# PREPARATION OF SILVER NANOPLATES FOR ANTIBACTERIAL APPLICATION

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#### ABSTRACT

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Anti-bacterial activity of silver nanoplates; Silver nanoplates. Silver nanoplates (AgNPls) are attractive due to their unique properties, including localized surface plasmon resonance (LSPR) and antibacterial ability due to their vicinity tips and edges. This study reports a rapid and facile methodology for preparing Ag nanoplates using a single-step synthesis approach with the presence of AgNO<sub>3</sub> precursor, NaBH<sub>4</sub>, TSC, and an oxidation agent H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. Adjusting precursor ratios can yield various morphologies such as spherical, nanodisks, hexagonal structures, and triangular nanoplates, each exhibiting different LSPR. The optical properties of AgNPs were analyzed using UV-Vis spectroscopy and supported by SEM morphology analysis. The crystal strutures were characterized by TEM, and HR-TEM. Furthermore, the antibacterial activity was also evaluated against four bacterial strains, including Staphylococcus aureus, Listeria innocua, Escherichia coli, and Pseudomonas aeruginosa. The AgNPLs prepared in this study exhibited better antibacterial activity against Gram-positive bacteria at low concentrations (0.625  $\mu$ g/mL) than Gram-negative bacteria.

### **1. INTRODUCTION**

Along with the continuous development of nanotechnology, silver nanoparticles (SNPs) have continuously attracted the attention of researchers in many fields in recent years, including surfaceenhanced Raman scattering (SERS) (Munro et al., 1995), analysis (Furletov et al., 2023), and antibacterial (Lu et al., 2015). Among different shapes of SNPs, silver nanoplates (AgNPls) have attracted much attention due to their intrinsic morphology, which is involved in the thinness of plates or truncation of the tips. The synthesis process of silver nanoplates (TSNPs) with many modifications for tuning the shape and size of the final nanomaterials' properties is of great interest (Amirjani et al., 2019). The asymmetry of silver nanoplates will exhibit more LSPR bands than the spherical form. The maximum LSPR wavelength of silver nanoplates can be controlled in the visible and near-infrared regions depending on the shape, size, and edge length. Silver nanoparticles can be precisely synthesized to control their shape and size to govern their optical properties (Djafari et al., 2019).

Silver nanoparticles (AgNPs) have gained lots of attention due to the continuous upsurge in antibacterial applications (Anees Ahmad et al., 2020; Guzman et al., 2012). The antimicrobial effects of AgNPs are supposed to be associated with four defined mechanisms: (1) adherence of AgNPs to the cell wall and membrane surface, (2) penetration of AgNPs into the cell, resulting in damage to intracellular structures such as mitochondria, vacuoles, ribosomes, and biomolecules including proteins, lipids, and DNA , (3) induction of cellular toxicity and oxidative stress through the generation of reactive oxygen species (ROS) and free radicals, and (4) AgNPs modulate cellular signal system, resulting in cell death (Dakal et al., 2016). Many reports indicated that the antibacterial activity of nanomaterials largely depends on their morphology because the Ag<sup>+</sup> ion release capacity changes with their shape (Dong et al., 2019; Fu et al., 2006; Sotiriou et al., 2012). Pal et al. found that anisotropic nanoparticles are more effective at inhibiting bacteria than spherical ones due to their antibacterial properties (Dakal et al., 2016). Therefore, it will be possible to control the antimicrobial activity by developing the unique shape and size of the AgNPs (Cheon et al., 2019). Because silver nanoplates are covered with {111} faces on the surface could interact directly with bacterial cell membranes (Gao et al., 2013). These particles are oxidized to form Ag<sup>+</sup> ions that cross the cell membrane easily, leading to cell death by destroying protein structures. Besides, shape tips of silver nanotriangles with higher surface energy could enhance Ag<sup>+</sup> release ability, increasing antimicrobial effects (Djafari et al., 2019).

