



A DETAILED REVIEW ON NATURAL BIOPOLYMERS FOR TABLET AND PELLETS COATING

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ABSTRACT

Natural polymers are one of the important scopes of pharmaceutical formulation as they provide various precedence over synthetic polymers like they are biodegradable, non-toxic, biocompatible, and easily available. There are various natural polymers available like collagen, fibrinogen, soya protein, polysaccharide, starch, chitin, alginate, chitosan, agar, and zein. Similarly, this present review will focus on biopolymer and their probable pharmaceutical uses. As per the detailed literature search, it has been found that naturally available biopolymers are having multiple pharmaceutical applications along with pharmacological activities and advantages, above mentions polymer's composition, origin, uses and activities and future uses are discussed in detail in this review. This review also focuses on the use of the biopolymers in different types of covering in the tablets formulation

Keywords- natural polymer, coating material, pharmaceutical excipients, natural coating materials, Eco friendly.

I. INTRODUCTION

Natural biopolymer will provide a good scope over synthetic polymers which has various downfall actions which include lack of intrinsic biocompatibility and bioactivity, they are toxic to human health in economical, water solubility problems[1]. Naturally available polymers from various sources like plants, animals, and microbes. They are divided into three major groups based on their chemical composition:

- Polypeptide and protein-based: collagen, casein, fibrin, fibrinogen, gelatin, egg albumen, soy, corn zein, and wheat.
- Polysaccharide-based: chitin, chitosan, alginate, hyaluronic acid, cellulose, agarose, and dextrose
- Lipid-based: oleic acid, beeswax, Carnauba wax, coconut oil, and shellac.






| Advantages of natural polymer | Disadvantages of natural polymers |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These are the polymers that are naturally occurring in nature/environment. • Less toxic • Biocompatible • Biodegradable • Easily available • Good transparency and swelling • Lower the immunogenicity | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • microbial contamination • poor mechanical strength • immunogenic reaction • uncontrolled rate of degeneration • complicated extraction process • slow rate of production • Stabilization of the dispersion/coating material is difficult.[2] |

II. TABLET COATING

Since tablets are generally coated with a synthetic coating material, there is always a need to replace synthetic polymers with natural ones. Tablet coating is defined as a covering on a tablet, used to veil the taste, make it simpler to administer, or safeguard the active pharmaceutical medicine inside. A tablet covering is applied to make the tablet smoother and simpler to swallow[3]. There are different kinds of covered tablets like:

- glossed covered tablets,
- film covered tablets,
- gelatine covered tablets,
- enteric-coated tablets, and
- pressure coated tablets.

Table 1-Types of coating material

| Sl.no | Different types of coated tablets | The formulation of coating material. | Synthetic polymer | Natural biopolymer | images |
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| 1. | Sugar covered Tablets. | Manufactured polymers -HPMC, MHEC, Ethylcellulose, PVP, CMC, PEG Plasticizer -castor oil, PG, glycerine, PEG200,400, surfactants. | Cellulose acetate phthalate, HPMC | Zein (corn protein derivative), shellac. |  Fig 1 |
| 2. | Film-Covered Tablets. | Binder - acacia, gelatin, cellulose derivatives. Fillers -calcium carbonate, titanium dioxide, talc. | HPMC, Ethylcellulose | Bora rice starch, Ragi dietary fibers |  Fig 2 |
| 3. | Gelatine Covered Tablets. | Colorants -dyes, iron oxide, titanium dioxide. | Gelatine, modified HPMC | Zein, alginate. |  Fig 3 |
| 4. | Enteric Covered Tablets. | Anti-adhesives -talc | HPMCP, PVAP | Chitosan, Eleusine coracana dietary fibers. |  Fig 4 |
| 5. | Compressed coated Tablets | Solvents -water, ethanol, methanol, isopropanol, chloroform, acetone | Ethylcellulose, PVP, CMC. | guar gum, pectin, alginate, chitosan. |  Fig 5 |

III. NATURAL POLYMERS USED AS TABLET COATING OR AS A PHARMACEUTICAL EXCIPIENT.

Hence in this review article, there will be a detailed review of the natural coating materials/natural polymers available for coating different types of tablets. All the natural are obtained from plant, animal, and microbial sources [4]. The following is the list of biopolymers was obtained from different sources.

