



# Review on Biogenic synthesis of ZnO Nanoparticles and their Characterization and Applications

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## ABSTRACT

Nanotechnology is the area of contemporary material science, concentrated on the investigation of structure, creation, portrayal and use of materials with nanoscale level. Nanoparticle is a strong molecule that has at any rate one measurement in the nanorange (1-100 nm). Sonochemical based process have been projected as a successful technique for the union and synchronous covering of ZnO, either as smaller scale or nanoparticles, onto grids. This technique has been accomplished by blending ZnO particles with the guide of ultrasonic dealing. The substance initiation during the ultrasonic helped blend strategy is given through the vitality from cavitation bubble breakdown. By giving ultrasonic usage, arrangement, development, and implosive breakdown of air pockets consistently happen in a solvent medium.

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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 BIOGENIC SYNTHESIS OF NANOPARTICLES

At the beginning phase, a microscopic organism was utilized to combination nanoparticles and later continues with the utilization of infection, growths and actinomycetes and now the specialists have been concentrating on the common sources. Plant intervened engineered strategy is outstanding amongst other technique for the long-scale blend and nanoparticles delivered from plant removes are progressively steady with quicker manufactured rate contrasted and microorganism combination .Also, it includes simple accessibility, ease, green methodology, more straight forward down gushing preparing and so on. A solitary advance plant intervened

amalgamation proposes numerous courses to blend nanoparticles under surrounding conditions. In this specific situation, the plant-extricate helped biosynthesis of nanoparticles will be critical in different applications and discovering one of the most suffering methodologies towards natural generous course.

The writing review uncovered that they are distinctive sort of plants are being researched for their job in the blend of nanoparticles. It has been accounted for that silver nanoparticles have been orchestrated by the decrease of silver particles utilizing the concentrate of geranium leaves (*Pelargonium graveolens*). In comparison of same examinations with the utilizing of microbes and organisms, decrease process by utilizing plant extricate happens quickly. The different plant materials, for example, *Morinda tinctoria* leaf extricate, *Ananas comosus*, *Cymbopogon flexuosus* extricate and *Camellia sinensis* are used to get ready Ag, Au nanoparticles. Correspondingly, *Musa balbisiana* peel extricate was utilized to union CuO [*Plectranthus amboinicus* leaf extract was used to blend ZnO, *Andean blackberry* leaf remove used to blend Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> the leaf concentrate of *nyctanthes* was utilized to combination TiO<sub>2</sub>, the blossom concentrate of *Achilleawilhelmsii* was used to union CdO and the leaf separate of *Arachishypogoea* was used to blend Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>. So, flow research in organic technique utilizing plant extricates has opened another time in quick and nontoxic strategies for the creation of nanoparticles. During the combination, such huge numerals of variables were impacting the arrangement of nanoparticles. They are, Raw materials used (extracts of leaves, flowers, seeds, fruits, stems, roots whole plants, etc.), Choice of solvent medium (water, methanol, ethanol, hexane, etc.). Extraction procedure (drying, boiling, filtering, centrifugation), Phytochemicals present in the extract pH of the reaction medium. Temperature of reaction process and incubation.

Concentrates acquired from the plants may go about as a educating/ligation and settling operator for manufacture of inalienably more secure nanoparticles without utilizing any outer reducing and stabilizing agents. The bio parts present in the plant concentrates, for example, proteins, amino acids, nutrients, polyphenols, compounds and polysaccharides are answerable for bio manufacture and makes the synthetic method as practical and innocuous. There are different plant separates (root, stem, leaves, organic products, blossoms and seeds of the plant material) viably used for the planning of metal oxide nanoparticles.

## 1.2 METAL OXIDE NPS

As of late, metal oxides (MO) have increased wide enthusiasm for some logical and specialized fields. At the point when MO molecule size is decreased and comes to nanoscale regularly shows extraordinary and additional common properties, for example, electrical, optical, and attractive synergist properties. This is essentially a direct result of their constrained size and high thickness of corner or edge surface destinations. In the field of nanotechnology, the point is to make nano estimated particles with uncommon properties for cutting edge applications. In this unique situation, ZnO, NiO, Bi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and CuO nanoparticles were readied utilizing a technique for basic, single step, ecological kindhearted engineered methodology. All the four MO NPs were end up being a decent photocatalytic material and broadly concentrated by numerous analysts.

