

Category	Description	Key features	Examples	References
Zero Dimensional (0-D)	Have all three dimensions confined within the nanoscale range.	Exhibit pronounced quantum confinement effects and unique optical and electrical properties.	Quantum dots, nanoparticles, fullerene, etc.	3
One Dimensional (1-D)	Two dimensions are within the nanoscale range while the third dimension extends beyond the nanoscale range.	Show anisotropic charge transport and mechanical strength due to their elongated structure.	nanorods, nanohorns, nanotubes, nanowires, nanofibers, etc.	3
Two Dimensional (2-D)	Only the thickness lies in the nanoscale range while the other two dimensions extend beyond the nanoscale range.	Provide large surface area and tunable electronic and catalytic properties.	nanolayers, nanosheets, nanofilms, etc.	4, 5
Three Dimensional (3-D)	Have all their dimensions outside the nanoscale range.	Offer interconnected networks with enhanced mechanical integrity and active surface sites.	bulk powders, arrays of nanowires, etc.	6

Table S1. Classification of nanomaterials based on their dimensional characteristics, representative examples and unique structural features.

Sr. No.	Factors	Influence on Nanoparticles	References
1.	Phytochemical composition of plants	Different plants supply varying bioactive compounds such as phenolics, flavonoids and protein which determine the efficiency of metal-ion reduction and particle stabilization.	3
2.	Extract concentration	Increasing the concentration of the plant extract enhances the number of capping molecules, resulting in more uniformly dispersed, smaller particles.	1
3.	Ratio of extract to metal salt	A higher extract proportion enhances stabilization and limits particle growth whereas excess of metal salt may favor aggregation.	1, 3
4.	pH of reaction	In general, alkaline pH speed up the reduction process while acidic pH slow down the reaction.	1
5.	Reaction temperature	Higher temperature often produces smaller nanoparticles while lower temperatures result in larger and irregularly structured nanoparticles.	1
6.	Incubation period	Shorter contact time produce fine, small particles while extending the incubation period may promote growth.	1
7.	Agitation	Stirring enhance contact between reactants, resulting in uniform nucleation while poor mixing may lead to non-uniform growth and aggregation of particles.	8
8.	Solvent	Solvent (water or aqueous extracts) polarity and ionic content influence the reaction rate and particle growth.	57
9.	Post- synthesis treatment	Steps such as washing, centrifugation, drying and ageing affect the particle's characteristics.	8
10.	Concentration of metal-ion precursor	Excess precursor often produces larger and less stable particles whereas dilute solutions favor smaller and more uniform nanoparticles.	57

Table S2. Major experimental and environmental parameters influencing the green (plant-mediated) synthesis of nanoparticles, highlighting their effect on particle formation, morphology, and stability.

S.no.	Plant	Plant Part	Precursor	Metal Nano-particles	Morphology/ Size/ Shape	Reaction Time/ T ⁰ C /pH	Color Change	Application	Reference
1.	<i>Cymbopogon citratus</i>	Leaf	AgNO ₃	EO-AgNPs	Spherical / 332 nm	24 hrs. / Room temperature	Pale yellow to dark brown	Act as biopesticide to kill lichens on rock surfaces.	75
2.	<i>Ricinus communis</i>	Leaf	AgNO ₃	AgNPs	Almost Spherical / 38 nm	4 hrs./ Room Temperature	Transparent to Brown	Shows inhibitory activity against Urease and Xanthine oxidase enzymes.	82
3.	<i>Atropa belladonna</i>	Leaf	AgNO ₃	AgNPs	Spherical / 5-20 nm	30 min. / 7 / 60 ⁰ C	Transparent to yellowish Brown	Exhibit antioxidant, anti-inflammatory, larvicidal and anticancer activity against a cervical cancer (HeLa) cell line.	58
4.	<i>Artocarpus heterophyllus</i>	Leaf	AgNO ₃	AgNPs	Spherical / 20-40 nm	15 min. / 50 ⁰ C	Dark brown (black) to Brown	Exhibit antibacterial and antibiofilm activity.	83,84
5.	<i>Azadirachta indica</i>	Leaf	AgNO ₃	AgNPs	Predominantly spherical/ 38.5 nm	20 min./ Room Temperature	Yellowish to reddish brown	Shows dose-dependent antioxidant and anticancer properties against MCF-7 and HeLa cells.	85
6.	<i>Lantana camara</i>	Flower	AgNO ₃	AgNPs	Spherical / 33±5nm	30 min./ 22-25 ⁰ C	Pale yellow to red	Shows antioxidant activity against DPPH and	86