Table-2 Different Sources of Natural Polymers

| Plant source | Animal source | Microbial source |
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| Cellulose Hemicellulose Pectin Gum and mucilage Zein Starch Alginates Carrageenan Gum agar | Chitin and chitosan Gelatin Starch Xylan Dextran | Xanthan gum Gellan gum Pullulan |

IV. LIST OF NATURAL POLYMERS FROM VARIOUS SOURCES

4.1 Bora rice starch



Fig.6 Bora rice starch powder

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| <p>Description:</p> | <p>It is centrally grown in northeast India, majorly in Assam. Assam Bora rice, domestically referred to as Bora Chaul, was acquainted with Assam, India, through Thai-Ahom from Thailand or Myanmar. It is a superb supply of coating material for tablets as it provides various precedences like non-toxicity, biocompatibility, biodegradability, mucoadhesiveness, and non-immunogenicity. The starch content from Assam Bora rice is recognized by an excessive amylopectin concentration (>95%) and a divaricate waxy polymer that shows actual enhanced physical stability and protection from enzymatic activity. It is now and then utilized as a mucoadhesive framework in controlled discharge prescription conveyance frameworks because of its remarkable adherence and gelling properties. Assam Bora rice has an irrefutable arrangement, physicochemical attributes, shape, and medical applications[5]</p> |
| <p>Activities:</p> | <p>Bora rice is a characteristic natural polymer. Drug Delivery Applications with headway in science and innovation, developments in the field of general medical care, and prescription conveyance have ended up being one of the most encouraging fields for analysts across the globe. The utilization of distinct and appropriate polymers as excipients additionally plays an imperative part to play in the advancement of an explicit medication conveyance system. Bora rice has developed to be one of the promising natural polymers that are truly steady and being assigned as generally viewed as protected, which is the essential measure for any excipient to be utilized for administrative and drug purposes[6]. Bora rice likewise tracks down its application in prescription portage, as it has been described by a few extraordinary properties like good adherence and gelling property. As it is acquired from a natural origin, the edge of security is a lot higher when contrasted with manufactured polymers, however, a portion of the utilities of Bora rice as excipients in various medication conveyance frameworks have been explored[7].</p> <p>Bora rice starch as directly compressible specialists: Assam bore rice, provides good properties as a binder and also as a directly compressible agent in the preparation of tablets. A series of analyses and experiments with various treated ABRFs were used to determine the binding property of the bore rice starch. moreover, the mechanical properties were scrutinized by utilizing Kawakita and Heckle's strategy. The results of the experiments were able to signify the possibility of Bora rice starch as directly compressible agents[8,9]</p> <p>Plasma volume expander properties: Bore rice starch consists of a high concentration of amylopectin, which is also available in the glycogen structure, hence this provides a good polymer expanding property. The elucidation of bore rice starch was analyzed by FTIR studies and the Mark-houwink relationship. The consequences of this investigation give a decent sign of a plasma volume expander[10].</p> |

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| | <p>Significance of Bora rice in the advancement of designated drug conveyance framework. Several experiments were performed for the analysis of Bore rice starch in the targeted drug delivery system. The dried lactose and microcrystalline cellulose were used to prepare the tablet core which was further coated with the Bore rice starch and studied for the targeted drug delivery system [11].</p> <p>Bora rice starch as biopolymeric polymer: A progression of in vitro disintegration studies was performed for the microbeads arranged by ionotropic gelation technique keeping SUPAC-MR guidelines that consolidated the combination of sodium alginate and pregelatinized Bora rice. The microbeads were examined utilizing unique boundaries like mucoadhesion, surface morphology, pharmacy technical limits, furthermore, drug-polymer compatibilities. Further, the consequence of the examinations showed that Bora rice starch could be proficiently utilized as a biopolymeric excipient in drug conveyance frameworks, and utilized as medication discharge modulators [12].</p> |
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4.2 Chitin and Chitosan.



