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### EVALUATING POTENTIALS OF PLANT AND MICROBE MEDIATED GREEN SYNTHESIS OF NANOPARTICLES- A REVIEW

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#### Abstract

Recent development in nanotechnology makes nanomaterial a promising agent with wide range of applications in major fields like medical, agriculture, bio-remediations, industries etc. Green synthesis of nanoparticle using plant and microbes is considered to be safe and environment friendly approach. Among various nanoparticles metal nanoparticle gain more attention due to their stability, catalytic abilities and applicability's. Diverse group of bacteria and plants are being employed for synthesis of metal nanoparticles. Characterization tool such as SEM, TEM, XRD, FTIR, DLS, AFM reveals morphology of synthesised particles. This review gives overall summary of various plants and bacteria mediated approaches used to synthesize metal nanoparticles, morphology and applications of synthesized particles. This Research would also include useful findings related to comparison between plants and bacteria mediated nanoparticles in terms of Morphology, size distributions and applications in various fields.

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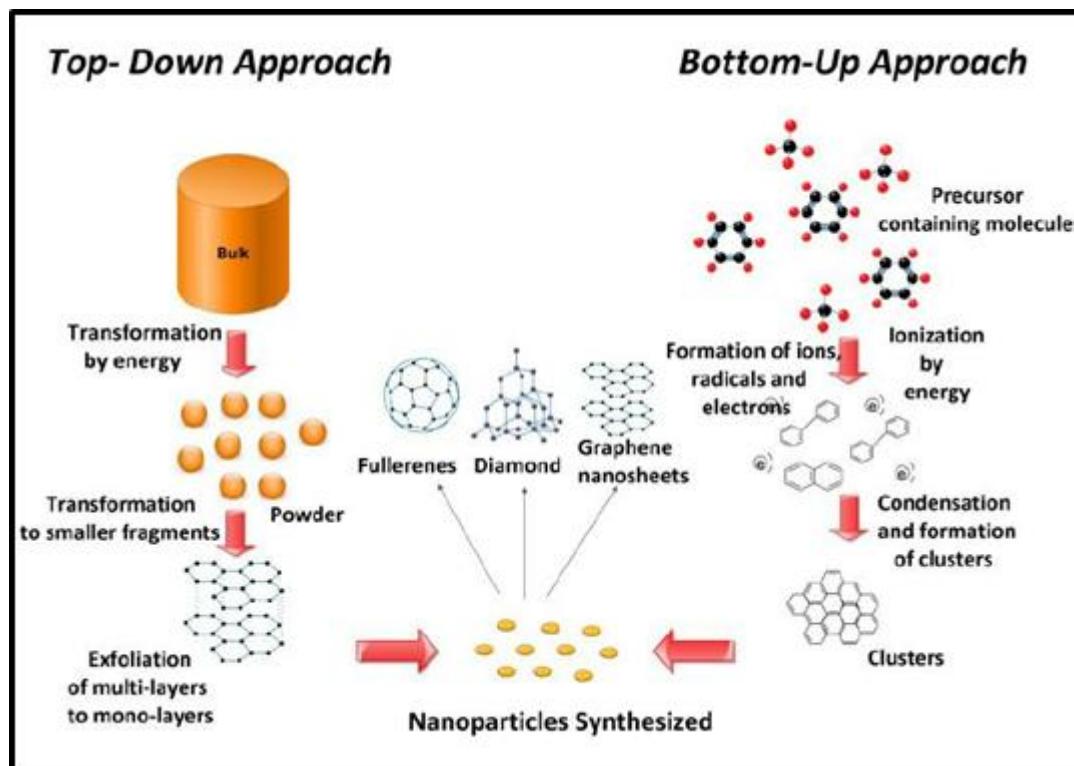
#### Introduction:-

