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**NSP for Life !**



**High-Surface NSP Supported AgNP  
For Pets and Medical Uses**



**antimicrobial agent with high safety and efficacy**

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## "NSP-supported AgNP" – (NSP-Ag)

Antibacterial/skin wound dressing and healing/burn treatment,  
mosquito bite caused skin Irritation and itching,  
Hemostasis and De-odorant  
**anti-MRSA and anti-biofilm**

unique feature: (compared with the conventional AgNP in the market)

1. **Antibacterial Efficiency** (use less dose of Ag and effective for anti-MRSA)
2. **Low Toxicity/Safety** (Safety: (TAg) > (AgNP) > (silver sulfadiazine or trade name, Silvadene or SS))
3. **High Stability under heat and oxygen oxidation** (high stability against heat, and oxidation by O<sub>2</sub>/UV)

● Note: **MRSA** (Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus)

# NSP and NSP-Ag—medical and health care uses

Anti-bacterial for Methicillin-resistance Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)

mouthwash



- natural and nontoxic
- antimicrobial
- **deodorant**
- anti-virus
- anti gum disease

Skin Cream



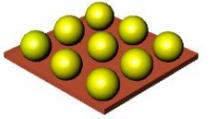
- antimicrobial
- skin-irritation
- anti-itch
- **blood-clotting/hemostasis**

Skin Silver-Cream  
(external use only)



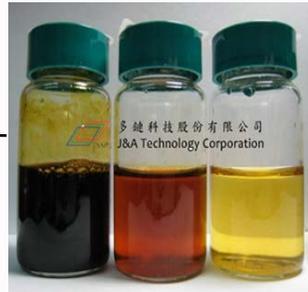
- antimicrobial
- **anti-burn**
- **after bites**

# NSP-Ag — applications



**Medical Uses:** wound dressing, Anti-MRSA, surface antimicrobial coating (bone/medical devices, blood clotting/hemostatic spray)

Waste water treatment/  
air filter



Silver/Graphene dispersed  
paste Nano-Ag powder for  
conductivity

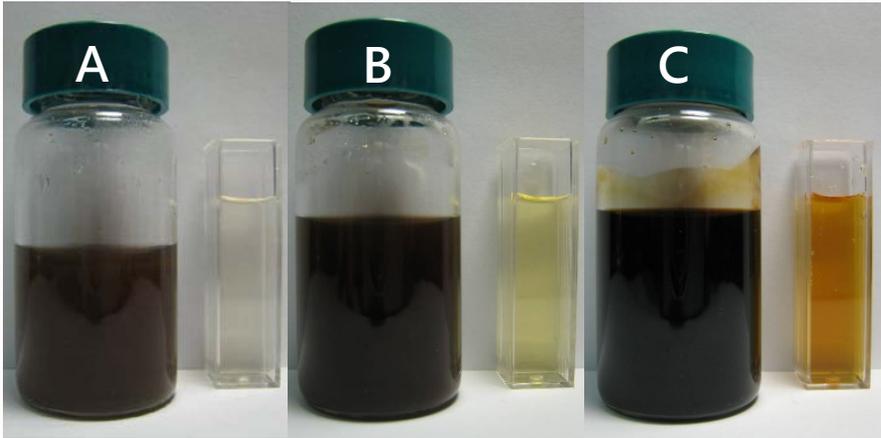
## Colloid, Paste and Powder forms

disperse and thermally stable:  
silver paste, silver powder

**Safety:** NSP-Ag > nano copper =  
nano zinc >> traditional silver  
nanoparticles (high cytotoxicity)

Environmental uses (Ag sprays)