Fig.7 Chitosan powder and shrimp shells

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| Description | <p>It is a natural polysaccharide, ranked 2nd most common natural polymer present in the environment after cellulose. It is obtained from crab and shrimp shells. It also provides various advantages like biocompatible, non-toxic, inexpensive, abundant, and chemically and physically stable products which gives a good alternative to the synthetic polymer. By reviewing various articles and reports so far, chitin has been evaluated as a good tablet disintegrant and as a tablet filler-binder. Chitosan is utilized as a magnificent excipient in the drug business/ drug department.</p> |
| Activities | <p>As a diluent in Direct tablet compression The chitosan along with the cellulose and lubricant is blended and then subjected to direct compression by a single/multiple compression tablets punches. Further, the tablet properties are studied for the post-compression parameters like weight variation, crushing point, thickness, and the diameter is determined. The result of the above analysis parameter shows that chitosan is a very good excipient for the diluent property of a tablet which shows great flow properties which are obtained by determining the angle of repose, Carr's index, and Hausner ratio [13].</p> <p>As a tablet disintegrant The core tablet was coated with the chitinous material and tested in the standard disintegration apparatus IP, the tablets were tested in-vitro for 30 minutes, most of the tablets disintegrated within 5-10 minutes, and by the end of 30 min, all the tablets were disintegrated along with those which composed of MCC as the tablet core. Hence these experimental studies give us information that chitin is a good pharmaceutical excipients [14]</p> <p>For the production of specific released solid dosage form Chitosan has many unique features like mucoadhesive, biocompatibility, biodegradability,</p> |

and permeation enhancement. These properties are used in chitosan formulation to release the drug in the small intestine. The swelling property of the modified CBS-chitosan is greater than compared of pure chitosan. For the treatment of colon diseases like ulcerative colitis, chrons disease, and colon infection, a colon-specific drug delivery system is more efficient and of all the polymers chitosan is the most suited polymer due to its unique properties[15]

4.3 pectin as a natural polymer(mango peel pectin)

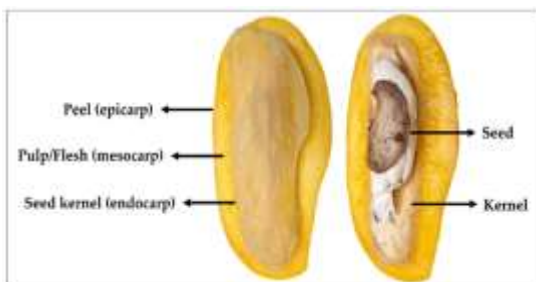


Fig.8 Mango Peel



Fig.9 Pectin Powder

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| Description: | Pectin is a dietary fiber mainly obtained from plant cell epidermis. It is a linear polymer and is water-dissolvable, thus it is not a very good excipient drug material to shield the drug/tablet. But if it is coated with considerable thickness will be able to protect the drug from disintegration in the stomach hence there is a need for the development of less soluble derivatives of pectin. |
| Activities | <p>Colon drug delivery system Recent advancement has shown that calcium salts of pectin decrease the disintegration of pectin by the formation of egg-box design, alongside this in the event that the gelatin is blended in with different polymers like ethyl cellulose is the most appropriate for colon-explicit medication conveyance framework[16].</p> <p>Controlled discharge drug conveyance framework The pectin is changed into high-methoxy pectin which gives a controlled delivery plan. Various experiments on the different ratios of pectin and matrix tablets were analyzed for in vitro studies. Further to enhance and develop the detailing changed/dealt with pectinlike pectinic acid (methoxylation) was fit as it has an exceptionally low solvency file. After the experimental studies, the result of the prepared formulation was that the pectin acid formulation was mechanically stable spherical pellets that had a 30-60% low dissolvability model framework within 15min of organization in gastric liquid and gastrointestinal liquid[17].</p> <p>Transdermal delivery system A derivative of pectin known as amidated pectin was used in the formulation for the preparation of a transdermal chloroquine delivery system. After different examinations and tests, it is demonstrated that amidated pectin is utilized to cover the unpleasant taste of chloroquine and furthermore give a supported/prolong the arrival of the medication[18].</p> <p>Mango strip peel as an excipient in strong dispersion. pectin was removed from the walls of mango fruit, it was further formulated on the tablet (Aceclofenac was used as the model drug). It was evaluated for the release rate of the tablet/drug. The detailed analysis of the experiment shows that pectin-coated tablets have a slow termination rate due to their high aqueous solubility and swelling capacity[19,20]</p> |

