INVESTIGATION OF METALLIC SILVER NANOPARTICLES THROUGH UV-VIS AND OPTICAL MICROGRAPH TECHNIQUES

Objective of work:

To characterize reduced silver nanoparticles in chitosan polymer doped with AgNO₃ salt (CS: AgNO₃) through UV-Vis and optical techniques.

Sample characteristics:

One gram of CS powder was dissolved in 100 ml of 1% acetic acid. The solution was stirred for more than 24 hours at ambient temperature. Different amounts of silver nitrate (AgNO₃) were added separately to this solution with continues stirring to prepare a of different composition CS/AgNO₃ solid polymer electrolyte The system. homogenous mixture solutions were then cast into plastic Petri dish and allowed to dry at room temperature.

Equipment for UV-Vis Analysis:

The UV-Visible spectra of the prepared films were recorded using a Jasco V-570, UV-Vis-NIR spectrophotometer (Jasco SLM-468, Japan) in the absorbance mode, at the wavelength range between 190 to 1500 nm.

Data acquisition:

It was found a broad absorption band centered at 430 nm corresponding to the surface plasmon resonance of the (SPR) silver nanoparticles Ag⁰ reduced from silver ions Ag+. An increase of the relative intensity of the SPR peaks observed with was increasing silver salt concentration.

Table I. The composition of CS:AgNO3 solid polymer electrolyte films.

| Designation | AgNO ₃ (wt.%) | Chitosan (g) | AgNO ₃ (g) |
|-------------|--------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| CSPE-0 | 0 | 1.00 | 0.0000 |
| CSPE-1 | 4 | 1.00 | 0.0416 |
| CSPE-2 | 8 | 1.00 | 0.0869 |
| CSPE-3 | 12 | 1.00 | 0.1363 |
| CSPE-4 | 16 | 1.00 | 0.1904 |
| CSPE-5 | 20 | 1.00 | 0.2500 |
| CSPE-6 | 24 | 1.00 | 0.3157 |

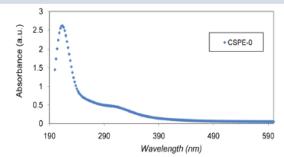


Figure 1. UV-Visible absorption spectrum for pure chitosan (CSPE-0) film.

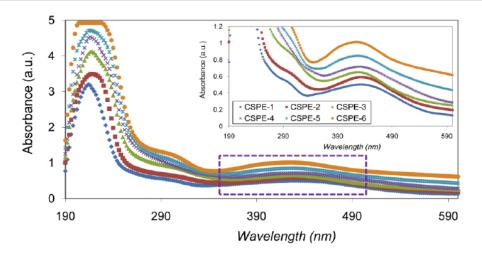


Figure 2. UV-Visible absorption spectra for CS:AgNO₃ solid films with different silver salt concentration.

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