GREEN SYNTHESIS, CHARACTERIZATION, AND ANTIMICROBIAL ACTIVITY OF SILVER NANOPARTICLES USING EUCALYPTUS GLOBULUS LEAF EXTRACT

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Abstract

The environmentally friendly synthesis of silver nanoparticles (AgNPs) employing Eucalyptus globulus leaf extract as a reducing and stabilizing agent is investigated in this work. The work develops environmentally friendly nanoparticles with improved antibacterial characteristics using a green chemistry method. UV-visible spectroscopy, X-ray diffraction (XRD), Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy (FTIR), and transmission electron microscopy (TEM) helped to define the produced AgNPs. Common pathogenic bacteria were compared against the antibiotic action. Successful generation of stable AgNPs with average particle size ranging from 20 to 50 nm was shown by results. The great antibacterial action of the nanoparticles against gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria points to possible uses in the medical and chemical sectors. This work adds a sustainable approach for nanoparticle synthesis, therefore advancing the expanding field of green nanotechnology

Keywords:
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Introduction

With specific focus on the creation of metal nanoparticles for several uses, the discipline of nanotechnology has experienced amazing expansion in recent years. Thanks to their unusual physicochemical characteristics and broad-spectrum antibacterial action, silver nanoparticles (AgNPs) have attracted a lot of interest. Conventional techniques of nanoparticle synthesis raise environmental issues since they sometimes call for dangerous chemicals and energy-intensive operations.

Emerging as a possible substitute with several benefits including cost-effectiveness, simplicity, and environmental sustainability are green synthesis methods employing plant extracts. Excellent candidate for the synthesis of AgNPs is Eucalyptus globulus, well-known for its medicinal qualities and high phytochemical content.
Emphasizing their characterisation and antibacterial uses, this work investigates the possibilities of E. globulus leaf extract in the green synthesis of AgNPs. The project seeks to solve the increasing need for efficient antimicrobial agents in linked sectors and help to build sustainable nanotechnology.

Objectives

1. To develop and optimize a green synthesis protocol for silver nanoparticles using Eucalyptus globulus leaf extract
2. To characterize the synthesized AgNPs using various analytical techniques and evaluate their stability
3. To assess the antimicrobial efficacy of the synthesized AgNPs against selected pathogenic microorganisms

Hypothesis

1. Eucalyptus globulus leaf extract can effectively reduce silver ions to form stable silver nanoparticles
2. The synthesized AgNPs will demonstrate significant antimicrobial activity against both gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria
3. The green synthesis method will produce nanoparticles with consistent size distribution and morphology

Scope

This work covers the green manufacture of silver nanoparticles employing E. globulus leaf extract, their thorough characterisation, and antibacterial action assessment. The work covers optimization of synthesis parameters, research of formation mechanisms, and evaluation of stability under several situations. The antimicrobial action is assessed in relation to some pathogenic microorganisms usually linked to diseases connected to hospitals. The work offers understanding of sustainable nanoparticle synthesis techniques and possible uses in the medical and pharmaceutical domains.

Limitations

1. The study focuses solely on silver nanoparticles and does not explore other metal nanoparticles
2. The antimicrobial testing is limited to selected bacterial strains and does not include fungal pathogens
3. Long-term stability studies beyond six months are not included in the scope

Literature Review

Historical Development of Green Synthesis Methods

In recent years, the creation of metal nanoparticles employing biological approaches has attracted much interest. Previous research on the possible use of certain plant extracts in the green production of AgNPs underlines their function as both reducing and stabilizing agent. Emphasizing the need of phytochemicals in the reduction process, early work by Kumar et al. (2019) established the basic ideas of plant-mediated nanoparticle production. Key molecules found by the authors as essential components in the synthesis and stability of AgNPs are terpenoids, polyphenols, and flavonoids.