4.4 Zein



Fig.10 Zein

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| <p>Description</p> | <p>Zein is the depository material of corn. It is the main protein content in the endosperm of corn and contributes about 50% to the total protein content of the whole grain of corn. Zein is isolated by the doubleincarceration cycle of corn gluten substrate by wet processing of corn. It is a yellow fine powder due to the presence of xanthophylls with remain attached to the zein. A characteristic powerful polymer substance has acquired enormous fascination in drug development and technology over the most recent twenty years. Zein has been presented as the detailing of nanoparticles, microparticles, films, dots, tablets, and containers. A prolamine protein is comprised of a few polypeptides. Zein consists of unique quality due to its natural origin, and unique solubility, swelling, and self-assembling properties[21].</p> |
| <p>Activities</p> | <p>Zein is controlled and released in solid dosage form A series of experiments were performed, where a standard compressed tablet along with zein-coated tablets was studied for the rate of disintegration. the results of the studies give a piece of detailed information that the zein-coated tablets exhibited retarded drug release. These results were based on the unique properties of zein which include swell-ability and solubility[22].</p> <p>Zein is a pharmaceutical excipient in oral strong measurement structures. Zein is used as a good polymer for various hydrophobic drugs like paracetamol, ranitidine, and indomethacin in the Pharmaceuticals and food industry. As the period increased there was a sharp diffusion front where the swelling capacity is slowly increased and the and differed in various ph. of the body, along with this there was a significant role of hydration. As the time period increases there is decreased release of the drug which leads to sustained release which is due to the hydrated matrix of the zein material[23].</p> <p>Zein-based film coatings for tablets Zein coating has able to mask the taste and odor of ordinary tablets. There have been observed other characteristics of the zein coat, which include resistance to abrasion, heat, and humidity. The coating process of zein dispersion is much faster and easier than compared to the sugar-coating process. The hardness test of zein-coated tablets is double the strength compared to uncoated or other polymers-coated tablets. There is various literature search that proves that the application of zein coating on tablets tends to provide sustained release. The aqueous pseudolatex of zein was applied to acetaminophen tablets, the in-vitro drug release rate showed that the thicker the coating, the slower the release of the drug. However, the drug release is faster in acidic ph. (0.1M HCl) compared to basic conditions. This is due to the increased permeability of zein coating to acid[24,25]</p> |

4.5 Plantago ovata Seed Mucilage.



Fig.11 Plantago weed and powder

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| <p>Description</p> | <p>Plantago is a genus belonging to the family of Plantaginaceae. Has a wide range of species of about 265. They consist of dense basal leaves, and long leafless stalks terminal bearing small flowers. It contains of a good composition of ispaghula mucilage in the epidermis of dried seeds. They have a wide range of pharmaceutical applications in the form of binding, disintegrating, suspending, emulsifying, and sustaining properties. They have good characteristic features like non-toxic, emollient, and non-irritating nature[26].</p> |
| <p>Experiment:</p> | <p>Isolation of mucilage The mucilage from the Plantago seeds was obtained by soaking them in distilled water for 48h and then in boiled water for 1h. then it is filtered by squeezing in muslin cloth, after which an equal volume of acetone is added for the precipitation of mucilage. Then dried in a hot air oven at a temperature of less than 60°C.</p> <p>Preparation of the tablets Prochlorperazine maleate is the active ingredient, along with this the excipient like a binder, MCC, and dried mucilage are thoroughly blended. Then it is compressed by the direct compression method. All the ingredients used are passed through the #60 mesh separately[27].</p> <p>Evaluation of tablets Once the tablet is readily compressed they are subjected to post-evaluation parameters which include the determination of weight variation, hardness, and friability of the tablets were determined by using Monsanto Hardness Tester and Roche friabilator, respectively. Along with these disintegration and dissolution test was carried out by respective standard apparatus at various concentration of the mucilage and the drug were analyzed.</p> <p>Results By conducting the overall above experiments, it has been proven that the mucilage obtained from Plantago seeds is of great pharmaceutical use. They provide a very good disintegration rate of directly compressible tablets compared to synthetic polymers. It consists of a good water absorption ratio(86%), when it is properly blended with methylcellulose it gives good diluent properties. When mucilage is modified in a new chemical formulation will give sustained-release tablets. They also possess friability of less than 1% which gives them good mechanical resistance to tablets. Thus from the above-obtained results mucilage can be used as an excipient for sustained-release, modified-release, and fast-release tablets with suitable modifications[28,29]</p> |

