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## Evaluation of Antimicrobial Potential of Silver Nanoparticles Using Osmium Sanctum Ficus Benghalensis against Two Pathogenic Bacteria

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**Abstract:** AgNP has been synthesized from Osmium sanctum and Ficus benghalensis plants in this study and tested for antibacterial efficacy against a wide range of microorganisms. The Herbal approach was used to manufacture AgNP. XRD and FTIR were used to characterize nanoparticles. Diffusion discs and diffusion wells were used to measure antibacterial activity. Antibacterial activity in the form of zone of inhibition was discovered in AgNPs. Water and 70% ethanol were used to dissolve silver nanoparticles (AgNPs). E. coli and Staphylococcus aureus were inhibited by both solvents containing silver nanoparticles. At 0.4 gm of Osmium sanctum AgNPs + 70% Ethanol, a maximum inhibition zone of 1.9 cm was obtained against S. aureus using the well diffusion method. Disk diffusion was used to detect the lowest concentration of Ficus benghalensis AgNPs + water required to prevent E. coli growth. In the development of antibiotic treatments for various bacterial illnesses, Osmium sanctum AgNPs have emerged as a key strategy in nanobiotechnology applications.

**Keywords:** E. coli and S. aureus have been shown to be resistant to AgNPs nanoparticles.

### INTRODUCTION

In terms of medical plants and plant products, Indian vegetation is the most cost-effective. Throughout Ayurveda's history, these therapeutic plants have played an important role. Both chemical reduction and catalysis are made possible by the unique features of nanomaterials. In addition, it has the ability to reduce both the time and cost of remediation (Agrawal, 2005). It took a lot of effort, money, and environmental impact to make the nanoparticles. Laser ablation, lithography, and chemical approaches all begin with silver salt precursor (disorganized in solvent) that is nanoparticles (AgNPs) that can be employed

in the medical sector are a huge defiance. Bacteria (Tolaymat, et al., 2010), fungi (Nanda, et al., 2009), and plants (Tolaymat, et al., 2010) have all been shown to produce it (Bhainsa et al., 2006). It was discovered earlier this century that different plants might be used to agglutinate nanoparticles. Plant extracts are widely used in the manufacture of silver nanoparticles to smear a large number of phytochemicals, enzymes, proteins, and other lack mediator substances with electron-huttling molecules. Nanoparticles have been synthesized using a variety of plants since that time.

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The nanoparticles may also penetrate inside the cell causing damage by interacting with phosphorus and sulfur containing compounds such as DNA and protein. Another possible contribution to the bactericidal properties of silver nanoparticles is the release of silver ions from particles (Kulharni et al., 2011).

## MATERIAL AND METHODS

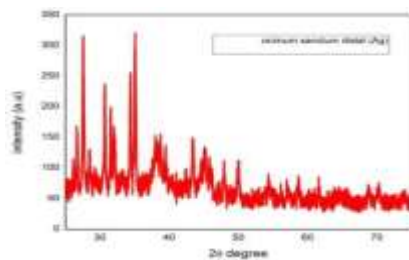
### Bacterial genera

The following two bacterial genera were used for present investigation:-

Escherichia Coli Staphylococcus aureus.

Plants

The following two plants were used for synthesis of



nanoparticles:-

Osmium sanctum (Tulsi)

Ficus benghalensis (banyan)

Synthesis of Silver nanoparticles

Synthesis of nanoparticles from plants were done by method described by (Chandran et al., 2006).

### Antibacterial test

Antibacterial test was done by disc diffusion and well diffusion (Nastasi et al., 2002).

Media:

The following media were used for present research work:-

- Nutrient agar for E. coli.
- Mannitol salt agar for S. aureus.

### Characterization of nanoparticles:-

Characterization of nanoparticles was done by XRD and FTIR method of (Markova, 2010; Usman et al., 2012 and Krithiga et al., 2013).