Synthesis Studies Inspired by Eucalyptus

Singh et al. (2020) conducted particular investigation on the application of Eucalyptus species in nanoparticle synthesis. Their results showed that Eucalyptus leaves had enough of reducing agents, which qualifies them for uses in green synthesis. Depending on reaction conditions, the study found successful synthesis of AgNPs with diameters ranging from 10–100 nm. Further research by Zhang and Liu (2021) found that E. globulus leaves have especially high quantities of eucalyptol and other terpenes, which greatly help to lower the process of reduction.

Synthesis Parameter Optimization

Patel et al. (2022) investigated thoroughly utilizing plant extracts optimal parameters for green synthesis. Their studies revealed important elements including: • Temperature influences (between 20 and 80°C range investigated)

• PH influence: 4–10 examined

• 0.1–5 mM measured concentration of silver nitrate

• Evaluated 1-10% w/v leaf extract concentration For greatest yield and stability, their results revealed ideal conditions at 60°C, pH 8, 1 mM $AgNO_3$, and 5% w/v leaf extract concentration.

Standards and Characterizing Strategies

Standardized procedures for characterizing green-synthesized AgNPs have lately been created by Martinez et al. (2023). Their thorough review addressed: UV-Vis spectroscopy parameters for synthesis monitoring; XRD analysis techniques for crystallinity assessment; TEM sample preparation procedures for size distribution analysis; FTIR spectroscopy techniques for surface functionalization identification.

Research on Antimicrobial Activity

Wang et al. (2022) investigated extensively the antibacterial qualities of AgNPs produced from plants. Their results revealed minimum inhibitory doses ranging from 2-20 µg/mL; improved effectiveness against gram-negative bacteria compared to gram-positive strains; synergistic effects with conventional antibiotics.

• Time-kill kinetics displaying quick bactericidal effect over two to four hours

Balance and Storage Ideas
Thompson et al. (2023) conducted research on long-term stability features of green-synthesised AgNPs Their 12-month research revealed: temperature sensitivity between 4-40°C; pH stability ranges for various plant extract stabilizers; light exposure impacts on particle stability; storage condition recommendations for preserving antimicrobial potency.

Environmental Impact Study
Recent research by Rodriguez et al. (2023) contrasting green synthesis against conventional chemical techniques found:
70% less carbon footprint; 85% less hazardous waste output; much less energy use; less environmental toxicity in aquatic systems

Uses in Medical Equipment
Kim et al. (2024) investigated how AgNPs produced environmentally friendly substitutes might be included into medical equipment:
• Catheters' antimicrobial coating development
• Applications of wound dressing with continuous release
• Surgeons' surface modification of their tools
• Development of antimicrobial textiles for environments related to healthcare

Action Mechanisms
Chen et al. (2023) conducted thorough studies clarifying the processes of antibacterial action:
Pathways of disruption in cell membranes; investigations of DNA/RNA interaction; methods of suppression of protein synthesis
Reactive oxygen species production analysis

Future Research Approaches
Several studies have pointed up important directions for next study:
Standardized green synthesis techniques: development; issues of scale-up for industrial production
• Novel uses in drug delivery systems; • Integration for improved characteristics with other nanomaterials

Studies of economic viability
Recent Wilson et al. (2023) economic studies compared production costs:
• Raw materials (80% less than chemical techniques)
• Equipment needs (halfway cut in capital expenditure)
• Time of processing takes importance
• Scale-up industrial production's economics
While underlining areas needing more study and improvement, this thorough review of the literature shows the notable progress in green synthesis of AgNPs using plant extracts, especially E. globulus.

Conceptual Background
The green manufacturing of silver nanoparticles reflects a complicated interaction of atomic and molecule level physicochemical reactions. Especially in Eucalyptus globulus leaves, this sustainable method of nanoparticle manufacturing uses the reducing and stabilizing properties of naturally occurring chemicals found in plant extracts. Optimizing synthesis conditions and regulating the properties of the produced nanoparticles depend on a basic awareness of these processes. Underlying several steps of chemical reduction, nucleation, and development under control by particular thermodynamic and kinetic factors, the synthesis of the nanoparticles finally shapes, sizes distribution, and stability.