However, controlling reagent parameters could be highly challenging, affecting synthesis efficiency, especially in maintaining the nanomorphology and size of silver nanoplates. The oxidation process of silver nanoparticles leading to a transformation of nanoplates is the main issue when oxidation agents are present in reaction colloids. Due to the thermodynamically unfavorable nature of anisotropic nanoparticles, the particles tend to rearrange to achieve a lower surface energy (Pastoriza-Santos et al., 2008).

In this study, AgNPl was rapidly synthesized using a modified single-step method with fewer toxic chemicals. Besides, the role of reagents in the AgNPl synthesis process was explored to clarify the influence of each reagent on AgNPls morphologies. We also evaluated the antibacterial activity against Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacterial strains including Staphylococcus aureus, Listeria Escherichia innocua, coli. and Pseudomonas aeruginosa, by in-vitro agar disk diffusion method. The sensitivity of AgNPls against various bacterial strains at different concentrations was also investigated, revealing that AgNPls are promising materials for antibacterial applications. That shows silver nanoplates are an ideal material for antibacterial applications.

## 2. METHODOLOGY

### 2.1. Chemical

Chemicals for controlled synthesis of silver nanoplates were provided by Xilong Scientific (China) such as trisodium citrate dihydrate (TSC, 99.0%), and Hydrogen peroxide (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, 30%). Silver nitrate (AgNO<sub>3</sub>, 99.9%, molecular weight (Mw): 169.87 g/mol) was purchased from Merck (Darmstadt, Germany). Sodium borohydride (NaBH<sub>4</sub>, 98%) was bought from Scharlau (Spain). Resazurin (Sigma, Aldrich), Iuria Bertani broth (Himadia, India), DMSO (Merck). Deionized (DI) water was used for all reactions.

### 2.2. Method

The synthesis process of silver nanoplates (AgNPls) is carried out by one-step reduction, through Zhang's protocol with modification (Zhang et al., 2011) . First, 24.75 mL of deionized water was added to a beaker of 50 mL. Then 60  $\mu$ L of AgNO<sub>3</sub> solution 0.05 M, 0.5 mL of trisodium citrate dihydrate solution 0.075 M, and 40  $\mu$ L of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (30% wt) were sequence added to the beaker under stirring on a magnetic stirrer at a speed of 600 rpm. Afterward, 200  $\mu$ L of 0.10 M NaBH<sub>4</sub> solution was quickly added to ignite the reaction, and the colloidal solution changed from dark yellow to red, purple, and blue, showing the formation of triangular silver nanoparticles.

Table 1. Investigating parameters of reagents used in

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H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	NaBH4	TSC	
From 0	50	50	
to 60	50	50	
250	From	200	
	100 to		
	250		
	0.075	From	
0.075		0.025	
		to 1.25	
60	60	60	
00	00	00	
	1 H2O2 From 0 to 60 250 0.075 60	1     2       H2O2     NaBH4       From 0     50       to 60     From 100 to 250       0.075     0.075       60     60	

the silver nanoplate synthesized process.

### 2.3. Characterization

The UV-Vis spectroscopy was performed by using a UV-Vis-NIR-V670 spectroscopy spectrophotometer (JASCO International Co. Ltd, Tokyo, Japan), with a cuvette of 1.0 cm path length, wavelength from 300 to 850 nm, and scanning rate of 400 nm per minute. The morphology of AgNPls was analyzed using a scanning electron microscope using a Quanta FEG 250 at an acceleration voltage of 10.0 kV. The structure of the material, morphology, and size of silver nanoplates were determined by transmission electron microscope (TEM) using a JEM-1400 microscope. The crystal structure of silver nanoplates were analyzed by High-resolution transmission microscopy (HR-TEM) using an FEI Tecnai G2 F20, USA. The AgNPls size and size distribution were determined by ImageJ software by measuring 60 particles in the SEM image.