**Nanotechnology** is the combination of science and engineering used in production, characterization and application of structure by controlling diameter and morphology at nanoscale. It involves study of structures at 1-100 nanoscale which possess novel properties and function attributed to their small size(Rajesh kumar, S., et. al. 2013).In modern times material science nanotechnology is one of the most promising and active area of research because nanoparticles have various novel properties such as size, morphology and distribution (Jain, D., et. al. 2009).To improve human race nanoparticles are considered as a strong candidate because of their applications in various fields(Vasantha, S., et. al. 2019). Fields such as agriculture, medicine, electronics have adapted the use of nanoparticles for betterment of human life (Hamed, A. A., et. al. 2020).Among various organic and inorganic nanoparticles, metal and metal oxide nanoparticles gain more attention due to their physical and chemical properties. Optical and electric properties of nanoparticles aids in various processes like catalysis, antimicrobial activity, anti-cancer, antioxidant activity, and bio-sensing, remediation of dyes and toxic compound (He, S., et. al. 2007; Attatsi, I. K., & Nsiah, F. 2020; Singh, A., et. al. 2020; Ahmed, S., et. al. 2016; Eustis, S., et. al. 2005;Ijaz, I., et. al.2020;Ma, H.,et. al. 2004).Many of the available methods for synthesis of nanoparticles among them physical and chemical methods having various drawback such as use and generation of hazardous product, high cost and limited applications in biological field. These drawbacks forces mankind to think in the area of ‘green chemistry’ (Ramakrishna, M., et. al. 2016).Metallic nanoparticles with zero valency such as silver, copper and gold have applications in various fields due to catalytic activity (El-Borady, O. M., et.al. 2020). These metal nanoparticles gain

more attention nowadays due to ease in synthesis, environment friendly approach without requirements of fancy experiment and wide range of biological applicability (. Manimegalai, G., et. al.2014).

### Nanoparticle'ssynthesis - approach

Synthesis of nanoparticles by physical, chemical and biological pathway classified in two classes. **1)Top-down approach 2)Bottom-up approach.** Nanoparticles can be synthesized by reinforcing smaller molecules such as atoms or by breaking bulk into the smaller particles. In top-down synthesis large bulky material is converted into smaller particle and in bottom-up approach smaller atoms combines to form nanoparticle -figure 1



**Fig. 1:-** Nanoparticles synthesis pathway via biological, chemical and physical methods.

### Methods for synthesis of metal nanoparticles

Many researchers tried to synthesis nanoparticles by various methods such as laser irradiation, electrochemical method, microwave assisted, ultrasonic irradiation, sodium borohydride, ascorbic acid, bacteria, plant, fungi. Morphology, stability and applicability of synthesized particles depends upon synthesis method (Ahmed, S., et. al. 2016; Eustis, S., et. al. 2005; Ijaz, I., et. al. 2020; Ma, H., et. al. 2004; Mohammed Fayaz, A., et. al. 2009; Nadagouda, M. N., et. al. 2011; Pugazhenthiran, N., et. al. 2009; Zhou, Y., et. al. 1999)

### Physical method

Evaporation-condensation method and laser ablation method are considered as most appropriate method for nanoparticle synthesis. Physical method has an advantage over chemical method as solvent contamination is absent in physical method (Iravani, S., et. al.2014).Also, hazardous chemical is not required for synthesis as radiation is used as a reducing agent (Zhang, X.-F., et. al.2016)

### Chemical method

In this approach various chemicals are required to reduce metal salts into nanoparticles, capping agentsneeded for stability (Khan, A., et. al.2016).Chemicals such as ascorbic acid, sodium borohydride and potassium borohydride are used for synthesis. Chemical method has its own limitations.

**Biological method**

Chemical and physical method for nanoparticle synthesis required hazardous chemical, high pressure and temperature also needed that will cause high energy consumption and cause environmental pollution. To overcome this problem biological synthesis of nanoparticles using microorganisms and plant is a promising method due to its eco friendliness, simpler and cheaper (Akintelu, S. A., et. al. 2020) In contemporary research nanoparticle synthesis using plant extract is considered as a safe approach (Ahmed, S., et. al.2016)