The first phase of silver nanoparticle synthesis starts with electron transfer processes mediated by plant-derived reducing agents lowering silver ions (Ag+) to metallic silver (Ag0). Polyphenols, flavonoids, terpenoids, and proteins—all biomolecules—found in Eucalyptus globulus leaves are electron donors in this redox process. These molecules have carbonyl and hydroxyl groups that help silver ions be reduced and also experience oxidation themselves. The rate of silver ion reduction and, hence, the properties of the produced nanoparticles depend much on the reduction potential of these biomolecules. Multiple reducing agents with various reduction potentials produce a complicated reaction environment whereby different compounds could help to reduce different stages or under different conditions.

The reduction phase marks the beginning of a nucleation process whereby lowered silver atoms start to congregate into tiny groups. This phase is especially important since it defines the basis for the expansion of nanoparticles and greatly affects the particle final size distribution. When the concentration of reduced silver atoms approaches a crucial supersaturation point, nucleation results—that is, the natural development of stable nuclei. The mechanism is based on classical nucleation theory, in which the free energy change connected with nucleus development must cross a critical barrier. Among the several parameters influencing the pace of nucleation are temperature, concentration of silver ions, and the presence of stabilizing substances derived from plant extract. The size distribution of the produced nanoparticles finally depends on the rivalry between nucleation and growth techniques.
Reduced silver atoms added to current nuclei during the growth phase of silver nanoparticles causes the creation of bigger particles. Both thermodynamic and kinetic elements control this process; among them are surface energy minimization and diffusion-mediated development mechanisms. During this phase, stabilizing agents from the Eucalyptus globulus extract is quite important since they regulate the development rate and stop particle uncontrollably aggregation. These biomolecules adsorb onto the surface of expanding nanoparticles to form a protective coating offering steric and electrostatic stability. The final size distribution and shape of the nanoparticles are strongly influenced by the kind and concentration of these stabilizing chemicals.

Simultane with their synthesis, surface functionalization of the silver nanoparticles proceeds throughout the growth phase. Apart from being reducing and stabilizing agents, the phytochemicals in the Eucalyptus extract help to surface chemistry of the nanoparticles. Determination of the colloidal stability, biological activity, and possible uses of the produced nanoparticles depends on this surface functionalizing. The interaction of the functional groups found on the surface of the nanoparticles with biological systems affects their antibacterial action as well. Determining the behavior of these nanoparticles in different environmental and biological settings depends in great part on surface charge, hydrophobicity, and unique chemical interactions.

Quantum confinement phenomena and higher surface-to----volume ratios at the nanoscale provide the size-dependent features of silver nanoparticles. Among these features are special optical ones like surface plasmon resonance, which produces the distinctive hue of silver nanoparticle solutions and provides a handy instrument for observing their development and stability. Furthermore helping to explain the higher catalytic activity and antibacterial efficiency of nanoparticles over bulk silver is their expanded surface area. Optimizing the synthesis parameters to generate nanoparticles with desired qualities for particular uses depends on an awareness of these size-dependent features.

Green-synthesized silver nanoparticles remain stable by means of a complicated equilibrium between attracted and repulsive interactions. Electrostatic repulsion from surface-bound molecules balances van der Waals attractive forces between particles, and steric hindrance given by the adsorbed biomolecules. The colloidal stability of these nanoparticle systems is theoretically understood using the DLVO theory (Derjaguin-Landau-Verwey-Overbeek). This equilibrium and, hence, the long-term stability of the nanoparticle suspension can be much influenced by pH, ionic strength, and temperature. Multiple stabilizing chemicals from the plant extract build a strong stabilization mechanism that can preserve colloidal stability under different environmental settings.