# **2.4.** Determination of anti-bacterial activity using well diffusion method

The 8-fold AgNPl solution prepared with the optimal condition in this investigation was centrifuged at 12 000 rpm for 15 minutes and washed three times with DI water to remove residual precursors. Afterward, AgNPls were diluted to different concentrations, including 5, 2.5, 1.25, 0.625, and 0.3125  $\mu$ g/mL.

The antimicrobial activity of silver nanoplates at different concentrations was determined based on the in-vitro agar disk diffusion method (Saubolle et al., 1978). Accordingly, 100  $\mu$ L of bacterial solution with a density of 10<sup>8</sup> CFU/mL was spread evenly on the agar plate using a sterile glass spreader. Make holes to create agar wells, and gently place the samples into them, and then incubate for 24 hours at 37°C. The control used in this experiment was distilled water, ampicilin was used as the positive control. The diameter of the anti-bacterial rings was measured using a ruler measuring mm.

### **3. FINDINGS AND DISCUSSION**

The reagents used in the preparation process contribute important roles in synthesizing silver nanoplates, including H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, NaBH<sub>4</sub>, and TSC (Agnihotri et al., 2014; Zannotti et al., 2020; Zhang et al., 2011). Herein, we evaluated the impact of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (30%) in the volume range from 0 to 60  $\mu$ L while keeping the remained reagent parameters constant. Similarly, the volume of NaBH<sub>4</sub> 0.10 M was changed in the range from 100 142

to 250  $\mu$ L; consequently, the effect of TSC was investigated in the concentration range from 0.025 to 0.125 M. From this study, the appropriate reagent parameters were determined to achieve silver nanoplates with high uniformity and vicinity tips and edges to improve the antibacterial activity.

# **3.1.** Effect of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> volume on the formation of AgNPls.

Hydrogen peroxide (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>) was found to serve as an oxidizing etchant, which induces the formation of planar twinned seeds, removes possible non-twinned nuclei, and eventually produces silver nanoplates with high yields (Chen et al., 2015; Yu et al., 2014). H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> is well-known as an effective corrosive (a strong oxidizing agent). So, it is used to dissolve silver metal because the potential of the peroxide-water pair depends on the pH value in both conditions (acid, alkaline solution) and is higher than the potential of Ag<sup>+</sup>/Ag (E<sup>0</sup> = 0.7996 V) (Zhang et al., 2011).

In acidic solutions:

 $H_2O_2 + 2H^+ + 2e^- \rightarrow 2H_2O = 1.763 V(1)$ 

and in alkaline solutions:

 $H_2O_2 + 2e^- \rightarrow 2OH^ E^0 = 0.867 V (2)$ 

In this AgNP synthesis process, the volume of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> 30% ranging from 0 to 60 µL was explored to investigate the role of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in forming silver nanoplates. With the volume of  $H_2O_2$  from 30  $\mu$ L to 60 µL, three SPR bands appeared in the UV-Vis spectrum: (I) a small band at 322-349 nm, (II) a shoulder band around 450 nm, (III) a strong absorption band at 550-800 nm were assigned to out-of-plane quadrupole resonance, in-plane quadrupole resonance, and in-plane dipole plasmon resonance of silver nanoplates (Amirjani et al., 2020; Amirjani et al., 2019). The (III) peak underwent the red-shift from 532 nm to 739 nm (see Figure. 1), corresponding to the increase in the volume of  $H_2O_2$  from 30 to 50 µL, indicating that there is a shaped transition from silver