**Bacteria mediated synthesis of nanoparticle**

Microbial synthesis of nanoparticles is of two types;1. Extracellular Synthesis.2. IntracellularSynthesis. Studies shows that extracellular synthesis of nanoparticles using cell filtrate which is beneficial over intracellular synthesis. Intracellular synthesis limits their application. Microorganisms turns the metal ions into the element metal by their metabolites. Intracellular synthesis of nanoparticles requires additional down step processing for recovery of nanoparticles treatments such as saponification, detergents treatments (. Kannan, N., &Subbalaxmi, S. (2011, Senapati, S., et. al.2012).Bacteria possess enzymes that required for reduction of metal salt to form metal nanoparticles such as gold and silver. *Pseudomonas stutzeri* AG259 isolated from silver mine was recorded as the first organism used to synthesize silver nanoparticles (Punjabi, K., et. al. 2017).Exopolysaccharide produced by bacteria act as a reducing agent and also provide stability to synthesized particles (Escárcega-González, C. E., et. al. 2018).In bacterial synthesis bacterial supernatant is used as reducing agent, in culture supernatant, metal salt is added and is converted into nanoparticles, this approach is called top-downapproach (Iravani, S., et. al.2014). (Table 2 summarizes bacteria used for synthesis of different metal nanoparticles with methods used for characterization of synthesized particles.)

**Table 2:-** Bacteria mediated synthesis of nanoparticles.

Sr .No.	Microorganism	Nano- particle	SPR	Method for characterization	Shape	Size	Reference
1	<i>Bacillus cereus</i>	Silver	432	SEM, TEM, EDAX	Spherical	20-40	Sunkar, S., &Nachiyar, C. V. 2012
2	<i>Lactobacilus acidophilus</i>	Silver	430	SEM, EDAX, UV-vis	Spherical	45-60	Namasivayam, S. K. R.,et. al. 2010
3	<i>Bacillus megaterium</i>	Silver	435	HR-TEM, XRD, UV-vis	-	10-20	Prakash, A.,et. al.2011
4	<i>Bacillus megaterium</i>	Lead	330	HR-TEM, XRD, UV-vis	-	10-20	Prakash, A.,et. al.2011
5	<i>Bacillus megaterium</i>	Cadmium	410	HR-TEM, XRD, UV-vis	-	10-20	Prakash, A.,et. al.2011
6	<i>Enterococcus</i> sp	Cadmium	410	SEM, EDAX, UV-vis	Spherical	50-180	Rajeshkumar, S.,et. al.2014
7	<i>Rhodopseudomonascapsulata</i>	Gold	540	TEM.XRD, UV-Vis	Spherical	10-20	He, S., et. al. 2007
8	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	Silver	410	TEM, UV-Vis	Spherical, triangular	5-60	Saifuddin, N.,et. al.2009
9	<i>Morganellasp</i>	Copper	610	TEM, FTIR, SAED, UV-Vis	Poly disperse	15-20	Ramanathan, R., et. al.2013
10	<i>Idiomarina</i> sp. PR58-8	Silver	450	TEM, EDAX, UV-vis	-	26	Seshadri, S.,et.al.2012
11	<i>Aeromonas hydrophila</i>	Zinc oxide	374	AFM, XRD, UV-vis	Spherical, oval	57.72	Jayaseelan, C.,et.al.2012
12	<i>Streptomyces</i> MHM38	Copper	550	EDAX, XRD, SEM,UV-vis	Spherical	1.72-13.49	Bukhari, S. I.,et.al.2021
13	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	Silver	436	TEM, FTIR, UV-Vis	Spherical	40-60	Deshmukh, S. D.,et. al.2012
14	<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i>	Gold	550	SEM, AFM,	Spherical	10-	Prema, P.,et.

