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AIM OF THE WORK

The present study carried out to search for microorganisms that may possibly use as a tool for synthesis of new functional nanomaterials.

The goal of this study was achieved by:

- Exploring nanomanufacturing ability of isolated microorganisms by simple, low cost and low energy methods.
- Moreover, these biosynthesized silver nanoparticles are used to investigate its biological activities against different pathogenic bacteria and fungi, antiviral activities and cytotoxic activities against different tumor cell lines to be applied in medical field.
- In addition, the optimum conditions for production silver nanoparticles were determined.

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