								photocatalytic properties by degrading MB.	
7.	<i>Pistacia chinensis</i>	Seed	HAuCl ₄	AuNPs	Spherical/ 10-100 nm	30 min./ 40°C	Purple blue to ruby red	Exhibit potential for enzymatic inhibition of urease and carbonic anhydrase.	87
8.	<i>Lannea discolor</i>	Leaf	HAuCl ₄	AuNFs	Protruding petal-like structure/ 30-97 nm	1 hr./ 25°C and 80°C	Dark yellow to grayish	Can inhibit growth of certain bacteria.	88
		Stem and Root	HAuCl ₄	AuNPs	Spherical/ 10-30 to 9.3-37.5 nm	1 hr./ 25°C and 80°C	Red to intense violet		
9.	<i>Moringa oleifera</i>	Leaf	HAuCl ₄ .3H ₂ O	AuNPs	Spherical, Oval and some Hexagonal/ 35-51 nm	24 hrs./ Room temperature	Pale yellow to ruby red	Exhibit dose-dependent antioxidant, antidiabetic and anticancer properties.	89
10.	<i>Gymnosporia montana</i>	Leaf	HAuCl ₄ .3H ₂ O	AuNPs	Primarily spherical/ 10-20 nm	30 min./ 70°C	Yellow to reddish pink	Possess DNA interaction, antioxidant and cytotoxic abilities.	90
11.	<i>Glycyrrhiza glabra</i>	Root	HAuCl ₄ .3H ₂ O	AuNPs	Spherical/ 43.17 nm	2 hrs. 30 min. /pH=5	Yellow to dark violet	Exhibit antibacterial, antifungal, anticancer and fibrinolytic activity.	91
12.	<i>Echinocloa pyramidalis</i>	Root	CuSO ₄ .5H ₂ SO ₄	CuNPs	Irregular and more porous appearance / 0.2145 nm	4 hrs. / 60°C	Brown to sea green	Used to remove 7 types of PAHs in bitumen seepage water via adsorption.	92

		Leaf	CuSO ₄ .5 H ₂ SO ₄	CuNPs	Spherical and relatively even appearance / 0.1623 nm				
		Stem	CuSO ₄ .5 H ₂ SO ₄	CuNPs	Irregular and more porous appearance / 0.1582 nm				
13.	<i>Jatropha curcas</i>	Leaf	CuCl ₂	CuNPs	Almost spherical / 10 ± 1 nm	24 hrs./ Room temperature	Deep brown to yellowish brown	They possess photocatalytic activity against methylene blue.	93
14.	<i>Terminalia bellirica</i>	Fruit	CuSO ₄ .5 H ₂ SO ₄	UCuNPs	Spherical / 2-7 nm	Room temperature	Sky blue to carmine red	Evaluated for antimicrobial efficacy against <i>Candida tropicalis</i> and <i>Escherichia coli</i> .	94
15.	<i>Cissus vitiginea</i>	Leaf	CuSO ₄	CuNPs	Spherical / 10-20 nm	24 hrs. / Room temperature	Blue to brown	Demonstrate antibacterial effects against UTI-causing pathogens.	95
16.	Soybean (Glycine Max)	Leaf	PdCl ₂	PdNPs	Spherical/ 15 nm	48 hrs.	Transparent orange to dark brown	They are applied in Suzuki coupling reactions due to their catalytic efficiency.	96
17.	<i>Peganum harmala</i>	Seed	Pd(CH ₃ COO) ₂	PdNPs	Spherical/ 22.5 ± 5.7 nm	24 hrs. / 60°C	Yellow to brown	Exhibits inhibitory effects on cysteine and proteinase.	97
18.	<i>Pistacia atlantica</i>	Fruit	PdCl ₂	PdNPs	Spherical / 10 nm	5 min. / 85°C	Transparent yellowish	Exhibit catalytic activity in organic transformations,	98