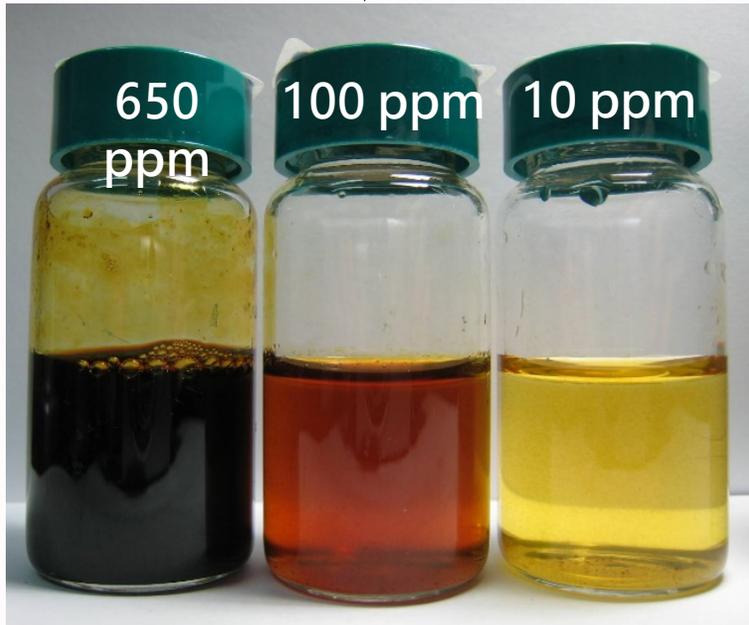
Antimicrobial agents for fabrics,  
package films, 3C equipment...



(golden or ink-colored solution and powder)

1. Highly effective for anti-microbial and anti-MRSA uses
2. low toxicity (cytotoxicity and genotoxicity)

water dilution  
↓



highly stable against air/oxygen

dried  
→



paste or powder forms and thermally stable  
over process temperature

# AgNP/NSP or NSP-Ag rendering the mitigation of the inherent toxicity of Ag-NP

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

## Composition of nanoclay supported silver nanoparticles in furtherance of mitigating cytotoxicity and genotoxicity

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### Abstract

Silver nanoparticle (Ag-NP) is well known for its high antibacterial efficacy. However, its toxicity toward mammalian cells is still a concern in clinical applications. The aim of our study was to evaluate the composition effects of Ag-NP supported by silicate nanospheet (NSP) with respect to the cytotoxicity and genotoxicity, and was in reference to the poly(styrene-co-maleic anhydride)-supported Ag-NP (Ag-NP/SMA). The NSP at the geometric dimension of averaged 80 x 80 x 1 nm<sup>3</sup> was prepared from the exfoliation of natural clays and used to support different weight ratio of Ag-NP. The supporting limitation of NSP on Ag-NP was below the weight ratio of 15/85 (Ag-NP to NSP), and the detached Ag-NP from the Ag-NP/NSP (30/70) and Ag-NP/SMA hybrids exhibited mutagenicity when the concentration was 1.09 ppm or higher. In viewing of cytotoxicity using MTT tests toward HaCaT cells, the IC<sub>50</sub> of Ag-NP/NSP (1/99, 7/93 and 15/85) were 1416.7, 243.6, and 148.9 ppm respectively, while Ag-NP/SMA was 64.8 ppm. The IC<sub>50</sub> of Ag-NP/NSP (1/99, 7/93 and 15/85) were at least 833, 78 and 7 folds higher than their corresponding minimum inhibitory concentrations (MIC) respectively, and whereas Ag-NP/SMA was 6.4 folds. The Ag-NP/NSP and Ag-NP/SMA hybrids had been further investigated for genotoxicity by chromosomal aberrations and *in vivo* micronucleus assay within the concentration at 10<sup>-10</sup> and 10<sup>-30</sup>, only Ag-NP/SMA showed a higher frequency of chromosomal aberrations. Our findings indicated that the viability of utilizing the NSP to maintain Ag-NP for antimicrobial activity, and the high-surface area of NSP served as an excellent support for associating Ag-NP and consequently rendering the mitigation of the inherent toxicity of Ag-NP in clinical uses.

