

Recent trends in magnetic nanomaterials: synthesis, properties, and their environmental and bio-applications

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SHORT SUMMARY

Over the last half-century and till now, magnetic nanomaterials (MNMs) have gained considerable interest due to their tremendous prospects in various applications such as electronics, catalysis, energy, and biomedicine. The origin of the magnetism properties and its classification of diamagnetism, paramagnetism, ferromagnetism, antiferromagnetism, ferrimagnetism and superparamagnetism will be discussed. The recent approaches in the different chemical, physical, and mechanical synthesis processes and the biological synthesis methods of magnetic nanomaterials will be discussed in detail. The being used characterization techniques for magnetic nanomaterials will be explained in the recent review. Notably, the high specific surface area, the abundance of active sites, the adsorbent capacity, low cost and easy recycling properties make the magnetic nanocomposites promising materials for several environmental protection applications as adsorbents and catalysts materials (i.e., wastewater treatment from organic dyes, heavy metals and catalytic reduction reactions as well as value-added chemicals). The recently reported studies for using various functionalized magnetic nanomaterials and their composites in diverse bio-medicines and environmental applications are reviewed. In this review, the objective is mainly to provide a thorough assessment of the recent synthesis routes and the state-of-the-art for bio-medicine and environmental applications for magnetic nanomaterials and their composites.

EXTENDED ABSTRACT

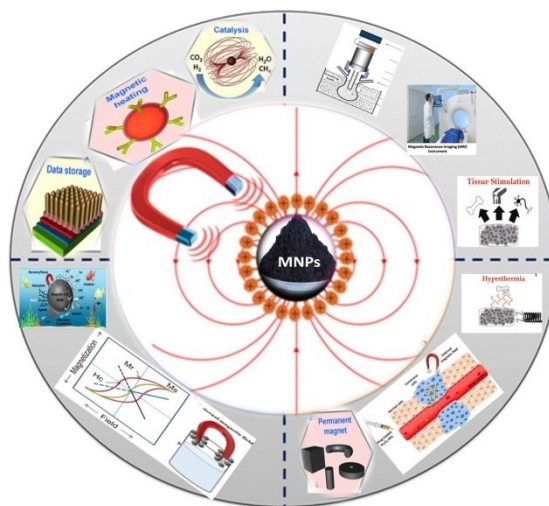
For almost the last half-century and until now, magnetic nanomaterials (MNMs) have acquired enormous attention because of their tremendous prospects in different applications. The recent approaches of progress in the various chemical syntheses (i.e., hydrothermal, co-precipitation, sol-gel, sonochemical, polyol and thermal decomposition), physical synthesis (i.e., microwave irradiation, pulsed laser method, Gamma radiation and chemical vapor deposition), mechanical synthesis routes (i.e., mechanical grinding, high-energy ball milling, mechanical alloying (MA)) and biological synthesis methods of magnetic nanomaterials will be debated in details [1-6]. The being used characterization techniques for the thorough analysis of magnetic nanomaterials such as X-ray diffraction (XRD), Scanning electron microscopy (SEM), Transmission electron microscopy (TEM), Vibrating-sample magnetometry (VSM), Fourier

Transform Infrared Spectroscopy (FTIR), will be explained [7]. It is to be stated that the properties of the magnetic nanocomposites as well as their low-cost production candidate them for several environmental protection applications as adsorbents and catalysts materials (i.e., for wastewater treatment from organic dyes and heavy metals as well as catalytic reduction reaction of CO₂ and CO gases to fuels and value-added chemicals) [8,9]. The recently reported studies for using various functionalized magnetic nanomaterials (MNMs) and their composites in diverse bio-medicines are reviewed [10-13]. Indeed, the unique properties of easy manipulation through remote, magnetic fields have opened the way for particular and interesting biomedicine applications such as targeted drug delivery, hyperthermia and in vivo applications. The main objective of our review is to provide a thorough assessment of the recent synthesis routes and the state-of-the-art of bio-medicine and environmental

applications for magnetic nanomaterials (MNM)s and their composites.

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