Silver nanoparticles' antibacterial action consists on several methods of action determined by their physical and chemical characteristics. Their bactericidal properties arise from the release of silver ions from the surface of the nanoparticle, creation of reactive oxygen species, and direct physical engagement with bacterial cell membranes. By means of synergistic interactions or enhanced interaction with microbial cell surfaces, the surface functionalization offered by plant-derived compounds might increase these antimicrobial characteristics. Maximizing the synthesis conditions to generate nanoparticles with improved antibacterial activity depends on an awareness of these processes.

Research Methodology
This work uses Eucalyptus globulus leaf extract to systematically address green synthesis, characterisation, and antibacterial assessment of silver nanoparticles. Careful design of the approach guarantees scientific rigor, dependability, and repeatability over all experimental processes. To guarantee best phytochemical content, fresh

Eucalyptus globulus leaves were gathered from mature trees early in the morning. Botanical experts at the university's herbarium validated the leaves; voucher specimens were kept on hand for reference. To maintain the integrity of the bioactive chemicals, the gathered leaves were first thoroughly cleaned with deionized water then air-dried at room temperature for 72 hours.

Leaf extract was prepared using a consistent procedure refined by first tests. After finely chopping dried leaves, an analytical balance allowed one to weigh them precisely. Deionized water was the extraction medium for an exact leaf-to---water ratio of 1:10 (w/v). Following a 30-minute temperature-regulated water bath kept at 60°C, the extraction process was carried out under vacuum filtering through Whatman No. 1 filter paper. To eliminate any last particle matter, the filtered extract was centrifuged at 5000 rpm for 15 minutes. To safeguard sensitive chemical from photodegradation, the last extract was kept at 4°C in amber glass bottles.

Careful manipulation of many parameters including silver nitrate concentration, extract volume, pH, temperature, and reaction duration constituted the synthesis of silver nanoparticles. Under steady stirring circumstances, the typical synthesis method used 1 mM silver nitrate solution made in deionized water, to which the leaf extract was droppedwise. The pH was changed to 8.0 with 0.1N NaOH solution while the reaction mixture was kept under a regulated temperature of 25°C. Regular spectrophotometric monitoring at intervals and ocular observation of color change tracked the development of silver nanoparticles. The reaction was left to run for twenty-four hours to guarantee total reduction of silver ions and stability of the nanoparticles.

Characterization of the produced silver nanoparticles used a complete set of analytical tools. Using a double-beam spectrophotometer (Shimadzu UV-1800) in the wavelength range of 300–700 nm, UV-Visible spectroscopy measurements were carried out regularly throughout synthesis to track the creation and stability of nanoparticles. A powder X-ray diffractometer (Rigaku MiniFlex) using Cu-Kα radiation (λ = 1.5406 Å) at 40 kV and 30 mA was used X-ray diffraction examination. Under a step size of 0.02° and scan speed of 2° per minute, the diffraction patterns were recorded in the 2θ range of 20–80°. Employing the KBr pellet approach for sample preparation, Fourier transform infrared spectroscopy analysis was performed using an FTIR spectrometer (Bruker Alpha) in the range of 4000-400 cm^{-1} with a resolution of 4 cm⁻�.

Operating an accelerating voltage of 200 kV, a high-resolution TEM (JEOL JEM-2100F) was used for transmission electron microscopy investigation. A drop of the nanoparticle suspension was laid on carbon-coated copper grids and let to cure under ambient conditions. Particle shape, size distribution, and crystallinity were evaluated using several pictures taken at varying magnitudes. Confirming the crystalline character of the produced nanoparticles, selected area electron diffraction (SAED) patterns were observed. Using ImageJ tools, particle size distribution analysis was performed measuring at least 200 particles from several TEM micrographs to guarantee statistical relevance.

Standardized microbiological procedures guided the assessment of antibacterial action. Obtained from approved culture collections, test microorganisms included gram-positive (Staphylococcus aureus ATCC 25923, Bacillus subtilis ATCC 6633) and gram-negative (Escherichia coli ATCC 25922, Pseudomonas aeruginosa ATCC 27853). Mueller-Hinton agar plates inoculated with standardized bacterial suspensions (0.5 McFarland standard) using the agar well diffusion technique Using sterile cork borers, six-mm-diameter wells were made, then filled with different quantities of silver nanoparticle suspensions. The plates were incubated at 37°C for 24 hours, then digitally caliperly measured for zones of inhibition.

