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Lecture # 22

**Course: Nanotechnology &
Nanostructures**

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**Topic: Applications of Fe₃O₄
Nanoparticles:**

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Applications of Fe₃O₄ Nanoparticles:

1. ***Protein Immobilization**
2. **Bioseparation**
3. **Food Analysis**
4. **Environmental Treatment**
5. **Biomedical Usage**
 - Targeted Drug Delivery
 - Biosensor
 - Magnetic Resonance Imaging
 - Hyperthermia
 - Tissue Engineering

Protein Immobilization

- Protein immobilization serves as a very effective tool to solve the difficulties encountered in the catalytic application of free enzymes:

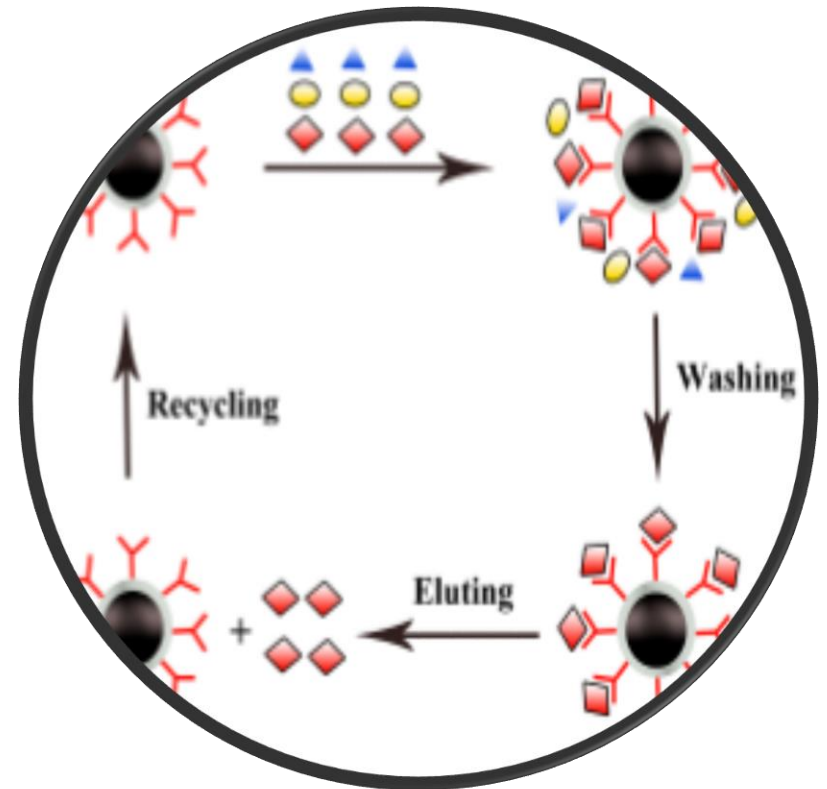
1. such as poor stability
2. hard recovery.

- Fe₃O₄ nanoparticles have been intensively utilized to realize this objective due to its unique:

- magnetic performance
- various practical
- economical biocatalysts
- improved stability
- reusability.

Bioseparation

- Magnetic separation is a commonly used technique for polypeptide/protein separation and cell separation.
- Magnetic separation possesses several advantages:
 - such as timesaving
 - gentle



Environmental Treatment

Fe₂O₃ is used to environment treatment due to:

- the extremely small particle size
- high surface-area-to-volume ratio
- more important the Magnetism

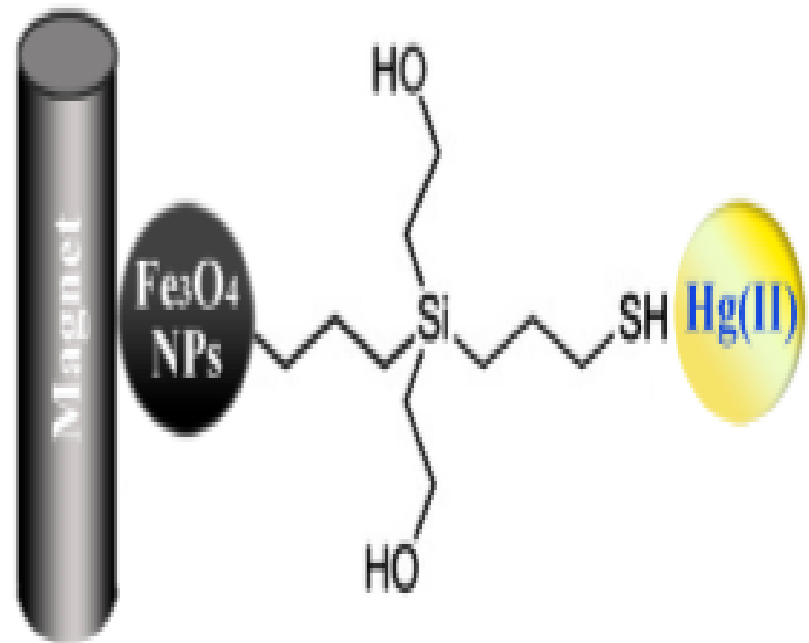
Fe₃O₄ nanoparticles have been widely used and have shown promising performance in environments treatment including:

- pollutant removal
- toxicity mitigation.

