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SYNTHESIS AND APPLICATIONS OF SILVER NANOPARTICLES: A REVIEW

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ABSTRACT

In more recent times Nanotechnology has become a hotbed of research. Nanotechnology are associated with nanoparticles with a thickness of 1-100 nm on one side, that is used in medical chemicals, quantum optics, and other fields. Nanoparticles are often used due to its light weight, shape, or structure, that are shown to modify the performance of any other entity which makes contact with it. Organic, physiological, and ecological approaches can all be used to repair these particles. Chemical, physical, and environmental approaches can all be used to repair these particles. Researchers have been interested in silver nanoparticles (NPs) because of their unusual properties (e.g., size and shape depending on optical, antimicrobial, and electrical properties). Various methods for preparing silver NPs for consolidation have been recorded in this review; notable examples include Laser light, nuclear irradiation, radiation generated by electromagnetic waves irradiation, electrochemical treatment, photochemical approaches, microwave processing, and biological methods are some of the techniques that have been used.

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INTRODUCTION

Nanotechnology is an area of knowledge and transformation involving the analysis of materials in the nanoscale, usually between 1 and 100 nanometers. It is a nanoscale science that relates to various fields of science such as dentistry, pharmaceuticals, and bioengineering, material science, agriculture, food service, cosmetic, clinical, and diagnostic applications **[1]**.

Nanobiotechnology, bio nanotechnology, and nanobiology are concepts used to describe the synthesis of nanotechnology and biology. Polyphenols, flavonoids, tannins, and phenolic compounds are among the bioactive compounds found in plants and plant metabolites **[2]**.

With their distinct mode of action, AgNPs nanoparticles have the most impactful outcomes of all nanotechnological applications. In the last decade, the use of metals as antimicrobial agents has been shown to have good scientific support. In certain cases, scientists discovered that metal ions closely bound to antibiotic structures (e.g., bacitracin, erythromycin, and cephalexin) handle biocidal action; they have been attached to the antibiotic molecule without altering the antibiotic structure, but they have increased the activity **[3]**. In comparison to other metals, silver nanoparticles have a stronger antibacterial impact. Green nanoparticle synthesis has been achieved using environmentally acceptable plant extract and eco- friendly reducing and capping agent **[4]**. A transmission electron microscope (TEM), X-ray diffraction (XRD), and Fourier transfer infrared spectroscopy were used to examine the morphology and structure of AgNPs (FTIR). In turn, the antibacterial activity of silver nanoparticles was assessed to use a broth dilution test against *S. aureus* and *E. coli*. To improve the bactericidal activity of silver nanoparticles, a calculation was performed with various types of silver NPs generated at various annealing temperatures and pH levels. **[5]**.

NANOPARTICLES

A nanoparticle is a very small unit with a diameter of one nano meter. Nanoparticles can be found in nature and are often generated as a result of human activity. They have distinct properties due to their submicroscopic scale, and the nanoparticles generated can be used in active applications in a variety of fields Pharmaceuticals, engineering catalysis, and environmental change are all examples of this **[6]**. Nanoparticles can be made from a wide range of industrial chemicals, namely metals, carbonates, semi ceramic ingredients, polyethylene, environmental, carbon, and organic compounds. Nanoparticles come in a range of shades, like spheres, cylinders, platelets, and tubes **[7]**. Nanoparticles are usually designed to fulfil the particular needs of end applications **[8]**.

NANO SILVER

Silver is one of the materials used in nano formulation (nano silver). Silver is used in filtration filters for drinking water and swimming pools because of its antimicrobial properties. Silver and metal have been ultrafine particles in many ways to generate nano silver, including sparks, reducing electrochemical, irradiation solution, and cryo-chemical synthesis **[9]**. Nano silver particles have a diameter of less than 100 nanometers and contain between 20 and 15,000 silver atoms. Nanostructures may also be made into tubes, strings, multifaceted structures, or movies. The silver particles have deformed physic-chemical deviations on a nanoscale scale (such as pH depending on the separation of solid and dissolved matter) **[10]**. This is because each mass has a wide surface area, allowing a large number of atoms to interact with the atmosphere. Nano silver is now being used in rising consumer value and medical devices due to silver structures at the nanoscale. Since silver has a soft white sheen, silver nanoparticles are commonly used to give items a silver sheen **[11]**.

PRODUCTION OF SILVER NANOPARTICLE

Physical approaches

The most effective methods of the body are dehydration and laser removal. Physiological processes have advantages over chemical processes in terms of the absence of solvent contamination in small prepared films and the similarity in NP distribution **[12]**. The use of a furnace to combine silver NPs with air pressure has some disadvantages, such as taking up a lot of space, using a lot of energy while increasing the natural temperature around the source wells, and taking longer to achieve thermal stability. Furthermore, a traditional furnace takes more than a few kilowatts of power and a few minutes of heating time to achieve a stable temperature **[13]**. It has been demonstrated that silver nanoparticles can be used in conjunction with a small clay heater to create a local temperature. The springs were drained using a small clay heater. Since the gradient in a hot object is much colder than in a boiler, steam fumes will cool to a degree **[14]**.