4.6 Eleusine coracana dietary fibers



Fig.12 Ragi seeds and powder

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| <p>Description</p> | <p>Eleusine coracana is locally called ragi or finger millet. Millets are minor oats of the grass family, Poaceae. They acquire relatively small seeds, and yearly oat grasses, large numbers of which are adjusted to tropical and barren environments and are described by their capacity to grow in less fertile land. The level of cultivars ranges from 40 cm to 1 m and the spike length goes from 3 to 13 cm. The shade of grains might shift from white through orange-red, profound brown and purple to dark[30,31]</p> |
| <p>Chemical composition</p> | <p>Carbohydrates: Finger millet is a rich origin of carbohydrates and consists of free sugars (1.04%), starch (65.5%), and non-starchy polysaccharides or dietary fiber (11.5%). Protein: The Prolamins portion contains a higher extent of glutamic acid, proline, valine, isoleucine, leucine, and phenylalanine yet low lysine, arginine, and glycine. Fat: Finger millet lipids comprise 70–72% neutral lipids fundamentally triglycerides and traces of sterols, 10–12% of glycolipids, and 5–6% of phospholipids. Micronutrients: It consists of a good concentration of calcium, phosphorus, iron, trace elements, and micro vitamins.</p> |
| <p>Physiological properties:</p> | <p>Anti-carcinogenic property Antioxidants and phytochemicals are the major nutraceutical components that provide anti-carcinogenic properties by terminating the free radicles like superoxide anion radicle and singlet oxygen. There is a variety of phytochemicals present in figure millet that suppress the cellular oxidation thus protecting from different types of cancer. Ferulic acid has been found to induce carcinogenesis in the colon and breast. As this is a major constituent of bound phenolic acids in figure millet, thud it may act as a natural bioactive chemotherapeutic agent against cancer[32,33]</p> <p>Antioxidant property Finger millet is composed of the phenolic phase and Xylo -oligosaccharides which result in the enhanced/active antioxidant activity of about 70% to 60 mg concentration which is more than the antioxidant activity exhibited by rice, maize, and wheat bran XO composition(70% at 1000 mg) other phytochemicals like catechin, galocatechin, epicatechin, and procyanidin also assist in the anti-oxidant activity. Higher antioxidant activity for finger millet seed coat polyphenol extract (86%) compared to polyphenol extract from finger millet whole flour (27%)[34].</p> <p>Anti-microbial property</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The millet Seed coat phenolic extricate — dynamic against Bacillus cereus, Aspergillus Niger. • The Fermented finger millet extricate — stifle the development of Salmonella sp., Escherichia coli. |
| <p>Ragidietaryfibers as a natural polymer</p> | <p>Active ingredients present in dietary fibers: it consists of a variety of active phytochemicals like non–starchy polysaccharides which include β-glucan, arabinoxylan, and arabinogalactans possess various properties like good moisture retention, and stability. It also possesses various beneficial roles in human nutrition and health such as lowering cholesterol and fat contents, reducing the disease symptoms of constipation, and</p> |

