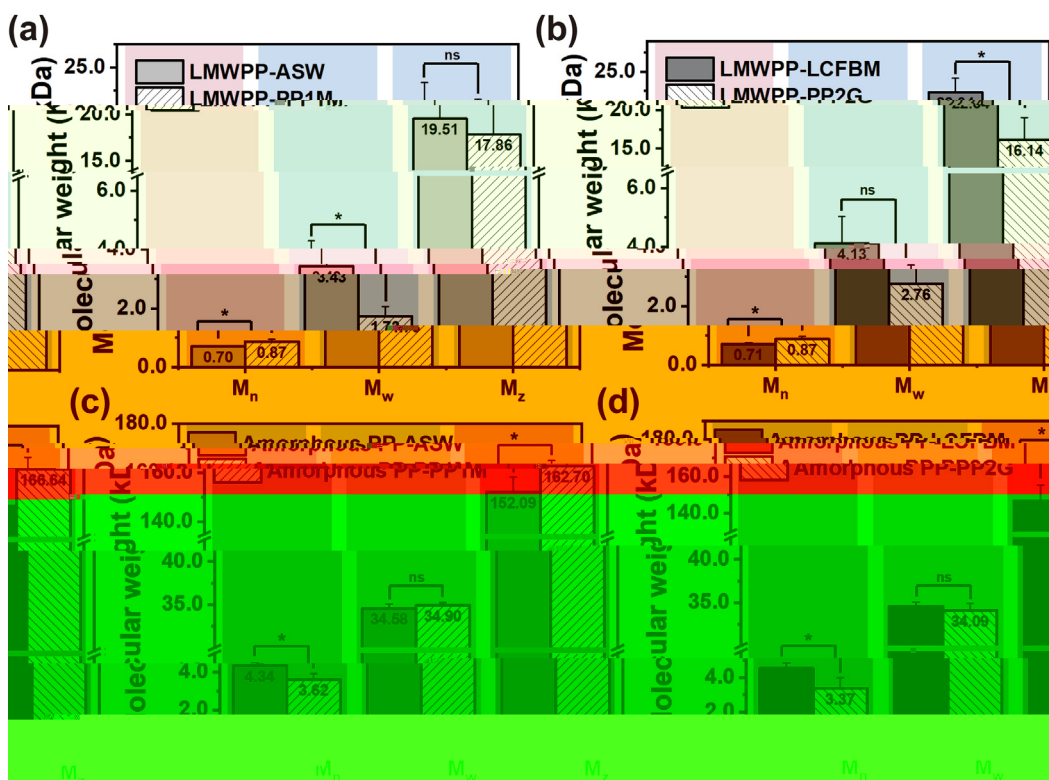
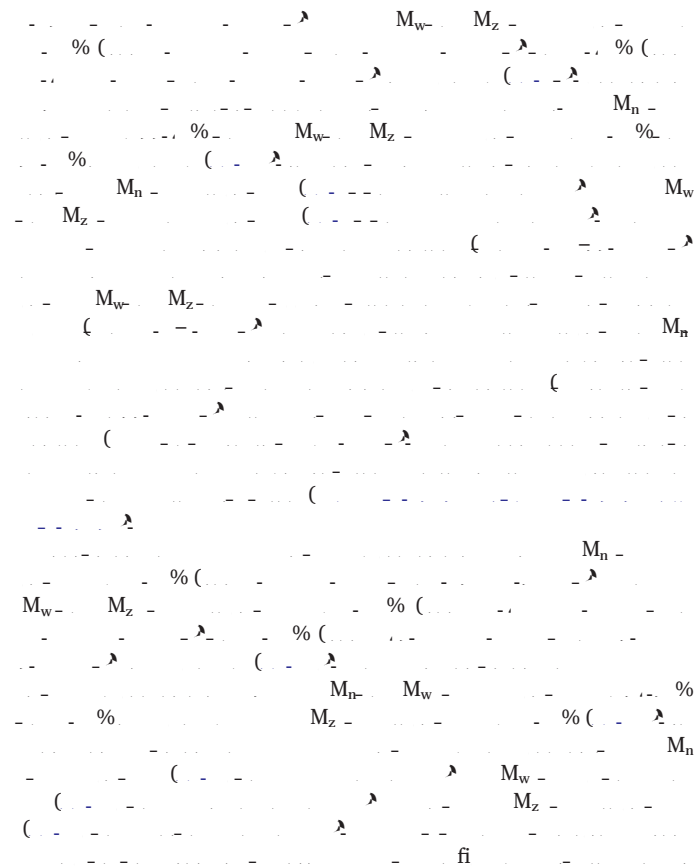
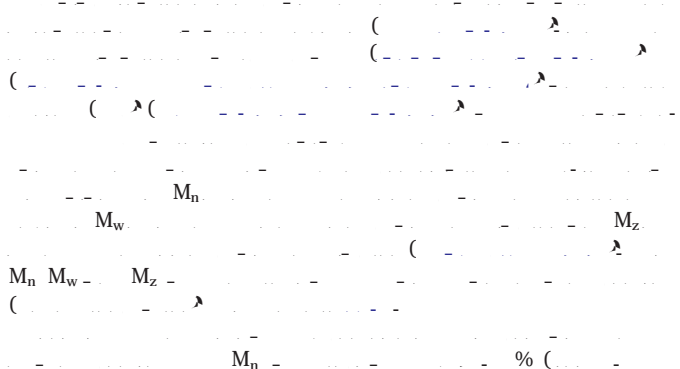