### Results and Discussion:

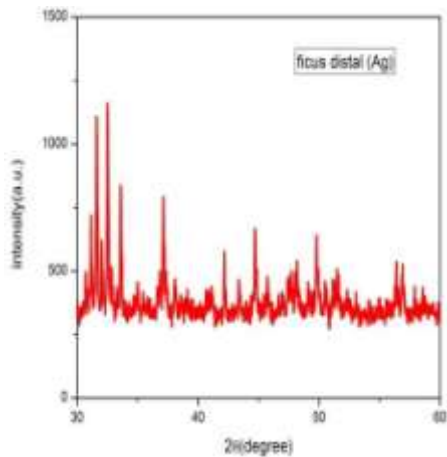
#### XRD of osmium sanctum AgNPs:-

Fig. 1 showed the XRD pattern of the compacted Ag-NP sample. The diffraction pattern consists of many peaks but our sample peaks are  $39.24^\circ$ ,  $38.19^\circ$ ,  $43.36^\circ$ ,  $49.92^\circ$ ,  $53.83^\circ$  and  $62.19^\circ$  in a  $2\theta$  scale, which can be indexed to (111), (111), (200), (210), (211) and (210), Reflection of fcc Silver, indicating cube phase of silver metal. No other AgO or Ag<sub>2</sub>O impurity peaks were observed in the spectra, suggesting that the synthesized particles were of high purity.

It is known that silver nanoparticles rapidly oxidize on exposure to the atmosphere, which can result in particle aggregation (Usman et al., 2012) and could affect the antimicrobial properties of Ag-NPs. Scherrer equation was used to calculate crystal size giving approximately 96.56 nm and lattice constant was 1.45 Å.

Fig 1-XRD of Osmium sanctum AgNPs

XRD of Ficus benghalensis AgNPs



The XRD pattern of the compressed Ag-NPs sample can be seen in Figure 2. This pattern contains several distinct features, however our sample's most prominent features are (111), (111), (200), (210), (211), and (220) reflection of the cube phase of silver metal. As the spectra showed no further peaks for AgO or Ag<sub>2</sub>O impurities, this strongly suggests that the produced particles were of extremely high purity. When exposed to air, silver nanoparticles rapidly oxidize, which can lead to particle aggregation (sman et al., 2012) and alter their antibacterial capabilities (Ag-NPs), which has been well-documented. Crystallite size was determined using the Scherer equation, which yielded a value of about 124.76 and a lattice constant of 1.45.

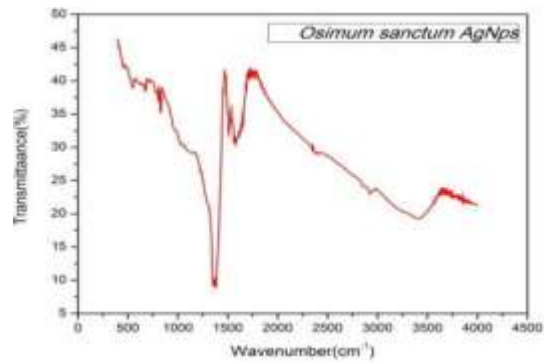
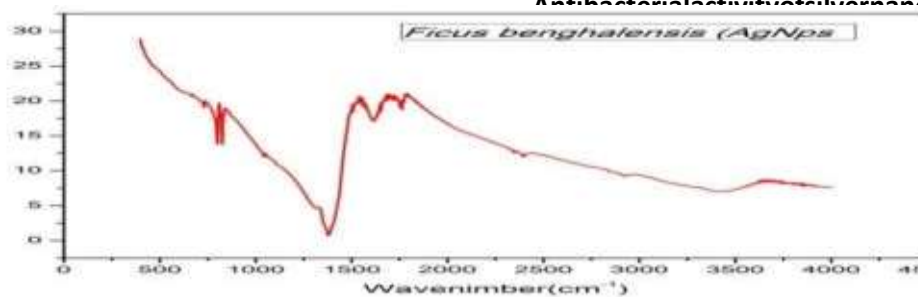


Fig:-3 Osmium sanctum AgNps

FTIR of Silver Nanoparticles Ficus benghalensis

Silver nanoparticles were analyzed using FTIR, and the results are shown in Figure 4: 3420.16 N-H stretch, 2917.920 single aldehyde, O-H, 2391.58 C-C, 1615.93 C-C, and 1102.02 C-O. Silver nanoparticles have been discovered to have a comparable peak by (Markova, 2010).