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| | <p>the risk of diabetes, atherosclerosis, and colorectal cancer. the medical advantages related to high fiber food varieties are deferred supplement assimilation, expanded waste mass, bringing down of blood lipid counteraction of colon cancer, boundary to absorption, the versatility of gastrointestinal contents, expanded waste travel time, and fermentability properties. SDF divisions are significant in food varieties since they trap greasy substances in the gastro-digestive system and subsequently, lessen cholesterol levels in the blood and lower the risk of coronary illnesses[35,36].</p> <p>Experimental evaluation of dietary fibers as a natural polymer The finger millet coat was isolated and dispersed in various solvents to get a stable dispersion which is required as the coating material on tablets. Here the base tablet used is diclofenac sodium, which is evaluated via pre-compression parameters like angle of repose, Carr's index, Hausner ratio, bulk density, and tapped density were determined by the standard apparatus of the prepared tablet granules are evaluated, later the post-compression parameters like Weight variation, Friability, Hardness, Content uniformity, Disintegration time of the ragi dietary fibers coated tablets were evaluated by using standard apparatus.</p> |
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4.7 Guar Gum as dietary fiber



Fig.13 Guar gum powder

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| Description: | <p>Guar is locally known as cluster bean. Guar gum is a seed gum created from the powdered endosperm of the seeds of <i>Cyamopsis tetragonolobus</i> Linn of the family Leguminosae. The plant of gaur gum is droughttolerant and constitutes of good and strong phytoconstituents. It is for the most part displayed in May-June and gathered in September-October. At the phase of complete development, the plant yields 600-800 lb of seeds for every section of land under un-watered conditions yet the creation almost duplicates under flooded conditions. The water-dissolvable portion of guar gum contains primarily a high atomic weight hydro colloidal polysaccharide that is, galactomannan, which is normally known as guaran. Guar gum is primarily used as a defensive colloid, an adhesive and disintegrating expert, emulsifying specialist, mass diuretic, appetite depressant, and peptic ulcer treatment[37,38].</p> |
| Activities | <p>Guar gum in Colon specific drug delivery system</p> <p>4.7.1 Preparation and assessment of tablet coat</p> <p>Polysaccharide-based polymer and guar gum were blended with the active drug and formed a direct compression coated tablet. With the thickness and compactness of the outer coat, it takes a greater time for the polysaccharide coat to hydrate. This leads to an extended-release of drugs in the colon tract. But it is not favorable for diseases</p> |

affecting the proximal colon. Thus detailed research has been conducted which resulted in a multi-unit pellet CSDDS based on film coating. A relative study of degradation was analyzed, showing that film-covered tablets were readily degraded in comparison with the compression tablets. Further, the tablet was coated with eudragit FS30D which provides resistance against the gastrointestinal tract of $\text{pH} < 7$ and easily dissolves in the intestinal lumen of pH greater than 7. Thus the core tablet is coated internally with Guar Gum and the outer film is coated with Eudragit FS30D.[39]

4.7.2 In vitro drug release

The in vitro release of the prepared tablet was evaluated using a ZRS-8G dissolution tester. The prepared pellets were released in the rotatable basket immersed in release media thermodynamically maintained at the body temperature. The release media consist of 0.1M HCl and phosphate buffer which stimulates the release of the drug rate in the stomach, proximal part of the small intestine, and colon. And to evaluate the enzyme-triggered drug action, *Aspergillus niger* was added to the release media. Later, an inoculation fermentation model inoculated with the rat caecal was performed for better experimental results. The release medium consists of phosphate buffer pH 6.8, along with this all the necessary condition for the experiment was set up and the results for the dissolution of the tablets were observed and tabulated[40].

4.7.2 Effect of guar gum coating on drug release

The delivery profiles of guar gum-covered pellets with various CWGs were analyzed. The delivery profiles were biphasic, and the discharge rate was slower at higher covering levels. It is realized that guar gum will guzzle water and swell to structure gel upon contact with water. The gel layer will go about as a diffusion obstruction around the pellet centres and an expansion in CWG will build the dispersion way length and convolution. Also, the more grounded and thicker the gel framed, the more outlandish will be their weakness to disintegration. Thus, higher CWG brought about a decreased medication discharge. The living components of deferred drug discharge by guar gum covering were like that by HPMC film covering. Upon exposure to disintegration liquids, the guar gum layer becomes hydrated and frames a viscous gel layer that dials back further leaking in of delivery liquid profoundly. During the delivery test, pellet tests were removed irregularly and cut open for investigation. Results showed that the guar gum obstruction could safeguard the medication stacked center for somewhere around 30 min[41].