				FTIR, UV-Vis	XRD,		15	al.2016
15	Lactobacillus brevis	Silver	-	SEM, XRD, FTIR	TEM,	Spherical	30-100	Riaz Rajoka, M. S., et.al.2020

**Plant mediated synthesis of nanoparticle**

Plants possess various interesting biomolecules in the form of coenzyme, vitamin and intermediates, which reduce metal ions to nanoparticles in a single step. Synthesis of nanoparticles from plants are easy to process and has result based advantages coupled with relatively quicker applicational administrations, which make plants better and more favoured destinations (Malik, P., et.al.2014)

**Table 3:-** Plant mediated synthesis of nanoparticles.

S/ N	Plant name	Nanoparticl e	SPR pea k (nm )	Technique used for characterization	Shape	Size	Reference
1	Cissus arnotiana	Copper	350-380	SEM, TEM, AFM XRD	Spherical	60-90	Rajeshkumar, S., Menon, S., et. al.2019
2	Zingiber officinale	Silver	400	XRD, TEM, SEM equipped with EDX, FTIR	Semi spherical	11-24	Eisa, W. H., et. al.2019
3	Vitex negundo	Silver	423-432	XRD, TEM, SEM, EDX, FTIR	Spherical	Less than 20	Zargar, M.,et. al. 2014
4	Pulicariaglutinosa	Silver	422-459	SEM, TEM, EDX, FTIR, XRD	Spherical	40-60	Siddiqui, M. R., Khan, M.,et. al. 2013
5	Azadirachta indica	Silver	436-446	DLS, TEM, EDX, FTIR, XRD	Spherical	-	Ahmed, S.,et. al.2016
6	Cacumen Platycladi l	Gold	531	TEM.SAED, XRD, FTIR	Spherical	7.4	Zhan, G.,et. al. 2011
7	Agathosmabetulina	Zinc	-	TEM, EDX, XRD	Quasi-spherical	12-26	Thema, F. T.,et. al.2015
8	Cassia fistula	Zinc oxide	370	TEM, XRD, UV vis	Hexagona l	5-15	Suresh, D., et. al.2015
9	Deverratortuosa	Zinc oxide	-	HR-TEM, XRD, UV vis,FTIR	-	9.26-31.18	Selim, Y. A.,et. al.2020
10	Agathosmabetulina	Cadmium oxide	-	HRSEM, EDS, XRF, XRD, ATR-FTIR and Raman	Quasi-spherical	8	Thema, F. T.,et. al.2015
11	Nyctanthesarbortristi s	Titanium dioxide	-	SEM.XRD, particle size analyser	Spherical	100-150	Sundrarajan, M., & Gowri 2011
12	Glycine max	Palladium	420	SEM, TEM, XRD,UV- vis	Spherical	15	Kumar Petla, R.,et. al. 2012
13	Azadirachta indica	Iron	216-265	XRD, SEM, UV-vis	Spherical	50	Pattanayak, M., & Nayak, P. L. 2013
14	Indigofera aspalathoides	Silver	420	SEM,EDAX,FTI R, UV- vis	Square	20-50	Arunachalam, K. D.,et. al.2013
15	Ziziphoratenuior	Silver	420	XRD, SEM, TEM,FTIR	Spherical	8-40	Sadeghi, B., &Gholamhoseinpoo

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16	Ocimumgratissimum	Silver	420-450	SEM, TEM, DLS,Zeta potential,FTIR	Spherical	16	Sharma, K., Guleria, S., &Razdan, V. K. 2020
17	Parthenium hysterophorus	Silver	-	TEM,SAED	Irregular	30-80	Ahsan, A.,et. al. 2020
18	Murrayakoenigii	Silver	420	SEM, FTIR, XRD, Uv-Vis	Spherical	40-80	Bonde, S. R.,et. al.2012
19	Galegaofcinalis	Silver	410	SEM,TEM, XRD, UV-Vis	Spherical	8-34	Manosalva, N.,et. al.2019
20	Crocus sativus L	Silver	450	XRD, SEM, TEM, UV-vis	Spherical	12-20	Bagherzade, G.,et. al.2017

**Characterization of Nanoparticles:**

Characterization of nanoparticles using methods like UV-Vis spectroscopy, Scanning electron microscopy, transmission electron microscopy, atomic force microscopy, dynamic light scattering, x-ray diffraction, zeta potential analyser revealed size, shape, size distribution and surface charges of synthesized particles (Table 3)

