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## New approaches for targeted cancer therapy: Visible light-sensitive AgNPs embedded in biopolymer nanostructures with anti-cancer potential for localized use perspectives

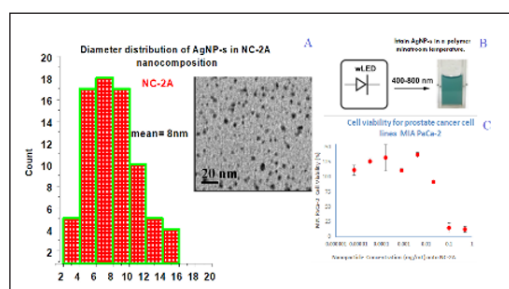
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The development of new synthesis methods and designing nanostructured colloidal polymeric biorganic nanomaterials and metal using environmentally friendly methods remains a challenge to the scientific community. This study is focused on the presentation of a novel multifunctional biocompatible nanocomposite NC-2A with intercalating and encapsulated core-shell morphology structures consisting of positively charged, non-randomly distributed AgNPs with a large contact area and low diameters (average size 8 nm). We have found that aqueous blend of intercalated polysaccharide Nanocomposites (NC) with a reactively functionalized copolymer is sensitive towards a visible light source - white Light Emitted Diode (wLED). AgNPs with a diameter in the range between 2-16 nm has been obtained by the influence of visible light source -wLED during the extremely short time around 10-12 minutes. The unique sizes of these functionalized AgNPs can be controlled by the volume ratio of a biomatrix, organic clay and partner copolymer. We observed this compound exhibits cytotoxicity *in vitro* against two human cancer cell lines - prostate MIA PaCaII and brain U-87. The anticancer properties of this NC can be explained by the following structural factors: NC-2A contains a combination of active chains of the protonated hydroxyl, carboxyl and amine groups, Ag<sup>+</sup> cations and ODA-MMT. We suggest this nanocomposite be further explored for anti-cancer testing as novel biomaterial with anticancer and drug delivery potential for targeted cancer therapy in a localized use. Moreover, wLED based activation is an effective and ecofriendly route to obtain AgNPs and this application takes just 10-12 minutes after applying on the local tumor area.



**Figure-1:** Diameter distribution and TEM image of AgNPs in the multifunctional nanocomposite NC-2A (A). Schematic representation of the targeted treatment applications (B). *In vitro* cell viability test results normalized to the viability to control cells for prostate cancer line (C).

### Recent Publications

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