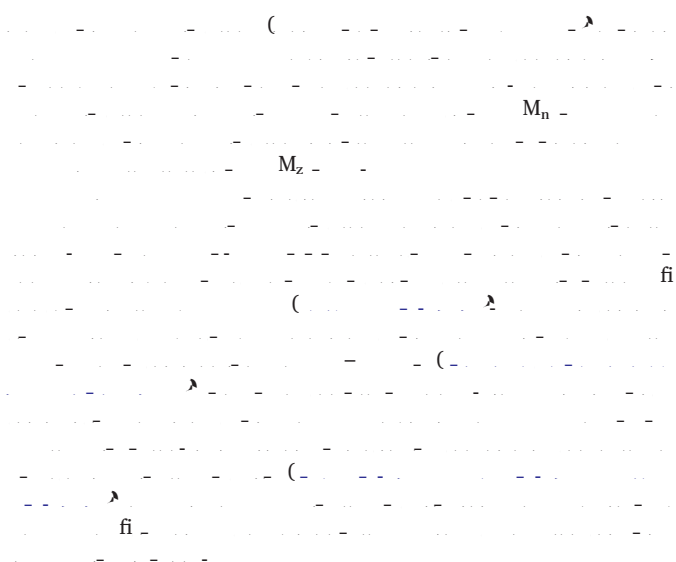
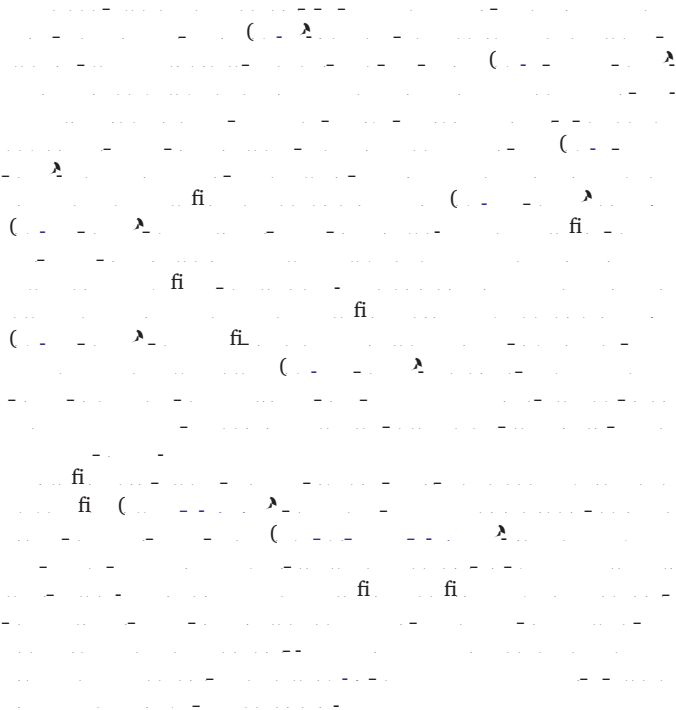