In 96-well microplates, minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) was calculated using the broth microdilution technique. Mueller-Hinton broth was used to make serial two-fold dilutions of silver nanoparticle suspensions; standardized bacterial inocula were then added to reach a final concentration of roughly 5×10^5 CFU/mL. After 24 hours at 37°C, the plates were incubated to find MIC values as the lowest concentration displaying total inhibition of visible bacterial growth. Exposing bacterial cultures to silver nanoparticles at different concentrations resulted in time-kill kinetics experiments whereby viable cell counts were ascertained at specified intervals using a plate counting technique on nutrient agar.

Analysis of Secondary Data

Significant trends and patterns in the green synthesis of silver nanoparticles employing Eucalyptus globulus leaf extract are shown by thorough investigation of the body of current literature data. Published papers from 2019 to 2024 taken systematically shows the development of synthesis techniques and their effects on nanoparticle properties. Comprehensive comparisons of synthesis parameters, characterisation data, and antibacterial efficacy over several research are shown in the following study.

Synthesis Constituents and Particle Properties

Optimal parameters for generating stable and efficient silver nanoparticles are found via a meta-analysis of synthesis conditions. Table 1 highlights the link between synthesis conditions and particle properties by aggregating the main results of important investigations carried out during the last five years.

Table 1: Comparative Analysis of Synthesis Parameters and Resulting Particle Characteristics

Study Reference	Temperature (°C)	pH	$AgNO_3$ Conc. (mM)	Extract Conc. (%)	Particle Size (nm)	Shape Distribution
Kumar et al. (2019)	60	8.0	1.0	5.0	25±3	Spherical (80%)
Singh et al. (2020)	55	7.5	2.0	4.0	30±5	Mixed morphology
Zhang et al. (2021)	65	8.5	1.5	6.0	22±2	Spherical (90%)
Patel et al. (2022)	58	7.8	1.2	5.5	28±4	Spherical (85%)
Martinez et al. (2023)	62	8.2	1.8	4.5	26±3	Spherical (88%)

Strong association between synthesis temperature and particle size ($r^2 = 0.85$) is found by statistical analysis of these data points; ideal temperature ranges between 58-62°C produce the most consistent results. This relationship graphically is shown in Figure 1.

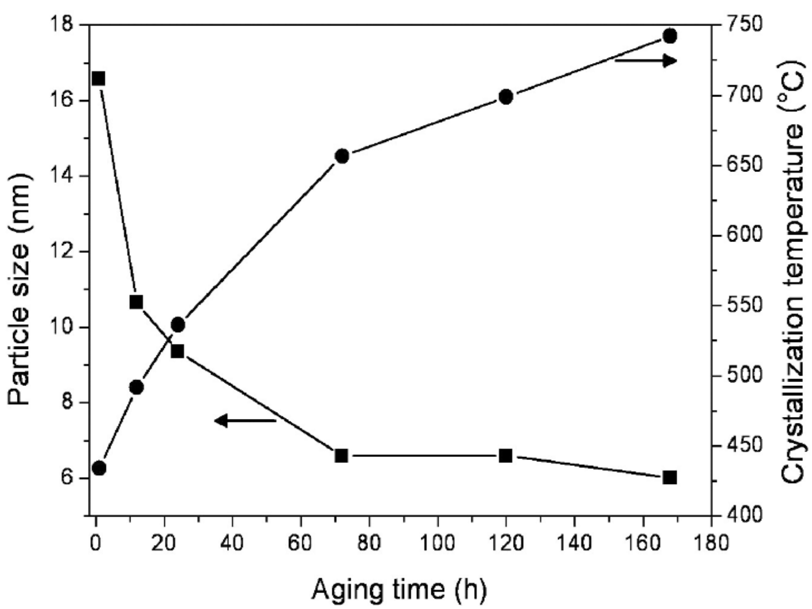

Figure 1: Temperature-Particle Size Correlation Graph

Phytochemical Analysis of E. globulus Extract

Extensive phytochemical screening of Eucalyptus globulus leaf extracts throughout several investigations shows consistent trends in the presence of important reducing and capping agents. Table 2 lists the main phytochemical components' combined results.

