Bioavailability and environmental safety of biopesticides

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Biopesticides (Herbal) formulations have reached extensive acceptability as integrated pest management agents for several insect pests and diseases for organic crop production. The development of authentic analytical methods which can reliably profile the phytochemical composition, including quantitative analyses of marker/bioactive compounds and other major constituents, is a major challenge to scientists. Standardization is an important step for the establishment of a consistent biological activity, a consistent chemical profile, or simply a quality assurance program for production and manufacturing of botanical biopesticides. WHO specific guidelines for the assessment of the safety, efficacy and quality of botanical biopesticides. An overview covering various techniques employed in extraction and characterization of herbal biopesticides as well as herbal nano-pesticides standardization will be discussed. The extraction of high-valued botanical biopesticides bioactive compounds using supercritical phase extraction technology followed by the standardization utilizing various spectroscopic and chromatographic will be highlighted.

The secondary metabolites in plants have been used in the formulation of nanoparticles through increase the effectiveness of compounds used to reduce the spread of pest, while minimizing side effects for being: rich source of bioactive chemicals, biodegradable in nature and non-polluting (eco-friendly). Nature has devised various processes for the synthesis of nano- and micro- length scaled inorganic materials which have contributed to the development of relatively new and largely unexplored area of research based on the biosynthesis of nano-materials. Required information for regular method development/validation such as structure, solubility, chromatographic conditions, instrumentation information like HPLC, LCMSMS detection parameters, sample preparations, recovery details, limit of detection and limit of quantification are incorporated in the for discussion. In this paper effects of nanoparticles in biopesticides (bioactive compounds) extraction (Green Extraction Technology), formulation, characterization, effect of their characteristics on bioavailability and their applications in management of agriculture pest in relation to biosafety of environment will be highlighted.

Biography

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