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Synthesis of highly water soluble nanostructured boron nitride for anticancer drug delivery

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Highly water soluble nanostructured Boron Nitride (BN) has been successfully synthesized by reduction of Boric Acid (H₃BO₃) in presence of ammonia. It is a relatively low temperature synthesis route. Nanoparticles were synthesized at 700°C. This method can be used for large scale production of nanostructured BN. The synthesized nanoparticles have been characterized by X-ray diffraction (XRD), scanning electron microscopy (SEM) and differential thermal analyzer (DTA), Fourier Transformed Infrared Spectroscopy (FTIR). Particle size analyzer was used to find the approximate size of the particles. XRD analysis confirmed the formation of single phase nanostructured Boron Nitride. SEM analysis showed that the particles are spherical in shape. DTA analysis showed that the phase is stable upto 900°C. These particles are highly soluble in water although traditional BN is insoluble in water. Solubility of these particles makes it useful as anticancer drug carrier.

Biography

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