							to dark brown	including Suzuki-Miyaura coupling and Mizoroki-Heck coupling reactions.	
19.	<i>Allium fistulosum</i>	Leaf	$\text{Pd}(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2$	PdNPs	Spherical / 500 nm	60°C	Mild brown to dark brown	Shows antibacterial, antifungal, antioxidant, antidiabetic and photocatalytic behavior.	99
20.	<i>Basella alba</i>	Leaf	$\text{Pd}(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2$	PdNPs	Spherical / 2 micro-m	60°C	Pale brown to green		
21.	<i>Tabernaemontana divaricate</i>	Leaf	$\text{Pd}(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2$	PdNPs	Spherical / 2 micro-m	60°C	Mild brown to dark brown		
22.	<i>Peganum harmala</i>	Seed	$\text{Pd}(\text{CH}_3\text{COO})_2$ and PtCl_4	Pt-PdNPs	Spherical/ 33.5 ± 54 nm	24 hrs. / 60°C	Pale yellow to dark brown	Shows much more antioxidant and anticancer activity against MCF7 and A549 cell lines than the individual PtNPs and PdNPs.	97
23.	<i>Peganum harmala</i>	Seed	PtCl_4	PtNPs	Spherical/ 20.3 ± 1.9 nm	24 hrs. / 60°C	Yellow to black	Shows cytotoxicity against MCF7 as well as A549 cells via apoptosis and cell cycle arrest.	97
24.	<i>Atriplex halimus</i>	Leaf	$\text{H}_2\text{PtCl}_6 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	PtNPs	Spherical/ 1-3 nm	1 hr. / 95°C / pH=9.6	Dark yellow to black	Exhibit antibacterial activity, catalytic degradation and	100

								antioxidant properties.	
25.	<i>Xanthium strumarium</i>	Leaf	H ₂ PtCl ₆ . 6H ₂ O	PtNPs	Rectangular/ 20 nm	1 hr. / 100°C	Pale yellow to dark brown	Exhibits anticancer, antibacterial and antifungal activity.	101
26.	Cordyceps	Flower	H ₂ PtCl ₆ . 6H ₂ O	PtNPs	Spherical/ 13.34 ± 4.06 nm	1 hr. / 50°C / pH=10.0	Pale yellow to dark brown	Exhibits dose-dependent antioxidant potential and demonstrates antibacterial efficacy.	102
27.	<i>Camellia sinensis</i>	Leaves	Ferrous sulphate	FeNps	Spherical/ 20-30 nm	700°C	Black color precipitate was formed	Heterogeneous catalyst for transesterification of algae oil into biodiesel; achieved yield of 93.33%.	103
28.	<i>Azadirachta indica</i>	Leaf	AgNO ₃	AgNPs	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported	Served as efficient nanocatalysts for biodiesel production	104

								from waste vegetable oil, yielding 72.9%	
29.	<i>Nymphaea tetragona</i>	Flower	H ₂ PtCl ₆	PtNPs	Spherical/ 4.04 ± 1.31 nm using and N. tetragona extracts in a 1:1 ratio, and 2.21 ± 0.80 nm with a 1:4 ratio	1 hr. and 30 min.	Pale yellow to brown/black	Exhibits skin lightening and antiageing properties by suppressing tyrosinase enzyme activity and enhancing collagen-I synthesis.	105

Table S3 represents various studies on plant mediated synthesis of metal-based nanoparticles, showcasing how different plant extracts and reaction parameters influence their morphology, stability and diverse applications.