Pollutants generally adsorb to the surface of Fe_3O_4 nanoparticles through interactions including:

Physical adsorption

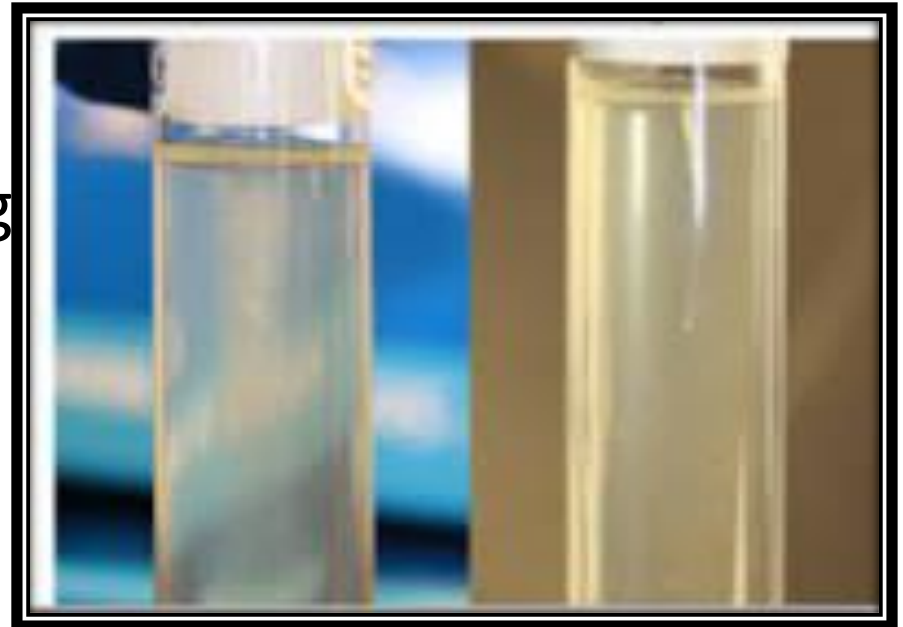
- ion-exchange
- Chemical bonding (complexation and/or chelation)
- Hydrogen bonds
- van der Waals forces.



Biomedical Usage

Fe_3O_4 nanoparticles with appropriate surface properties have been widely used for numerous biomedical and bioengineering applications such as:

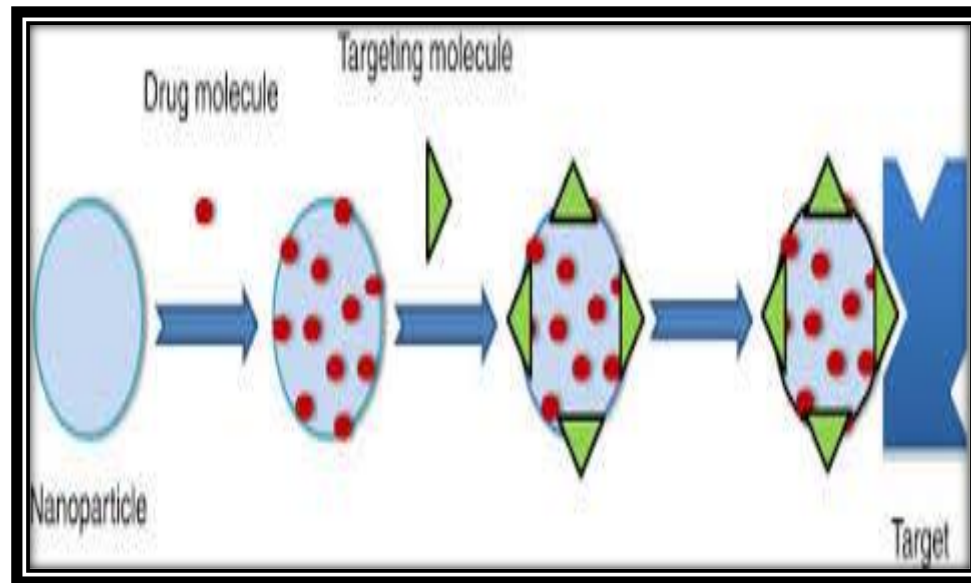
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Targeted Drug Delivery