### 1.3 ZINC OXIDE NPS

ZnO has a place with inorganic MO accessible with a wide scope of nanostructures. The advantages of nanostructured ZnO contrasted with other mass materials was principally because of their lower cost, UV blocking properties, high synergist movement, huge surface territory, white appearance and their noteworthy applications in the field of medication and horticulture. The increment in surface zone of nanoscale ZnO can possibly improve the productivity of the material capacity. Differing orchestrating strategies have been utilized to create ZnO nanoparticles, for example, warm deterioration of oxalate antecedent, arrangement burning strategy, precipitation technique, aqueous strategy sonochemical technique, fume stage process, microwave strategy, splash pyrolysis and mechanochemical combination.

### 2.0 LITERATURE REVIEWS ON BIOGENIC SYNTHESIS OF ZnO NPs

The green contrived methodology for the union of ZnO nanocrystals by utilizing rambutan (*Nephelium lappaceum L.*) strip extricate as a green ligation specialist at the calcination temperature of 450°C. Hexagonal period of ZnO with normal size of 50.95 nm was seen in this investigation. The normal needle like morphology was gotten. The orchestrated ZnO nanocrystals were then covered on cotton texture and examined antibacterial investigations. A green methodology for the blend of ZnO nanoparticles from *Prunus Cerasus* juice. The presence of phenolic mixes present in the bio source; go about as a chelating operator and framing a nanomaterial by means of complex arrangement. The biosynthesized ZnO NPs have the normal crystallite size in the scope of 68-70nm. The morphological examinations demonstrated the fixation juice will influence the morphology of orchestrated examples as a result of complexation property. The assessed band hole of ZnO NPs was 3.4eV.

Novel one pot green combination technique for ZnO nanoparticles utilizing earthy coloured marine macroalgae (*Sargassum Muticum*) solvent concentrate at the calcination temperature of 450°C. The polysaccharides present in the concentrate took an interest in the arrangement instrument. The shaped ZnO NPs have hexagonal wurtzite organized with normal molecule size extending from 30-57 nm. The readied nanoparticles were applied in the pharmaceuticals and biomedical fields

ZnO nanoparticles utilizing *Trifolium pretense* flower remove at the toughening temperature 400 °C. The particles were agglomerated with a molecule size running from 100–190 nm. The antimicrobial investigation of as readied nanoparticles was likewise revealed.

An organic union of ZnO nanoparticles by utilizing root concentrates of ginger (*Zingiber officinale*). The polycyclic compound and flavanoids were engaged with the arrangement of nanoparticles. The circular morphology and the normal molecule size shift from 30 to 50 nm was watched. Further, the readied nanoparticles experience antimicrobial investigation against pathogenic creatures.

Zinc oxide nanoparticles (ZnO NPs) were blended utilizing fluid concentrates of plant material (leaves, stem, bloom petals and bark) to be specific Cannon ball or naglingam tree (*Couroupita guianensis*). The UV-Vis assimilation tops were recorded in the range between 290 to 302 nm which affirmed the development of ZnO nanoparticles. Henceforth, demonstrated green amalgamation is good for the blend of nanoparticles.

The combination of ZnO nanoparticles by using leaves concentrate of *Hibiscus rosasinensis* informally known as China rose at the strengthening temperature of 400 °C. The incorporated nanoparticles were elastic like structure and the watched molecule size was between 30-35 nm.

Synthesis of Zinc oxide nanoparticles (ZnO Nps) utilizing the watery concentrate of green tea (*Camellia Sinensis*) leaves calcined at 100 °C. The plant concentrate can act both as a diminishing and balancing out organic specialist and liable for the size controlled nanoparticles. The crystallite size was determined from XRD information, and it was seen as 16 nm. Antimicrobial examinations were performed for the previously mentioned nanoparticles.

An organic blend of Zinc oxide nanoparticles utilizing aloe vera (*Aloe Barbadensis Miller*) leaf remove. Profoundly steady round formed nanoparticles with polydispersed molecule size extending from 25-40 nm were gotten. Flavanoids and proteins were probably going to answerable for the development of ZnO nanoparticles.

The biogenic synthesis of Zinc oxide nanoparticles utilizing fluid stem concentrate of *Ruta graveolens*, which go about as a diminishing specialist just as balancing out operator. From the consequences of SEM and XRD, round formed structure with normal crystallite size of 28 nm was watched. The readied nanoparticles were exposed to antibacterial examinations.