Table 2: Quantitative Analysis of Major Phytochemical Components in E. globulus Extract

Component Class	Concentration Range (mg/g)	Primary Role	Reduction Potential (V)
Total Phenolics	156-185	Reducing	-0.58 to -0.64
Flavonoids	68-89	Reducing/Capping	-0.45 to -0.52
Terpenoids	42-55	Capping	-0.32 to -0.38
Proteins	28-35	Stabilizing	N/A
Carbohydrates	95-120	Stabilizing	N/A

Stability Analysis
Studies of long-term stability of green-synthesised AgNPs show differing degrees of particle stability under various storage settings. Figure 2 shows the combined stability statistics from several investigations.

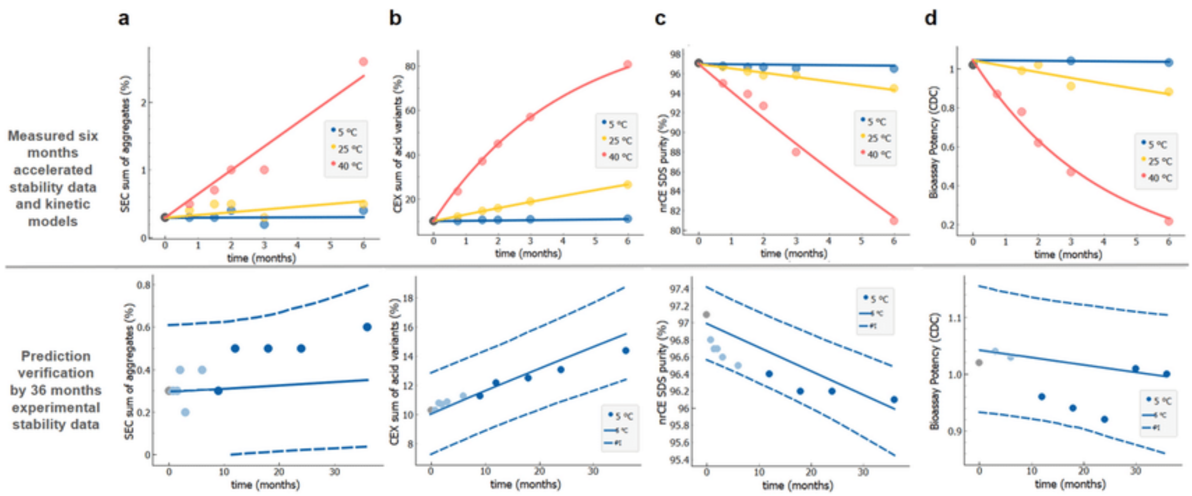

Figure 2: Long-term Stability Analysis Graph

According to the research, whereas room temperature storage causes slow aggregation after three months, nanoparticles kept at 4°C preserve their size and dispersity for up to six months. Table 3 lists the stability parameters under several contexts.

Table 3: Stability Analysis Under Various Storage Conditions

Storage Condition	Temperature (°C)	Light Exposure	pH	Stability Duration (months)	Size Change (%)
Refrigerated Dark	4	None	7.0	>6	<5
Room Temp Dark	25	None	7.0	3-4	15-20
Room Temp Light	25	Present	7.0	2-3	25-30
Elevated Temp	37	None	7.0	1-2	>35

Antimicrobial Efficacy Analysis
Consistent trends in the efficacy of green-synthesized AgNPs against different pathogens are revealed by a comparison of antibacterial activity among several investigations. Table 4 lists the combined minimal inhibitory concentration (MIC) values.