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Antibacterial activity of silver nanoparticles:

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Silver nanoparticles produced from Osmium sanctum have been shown to have antibacterial properties against a variety of microorganisms.

| S.No. | Name of | Zone of inhibition under Disk diffusion method |
|-------|---------|--|
|-------|---------|--|

|    | Bacteria         | Con.ofwater+silver nanoparticlesingm/ml |       |       |       | Con.of70%&Ethanol+silver nanoparticlesingm/ml |       |       |       |
|----|------------------|---|-------|-------|-------|---|-------|-------|-------|
|    |                  | 0.1gm                                   | 0.2gm | 0.3gm | 0.4gm | 0.1gm   | 0.2gm | 0.3gm | 0.4gm |
| 1. | <i>E.coli</i>    | 0.3                                     | 0.4   | 0.6   | 0.8   | 0.2   | 0.5   | 0.7   | 0.9   |
| 2. | <i>S. aureus</i> | 1.1                                     | 1.3   | 1.5   | 1.6   | 0.8   | 1.1   | 1.7   | 1.8   |

Graph5:-AntibacterialactivityofOsmiumsantumderivedsilvernanoarticlesagainstdifferentbacteria.

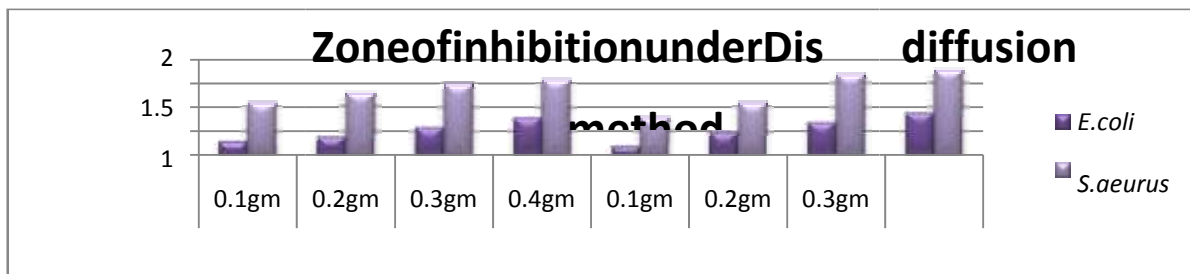
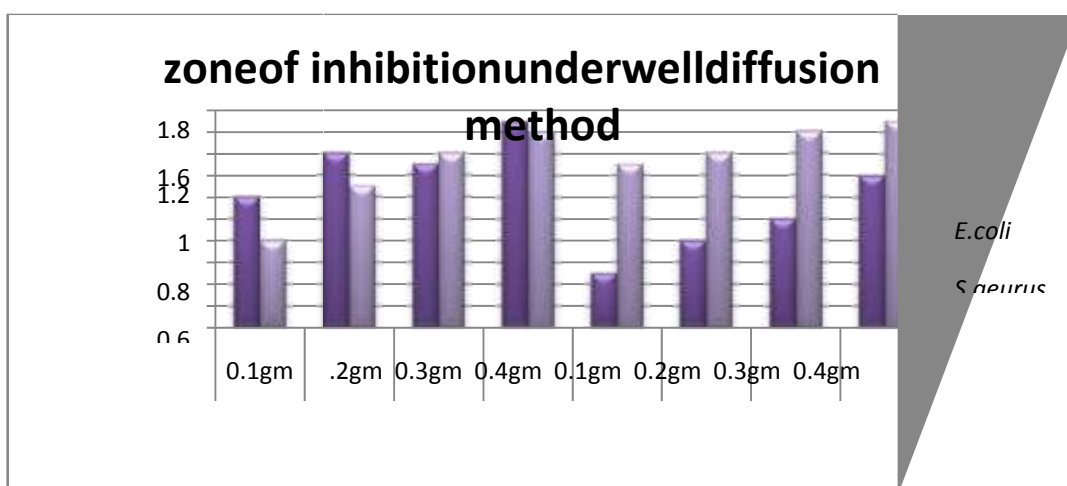