S. No.	Plant	Plant Part	Precursor	Metal Oxide Nano-particles	Morphology/ Size/ Shape	Reaction Time/ T ⁰ C /pH	Color Change	Application	Reference
1.	<i>Eucalyptus globulus</i>	Leaf	Anhydrous Copper Sulfate	CuO NPs	Spherical / 88 nm	2 hrs. / Room temperature	Solution changed to brown color	Can be utilized for the removal of methyl orange from aquatic environments .	150
2.	<i>Parthenium hysterophorus</i>	Whole plant	Copper (II) Sulfate	CuO NPs	Spherical / 59.99 nm	Not reported	Solution changed to brown color	To degrade antibiotics like Rifampicin from water bodies.	151

3.	<i>Morinda citrifolia</i>	Leaf	CuSO ₄ .5H ₂ O	CuO NPs	Sphere-like/ 20-50 nm	5 hrs./ 70°C/ 7	Pale green to deep brown	Exhibits antimicrobial potential.	152
4.	<i>Ocimum lamiifolium</i>	Leaf	CuNO ₃ .3H ₂ O	CuO NPs	Spherical / 15.09 nm	24 hrs. / room temperature	Color changed to greenish brown	Shows antibacterial potential.	153
5.	<i>Withania somnifera</i>	Leaf	CuNO ₃ .3H ₂ O	CuO NPs	Spherical with rough appearance/ 19.14 nm				
6.	<i>Dalbergia sissoo</i>	Leaf	CuSO ₄ .5H ₂ O	CuO NPs	Agglomerated large clusters with a few spherical particles / avg. diameter of <100 nm	7 hrs. / 130°C	A solid black product was obtained	Shows antibacterial activity, reduce the formation of biofilm and display dose-dependent antioxidant activity.	154
7.	<i>Azadirachta indica</i>	Aerial part	CuSO ₄ .5H ₂ O	CuO NPs	Semispherical / 27.4 nm	Not reported	Pale blue to green to dark brown	NPs possess antibacterial, antibiofilm,	52

8.	<i>Simmondsia chinensis</i>	Aerial part	CuSO ₄ .5H ₂ O	CuO NPs	Semispherical / 25.3 nm			antioxidant and anticancer activity..	
9.	<i>Clematis orientalis</i>	Leaf	Cu(OAc) ₂	CuO NPs	Spherical to irregular planar shaped/ 44 nm(0.5 M) and agglomerated with interlinking voids and pores/ 34 nm (0.25 M)	2 hrs./ 50 ⁰ C	Greenish brown to mustard green to black	Exhibit moderate antioxidant activity and potent antimicrobial activity against <i>K. pneumonia</i> and <i>S. aureus</i> .	79
10.	<i>Madhuca indica</i>	Leaf	FeSO ₄	FeO NPS	spherical/ 50-60 nm	24 hrs./ 37 ⁰ C	Yellowish to dark brown	NPs showed dose-dependent antioxidant activity, anti-inflammatory and antidiabetic properties.	155
11.	<i>Hibiscus rosa chinensis</i>	Flower	FeCl ₂ .4H ₂ O	Fe ₂ O ₃ NPs	Mostly Spherical/ 51 nm	Heated for 20 sec./ 7	Yellow to dark brown	Exhibit antibacterial properties.	156
12.	<i>Bauhinia tomentosa</i>	Leaf	FeCl ₃	Fe ₂ O ₃ NPs	Face-centered cubic/ 70 nm	Not reported	Orangish brown to black	Used in the synthesis of 1,3 diolein.	157

13.	<i>Camellia sinesis</i>	Leaf	Ferrous sulfate solution	Iron oxide NPs	Spherical/ 20 nm	700°C	A black colored precipitate was obtained	Used as a heterogeneous catalyst in the Biodiesel production from <i>Azolla filiculoides</i> .	158
14.	<i>Carica papaya</i>	Leaf	$\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	Fe_2O_3 NPs	Non uniform and agglomerated/ 21.59 nm	30 min. / room temperature / 11	Solution changed to intense black color	NPs showed photocatalytic activity for remazol yellow RR dye, cytotoxicity towards BHK-21 as well as HeLa cell lines and found to be antibacterial.	159
15.	<i>Psidium guajava</i>	Leaf	$\text{FeCl}_2 \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and $\text{FeCl}_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	IONPs	Cubic and partly spherical / 12.64 nm	30 min./ Room temperature / 11	Transparent yellow to black	They possess dye degradation activity for methylene blue and methylene orange, antibacterial effectiveness and	160