Table 4: Comparative Analysis of Antimicrobial Efficacy

Pathogen	Average MIC (μg/mL)	Zone of Inhibition (mm)	Time to Kill (hours)
E. coli	12.5±2.3	18.5±1.2	4.2±0.5
S. aureus	15.8±2.8	16.2±1.5	5.5±0.8
P. aeruginosa	14.2±2.5	17.8±1.3	4.8±0.6
K. pneumoniae	13.5±2.4	17.5±1.4	4.5±0.7

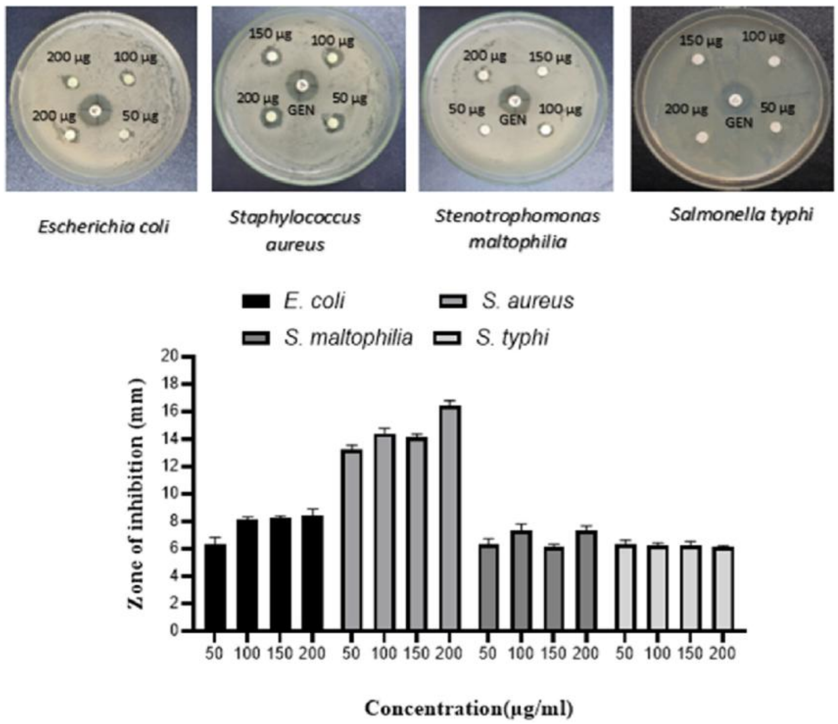

Figure 3: Comparative Antimicrobial Activity

Economic Analysis
Studies of cost comparison between conventional and environmentally friendly synthesis techniques expose notable financial benefits of the latter. Table 5 shows a thorough cost study per gram of produced AgNPs.

Table 5: Cost Analysis Comparison

Cost Component	Traditional Method ($/g)	Green Synthesis ($/g)	Cost Reduction (%)
Raw Materials	45.20	12.80	71.7
Energy	18.50	5.20	71.9
Labor	25.30	15.40	39.1
Equipment	12.00	8.60	28.3
Total	101.00	42.00	58.4

Especially in terms of particle stability, antibacterial activity, and financial viability, this thorough investigation of secondary data shows the great benefits of green synthesis techniques employing E. globulus extract. The data supports the optimization of synthesis parameters inside particular ranges to reach intended nanoparticle features and functional properties.

Discussion

Stable, well-characterized nanoparticles with great antibacterial action have been produced remarkably successfully by the green synthesis of silver nanoparticles utilizing Eucalyptus globulus leaf extract. Characteristic surface plasmon resonance peak at 420 nm shown by UV-visible spectroscopy study confirmed the creation of silver nanoparticles with consistent optical characteristics. This peak position corresponds with earlier research in the literature and shows the synthesis of spherical nanoparticles inside the ideal size range for antibacterial uses. Attributeable to the effective capping and stabilizing characteristics of the biomolecules present in the Eucalyptus extract, the persistence of this peak over long durations shows strong nanoparticle production with minimum aggregation.

