

# Synthesis and Application of Starch Based Bionanocomposite

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**Abstract**— Starch is a noteworthy vitality wellspring of sustenance for mankind. It is created in seeds, rhizomes, roots and tubers as semi-crystalline granules with one of a kind properties for each plant. The fundamental parts of starch granules are two polyglucans, to be specific amylose and amylopectin. The sub-atomic structure of amylose is nearly straightforward as it comprises of glucose deposits associated through  $\alpha$ -(1,4)- linkages with long chains. Amylopectin which is a stretched particle with a noteworthy segment, has a similar essential structure, however it has extensively shorter chains and a ton of  $\alpha$ -(1,6)- branches. Iodine arrangement is utilized to test for starch to show of starch. Starch is normally mixed with hydrophobic biodegradable polymers to improve the materials water opposition and mechanical properties. The polymer based composites are used in various fields, starting from packaging to biomedical. The new generation biopolymer based composites containing nano fillers are called bionanocomposites. Starch and modified starches have a broad range of applications both in the food and non-food sectors. The synthesized bionanocomposite were resistant to mineral acid and alkali with little sacrifice of biodegradability.

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## I. INTRODUCTION

### A. Starch as a Macromolecule:

Starch comprises a noteworthy vitality hotspot for people in around the world. It is a polymer made out of D-glucose atoms produced by plants, stored in the seeds, roots and fibres as food reserve. Starch is the most inexhaustible reserve polysaccharide in nature and goes about as a reserve sugar in a wide range part of plant. "Starch" is gotten from Middle English sterchen, which means to harden. "Amylum" is Latin for starch, from the Greek "amulon" which means not ground at a plant. [1]

Starch is a sugar form of an enormous number of glucose units combined by glycosidic bonds. This carbohydrates is created by every single green plant as an endurance store. It is the ultimate important carbohydrate in the individual eating regimen. Purified starch is a white, bland and scentless powder insoluble in virus water or liquor. It is processed to produce many sugars. At the point when broken down in warm water, it very well may be utilized as a thickening, hardening or sticking specialist, giving wheat glue. Starch is significant on the grounds that we eat it. Starch is made up of glucose repeat unit. [2]

### B. Starch as Food:

The most significant sugar in the human eating routine in starch and contain in many staple nourishments. Numerous plants in their organic products, seeds, tubers or rhizomes, develop with starch. Rice, wheat, maize (corn) and potatoes are significant assets for creation of starch around the world. Broadly utilized arranged nourishments containing starch are bread, flapjacks, oats, noodles, pasta and so on.

In general, all plants contain carbohydrates which are used for plant metabolism. But for starch extraction only particular plants are necessary, which accumulate starch in insoluble granules as a storage carbohydrate. [5]

### C. Application of Starch:

Starch and altered starches have a wide scope of uses both in the nourishment and non-nourishment ares. There are -:

- Gravy and creams
- Cosmetics
- Weaving and Textile
- Spray concrete
- Paper and glues
- Bakery Products
- Colours Printing
- Medicine Pharmaceuticals

### D. Industrial Applications

Clothing starch or clothing starch is a liquid that is set up by blending a vegetable starch in water and is utilized in the washing of garments. Today, the item is sold in airborne jars for home use. [13]

Starch is additionally used to make some pressing peanuts, and some drop roof tiles.

Textile synthetic substances from starch are utilized to diminish breaking of yarns during weaving; the twist yarns are measured, particularly for cotton. Starch is likewise utilized as material printing thickener. [15]

## II. LITERATURE REVIEW

Nanocomposites the term was used for the composite materials in the year 1984 which consists of at least one material in the dimension of nanometer range i.e. 1-100 nm [17, 18]. These composites exhibit different properties than the bulk materials due to unusual character of nano sized materials [19-20]. The polymer based composites are used in various fields, starting from packaging to biomedical. Due to increase in population and development of civilization the use of these polymeric materials has become manifold. However, the after use disposal of these materials has threatened the whole environment including air, water and soil because of their nonbiodegradability and toxicity. To solve this environmental problems and for the sustainable development of the society, biobased polymers such as proteins, starch, chitin and cellulose are viewed seriously for fabrication and designing new materials which can replace those polluting ones. The new generation biopolymer based composites containing nano fillers are called bionanocomposites.