								antifungal activity. .	
16.	<i>Salvadora persica</i>	Bark	FeSO ₄ .7H ₂ O	Fe ₂ O ₃ NPs	Spherical / 15-20 nm	2 hrs./ 70°C/ 11	A black precipitate was observed	NPs show super-magnetic property and no toxicity for HT-29 cell lines.	161
17.	<i>Mangifera indica</i>	Seed	Zinc nitrate solution	ZnO NPs	Spherical, cylindrical, rectangle and triangle/ 40-70 nm	15 hrs. / 30°C	White to dark brown	Exhibit strong bacteriostatic efficacy for <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> and <i>Escherichia coli</i> as well as antioxidant properties.	162
18.	<i>Aquilegia pubiflora</i>	Leaf	Zinc acetate dehydrate salt	ZnO NPs	Spherical structure / 131 nm	2 hrs./ 60°C/ 7	Not reported	NPs exhibited toxicity against HepG2 cell line, antidiabetic properties, anti-Alzheimer's activity, antiaging and	163

								antiinflammatory properties.	
19.	<i>Amygdalus scoparia</i>	Stem bark	Zinc acetate dehydrate solution	ZnO NPs	Spherical/ 15-40 nm	4 hrs. / 80°C	A pale pink color was observed	Shows antimicrobial activity, cytotoxicity against LS180, HeLa and MCF7 cells and antidiabetic activity.	164
20.	<i>Berberis aristata</i>	Leaf	Zinc acetate dehydrate solution	ZnO NPs	Needle-like/ 20-40 nm	70°C	A deep yellow colored precipitate was observed	Demonstrate antimicrobial effectiveness against multiple strains of gram-negative and gram-positive bacteria and antioxidant properties.	165
21.	<i>Myristica fragrans</i>	Fruit	Zn(NO ₃) ₂ . 2H ₂ O	ZnO NPs	Spherical or elliptical / 41.23 nm	2 hrs./ 60°C	Light brown to dark grey	NPs were found to be antibacterial, inhibitory for kinase, alpha amylase and alpha glucosidase	166

								enzymes, antioxidant, antilarvicidal, antileishmanial and biocompatible.	
22.	<i>Plaintain</i>	Peel	$\text{ZnC}_4\text{H}_6\text{O}_4$	ZnO NPs	Spherical/12.45 nm	2 hrs. / 85°C / 12	An off-white precipitate was obtained	NPs were found to be antimicrobial for various tested pathogens.	65
23.	<i>Raphanus sativus</i>	Leaf	$\text{Zn}(\text{O}_2\text{CCH}_3)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2$	ZnO NPs	Spherical hexagonal/ 66.47 nm	3 hrs. / 80°C / 10	Yellow to pale	Displayed antimicrobial properties and , Cytotoxic effects on the MCF7 cell line.	66
24.	<i>Commelina benghalensis</i>	Whole plant	TiF_4	TiO_2 NPs	Rough Spherical/ 200 nm (10g TiO_2) and smooth spherical (30g TiO_2)	2 hrs. / 90°C	A yellow greenish solution was obtained	Exhibit photocatalytic activity for MB dye and SSX with 65% and 82% degradation, respectively.	167

25.	<i>Tulbhagi a violacea</i>	Leaf	Ti(C ₄ H ₉ O) ₄	TiO ₂ NPs	Agglomerated rectangular (10 ml and 40 ml of leaf extract) and slightly agglomerated spherical (20 ml of leaf extract)	4 hrs. / room temperature	White to creamy yellow or orange	The NPs were antioxidant and anticancerous for HeLa and HEK 293 cell lines.	168
26.	Alcea	Whole plant	C ₁₂ H ₂₈ O ₄ Ti	TiO ₂ NPs	Irregular and agglomrerated/5-33 nm	4 hrs. / 50 ⁰ C	Not reported	The NPs exhibited photocatalytic activity.	169
27.	Thyme	Whole plant	C ₁₂ H ₂₈ O ₄ Ti	TiO ₂ NPs	Polyhedron / 3-27 nm				
28.	<i>Caricaceae</i>	Shell	Titanium iso-propoxide	TiO ₂ NPs	Semispherical with some monoclinic spherical / 15 nm	5 hrs. / 85 ⁰ C / 11	Greenish brown to pale blue	Exhibits antifungal properties, as well as has a positive effect on plant growth.	170
29.	<i>Withania somnifera</i>	Root	Titanium (IV) Oxide	TiO ₂ NPs	Aggregated spherical and square shapes/ 50-90 nm	3 hrs. / 70 ⁰ C	Whitish to light green	Exhibits dose-dependent antibiofilm activity and anticancer activity for	171