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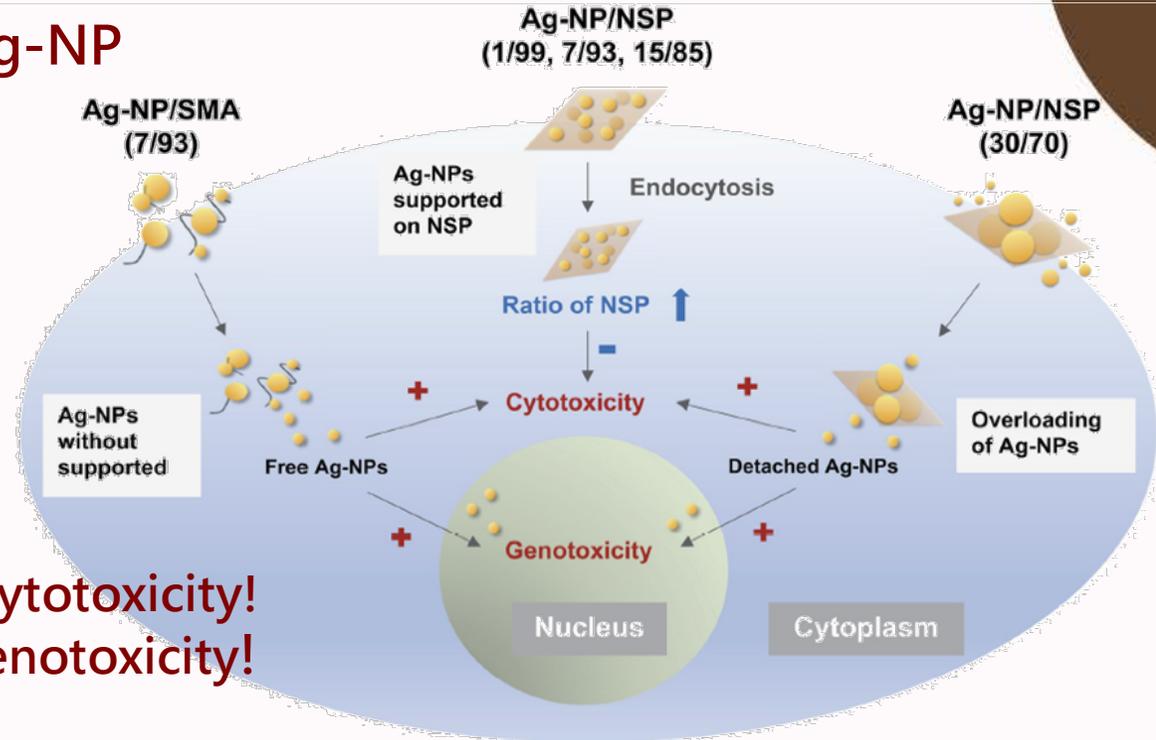
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Low cytotoxicity!  
No genotoxicity!