4.8 Alginates



Fig.14 Alginate sea weed



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| Description | <p>Alginate is an anionic polysaccharide fundamentally found in brown-colored algae. Alginate is synthesized via two copolymers, guluronic acid, and mannuronic acid. The copolymers give strength and adaptability to alginate. Unique properties like high consistency, gelling properties, and high stability make alginate a significant modern polysaccharide. Alginate has various applications in the drug pharmaceutical development of gels, settling specialists, and confined drug conveyance. The utilization of alginate hydrogels for tissue drug conveyance is broadly utilized these days. Alginates provides different exertion in drug conveyance, for example, in matrix type alginate gel globules, in liposomes, in balancing abdominal travel time, for local discharge, and conveying the bioparticles in designing application[42].</p> |
| Activities | <p>Application of alginate in oral dosage form with systemic effect</p> <p>Tablets and capsules are by a long period of time the most frequently utilized oral measurement structures. The substrates are frequently designed as a quick delivery type, i.e., the rapid arrival of medication for quick retention. Covering of the units can lead to the development of sustained discharge of drugs, i.e., the arrival of the active ingredient is hindered. Controlled-discharge drug conveyance frameworks are intended to give a reproducible and kinetically predictable arrival of medicinal substances. Alginates may be used in measurements structures intended for one or the other kind of medication discharge[43].</p> <p>Development of a controlled-release framework.</p> <p>The oral dose structures are frequently made concurring to one of the accompanying standards: the whole medication portion is in a similar actual unit or the portion is contained in a get-together of little sub-units. In the last option case, the sub-units are filled into a container or compacted into a tablet. The formulation utilizes a substance or physical "hindrance" to give a controlled arrival of the medication. Numerous detailing techniques have been utilized to incorporate the obstruction into the peroral dose structure, e.g. the covering of a center containing the dynamic fixing or the installation of the dynamic fixing in a polymer matrix. Hydrocolloids like alginate can play a huge role in the plan of a controlled-discharge release. The alginate atom will go through nearly quick hydration to make a hydrocolloid layer of high thickness. This makes up a dispersion obstruction diminishing the movement of small atoms.</p> <p>Diffusion System</p> <p>Scattering systems given alginate can be isolated into two principal classes. In the polymer layer structure, the sedated plan is exemplified inside a medicine supply compartment. The medication plan could exist as a strong or suspension, then again in an answer structure. The drug release is compelled by the polymeric embodied film having an express vulnerability. The encapsulation of the drug is accomplished by various techniques, e.g., shower covering or microencapsulation. Alginate has been applied in the readiness of simple swallow pills (easy to swallow pills). In one review, the accumulated theophylline was exemplified, and the medicine release rate was through and diminished appeared differently in relation to the grid type alginate gel dots[44]. The conveyance rate became lower as the covering thickness extended. The conveyance followed zero-request energy. A further decrease in release rate can be driven by combining added substances, for example, carnauba wax into the prescription stockpile. In the polymer structure, the prescription is homogeneously scattered in a rate-controlling polymer system. The</p> |



outcome may be swellable microspheres or standard tablets. When such frameworks are presented to the disintegration medium, drug discharge is adjusted by diffusion through matrix swelling and dissolution/disintegration at the periphery. The “swelling disintegration” process is exceptionally perplexing. In the drug delivery system, a view of sodium alginate cross-connected with calcium chloride, the osmotic strain gradient that exists between the alginate gel and the environment involves a significant component in the enlarging system. Under acidic circumstances (e.g., in the stomach) enlarging of the calcium alginate beds hardly occurs. A drug is liable to be delivered by dissemination through the insoluble lattice. Under unbiased circumstances. The beds will grow and the medication discharge relies upon the enlarging and disintegration process. The enlarging behavior of calcium alginate has been completely taken advantage of for the improvement of a different unit, the controlled-discharge drug conveyance framework [45]. A new insert, basically consisting of alginates with different hydroxyl-ethyl-cellulose content was developed to maintain a constant drug level over a certain period in the eye that was not possible with conventional eye drop application. This study showed good tolerance of the new calcium-alginate-insert applied to the ocular surface for **controlled drug release**.