Table:-2AntibacterialactivityofOsmiumsantumderivedsilvernanoarticlesagainstdifferentbacteria.

| S.No. | Nameof Bacteria  | Zoneofinhibitionunderwelldiffusion |       |       |       |  |       |       |       |
|-------|------------------|------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--|-------|-------|-------|
|       |                  | Con.Ofwater+silver nanoparticles   |       |       |       | Con.Of70%&Ethanol+silver nanoparticles |       |       |       |
|       |                  | 0.1gm                              | 0.2gm | 0.3gm | 0.4gm | 0.1gm                                  | 0.2gm | 0.3gm | 0.4gm |
| 1.    | <i>E.coli</i>    | 1.2                                | 1.6   | 1.5   | 1.9   | 0.5                                    | 0.8   | 1.0   | 1.4   |
| 2.    | <i>S. aureus</i> | 0.8                                | 1.3   | 1.6   | 1.8   | 1.5                                    | 1.6   | 1.8   | 1.9   |

Graph6:-AntibacterialactivityofOsmiumsantumderivedsilvernanoarticlesagainstdifferentbacteria.



**Diskdiffusionmethod:-**

Silver nanoparticles and water from zone of resistance against *Ficus benghalensis* were detected in disk diffusion.

different microorganisms 0.1cm, 1.2cm, 1.4cm, and 1.6cm against *S. aureus* and 1.0cm, 1.2cm, 1.4cm, and 1.6cm against MRSA.

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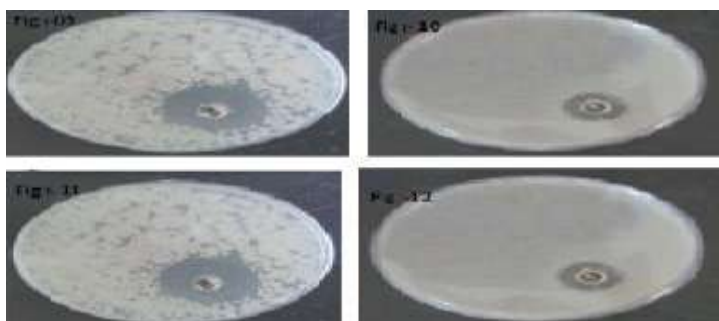
respectively.

*Pseudomonas* with various concentrations of

0.2, 0.3, and 0.4 grams)

Different microorganisms were inhibited by *Ficus benghalensis* silver nanoparticles + 70% ethanol in disk diffusion. *S. aureus* was inhibited at concentrations of 0.1gm, 0.2gm,

0.3gm, and 0.4gm, whereas *E. coli* was inhibited at concentrations of 1.2cm, 1.4cm, 1.6cm, and 1.8cm. Different microorganisms were inhibited by *Osmium sanctum* silver nanoparticles + water in disk diffusion. Different concentrations of inhibitors inhibited *S. aureus* and *E. coli* in different zones of inhibition of 0, 0. Bacteria were inhibited by *Osmium Sanctum* silver nanoparticles+70% ethanol when they were tested in disk diffusion. For *E. coli*, the zone of inhibition was 0.2cm, 0.5cm, 0.7cm, 0.7cm and 0.9cm with 0.1gm, 0.2gm, 0.3gm and 0.4gm of concentration correspondingly..



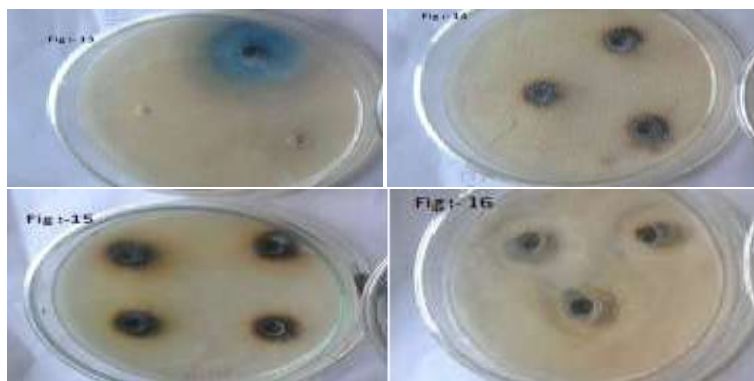
**Figs: - 09, 10, 11 and 12 shows antibacterial activity of *Ficus benghalensis* silver nanoparticles against bacteria Disc diffusion method.**