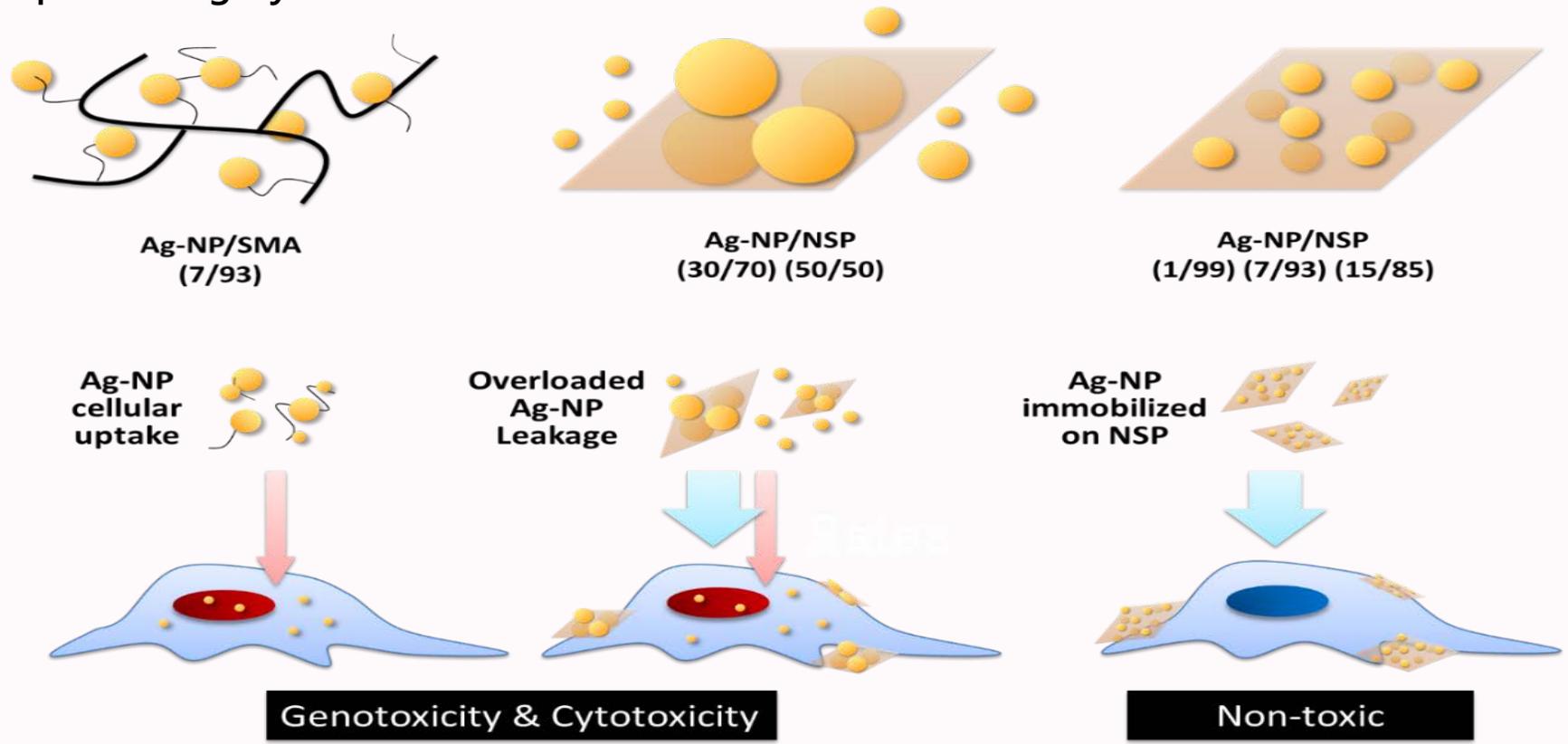
Fig 4. Conceptual illustration of the interactions between the hybrids, Ag-NP/SMA (7/93) or Ag-NP/NSP (ranging from 1/99–30/70) with cells.

- The supporting effect of NSP on Ag-NP : *dependent on the weight ratio of 15/85 (Ag to NSP), for controlling adherence of AgNP-on-NSP, revealed by TEM direct observation.*
- NSP may support Ag to mitigate the inherent toxicity of AgNP in cell toxicity and no genotoxicity.