Fig. 3. Molecular weight changes of PP treated by bacterial consortia. (a) LMWPP-ASW and LMWPP-PP2G. (b) LMWPP-LCFBM and LMWPP-PP2G. (c) Amorphous PP-ASW and Amorphous PP-PP2G. (d) Amorphous PP-PP2G. M_n , M_w , M_z (kDa) are the number-average, weight-average, and z-average molecular weights, respectively. f_i is the fraction of each molecular weight. t test $p < 0.05$ is considered significant. ns, not significant.



3.4. Changes in topographical properties of bio-treated PP surfaces



3.5. Changes in chemical properties of bio-treated PP surface

Sample	Control		Bio-treated	
	CL (%)	HI (%)	CL (%)	HI (%)
LMWPP-ASW	~10	~10	~15	~15
LMWPP-PP1M	~10	~10	~18	~18
LMWPP-J.CERM	~10	~10	~22	~22
LMWPP-PP2CG	~10	~10	~25	~25

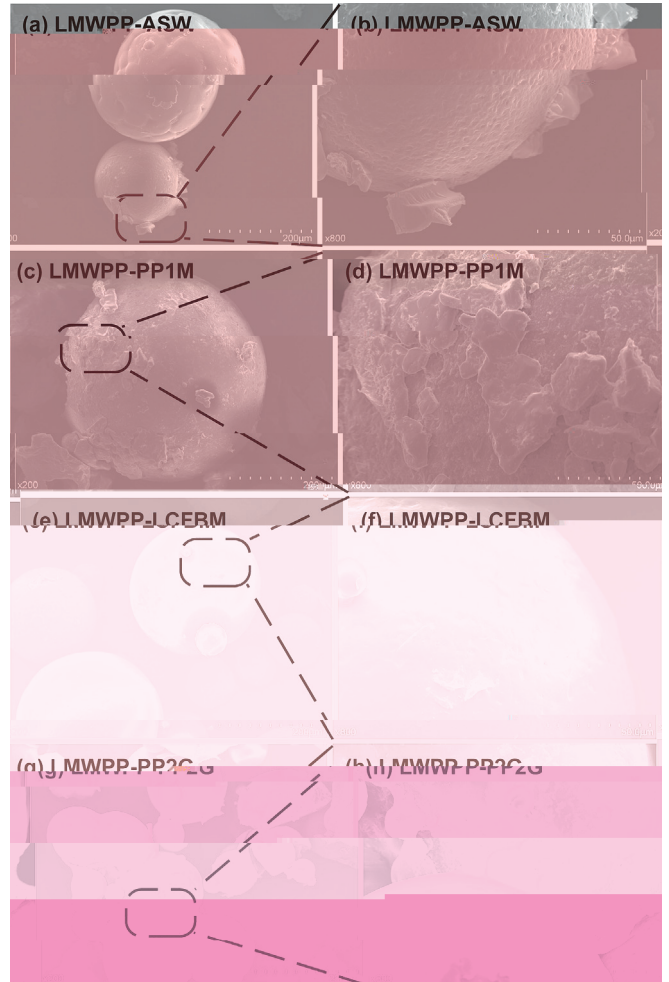


Fig. 4. SEM images of bio-treated PP surfaces. (a) LMWPP-ASW, (b) LMWPP-ASW, (c) LMWPP-PP1M, (d) LMWPP-PP1M, (e) LMWPP-J.CERM, (f) LMWPP-J.CERM, (g) LMWPP-PP2CG, (h) LMWPP-PP2CG.

Table 2

Sample	Control		Bio-treated	
	CP (%)	HP (%)	CP (%)	HP (%)
LMWPP-ASW	~10	~10	~15*	~15*
LMWPP-PP1M	~10	~10	~18*	~18*
LMWPP-J.CERM	~10	~10	~22*	~22*
LMWPP-PP2CG	~10	~10	~25*	~25*

* indicates significant difference (p < 0.05).

