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NOVEL APPROACHES OF CONDIMENT EXTRACT SYNTHESIS OF NICKEL NANOPARTICLES FOR ANTIMICROBIAL ACTIVITIES: A GREEN EXPERTISE.

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Abstract

The recent development and implementation of new technologies has led to a new era of nano revolution which unfolds the role of plants in bio and green synthesis of nano materials [1]. Metallic nanoparticles are being utilized in every phase of science along include medical fields and are still charming the scientists to explore new dimensions, generally attributed to their corresponding small sizes. The upcoming researches have proven their antimicrobial significance [2]. Although nanoparticles can be synthesized by an array of conventional methods, green route of synthesis is competent over physical and chemical methods [3].

In the present work nickel nanoparticles was synthesized using clove and extracts. The absorption maxima nickel is at 680nm. The morphology of the particles was confirmed by transmission microscopy (TEM) and Scanning electron microscopy (SEM). TEM results suggest the size of the particle is in the range of 50 - 200 nm. SEM images show the particles are spherical and granular nature. The synthesized nanoparticles show fairly good anti microbial activity.

Introduction:-

Nanobiotechnology is an enabling technology that deals with nanometer-sized materials in diverse fields of science such as biotechnology, nanotechnology, physics, chemistry and materials science. In addition to many physical and chemical methods which have been developed for preparing metallic nanoparticles, nanobiotechnology also serves as a significant technique in the progress of clean, non-toxic and environment friendly procedures for synthesis and assembly of metallic nanoparticles. The biosynthesis of nanoparticles has attracted attention of many researchers owing to their physical and chemical processes being expensive and drastic reaction conditions.

Nickel nanoparticles, due to their excellent physical and chemical properties and low cost of preparation have been of great interest. Copper nanoparticles have wide applications as heat transfer systems, antimicrobial materials, super strong materials, sensors and catalysts Nickel nanoparticles are very reactive because of with other particles [1] and increase their antimicrobial efficiency. Colloidal Nickel has been used as an antimicrobial agent for decades. Nickel nanoparticles (2-5 nm) have revealed a strong antibacterial activity and were able to decrease the microorganism concentration by 99.9%. Due to the stability of Nickel nanoparticles supported on a matrix and their disinfecting properties.

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Plant Description:-
Cloves (*Syzygium aromaticum*) are the aromatic dried flower buds of a tree in the family Myrtaceae. The clove tree is an evergreen tree that grows to a height ranging from 8–12 m, having large and sanguine flowers in numerous terminal clusters. The flowers buds are at first of pale colour and gradually become green after which they develop into a bright red, when they are ready for collecting. Cloves are harvested when 1.5–2 cm long and consist of a long calyx, terminating in four spreading sepals and four unopened petals which form a small ball in the center. Cloves (shown in Figure 1) are used in Indian Ayurvedic medicine, Chinese medicine and western herbalism and dentistry where the essential oil is used as an anodyne (painkiller) for dental emergencies. Cloves are used as a carminative, to increase hydrochloric acid in the stomach and to improve peristalsis. Cloves are also said to be a natural anthelmintic. The essential oil is used in aromatherapy when stimulation and warming are needed especially for digestive problems. Topical application over the stomach or abdomen are said to warm the digestive tract. Clove oil, applied to a cavity in a decayed tooth, also relieves toothache. Cloves may be used internally as a tea and topically as an oil for hypotonic muscles, including for multiple sclerosis. Some recommend avoiding more than occasional use of cloves internally in the presence of *pitta* inflammation such as is found in acute flares of autoimmune diseases. Eugenol (shown in Figure 2) comprises 72-90% of the essential oil extracted from cloves and is the compound most responsible for the cloves’ aroma.

![Fig. 1: Image of Cloves.](image)

![Fig. 2: Chemical Structure of Compound Eugenol](image)

Materials and methods:-
Collection of Extracts:-
Cloves were collected from the local market. They were washed and cleaned with triple distilled water and dried with water absorbent paper. Then it was crushed with the help of mortar and pestle dispensed in 10 ml of sterile distilled water and heated for 2-3 minutes at 70-80°C. The extract was then filtered using Whatman’s No.1 filter paper. The filtrate was collected in a clean and dried conical flask by standard sterilized filtration method and was stored.

Synthesis of Nickel Nanoparticles:-
For the synthesis of Nickel Nanoparticles, both the precursor and the reducing agent were mixed in a clean test tube in 1:1 proportion. For the reduction of Ni ions, 5ml of filtered Copper extract was mixed to 5 ml of freshly prepared 0.001 M aqueous of Ni(NO$_3$)$_2$ solution it was then kept for incubation for 1hr. Within a particular time, the change in colour was noted from Dark brown to sea green Thus colour change indicates reduction and reduced Nickel nanoparticles were obtained.
Tube A- contain nickel nitrate
Tube B- contain clove extract,
Tube C- contain sea greencoloured nickel nanoparticles solute

**pH Analysis:-**
The pH was determined by using Digital pH meter. The pH of the reduced solution with Nanoparticle meter. The pH of the reduced solution with Nanoparticle synthesized was found to be 1.89.

**UV-Vis Spectra Analysis:-**
The reduction of pure Ni to nanoparticle was monitored by measuring the UV-Vis spectrum the most confirmatory tool for the detection of surface Plasmon resonance property (SPR) of NiNPs, by diluting a small aliquot of the sample in distilled water. UV-Vis spectral analysis was done by using UV-Vis. UV-Vis spectral analysis was done by using is spectrophotometer Systronics 118 at the range of 650-680 nm.

**Fig.3:-**

**Fig.4:-** UV-Vis Spectra for nickel nano particles.
Scanning Electron Microscopy:
The morphology of the as-prepared Ni products was examined by FESEM. The typical SEM image shows that the product mainly consists of particle-like Ni nanoclusters with panoramic view and the size ranges from 150 to 200 nm. However, further observation with high magnification reveals that these Ni nanoclusters are assembled by smaller nanoparticles, which exhibit good uniformity and the average diameter is about 40 nm. The average size of these nanoparticles is about 40–45 nm, almost in accordance with that from SEM observations.

![SEM for nickel nanoparticles](image)

Transmission Electron Microscopy:
The shape and size distribution of colloidal particles were characterized by transmission electron microscopy (TEM) two days after preparation. With a size range between 14 and 50 nm we can say that those particles are large and widely dispersed.

AntiMicrobial Activity:

![Image showing antimicrobial activity](image)

Nickel nano particles showing antimicrobial activity. *e-coil* showing the zones of inhibition 12 nm and 9 nm respectively.
Result and Discussion:-
We have prepared spherical Ni nanoparticles in an regime by a novel biological synthesis technique which is simple and environmentally benign. It is an easy, fast and cost-effective technique and doesn’t involve any harmful and environmentally toxic chemicals used previously in conventional chemical reduction methods. Aqueous solutions of Ni nanoparticles with very good stability have been synthesized. It has been also discussed that the biomolecules present in the biomass not only reduce the metal ions but also stabilize the metal nanoparticles by preventing them from being oxidized after the preparation.

Conclusion:-
Biogenic synthesis of nickel nanoparticles using clove were performed by Brown to light green color. UV absorption studies of Ni nanoparticles showed the absorbance peak are 680 nm (Ni). The morphology of studies of particles was confirmed by transmission microscopy (TEM) and scanning electron microscopy (SEM). TEM results suggest the size of the particles is in the range of 50-200 nm. TEM images show the particles are spherical and granular nature. The synthesized nanoparticles show fairly good antibacterial activity.

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