nanodisks to hexagonal nanoplate to triangular silver nanoplates (Amirjani et al., 2019). However, in sample with larger volumes of  $H_2O_2$  (60  $\mu$ L), this wavelength tends to blueshift from 739 to 689 nm, suggesting that the excess of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> existed in the reaction solution leads to instability of silver nanotriangles because their shape tips with high surface energy were easily etched compared to other shapes. On the other hand, a sample prepared without H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> exhibited only the formation of spherical silver nanoparticles, characterized by SPR peak at 400 nm. A small volume of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (10 µL) was added into the reaction mixture leading to a redshift in the UV-Vis curve. The UV spectrum performed three unclear absorption bands when the volume of  $H_2O_2$  was increased to 20 µL. The SEM image of the 10 µL sample (Figure. 4a-(A-1)) reveals the formations of polydisperse which the size of AgNPls approximately is 106 nm (see Figure. 4d). These results help assert the essential role of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in forming silver nanoplates in this synthesis process. The appropriate volume of  $H_2O_2$  that can be achieved through this investigation is 50 µL, which is used in further experiments. Because the peak of the 50 µL of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> solution sample shifts toward red-shift wavelengths compared to other solution surveys. Besides, SEM image shows that the triangular peaks of the volume is  $50 \,\mu L \,H_2O_2$  are sharper than other samples.



Figure 1. UV-Vis spectra of AgNPls colloidal solutions prepared with different volumes of 30%  $H_2O_2$  ranging from 0 to 60 µL.

# **3.2.** Effect of NaBH<sub>4</sub> volume on the formation of AgNPls.

The effect of NaBH<sub>4</sub> reagent in the synthesis of AgNPls was also examined in this process. NaBH<sub>4</sub> was considered as a strong reducing agent, which reduced most metal ions to metal atoms (Ajitha et al., 2016; Mirzaei et al., 2017). The chemical reaction of reducing AgNO<sub>3</sub> in the presence of NaBH<sub>4</sub> was described as follows:

 $2AgNO_3 + 2NaBH_4 \rightarrow 2Ag + B_2H_6 + 2NaNO_3 + H_2 \uparrow (3)$ 

NaBH<sub>4</sub> is well-known as a reducing agent, it was also found to have a secondary role as a capping agent that can stabilize Ag nanoparticles, as evidenced by nucleation at high- concentrations of NaBH<sub>4</sub> occurring over more extended periods (Huang et al., 2008; Yi et al., 2012).

Here, we design the experiment by changing the volume of NaBH4 added to the solution from 100 to 250  $\mu$ L with the remaining other factors unchanged (parameters see in Table 1). In samples prepared with NaBH<sub>4</sub> sequence 100, 125, and 150 µL volume, the UV-Vis spectra have broader SPR bands, making distinguishing three separated peaks of silver nanoplates difficult. The SEM image of the 100 µL sample (Figure. 4b-(B-1)) reveals the formations of polydispersed silver nanoparticles, including spheres and nanodisks. When the volume of NaBH<sub>4</sub> was increased to 175 and 200 µL, the spectra curve red-shifted of the (III) absorption band from 705 to 774 nm (see Figure. 2), which is due to the in-plane dipole plasmon resonance. That change is susceptible to nanoparticles size and aspect ratio. The size of AgNPls of sample with 200 µL of NaBH4 approximately 74 nm. (see Figure. 4e). However, we also noticed that as the volume of NaBH<sub>4</sub> was further increased, the LSPR band tended to blueshift from 730 nm (225 µL) to 709 nm (250 µL). The relatively broad peak implies a broad size distribution of the Ag nanoplates, consistent with the SEM characterization (see Figure. 4b-(B-3)). These experiments showed that 200 µL of NaBH<sub>4</sub> is the appropriate volume in this synthesis condition, and it can be used for subsequent investigations.



**Figure 2.** UV-Vis spectra of AgNPls colloidal solutions prepared with various NaBH<sub>4</sub> (0.1 M) volumes ranging from 100 to 250 μL

# **3.3.** Effect of TSC concentration on the formation of AgNPls.

It was supposed that trisodium citrate (TSC) plays an important role in metal nanoparticle synthesis, particularly Au, Ag, and Cu, serving as a stabilizing and shape direction (Dang et al., 2015; Roh et al., 2010; Velgosova et al., 2022; Zhang et al., 2011). The different TSC concentrations ranging from 0.025 M to 0.125 M were investigated and the UV-Vis results were shown in **Figure. 3.** At the same time, other factors remained unchanged (see Table 1).