### 3.0 RESULT AND DISCUSSION

NPs produced by plants are more steadfast, cost-effective and quiet novel and have fascinated researchers in the field of production of engineered nanomaterials with application in catalysis, adsorption, drug delivery, biotechnology, DNA modelling and have a progression over chemical procedures. In this method, there is no need to use high pressure, energy, temperature and toxic chemicals. Even though bacteria and fungi are used for the synthesis of NPs but the use of plant extracts trim down the cost and do not require any special culture preparation and isolation techniques. Though there are many chemical and physical methods, green synthesis of nanomaterial is a most promising method depends only on the plant source and organic compound in the crude leaf extract. Green synthesis offers novel challenges for the reduction of environmental pollution. Plants are potent biochemists and have components of phytochemicals acting as natural antioxidants since time immemorial. Presently there has been an augmented interest globally to identify antioxidant compound from plant-derived secondary metabolites which include phenols, tannins, carbohydrates, saponins, flavonoids, amino acids, proteins and polysaccharides (Subbarao et al. 2013, Vijayaraghavan et al. 2010). These molecules prevent agglomeration by acting as reducing and stabilizing agents to synthesis nanoparticle in a benign eco-friendly method that are potent and have no side effect in synthesizing NPs (Table 1). The metal ions in the salt solution are reduced by the antioxidants or phytochemicals present in the plant extract to make the first phase of formation of NPs more

active and leads to the growth and stabilization of NPs by nucleation in the second phase. After nucleation, the so formed NPs are capped and stabilized by the phytochemicals to exhibit various shapes like cubes, spheres, triangles, hexagons, pentagons, rods and wires (Fig. 7). It has also been reported that the amount of extract, pH, time taken and concentration of metabolites gives distinct morphology to NPs. *Cinnamomum zeylanicum* leaf extract was used to synthesize crystalline palladium NPs of 15 to 20 nm (Smitha et al. 2009). Cubic shaped silver, nanoparticles of 15 to 500nm, have been premediated from the leaves of *Diospyros kaki* (Song et al. 2010), *Magnolia kobu*, *Carica papaya*. Fruits of *Tanacetum vulgare*, *Emblica officinalis*, *Psidium guajava* produces spherical silver, gold NPs of 16nm, 15 to 25nm, 25 to 30nm. There have been reports (Fig. 8) in the synthesis of silver, gold, zinc, platinum, palladium, indium oxide and zinc oxide NPs using leaf, stem, stem bark, latex, fruit, pulp, seed, root and rhizome extracts of *Aloe barbendis* (Sangeetha et al. 2011), *Azadirachta indica*, *Stevia rebaudiana*, *Calotropis procera*, *Pelargonium graveolens*, *Cuminum cyminum* (Kumar et al. 2010), *Emblica officinalis*, *Tanacetum vulgare*, *Magnolia kobus*, *Coriandrum sativum*, *Jatropha curcas*, *Cycas*, *Eucalyptus camaldulensis*, *Cymbopogon flexuosus*, *Oscimum sanctum*, *Rhizopus nigricans*, *Acalypha indica*, *Zingiber officinale* and *Musa paradisiaca*.

### 3.1 UV-VISIBLE SPECTROSCOPY

UV-visible absorption spectroscopy is widely being used technique to examine the optical properties of nanosized particles. Band gap energy is calculated on the basis of the maximum absorption band according to following equation.