This research focuses on preparation of bionanocomposites from proteins and biopolymers, with a particular emphasis on albumin bovine, soy protein, starch, cellulose and chitosan. Therefore, an overview of the theoretical considerations of formation of biodegradable materials from these biopolymers and the methods practiced to fabricate matrix and fillers is presented. In addition, the research pertinent to fabrication using ultrasound is also

discussed. The different techniques for characterization and various properties involved with are reviewed from the literature.

#### A. Characterization of Bionanocomposites: a Short Review

Characterization of the materials is important to understand the structure of nanoparticles in bionanocomposites. The synthesized composites are characterized by different characterization techniques in order to obtain various information like structure, surface morphology, particle size, dispersion etc.

#### B. Characterization by Fourier Transform Infrared (FTIR) Spectroscopy-

The starch, ZrO<sub>2</sub> and starch/ZrO<sub>2</sub> bionanocomposites in the FTIR spectra were concentrated to distinguish the functionalized gatherings instant for association of starch with zirconium oxide as appeared in Fig. 2.1. The range of starch in FTIR has a solid and wide ingestion pinnacle at 3630 cm<sup>-1</sup> is the trademark assimilation pinnacles of the extending – OH vibration. The crests at 3174 cm<sup>-1</sup>, 1672 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 1170-1072 cm<sup>-1</sup> are doled out to the vibrational ingestion of C-H bond, intra molecular H-bond and C-O bond in starch separately. The pinnacles at 995 cm<sup>-1</sup>, 937 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 867 cm<sup>-1</sup> are the swing vibration ingestion pinnacles of C-H obligation of starch. [30].

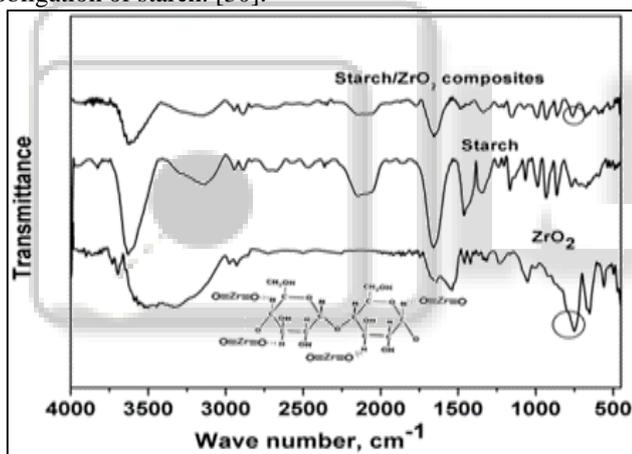


Fig. 1: FTIR of Starch, nano ZrO<sub>2</sub> and bionanocomposites with 10% ZrO<sub>2</sub> content. [28]

#### C. Characterization by X-Ray Diffraction (XRD)

The starch in XRD, two little pinnacle shoe up at 2 estimation of 19.720 and 22.360 on the highest point of the first wide pinnacle. It might be for starch recrystallization because of capacity. These pinnacles are like prior report. It is intriguing to realize that the starch pinnacles were not showed up in PMMA/Starch composites. [26, 27]. This might be because of the way that the precious stone structure of starch was devastated after communication with virgin PMMA. In any case, the pinnacle at 2θ estimation of 13.760 of composite might be because of crystalline pinnacle of PMMA which was likewise showed up in maiden PMMA. The maiden PMMA of the XRD came out about a pinnacle of 2θ estimation of 13.870 which correspondence to crystallinity of PMMA. With this Kisku et al. presumed that the starch was totally scattered and artificially cooperated with the PMMA framework. [25].

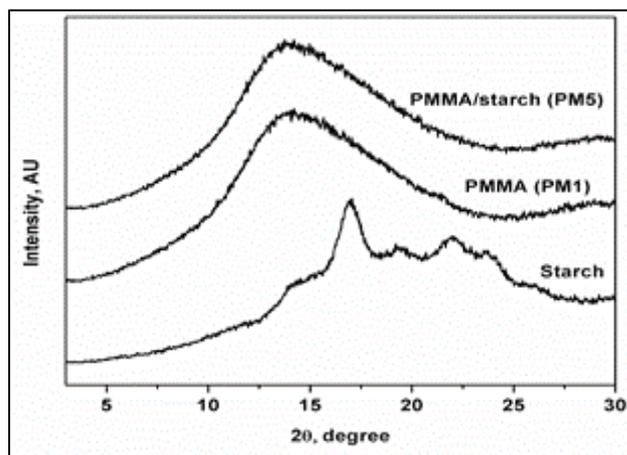


Fig. 2: XRD of starch, PMMA (PM1) and PMMA/starch composite (PM5) [25].

