



Literature Review



Nanotechnology for Improving Agrotechnical Practice – Actual Significance and Prospects

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Agriculture faces growing challenges, including soil degradation, climate change, and the need for increased food production while minimizing environmental harm. Nanotechnology, specifically the use of nanoparticles and metal nanoparticles, presents a promising way for sustainable agricultural practices. It holds the promise of making agriculture more resilient, efficient, and sustainable. Its precision-based approach enables optimized use of inputs and improved crop outcomes, making it a key technology for addressing global food security challenges. Nanoparticles have emerged as a revolutionary tool in agriculture, providing innovative solutions for improving crop yield, reducing environmental damage, and enhancing sustainable farming practices. Nanotechnology offers innovative solutions that transcend traditional limitations related to soil type and climatic variability. Its applications range from enhanced nutrient delivery systems to advanced pest control and environmental monitoring, making it an asset for global agricultural development. This review summarizes in short the benefits and risks associated with the application of nanoparticles in agriculture, focusing on nano-fertilizers, nano-pesticides, and nano-remediation technologies. Nano-fertilizers hold significant promise for advancing sustainable agriculture by enhancing nutrient efficiency and reducing environmental impacts. Nanopesticides represent a significant advancement in agricultural pest management, offering the potential for more effective and environmentally conscious solutions. Nano-remediation has substantial promise for enhancing environmental sustainability in agriculture by effectively addressing soil and water contamination. The discussion also highlights regulatory concerns and future directions in nano-enabled agriculture.

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Introduction

Sustainability practices toward the environment have become an inevitable part of human responsibility in our interactions with nature and natural resources that can render the environment safe for present as well as for future generations (Arora et al., 2018).

The controlled management of natural resources emphasises harmony between ecology and the environment and can sustain the ecological/natural balance within the universe (Barrington-Leight, 2016). Agriculture is a fundamental industry, essential for food security and economic stability. The rapid expansion

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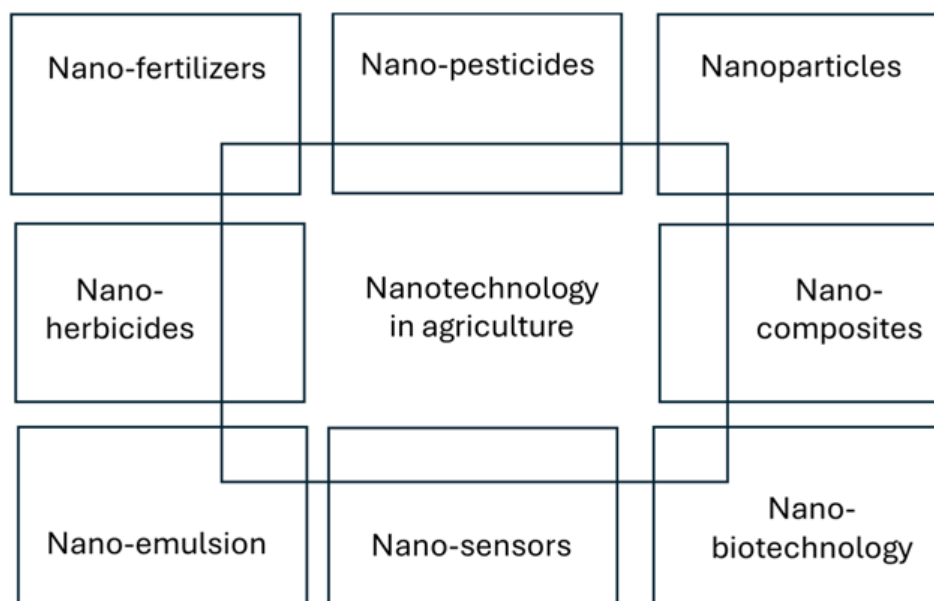


Figure 1 Nanotechnology applications in agriculture

of nanotechnology has introduced novel applications in agriculture, particularly in nutrient delivery, pest control, and soil remediation. Nanotechnology is used in different fields of interest in agriculture (Figure 1).

Especially metal nanoparticles have garnered significant attention in agriculture due to their unique properties, which can influence plant growth, soil health, and microbial communities. Their application offers promising possibilities for enhancing crop productivity and sustainability. The uniqueness of nanotechnologies lies in the possibility of their use in different regions, regardless of the soil and climatic conditions of a particular zone. However, understanding their holistic effects on agrobiodiversity is crucial to ensure environmental safety and ecological balance as well as concerns regarding toxicity, environmental accumulation, and potential health hazards necessitate a balanced evaluation of the benefits and risks of nanoparticles.

Applications of Nanoparticles and Metal Nanoparticles in Agriculture

Different types of nanoparticles are used in agricultural practice for a total of three main purposes.

Nano-fertilizers

Nano-fertilizers provide targeted nutrient delivery, that improves efficiency and reduction of nutrient loss through leaching (Mahesha et al., 2023). They represent an innovative advancement in agricultural

practices, aiming to enhance nutrient efficiency and promote sustainable crop production. Promising technology in nano-fertilizers is the production of bio-based nanoparticles (Verma et al., 2024). By leveraging nanotechnology, these fertilizers potentially lead to increasing yields while minimizing environmental impacts. They are categorized based on their composition and function to nanoparticles as nutrient sources, nanomaterial-coated fertilizers and nanoscale additives.