$$E_{bg} = \frac{1240}{\lambda} (\text{eV})$$

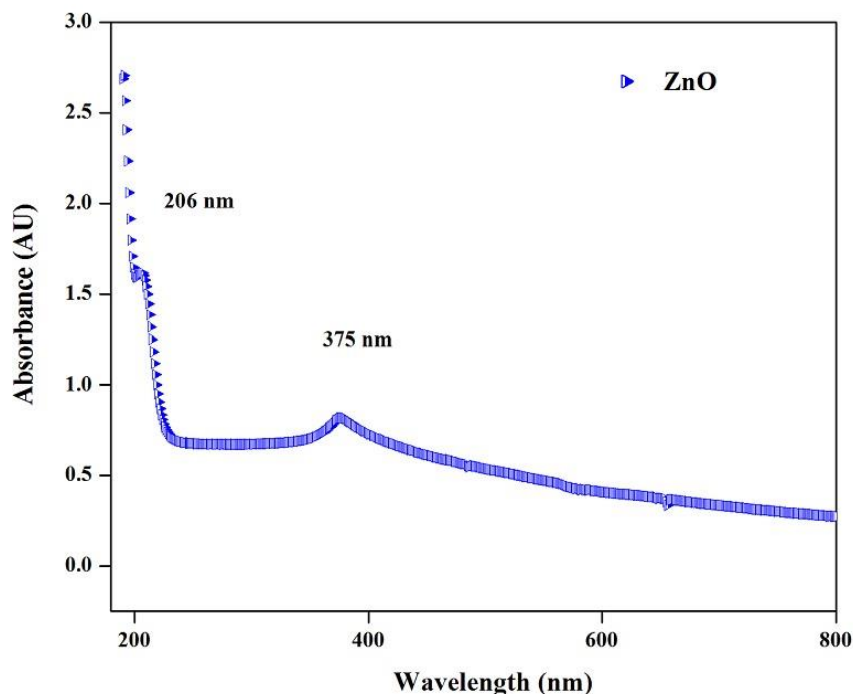
Where  $E_{bg}$  is the band-gap energy

$\lambda_{max}$  is the wavelength of the nanoparticles

The band gap generally refers to the energy difference (in electron volts) between the top of the valence band and the bottom of the conduction band in insulators and semiconductors. So, the band gap is a major factor determining the electrical conductivity of a solid. Substances with large band gaps are generally insulators, those with smaller band gaps are semiconductors, while conductors either have very small band gaps or none, because the valence and conduction bands overlap. The tuning of semiconductor band gaps can often provide significant performance increases and new applications for electronic, optoelectronic, and photo-catalytic devices.

The UV-visible absorption peak arises from 320-380 nm denote the development of ZnO NPs. the extreme absorption peak seemed at 374 nm directs the individual SPR band for ZnO NPs with lesser particle size.

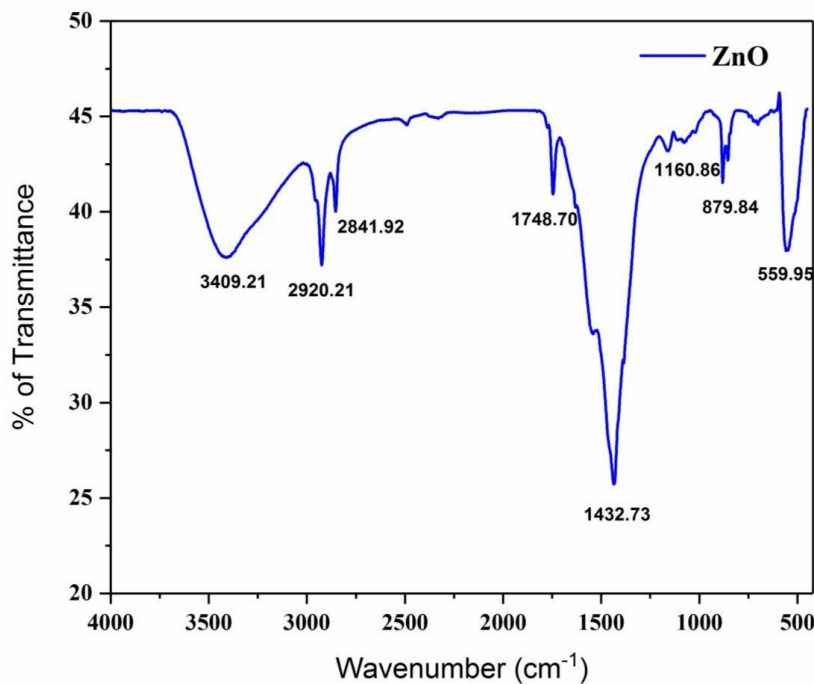
**Figure 1** displays UV-Visible spectra of ZnO NPs synthesized by biogenic method.