Table-3 Summary of the above listed natural polymer

| Sl.no | Natural polymer | Chemical Composition. | Unique properties |
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| 1. | Bora rice starch | Amylopectin- α -glucan chains have a level of roughly 18 to 25 glucosyl units interconnected by α -(1,4)- d-glycosidic linkages. The chains are connected to one another through parts of α -(1,6) linkage and are the primary part (~ 70%-85%) in like general starches. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Binder • good polymer expanding property • mucoadhesion • sustained/targeted drug release |
| 2. | Chitin and Chitosan. | β (1-4)-linked N-acetyl-D-glucosamine units | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • disintegrant • filler/binder • mucoadhesive • biocompatible • permeation enhancement |
| 3. | Pectin (mango peel pectin) | linear polymers of chiefly (1-4)-connected D-galacturonic corrosive build-ups hindered by 1,2-connected L-rhamnose deposits with a couple hundred to around 1,000 structure blocks for each atom. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • slow dissolution rate • good aqueous solubility • swelling capacity • Specific drug release (colon/sustain release) |
| 4. | Zein | Zein protein-combination of polypeptides that can be gathered in light of their different atomic loads and solvency in arrangements of 0 to 95% isopropyl liquor, Three significant portions were distinguished, named α -(19 and 22 kDa), β -(17-18 kDa) and γ -(16 and 27 kDa). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • unique solubility • swelling • self-assembling properties. • Sustained-release action |



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| 5. | Plantago ovata Seed Mucilage. | repeating disaccharide of α -(1,2)-rhamnose and α -d-(1,4)-galacturonic acid | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Binding • Disintegrating • Suspending • Emulsifying • Sustaining properties |
| 6. | Eleusine coracana dietary fibers | Arabinoxylan-a straight spine of xylose units with connected arabinose units. All the more unequivocally, the general construction of an AX comprises a direct β -(1 \rightarrow 4) connected Xylan spine to which α -l-arabinofuranose units are joined as side deposits through α -(1 \rightarrow 3) and additionally α -(1 \rightarrow 2) linkages | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced stability • Forms good coating material • Unique solubility • Good health benefits • binder |
| 7. | Guar Gum as dietary fiber | Alactomannan comprising of a (1 \rightarrow 4)- connected β -d-mannopyranose backbone with branch focuses from their 6-positions connected to α -d-galactose | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biocompatible • Biodegradable • Resistance against heat, acid, salt, high pressure • It is well protected against digestive enzymes • Has little to no interactions with the drug or excipient |
| 8. | Alginates | Consists of two uronic acids: d-mannuronic acid (M) and l-guluronic acid (G) extracted from brown seaweeds Phaeophyceae and kelp | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • high consistency • gelling properties • high stability • sustain release action |

V. CONCLUSION AND THE FUTURE SCOPE

Expanded nutritional recognition challenges the food and pharmaceutical businesses in growing new food and drug items with exceptional health-enhancing attributes. Natural polymers meaningfully affect quick-dissolving tablets more than manufactured polymers. Regular polymers expanded the drug release rate from the tablet and decremented the crumbling and breaking personal time, and they are utilized as folio super disintegrant and diluent. They are loved over fabricated engineered polymers as they are nontoxic, basically open at a negligible cost, utilized in fewer sums, and are typically removed to give a healthful enhancement. The separating properties of Plantago applaud, Lepidium sativum, gum karaya, Guar gum, Fenugreek seed cement, mango strip gelatin, ragi fibers, etc, have been concentrated in contrast with counterfeit super disintegrants. After doing a detailed literature search, it has been found that material is there which contains fibers (bora rice, ragi), polysaccharide (alginate, cellulose), starch (taro, Ipomoea batatas, Jicama sweet turnip) are used as a natural coating material for tablets and pellets. So in the future, there is more scope for the development and exploration of natural polymers from plant and animal sources. Hence, the natural polymers can be viably used as disintegrants, binders, and coating material in tablet preparation.

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