								HepG2 cell line.	
30.	<i>Cassia fistula</i>	Leaf	TiO ₂	TiO ₂ NPs	Spherical	24 hrs.	Pale yellow to pure white milky color	The NPs were antibacterial against <i>Escherichia coli</i> and <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> .	172
31.	<i>Solanum surattense</i>	Whole plant	TiO (OH) ₂	TiO ₂ NPs	Clustered Spherical/ 10-80 nm	24 hrs. / Room temperature	Light green to whitish brown	Exhibited dose-dependent antiepileptic properties and cytotoxic properties for THP-1 cells.	173
32.	<i>Melia azedarach</i>	Seed	Magnesium nitrate	MgO NPs	Spherical/ various diameter of 73.29 nm for 5 ml, 62.4 nm for 10 ml and 44.29 nm for 20 ml of seed extract, respectively	4 hrs. / 90°C/ 8	White precipitate was obtained	NPs has excellent potential as larvicidal and antioxidant agents.	174

33.	<i>Rosa floribunda charisma</i>	Flower	Mg(NO ₃) ₂ . 6H ₂ O	MgO NPs	Polyhedral/ 35.25-55.14 nm	6 hrs. /90 ⁰ C	A pink color was developed	The NPs exhibited dose-dependent antioxidant, antiaging and antibiofilm activity.	175
34.	<i>Mangifera indica</i>	Leaf	Magnesium sulfate	MgO NPs	Irregular flake-shaped / 10.25 nm	30 min. /100 ⁰ C	Green to brown	Nps derived from <i>Carica</i> and <i>A. indica</i> leaf extracts had better antibacterial properties.	176
35.	<i>Azadirachta indica</i>	Leaf	Magnesium sulfate	MgO NPs	Irregular fused-shaped / 27.08 nm				
36.	<i>Carica papaya</i>	Leaf	Magnesium sulfate	MgO NPs	Spherical / 20.82 nm				
37.	<i>Hagenia abyssinica</i>	Female flower	Mg(NO ₃) ₂ . 6H ₂ O	MgO NPs	Spherical / 10-40 nm	120 min. /60 ⁰ C/ 12	A muddy brown color appeared	The NPs exhibited antibacterial activity.	67
38.	<i>Psidium guajava</i>	Leaf	Mg(NO ₃) ₂ . 6H ₂ O	MgO NPs	Uniform spherical / 85.8 nm	3 hrs.	A brownish yellow solution was formed	The NPs showed antilarvicidal and antibacterial activity.	177

39.	<i>Moringa oleifera</i>	Leaf	MgCl ₂	MgO NPs	Face- centered cubic sructure	6 hrs. / room temperature	Transparent solution turned yellowish	NPs are utilized in the fields of super-conductor, opto-electronic devices and energy storage applications.	178
40.	Aubergine	Waste fruit part	[Cr (NO ₃) ₃ ·9H ₂ O]	Cr ₂ O ₃ NPs	Agglomerated and irregular	2 hrs./ 60°C	Green color was obtained	Used as a heterogeneous catalyst for biodiesel production from non edible oil seeds (<i>Phyllanthus maderaspatensis</i>); achieved 92% conversion.	179
41.	<i>Azadirachta indica</i>	Leaf	CuO NPs	Cu(NO ₃) ₂ or CuSO ₄	Not reported	Not reported	Not reported	Used as a heterogeneous nanocatalyst for biodiesel production from waste	104

								vegetable oil, achieving yield of 64.6%.	
42.	<i>Hyphaene thebaica</i>	Fruit	Mg(NO ₃) ₂ . 6H ₂ O	MgO NPs	Spherical / 20-60 nm	Overnight	Darkish yellow to light yellow	The NPs exhibited photo-catalytic activity with MB degradation efficiency of 98% in 110 min.	180

Table S4 highlights representative reports on the biosynthesis of metal-oxide nanoparticles, emphasizing the role of plant derived phytochemicals in determining their structural features and functional performances.