The UV-Vis spectrum of the 0.025 M TSC sample only shows a broad peak at wavelength 504 nm, revealing that nanoparticles were formed with high polydisperse and diverse shapes. This was

also confirmed by the SEM images presented below (Figure. 4c-(C-3)). In this case, using the low concentration of TSC could not help achieving the nanoplate structures. Next, when increasing the TSC concentration up to 0.050 M, a strong LSPR band at 759 nm can be observed, indicating the formation of AgNPls, the size of which is approximately 62 nm (see Figure. 4f). TSC is considered an effective stabilizer with the citrate ligands responsible for effectively preventing the overgrowth of Ag on the {111 surfaces and ensuring longitudinal anisotropic growth in the side direction (Huang et al., 2008; Zhang et al., 2011). Thus, accordant TSC concentration promotes anisotropic growth and forms silver nanotriangle structures. SEM image (Figure. 4c-(C-2)) confirms the high density of silver nanotriangles presence in the sample synthesized with 0.05 M TSC.

TEM were used to determine the structure of the synthesized nano; the results were consistent with the UV-Vis spectrum (in the case of 0.05 M TSC). Though TEM (**Figure. 5a**) shows that the crystal faces run parallel to the structural wall.

Besides, HRTEM image (Figure. 5b) shows that the upper faces of the triangle are formed from the plane and the distance of the inner set of faces is 0.252 nm which is attributed to the forbidden  $1/3{422}$  reflection; The previous report shows that the triangular nanoplate is limited by the {111} planes from the top to bottom faces and the three side {100} planes as the side faces (Yang et al., 2007). On the other hand, with further increases in TSC concentration to 0.100 M and 0.125 M TSC, respectively, the LSPR peaks of these samples tend to be blue-shift. Simultaneously, the absorbance would be decreased when compared to TSC 0.100 M, indicating higher polydispersity of AgNPl colloid. This phenomenon can be supported by SEM characterization, as shown in Figure. 4-c below, AgNPls are formed with an average size around 84 nm. The SEM image display morphology of silver nanoparticles synthesized with 0.1 M TSC, which tends to transform into truncated shapes of triangular nanoparticles. Consequently, these results clarify the TSC crucial role in the synthesis of silver nanoplates, primarily affecting the transformation shape of silver nanoplates.



**Figure 4.** SEM images a) investigates the effect of volume of 30%  $H_2O_2$  at 20, 50, 60 µL b) volume of 0.100 M NaBH<sub>4</sub> at 100, 200, 250 µL; c) concentration TSC at 0.025, 0.05, 0.100 M; d-f) box overlaps show the size distribution of AgNPls corresponding to the SEM images a, b, c.



**Figure 5.** a) TEM images of silver nanoplates at 0.05 M of TSC, 200  $\mu$ L NaBH<sub>4</sub>, 50  $\mu$ L H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. b) The high-resolution transmission microscopy image shows the distance of the inner set of faces is 0.252 nm.

AgNPs prepared with 0.05 M of TSC, 200  $\mu$ L NaBH<sub>4</sub>, 50  $\mu$ L H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, and 60  $\mu$ L AgNO<sub>3</sub> showed more uniformity and vicinity tips and edges. Therefore, this condition was used for further experiments to test Antibacterial activity.

