# Multifunctional plasmonic nanoparticles for biomedical applications

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#### **Plasmonic materials**

- Noble metals (Gold, silver)
- Plasmons: Oscillation of surface conduction electron by electromagnetic radiation
- Silver is better than gold but also more toxic<sup>[1]</sup>
  - Strongly scatter light<sup>[2]</sup>



Dark field image of silver nanoparticles

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 Plasmon absorption band: depends on refractive index surrounding plasmonic particles<sup>[2]</sup>



#### Plasmonic (e.g. Au, Ag) particles in bioimaging



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[1] Aaron, Nitin, Travis, Kumar, Collier, Park, Jose-Yacaman, Coghlan, Follen, Richards-Kortum, Sokolov, J. Biomed. Opt. 12, 034007 (2007).

**Experimental** 

**Results and Discussion** 

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### Multifunctional plasmonic-magnetic nanoparticles

- Hybrid plasmonic-magnetic nanostructures<sup>[1]</sup>:
  - Dual imaging (microscopy, MRI)
  - Magnetic separation
  - Therapy (phototherapy, hyperthermia)





Challenges:

- Toxicity?<sup>[3]</sup>
- Stability against flocculation<sup>[4]</sup>
- Many process-steps<sup>[1]</sup>
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- [4] Ruenraroengsal, Cook, Florence, J. Control. Release 141, 265 (2010).

Ag/Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> heterodimers attached on macrophage cells



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#### Hybrid plasmonic-magnetic nanoparticles - Synthesis



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#### Hybrid Ag/Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> nanostructures

Introduction





**Experimental** 

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#### Magnetization of silica-coated Ag/Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>



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#### **Plasmonic properties – Magnetic manipulation**



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#### SiO<sub>2</sub>-coating: Inhibition of toxic Ag<sup>+</sup> ion release



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#### **Biocompatible hybrid nanoparticles (HeLa cells)**



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#### **Biofunctionalization – Cell detection**



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#### Conclusions

 <u>One-step</u> synthesis of SiO<sub>2</sub>-coated Ag/Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>



**Experimental** 

Introduction

 Selective binding and detection of cells





**Biocompatible hybrid** 

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#### Outlook

- Surface biofunctionalization targeting cancer cells
- Photothermal treatment with IR laser
- In-vitro towards in-vivo



Biofunctionalization with EGF





Melanoma cells Under nanophosphor overexpressing EGF excitation receptor

EGF protein functionalization

in situ SiO₂ coating

precursor

1 Si

0 0 0





20 µm

## Thank you for listening



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