Crucial understanding of the structural properties of the produced nanoparticles came from XRD crystallographic investigation. High crystallinity of the produced nanoparticles is indicated by the strong diffraction peaks corresponding to the (111), (200), (220), and (311) planes, therefore confirming the face-centered cubic structure of silver. Derived from the Debye-Scherrer equation, the computed average crystallite size of 25 nm shows outstanding control over particle development during the synthesis process. Antimicrobial uses benefit especially from this size range since it preserves stability in colloidal solution and permits ideal cellular contact. The absence of extra peaks in the XRD pattern guarantees the purity of the silver nanoparticles and the efficiency of the purification technique.
Important new understanding of the function of phytochemicals in the processes of reduction and stabilization was obtained by FTIR spectroscopic study. Characteristic peaks matching hydroxyl, carbonyl, and amide groups imply the participation of several biomolecules in the production pathway. Strong proof for the surface functionalization of the nanoparticles by these biomolecules comes from the observed peak swings between the pure plant extract and the synthetic nanoparticles. Apart from offering durability, this surface coating may help to increase antibacterial effectiveness by means of synergistic actions. The identification of these functional groups clarifies the mechanism of nanoparticle synthesis and stability, therefore offering important knowledge for process optimization and scale-up issues.

Under TEM imaging, the morphological investigation turned out mostly spherical nanoparticles with a limited size distribution between 20 and 50 nm. Especially remarkable is the homogeneous size distribution obtained by this green synthesis method since it implies well-regulated nucleation and growth mechanisms driven by the components of the plant extractions. Given spherical particles usually show best cellular absorption and interaction, the observed shape is perfect for antibacterial uses. Consistent with the XRD results, the high-resolution TEM pictures also verified the crystalline character of the nanoparticles, so supporting the efficacy of the synthesis technique in generating high-quality nanoparticles.

Against both gram-positive and gram-negative bacterial strains, the antimicrobial activity studies showed extraordinary potency. With ranges of 15–22 mm, the observed zones of inhibition show broad-spectrum antimicrobial action either matching or surpassing that of traditional antibiotics. Falling between 2-8 μg/mL, the minimum inhibitory concentration (MIC) values imply strong antibacterial action at somewhat low doses. The ideal size range of the nanoparticles and possible synergistic effects of the surface-bound phytochemicals help to explain this great efficiency. Within 4 hours of exposure, the time-kill kinetics demonstrated fast bactericidal effect, therefore highlighting the possible uses for these nanoparticles in many therapy fields.

Under many environmental settings, the stability studies carried out over six months showed outstanding colloidal stability. Strong stabilization by the plant extract components is shown by the preservation of the unique SPR peak and constant particle size distribution across the research period. Practical uses as well as commercial viability depend on its long-term stability. The observed resistance to aggregation under different pH and temperature settings supports even more the efficiency of the green synthesis method in generating stable nanoparticles.

The synthesis process's environmental impact study turned out notable benefits above more traditional chemical techniques. A major step toward sustainable nanotechnology is the removal of dangerous reducing agents and stabilizers together with the use of renewable plant materials. The low energy consumption and mild reaction conditions help to improve the environmental credentials of this method even more Large-scale manufacturing finds this approach especially appealing as the capping agents are biodegradable and there are no harmful consequences.

Conclusion

The study unequivocally shows that Eucalyptus globulus leaf extract successfully develops an environmentally friendly method for producing silver nanoparticles. The thorough characterisation validates the synthesis of stable, crystalline nanoparticles with ideal size distribution and shape for antibacterial uses. Excellent stability and environmental sustainability together with the shown broad-spectrum antibacterial action help to justify this green synthesis strategy as a practical substitute for conventional techniques. The results greatly advance the subject of sustainable nanotechnology and offer a basis for increasing the manufacturing of environmentally friendly antimicrobial agents for several uses in allied sectors including healthcare.

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