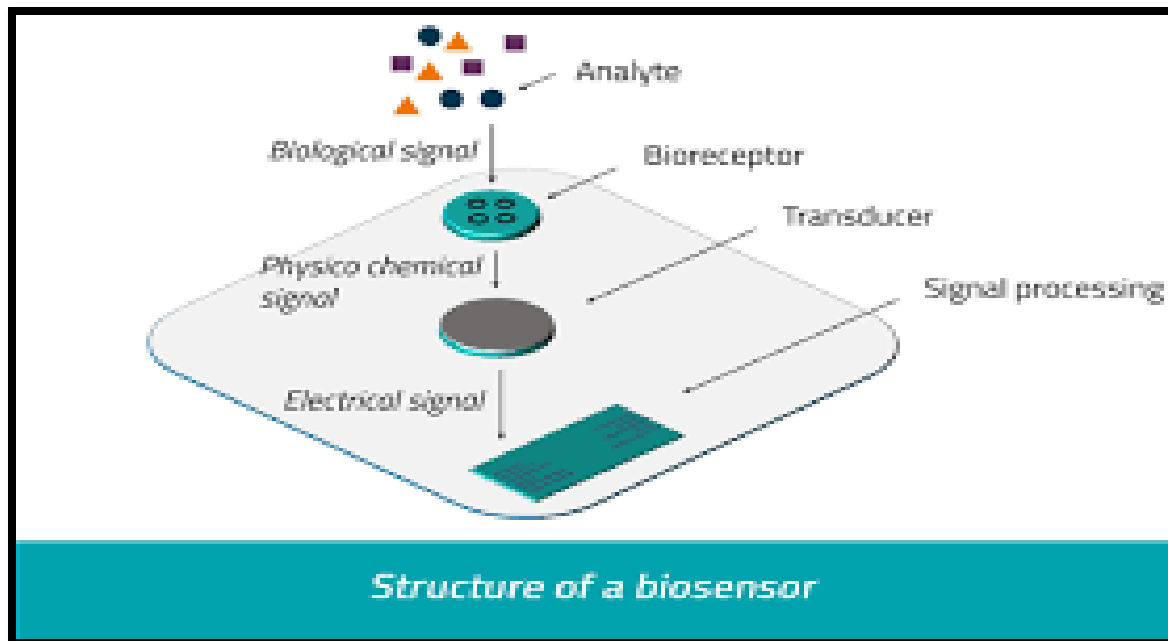
Fe_3O_4 nanoparticles with proper surface modification and conjugated targeting ligands/molecules have become a major research focus for drug delivery applications

- Due to the unique capabilities (e.g., superparamagnetism and biocompatibility)
- the negligible side effects



Biosensor

Fe₃O₄ nanoparticles based bioanalytical sensors could be fabricated by coating Fe₃O₄ nanoparticles with materials such as a fluorescent one, a metal, silica, or a polymer.



Magnetic Resonance Imaging

Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) is a commonly used non-invasive medical imaging technique in clinical medicine:

- to visualize the structure and function of tissues
- which is based on the behavior alignment



Hyperthermia

- Magnetic induction hyperthermia means the exposition of cancer tissues to an alternating magnetic field, in which heat is generated due to magnetic hysteresis loss.
- Cancer cells exposed to magnetic particles will heat up to a temperature higher than 43 °C, at which the cancer cells are destroyed whereas the normal cells can survive.

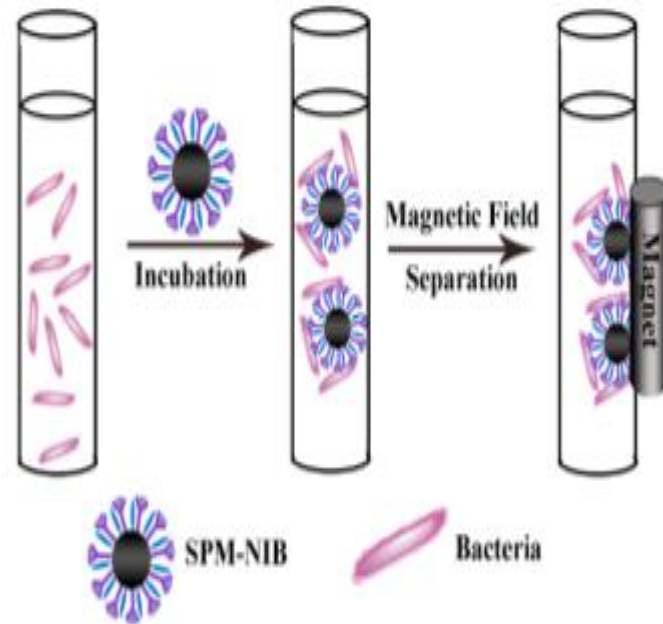


Tissue Engineering

- Tissue engineering is a promising technology for overcoming the organ transplantation crisis and the fabricated tissue equivalents may also be used to screen the effects of drugs and toxins. The three-dimensional constructs (scaffolds or hydrogels) functioning
- similarly as under in vivo conditions was developed T he cells generally isolated from a tissue biopsy, cultured in vitro, subsequently seeded into the three dimensional constructs.

Food Analysis

- Magnetic nanoparticles such as Fe_3O_4 are of special interest for food analysis not only because the unique properties such as low toxicity, good biocompatibility, large specific surface area, high capacity for charge transfer



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