#### D. Characterization by Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM)

In standard identification mode, the SEM can create extremely huge goals pictures of an example surface, expose insights regarding about 1 nm to 5 nm in size. A wide scope of amplifications is conceivable from around multiple times to in excess of multiple times. Figure C shows that the starch/MWCNT nanocomposites It was discovered that the cutting f-MWCNTs were very much scattered in the starch lattice and form a homogenous scattering of f-MWCNT in its starch/MWCNT nanocomposites. [23]

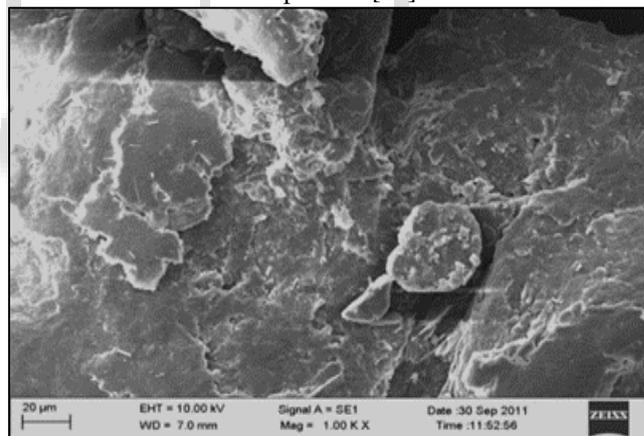


Fig. 3: SEM image of starch/MWCNT nanocomposites at 2 wt% of MWCNT. [23]

#### E. FT-IR analysis

The starch in FTIR spectra, silver and starch/silver bionanocomposites are concentrated to perceive the cooperation of functionalized groups among starch and silver as appeared in Fig.D. The FTIR range of starch has a solid and wide retention pinnacle at 3635 cm<sup>-1</sup> is because of the trademark assimilation crest for the extending vibration of – OH gatherings. The pinnacles at 3174 cm<sup>-1</sup> is appointed to the vibrational assimilation of C-H extending though the FTIR pinnacle at 1530 cm<sup>-1</sup> is because of CO bowing.. Additional characteristics absorption bands appeared at 1026 cm<sup>-1</sup> as a result of O-H twists vibrations, individually. The band at 3635 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 1026 moves to 3646 cm<sup>-1</sup> and 1035 cm<sup>-1</sup>, individually, within the sight of silver ;likewise , the band was more extensive in the hastened starch containing

silver contrasted with starch. These perceptions plainly demonstrate the cooperation of silver with the OH gathering of starch. The polar gatherings O-H of starch have the great capacity of coordination response with metal particles (e.g. with silver particles). At the point when O-H gatherings and silver particles structure coordination bonds, the connections among the resultant silver.