(comparing SMA-polymer stabilized Ag and conventional nanoparticles usually entering cells through various forms of endocytosis)

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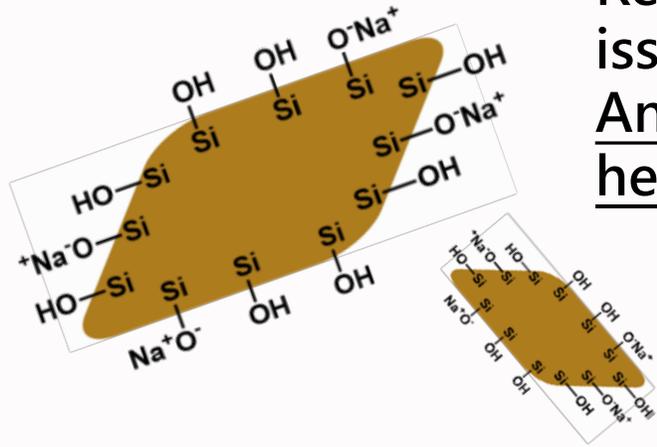
**NSP carrier--Particles do not enter nuclear cells**  
**TAg--low cytotoxicity/no genotoxicity**



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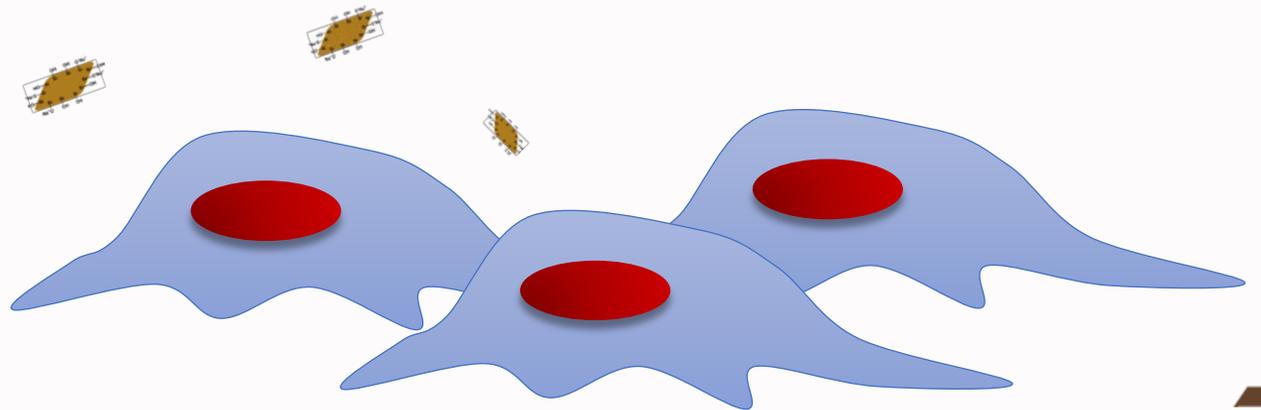
# NSP interactions with virus, microorganism and cell --- NSP physical interaction



What will it happen when NSP contact with living cell?  
Regarding to the toxicity of cytotoxicity and genotoxicity issue:

Answer: NSP-supported AgNP is not entering the cell nuclei, hence causing none of genotoxicity.

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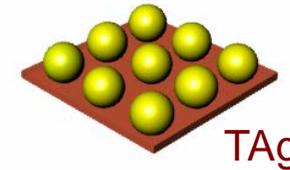


# Antimicrobial Spray (commercial product in Taiwan since 2009)



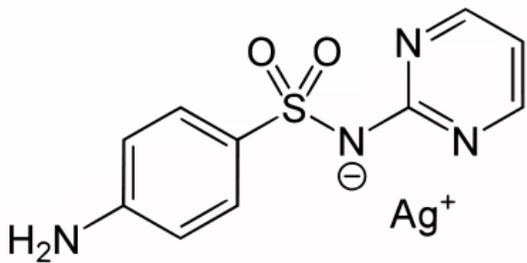
# [NSP-Ag] for wound healing and against infection

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Silver sulfadiazine (Silvadene)

Taiwanese Patent I 462754 to A.T.P. CO., LTD.)



**Adverse effects: hypersensitivity, discoloration of the skin and silver accumulation in organs**

# Regarding NSP-Ag for inhibiting Ag (ion)-resistant bacteria (anti-MRSA)

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