

SERS-application of Ag nanoparticles synthesized from bio-extracts

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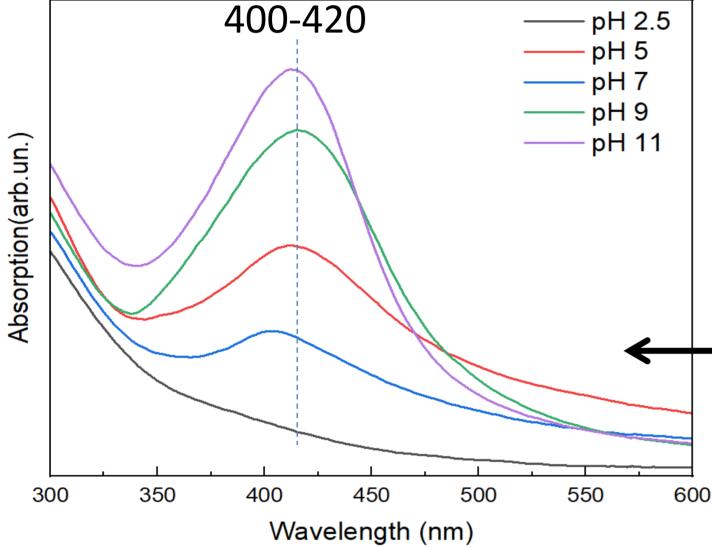
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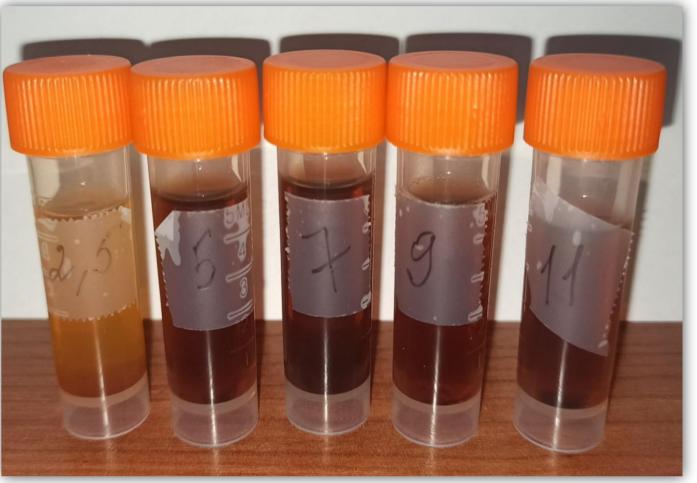
Long-standing intense research on synthesis and functionalization of Ag nanoparticles (NPs) is due to the unique combination of antibacterial, optical, electrical, and catalytic properties, stimulating various applications. Most progress is currently made in the area of anti-pathogen applications and applications based on localized surface plasmon resonance (LSPR), such as sensors and SERS-substrates (surface-enhanced Raman spectroscopy).

UV-vis absorption spectra

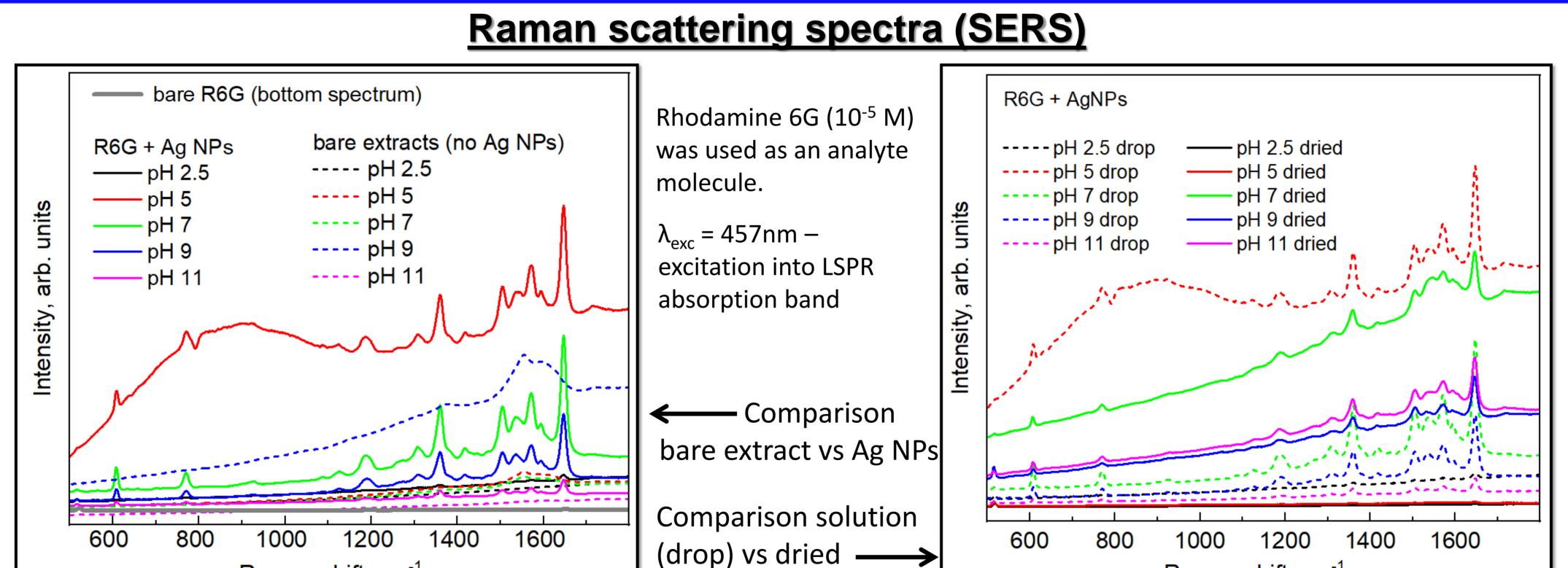


In this work, colloidal AgNPs were synthesized using aqueous extract of Ganoderma lucidum which is well known due to its wide applications in medicine.

Therefore these (mycosynthesized) AgNPs have an additional advantage in biomedical applications compared to AgNP synthesized by other methods.



Absorption band max ~400-420nm corresponds to localized surface plasmon resonance of AgNP



Raman shift, cm⁻¹

Conclusions

- Mycosynthesized Ag NPs, obtained using Ganoderma lucidum fruit body extract as the bioreducing and stabilizing agent, as a substrate for Surface-Enhanced Raman Scattering (SERS) were investigated.
- The NPs can be synthesized in a broad range of pH values, allowing a broad range of potential applications.
- Strong enhancement of Raman spectra of analyte (R6G) molecules indicates to a small thickness of the stabilizing layer on the Ag NP surface, which is advantageous for other applications of such NPs.
- We observe spectral effects that can be related to different adsorption geometry of the analyte molecule on the NP surface in different conditions, in particular, in solution and after drying the Ag NP/analyte composite on the substrate.

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