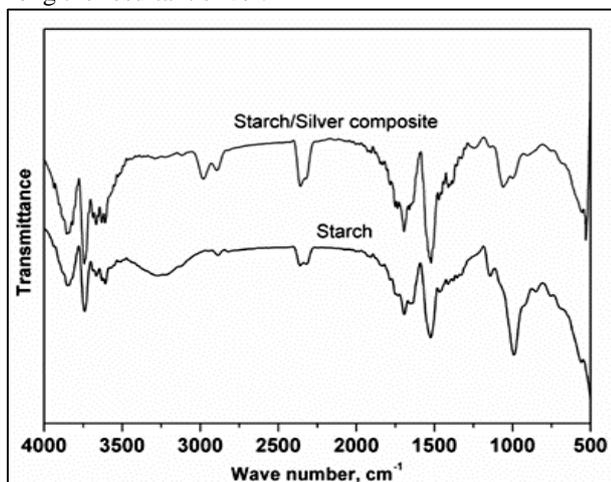


Fig. 4: FTIR spectra of starch/silver bionanocomposite

#### F. XRD Analysis

The starch in X-beam emission silver and starch/silver bionanocomposites at various grouping of silver is looked at in the Fig. E. The bend of starch in the XRD, the crest at  $2\theta$  estimation of 17.18 is because of its crystallinity pinnacle which is bolstered by before detail in the writing. Silver shows XRD crests at  $2\theta$  estimation of 44.25, 64.072 and 77.40 because of different crystalline type of silver. It is seen that all pinnacles of silver are showed up alongside the pinnacles of starch from the XRD of starch/silver bionanocomposites. It might be because of interrelation and uniform dissemination of silver nanoparticles inside the starch lattice demonstrating the development of composites.

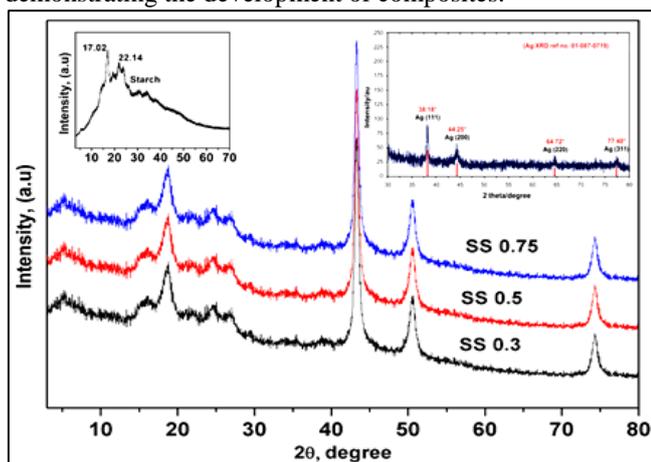


Fig. 5: XRD pattern of starch, silver (in set) and starch/silver bionanocomposites as function of silver concentrations.

#### G. Properties of bionanocomposites

##### 1) Biodegradable Property of Starch/Silver Bionanocomposites

The biodegradation of starch/silver bionanocomposites are contrasted and maiden starch in an investigation for a half

year with an interim of one month. The corruption is considered so as to ascertain the rate weight reduction in enacted ooze water (Fig. F). Biodegradation of bionanocomposites just as virgin starch are additionally expanded with increment in time length. It is intriguing to see that, the biodegradation of composites with 0.5 % silver following 30days is around 10% not as much as that of the virgin example soon after multi day. This may because of well scattering and brilliant collaboration of a steady material with the starch network. The biodegradability of starch/silver bionanocomposites is relinquished thinking about the improved warm and concoction opposition properties.

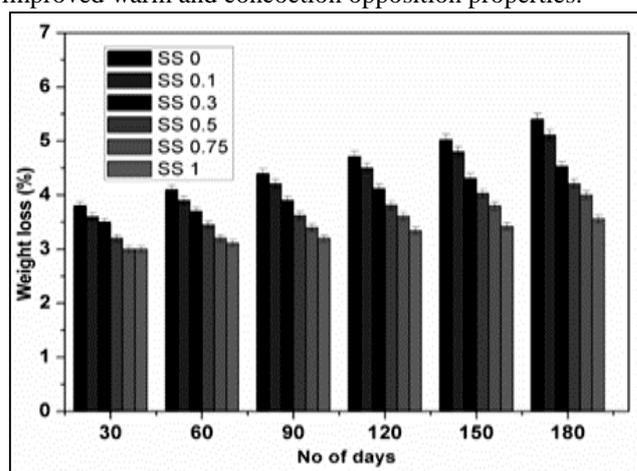


Fig. 6: Weight loss % of starch and starch/silver bionanocomposites due to biodegradation in activated ooze water at different interval of time.

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#### CONCLUSIONS

Starch/Silver bionanocomposites were combined by ease green procedure where water was utilized as the dissolvable. The intermolecular hydrogen bonding of starch with silver was seen so as to set up association between starch network and silver nanopowder. From the study of XRD it was observed that the bionanocomposites being crystalline the incorporated bionanocomposites were impervious with little biodegradability sacrifice to mineral corrosive and salt. The synthetic safe gas obstruction bionanocomposites having improved conductivity may empower it for usages as packaging application.

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