**Table 3:-** Characterization techniques for synthesized nanoparticle.

S/N	Techniques	Analyse	Reference
1	UV visible spectroscopy	Synthesis confirmation	Natarajan, K.,et. al.2010
2	Dynamic light scattering	Size distribution of particles	Otari, S. V.,et. al.2012
3	Scanning electron microscopy	Particle size and morphology	Verma, P., & Maheshwari, S. K. 2018
4	Transmission electron microscopy	Particle size and morphology	Kumar, P.,et. al.2012
5	Fourier transmission infrared spectroscopy	Functional group	Bhuyar, P.,et. al.2020
6	Atomic force microscopy	Size and morphology	Singh, T.,et. al.2017
7	X-ray diffraction	Nature of the particle	Ibrahim, S.,et. al.2021
8	Zeta potential	Surface charges	Kotakadi, V. S.,et. al. 2013

**Application**

Green synthesized nanoparticles have a wide range of applications such as heavy metal sensing, antibacterial activity, anti-fungal activity, anti-oxidant, antihaemolytic activity, drug delivery system, bioremediations, seed germinations. Same is summarized in table 4 and table 5.

**Table 4:-** Applications of bacteria mediated synthesis nanoparticles.

Source	Type	Application	Reference
Bacillus cereus	Silver	Antibacterial activity against pathogenic bacteria like Escherichia coli, Pseudomonas aeruginosa, Staphylococcus aureus, Salmonella typhi and Klebsiella pneumoniae.	Sunkar, S., &Nachiyar, C. V. 2012
Enterococcus sp	Cadmium	Anti-fungal against pathogenic Fungus Aspergillus niger and Aspergillus flavus	Rajeshkumar, S.,et. al.2014
Pseudomonas stutzeri	Palladium	Antioxidant and anti-haemolytic activity	Desai, M. P., et. al. 2020
Tenotrophomonasaidaminiphila	Selenium	Heavy metal sensing	Ahmed, F.,et. al.2020
Lactobacillus sp.	Silver	Anti-fungal activity	Matei, A.,et. al.2020

**Table 5:-** Applications of plant mediated synthesis nanoparticles.

Source	Type	Application	Reference
Butea monosperma	Gold	Nanoparticles based drug delivery systems using anticancer drug doxorubicin.	Patra, S.,et. al. 2015
Butea monosperma	Silver	Nanoparticles based drug delivery systems using anticancer drug doxorubicin.	Patra, S.,et. al.2015
Curcuma and tea extract	Ferric Oxide	Photocatalytic degradation of methylene orange dye	Alagiri, M., & Hamid, S. B. A. 2014
Synadiumgrantii	Zinc oxide	Photocatalytic degradation of rhbdye	Karthik, K. V., et. al. 2022
Parsley leaves	Gold	Catalytic, antioxidant, anticancer, And antibacterial activity	El-Borady, O. M.,et. al.2020
Ficus palmata	Zinc oxide	Anti-inflammatory andanti-diabetic activity	Sati, S. C., Kour, G.,et. al.2020
Aloe barbadensis	Zinc oxide	Effect on seed germination and seedling	Rani,P.,et. al.2020
Aloe barbadensis	Magnesium oxide	Effect on seed germination and seedling	Rani, P., et. al.2020

### Conclusion:-

This review summarizes Nanoparticle have various advantages over bulk in contrast to their physical, chemical properties and ability to transport other molecules. Among various inorganic nanoparticles metal nanoparticles gain more attention because of its wide range of applicability. Green method for synthesis is considered safe as well as eco-friendly over physical and chemical method as any hazardous chemical is not required and any toxic by-product is not generated. In green synthesis plant and microorganism contains phytochemical and enzyme which act as a reducing agent as well as provide stability to the synthesized particle. Various characterization methods reveal size, morphology and charges on the surface of the particle. Green synthesized particles have application in various fields like medicine, agriculture, industry and electronics. However, more study is needed to use nanoparticles to get maximum benefits of particles by formation of particles at higher production rate with desired size and shape as well as scale up for synthesis is desired for use as a drug delivery system, to conclude that plant and microbes mediated synthesized metal nanoparticles are almost similar in the terms of Morphology, Stability and Applications. So one cannot claim this to be better than the other

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