### 3.4. Antibacterial activity of AgNPls

For investigating the effect of AgNPls, the antibacterial activity was evaluated at different concentrations against Gram-positive (*S. aureus, L. innocua*) and Gram-negative bacteria (*E. coli, P. aeruginosa*) based on the agar disk diffusion method. AgNPls showed antibacterial activity at lowest concentration (0.625  $\mu$ g/mL) for *S. aureus* bacteria strain. For *L. innocua* bacteria strains, AgNPs displayed antibacterial

activity at AgNPls concentration of 1.25  $\mu$ g/mL, and it was increased to 2.5  $\mu$ g/mL for *E. coli*, *P. aeruginosa* bacteria strains (**see in Figure. 6& Figure. 7**). These results showed that silver nanoplates present antibacterial activity against gram-positive bacteria at low concentrations better than that against gram-negative bacteria. It is probably because Gram-positive and Gramnegative bacteria differ in cell walls. The cell walls of gram-negative bacteria include polysaccharides (LPS) which do not exist in gram-positive bacteria, providing effective protection against biocides(Steimle et al., 2016).



Figure 6. Anti-microbial activity of silver nanoplates showing clear zones at different concentrations (1) 0.3125, (2) 0.625, (3) 1.25, (4)
2.5, (5) 5 μg/mL inhibition against *Staphylococcus aureus, Listeria innocua, Escherichia coli*, and *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*.

Bacterial strains	Antimicrobial diameter (mm) at different concentrations of silver nanoplates (μg/mL)					
	0.3125	0.625	1.25	2.5	5	
S. aureus (+)	$0,00^{e}\pm 0,00$	3,83 <sup>d</sup> ±0,29	5,57°±0,06	8,77 <sup>b</sup> ±0,25	15,67 <sup>a</sup> ±0,29	
L. innocua (+)	$0,00^{d}\pm 0,00$	$0,00^{d}\pm 0,00$	4,17°±0,29	9,07 <sup>b</sup> ±0,12	13,17 <sup>a</sup> ±0,76	
<b>E. coli</b> (-)	$0,00^{c}\pm 0,00$	$0,00^{c}\pm0,00$	0,00 <sup>c</sup> ±0,00	9,07 <sup>b</sup> ±0,12	12,80 <sup>a</sup> ±0,53	
P. aeruginosa (-)	0,00°±0,00	0,00 <sup>c</sup> ±0,00	0,00°±0,00	5,30 <sup>b</sup> ±0,27	12,33 <sup>a</sup> ±0,58	

 Table 2. Inhibitor diameter at different concentrations of silver nanoplate against S. aureus, L. innocua, E. coli, and P. aeruginosa.

Note: Values followed by the same letter in the same row are not statistically different (p>0.05).

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Additionally, we found that the antibacterial activity increased when we increased the concentration of silver nanoplates. Particularly, the antimicrobial diameter against S. aureus increases from 3,83<sup>d</sup>±0,29 to 15,67<sup>a</sup>±0,29 when AgNPl concentration increases from 0.625 to 5  $\mu$ g/mL, respectively (see in Figure. 7). This trend is the same for other bacterial strains in the bacterial test. Through these results, we can see the relationship between the concentration and antibacterial effect of silver nanoplates. On the other hand, at the higher concentrations of 5 µg/mL, AgNPls showed similar antibacterial activity against both gram-positive and gramnegative bacteria. This phenomenon is confirmed by the antimicrobial diameter for S. aureus, L. innocua, E. Coli, and *P. aeruginosa* as 15,67<sup>a</sup>±0,29, 13,17<sup>a</sup>±0,76,  $12,80^{a}\pm 0,53,$  $12,33^{a}\pm0,58$ , respectively (see in Figure. 7). The previous studies concluded that gram-positive bacteria's cell wall (10-80 nm) (Rohde, 2019) is significantly thicker than that of gram-negative bacteria (2-8 nm) (Huang et al., 2008; Matias et al., 2005). However, the antibacterial activity of AgNPls was shown to not be affected too much by differences in bacterial cell walls at higher concentrations.



**Figure 7.** Inhibitor diameter at different concentrations of silver nanoplate against *S. aureus, L. innocua, E. coli,* and *P. aeruginosa*.