#### **Well diffusion method:-**

*Ficus benghalensis* silver nanoparticles + water revealed a zone of inhibition against several bacteria in well diffusion studies. It was found that the inhibition zone against *S. aureus* (0.6cm) and *E. coli* (0.5cm), at varied concentrations (0.1gm, 0.2gm, 0.3gm and 0.4gm) were both 0.6cm and 0.9cm, respectively. Different microorganisms were inhibited in well diffusion by *Ficus benghalensis* silver nanoparticles + 70% ethanol. *S. aureus* was inhibited at concentrations of 0.1gm, 0.2gm, and 0.3gm, whereas *E. coli* was inhibited at concentrations of 0.6cm, 0.7cm, 0.8cm, and 1.0cm.

Different microorganisms were inhibited by *Osmium sanctum* silver nanoparticles and water in well diffusion. *S. aureus* was inhibited at concentrations of 0.1gm, 0.2gm, 0.3gm, and 0.4gm, whereas *E. coli* was inhibited at concentrations of 0.8cm, 1.3cm, 1.6cm, and 1.8cm.

Different microorganisms were inhibited by *Osmium sanctum* silver nanoparticles + 70% ethanol in well diffusion. 0.5cm, 0.8cm, 1.0cm, and 1.4cm, respectively, against *S. aureus* and 1.5cm, 1.6cm, 1.8cm, and 1.9cm, respectively, against *E. coli* with varied concentrations (0.1gm, 0.2gm, 0.3gm, 0.4gm).



**13,14,15and16showsantibacterialactivityofFicusandOsimumsilvernanoparticlesagainstbacteriaDisc diffusion method.**

For *E. coli* and *S. aureus*, silver nanoparticles revealed a zone of inhibition against both solvents utilized in this experiment (well diffusion method). *S. aureus* was inhibited at a dose of 0.4 gm *Osmium sanctum* AgNPs + 70% ethanol with a maximum inhibition zone of 1.9 cm. At 0.1 gm of *Ficus benghalensis* AgNPs + water, the smallest zone of inhibition was seen against *E. coli*.

The antibacterial properties of nanoparticles generated for this study were demonstrated. Following nanoparticle treatment, it was found that nanoparticles had penetrated the bacteria and caused damage by interacting with compounds like DNA that contain phosphorus and sulfur (Shetty et al., 2006). DNA replication power and cellular proteins may have been reduced or rendered inactive as a result of this interaction. As a result, nanoparticles may be stifling cell development and mitosis. The bactericidal efficacy is further enhanced by the nanoparticles. Because heavy metals are poisonous, they bind protein molecules, which inhibits cellular metabolism, leading to microorganisms' demise (Moghaddam et al., 2009).

Silver nanoparticles have been proven to be effective against a wide range of microbes, including antibiotic-resistant bacteria, by a number of researchers. Consequently, silver nanoparticles have been dubbed a new generation of antibacterial agents. A team of scientists tested silver nanoparticles for their antibacterial properties (Lansdown et al., 1997).

In recent years, plant-mediated biological synthesis of nanoparticles is gaining importance due to its simplicity and eco-friendliness. These biosynthesis of gold nanoparticles by plants such as alfalfa (Shetty et al., 2006; Ahmed et al., 2002) Aloe Vera (Gupta et al., 2006) *Cinnamomum camphora* (Singh et al., 1996) *Azadirachta indica* (Samjonec et al., 2007) *Emblica officinalis* (Sood et al., 2006) lemongrass (Sharma et al., 2002). *Tamarindus indica* (Kantak et al., 1992) have also been reported. In the present investigation too *Osmium sanctum* and *Ficus benghalensis* AgNPs showed antibacterial activity against *E. coli* and *S. aureus*. Thus corroborate with findings of previous authors that plant-mediated nanoparticles may be good antibacterial agents.

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