**Figure 1 UV - Visible spectra of ZnO nanoparticle.**

### 3.2 FT-IR ANALYSIS OF METAL OXIDE NANOPARTICLES

The FT-IR spectrum noted in the ranges from 400-4000  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ . The band at 477.41  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  approves the existence of Zn-O vibrations. FT-IR analysis confirmed the presence of functional groups in the capping agent and also the formation of ZnO NPs. FT-IR spectra of green synthesized ZnO NPs was represented in Figure 2. represents the FT-IR spectra of plant extract. The absorption peaks at 3409.21  $\text{Cm}^{-1}$  represent O-H Stretching, Aromatic Absorptions Peak is identified at 2920.21  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  represented C-H vibration and 2841.92  $\text{Cm}^{-1}$  as C-H Aliphatic Absorptions Peak, the stretching vibration found at 1748.70  $\text{Cm}^{-1}$  represented as COOR Ester, Stretching (2 Bonds) is located at 1432.73  $\text{Cm}^{-1}$  & 1160.86  $\text{Cm}^{-1}$  represented C-O Strong of Rocking Vibrations. The vibration at 879.84  $\text{Cm}^{-1}$  represented Unsaturated -O-CH<sub>3</sub>. The Metal - Oxygen Bond (Formation of Zn-O Bond) of 559.95  $\text{Cm}^{-1}$ . There is a peak that appears between 750- 500  $\text{Cm}^{-1}$  (550  $\text{Cm}^{-1}$ ) indicates the presence of metal-oxygen bonds confirms the ZnO nanoparticles in our green synthesized materials.



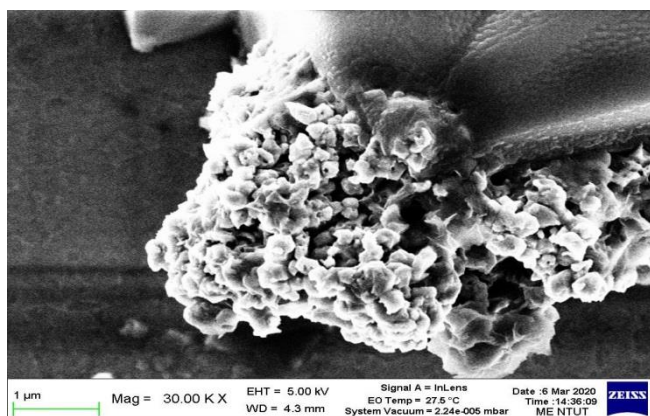
**Figure 2. FT-IR spectrum of biogenic synthesis of ZnO nanoparticle**

### 3.3 SEM AND MAPPING STUDIES ZnO NANOPARTICLE

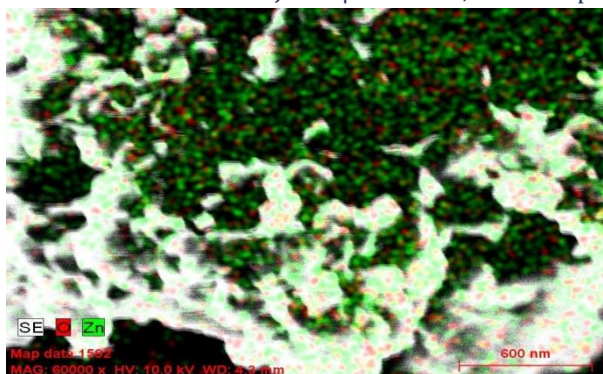
Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM) investigation was performed to govern the size and morphology of the green synthesized ZnO NPs. SEM image shown in Figure 3 confirmed that the obtained ZnO NPs were sponge like shaped. The green synthesized ZnO NPs were dispersed as distinct particles and monodispersivity in nature. SEM mapping studies also confirms the synthesized nanoparticle was ZnO. The green dots correspond to Zinc atom and red dots represents Oxygen atom. Figure 4 represents the SEM mapping studies of ZnO nanoparticle. The theoretical restriction to an instrument's resolving power is determined by the wavelengths of the electron beam used and the numerical hole of the system. The resolving power,  $R$  of an instrument is defined as:

$$R = \lambda / 2NA$$

Where  $\lambda$  is the wavelength of electrons used and  $NA$  is the numerical aperture, which is inscribed on each pair of condenser lens system, and a measure of the electron accumulation strength of the objective, or the electron providing strength of the condenser.



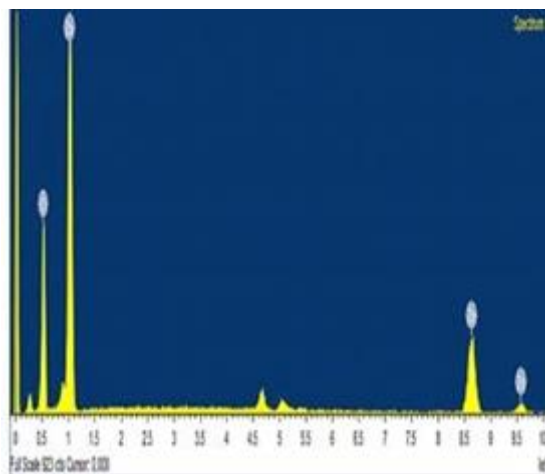
**Figure 3. SEM image of ZnO nanoparticle**