According to the antibacterial mechanism of Ag nanoparticles, it shows that Ag nanoparticles are oxidized to form Ag+ ions that easily penetrate cell membranes, leading to cell death by destroying protein structures (Djafari et al., 2019). Besides, the previous studies concluded that Gram-positive bacteria's cell wall (10-80 nm) (Rohde, 2019) is significantly thicker than that of Gram-negative bacteria (2-8 nm) (Huang et al., 2008; Matias et al., 2005) while research results show that at high concentrations specifically 5  $\mu$ g/mL, we found that the antimicrobial diameter of Gram-positive lager than Gram-negative bacteria such as the antimicrobial diameter of E. coli and Р. aeruginosa sequence are 12,80a±0,53 and  $12,33a\pm0,58$  while the antimicrobial diameter of S. aureus and L. innocua are 15,67a±0,29 and 13,17a±0,76. The result shows that the cell membranes are not effectively too much ability antibacterial activity of silver nanoplates.

### **4. CONCLUSION**

In this study, we have successfully synthesized AgNPls with a facile single step synthesis. Besides, this study evaluates the effects of parameters such as H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, NaBH<sub>4</sub>, and TSC in this synthesized process to obtain shape AgNPIs and a higher amount of nanoplates in the reaction solution. These reagents play a crucial role in tuning the nanoplate shape, as well as the thickness and edge length of the AgNPls. Moreover, we have discovered the antibacterial ability of prepared silver nanotriangles against Gram-positive such as Staphylococcus aureus, Listeria innocua and Gram-negative bacteria such as Escherichia coli, Pseudomonas aeruginosa, at low concentrations  $(2.5 \ \mu g/mL)$ . We found that the prepared AgNPls against gram-positive bacteria are at a lower

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concentration (0.3215  $\mu$ g/mL for *S. aureus*) than that of gram-negative bacteria and do not depend too much on the thickness of the bacterial cell wall at an appropriate concentration. That shows silver nanoplates are an ideal material for future antibacterial applications.

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# TỪ KHOÁ

Hoạt tính kháng khuẩn của các phiến nano bạc; Phiến nano bạc. Các phiến nano bạc (AgNPls) rất hấp dẫn nhờ các đặc tính độc đáo của chúng, bao gồm cộng hưởng plasmon bề mặt cục bộ (LSPR) và khả năng kháng khuẩn nhờ các đầu và cạnh của chúng. Nghiên cứu này báo cáo một phương pháp nhanh chóng và đơn giản để điều chế các phiến nano bac bằng cách sử dung phương pháp tổng hợp một bước với sự có mặt của tiền chất AgNO<sub>3</sub>, NaBH<sub>4</sub>, TSC và tác nhân oxy hóa H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>. Việc điều chỉnh tỷ lệ tiền chất có thể mang lại nhiều hình thái khác nhau như hình cầu, đĩa nano, cấu trúc lục giác và phiến nano hình tam giác, mỗi hình dang thể hiện LSPR khác nhau. Các đặc tính quang học của AgNPls được phân tích bằng phương pháp quang phổ UV-Vis và phân tích hình thái bằng SEM. Phân tích các cấu trúc tinh thể đặc trưng bởi TEM và HR-TEM. Hơn nữa, hoạt tính kháng khuẩn cũng được đánh giá chống lại 04 chủng vi khuẩn, bao gồm Staphylococcus aureus, Listeria innocua, Escherichia coli và Pseudomonas aeruginosa. AgNPls được điều chế trong nghiên cứu này cho thấy hoạt tính kháng khuẩn chống lại vi khuẩn gram dương tốt hơn ở nồng độ thấp (0,625 µg/mL) so với vi khuẩn gram âm. Kết quả thể hiện hoạt tính kháng khuẩn không phu thuộc quá nhiều vào đô dày thành tế bào vi khuẩn ở nồng đô thấp.