This allows for the production of small NPs with a high density. Since particle temperature does not vary with time, particle generation is very stable. This method of observation may be used as a nanoparticle generator for long-term experiments in inhalation toxicity studies, as well as a nanoparticle measuring tool **[15]**. According to the findings, global warming increased the geometric scale, geometric deviations, and the total number of filters for NPs. Even at high temperatures, round NPs can be found without undergoing integration **[16]**.

Elimination of metal tools may be paired with silver NPs. Many factors influence the ablation efficiency and characteristics of the nano-silver particles generated, including laser duration, including the metal target, length of laser pulses (femto-, pico-, and nanosecond), laser fluence, and the distance between the active liquid and the extraction rate, with or without surfactants. **[17]**.

Chemical approaches

Chemical reduction by natural and biological agents is a popular method of integrating silver NPs. To reduce silver ions (Ag +) in solid or non-aqueous solutions, various reducing agents such as sodium citrate, ascorbate, sodium borohydride (NaBH4), elemental hydrogen, polyol phase, Tollens reagent, N, N-dimethylformamide (DMF), and poly (ethylene glycol) -block copolymers are used **[18]**. These reducing agents reduce Ag + and cause silver and iron (Ag0) to form, which are then synthesised into oligomeric clusters. Silver and metal particles are associated with the formation of these collections. To avoid interaction with the nanoparticle surfaces, it is important to use protective materials to stabilise the released NPs mostly during preparation of nanoparticle metal, as well as to avoid NPs from entering or binding to the particles surface **[19]**. Active surfactants (such as sodium salts, amines, chemicals, and hard liquor) interacting with particle surfaces can help to stabilise particle growth and prevent particles from catching, crashing, or weakening top layer. The most popular polymeric chemicals have been reported to be poly (vinyl alcohol), poly (vinylpyrrolidone), poly (ethyleneglycol), poly (methacrylic cacid), and polymethylmethacrylate. Agents that are extremely efficient at strengthening **[20]**. At ambient temperature, silver NPs can be made by combining the corresponding iron ions with reduced polyoxometalates, which serve as reducing and stabilising agents. Polyoxometalates are water soluble and have powerful multielectron redox reactions that do not interfere with their formation **[21]**.

Biological approaches

Researchers have spent years developing environmentally sustainable materials to minimise, position, and reinforce agents used to prepare silver nanoparticles as morphology and scale. **[22]**. Without the use of volatile, toxic, or costly chemical agents, biological methods can be used to assemble silver nanoparticles. The reduction of iron by biomolecule compounds found in the extraction of certain substances (e.g., enzymatic, glutamic acid, disaccharides, and vitamins) is not environmentally hazardous, but it is chemically complex **[23]**.

APPLICATION OF SILVER NANOPARTICLES

Nanomedicine is a vast field of study with enormous potential for improving human diagnostic accuracy and care. Dispersed nanoparticles are commonly used in nano biomedicine as illuminated biological labels, medications, and biochemical delivery agents, as well as in facilities like pathogen bio detection, synthetic biology, plant destruction with fever (hyperthermia), enhanced MRI comparison, and phagokinetic studies **[24]**. Researchers have begun studying biosynthesized nanoparticles in programmes such as targeted delivery, treatment for cancer, molecular therapy and DNA testing, antimicrobials, biosensors, improved reaction rates, isolation science, and MRI, despite the fact that the area of biosynthesized nanoparticles is still relatively new. We've included several examples to demonstrate how these applications can be used **[25]**.

Table 1: Application of silver nanoparticles

Drug delivery	• **Magnetic nanoparticles are used to treat cancer.** • **Nanocarriers have enhanced pharmacodynamics and oral bioavailability of therapeutics due to their high surface area to volume ratio.** **They make hydrophobic compounds more soluble and thus ideal for transdermal delivery.**	**[26]**
Antibacterial agent	**Fusarium oxysporum-produced extracellular silver nanoparticles can be incorporated into textile materials to prevent infection with pathogens including Staphylococcus.** **In the presence of AgNPs, the antibacterial activities of ampicillin, kanamycin, erythromycin, and chloramphenicol against test strains were increased.**	**[27]**
Biosensor	• **DNA detector for disease detection and hereditary tracking.** • **Immunosensors: drug screening for HIV, hepatitis, and other infectious diseases, as well as environmental management.** **The electrical and chemical behavior of a vanillin sensor based on Ag anoparticles-modified carbon - coated electrode were improved.**	**[28]**
dentistry	• **Polymerizable orthodontic patent enhancer.** **Zno nanocomposite resin filler with silver (Dental resin composite).** **Fibrin sponge embedded with Ag NPs dispersion in polystyrene tubes.**	**[29]**

CONCLUSION

Because of their appealing appearance, nanomaterials play a significant role in pathology and regenerative medicine. A new survey showed that using a renewable, relatively low reducing agent or a well green nano science technique, metal nanocrystals can be produced without the use of harmful solvents or waste.

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