**Figure 4. SEM image mapping of ZnO Nanoparticle**

### 3.4 EDX ANALYSIS OF ZnO NANOPARTICLE

The elemental composition of the synthesized ZnO NPs was confirmed by EDX analysis. The manifestation of zinc and oxygen peaks in the EDX spectra confirmed that the synthesized material was ZnO NPs (Figure 5). The weight percentage of Zinc and Oxygen atoms were 69.25 and 18.70 respectively. The further peaks extant in the spectra may be as a result of the existence of bio-organics or impurities in the solution. The elemental composition of ZnO nanoparticle was represented in Table 1.



**Figure 5. EDX spectra of ZnO nanoparticle**



**Table 1. Elemental composition of ZnO nanoparticle**

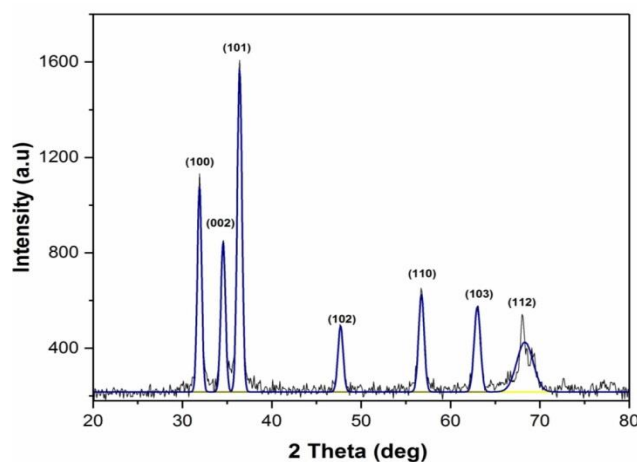
Element	Atomic Number	Weight %	Atom %	Weight % Error
<b>O</b>	8	18.70	52.46	4.5
<b>Zn</b>	30	69.25	47.54	4.6
<b>Total</b>	-	87.95	100.00	-

### 3.5 XRD ANALYSIS

The XRD pattern of derived ZnO NPs was represented in Figure 6. The diffraction peaks at  $2\theta = 28.3^\circ$ ,  $31.7^\circ$ ,  $34.5^\circ$ ,  $36.3^\circ$ ,  $37.9^\circ$ ,  $44.9^\circ$ ,  $54.1^\circ$ ,  $56.7^\circ$ ,  $58.3^\circ$ ,  $61.1^\circ$ ,  $62.9^\circ$  and  $67.9^\circ$  were respectively indexed to (100), (002), (101), (104), (102), (110), (103), (200), (112), (201), (004) and (202) planes of hexagonal wurtzite structure of ZnO NPs. The obtained diffraction peaks were matched with of standard ZnO NPs. All the diffraction peaks are in good agreement with the standard pattern for pure face centered cubic phase of copper nanoparticles (JCPDS No. 043-0002). There is some impurity peaks were observed. The intense peaks indicates the highly crystalline nature of the formed nanoparticles. From the observed main diffracted peak, the average crystalline size can be calculated using the Scherer equation,

$$k\lambda = (hkl) = \beta \cos\theta$$

Where,  $D_{(hkl)}$  is the average crystalline size,  $k$  is shape constant (0.89),  $\lambda$  is the wavelength of the incident x-ray (Cuk $\alpha$  source,  $\lambda = 0.15405$  nm),  $\beta$  is the full width half maximum (FWHM),  $\theta$  is the incident angle of x-ray. The average crystallite size of the synthesized ZnO nanoparticles was 19.52 nm.

**Figure 6. XRD spectra of ZnO nanoparticle**

## 4.0 CONCLUSION

Rigorous agricultural practices, swift development and progressively erudite existences have loaded chemicals into the environment in all forms. Green NPs due to their special features scored many researchers worldwide as it is benign and have extensive applications in the field of medicine agriculture and water remediation. In this work metal and metal oxide nanoparticles like silver, gold, copper, platinum, titanium, zinc and palladium from various parts of leaves, fruits, seeds, barks, root, stem, pulp and rhizome were reported. As benign NPs are nontoxic, it can be used as a novel material to degrade environmental pollutants in multiple ways. These metal oxide NPs also has considerable attention due to its UV filtering properties. So the exploration of the plant systems as the potential nano factories has heightened interest in the biological synthesis of nanoparticles.

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