Table 3

	ΔH_m (J/g)	(%)
LMWPP-ASW	1.2	100
LMWPP-PP1M	1.5	125
LMWPP-LCFBM	1.1	92
LMWPP-PP2G	1.4	118
Amorphous PP-ASW	0.8	67
Amorphous PP-PP1M	1.0	83
Amorphous PP-LCFBM	0.9	75
Amorphous PP-PP2G	1.1	92

3.6. Changes in the crystalline properties of bio-treated PP

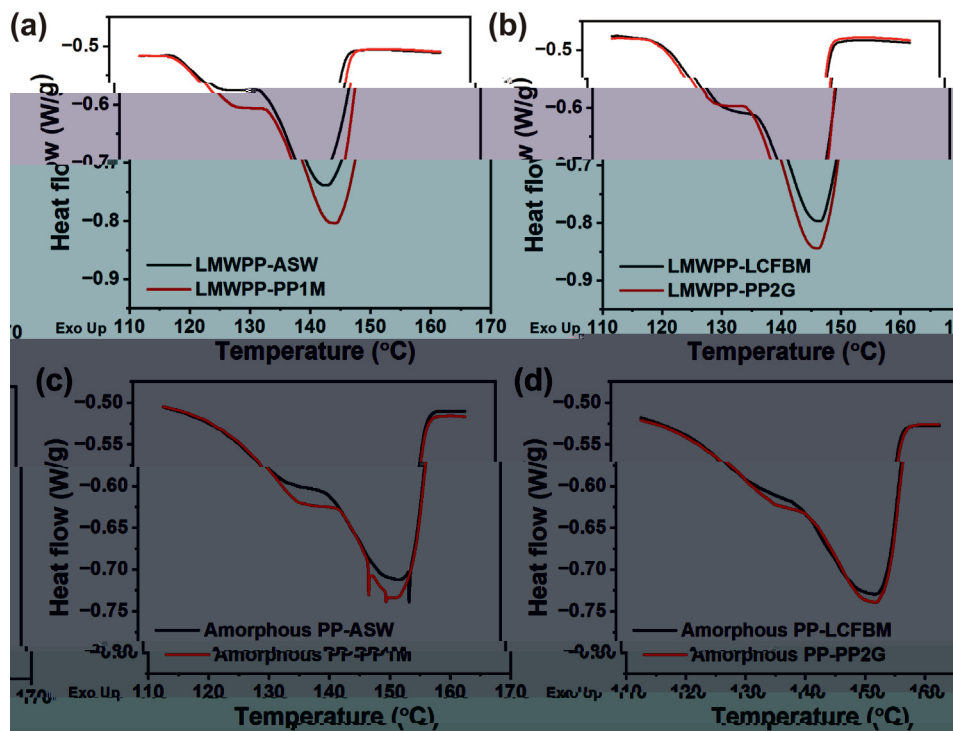
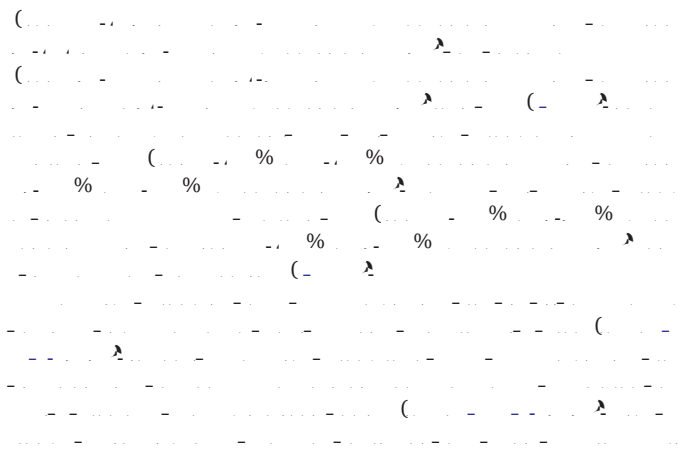
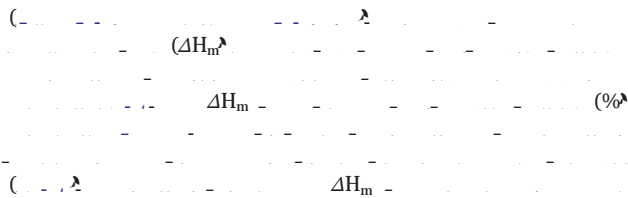


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