Nanoparticles as nutrient sources (Table 1), that directly include supplementation by essential nutrients, such as nano-sized nitrogen, phosphorus, calcium, magnesium, sulfur, or potassium compounds (Yadav et al., 2023).

Nanomaterial-coated fertilizers where conventional fertilizers are coated or loaded with nanomaterials to control the release and improve the efficiency of nutrient uptake (Beig et al., 2022). They involve encapsulating macroscale fertilizers with a nanoscale coating or film, that potentially contains nanoscale pores that gradually release soluble nutrient (Mahaletchumi, 2021).

Nanoscale additives are materials added to fertilizers to enhance their properties, such as increasing solubility or reducing nutrient losses (Guha et al., 2022). They incorporate nanoscale particles or substances into larger-scale products or inputs. They do not serve as direct nutrients but they enhance the properties of the larger inputs.

Table 1 Benefits of nano-fertilizers in selected crops

Nanoparticle	Species	Application	Effect
CuO	<i>Solanum lycopersicum</i>	foliar application	eliminated the spread of disease
Zn, Fe and NPK	<i>Cicer arietinum</i>	foliar application	significant increase in both biological and seed output
Al ₂ O ₃ NPs	<i>Solanum lycopersicum</i>	foliar application	effectively counteract <i>Fusarium</i> as a biocontrol agent
N, P and NPK NPs	<i>Triticum aestivum</i>	foliar application	significant changes in plant growth parameters like shoot length, root length, and others
ZnO	<i>Coffea arabica</i>	foliar spray	acceleration of net photosynthesis and increased biomass production
TiO ₂ and SiO ₂	<i>Oryza sativa</i>	foliar application	better development and Cd translocation inhibition

Source: Nongbet et al., 2022

The efficacy of nano-fertilizers is attributed to several key mechanisms. Enhanced nutrient uptake is connected to the small size and large surface area of nanoparticles that facilitate easier penetration through plant cell walls and membranes, leading to improved nutrient absorption (Mahaletchumi, 2021). Controlled release of nanomaterial coatings can regulate the release rate of nutrients, ensuring a steady supply aligned with the plant's growth stages and reducing the frequency of fertilizer application (Madlala et al., 2024). Targeted delivery, where functionalization of nanoparticles allows for the precise delivery of nutrients to specific plant parts, optimizing nutrient use efficiency (Beig et al., 2022).

A positive correlation exists between the particle size and the ability of its nutrient uptake. In soybean, CuO nanoparticles of 25 nm were reported as exhibiting high nutrient uptake, and nanoparticles of 50 nm had lower nutrient uptake (Yusefi-Tanha et al., 2020).

Nano-pesticides

Nanopesticides have emerged as a promising innovation in sustainable agriculture. By manipulating materials at the nanoscale, these formulations aim to enhance the efficacy and environmental safety of pest

control measures. Nano-pesticides are classified into two types: the first one are metal-based nano-pesticides (Cu, Ti, Ag), and the second one involves nanopesticides where AIs are encapsulated within nanocarriers, composed of materials such as clays, polymers, and zein NPs (Wang et al., 2022). Nano-pesticides offer increased efficiency and reduced environmental impact compared to traditional pesticides. However, long-term effects on soil microbiota remain a concern (Chaud et al., 2021.) Based on a specific nanoscale formulation of their active component, nano-pesticides activate delivery and effectiveness, which results in improvement in the dispersion stability, creates slow/controlled release formulations, and provides better control in the field applications (Grillo et al., 2021). Nano-pesticides were reported to have many benefits, such as improved durability and potency as well as reduced active components, which leads to reducing the environmental impact that chemical pesticides have on the ecosystem (Awad et al., 2022). They have high adsorption, reduced volatilization, or improved tissue permeation. However, studies are also highlighting the potential toxicity of nano-pesticides in the non-target organism and their environmental risk (Table 2) (Kannan et al., 2023).

Table 2 Pros and cons of nano-pesticides

Benefits of nano-pesticides	Environmental risks of nano-pesticides
Increased stability	impact on terrestrial organisms
Controlled release	impact on soil organisms
Superior efficacy	impact on aquatic organisms
Lower rate required	impact on plants
Suitable dispersion	interaction with environmental pollutants
Minimizing residues	toxicity

Source: Zainab et al., 2024

Nano-remediation

Pollution and environmental protection are important global concerns that must be resolved as soon as possible. Globally, there are an astounding amount of contaminated dumps, oil fields, military facilities, private estates, and manufacturing and industrial sites (Patil et al., 2016). Nanotechnology assists in soil and water remediation, aiding in the removal of toxic elements while improving soil quality (Kaningi et al., 2022). Nano-remediation offers creative solutions for the rapid and effective removal of pollutants from contaminated environments, enabling the resolution of the major problems of the twenty-first century, including the pollution crisis, contaminated land management, and environmental imbalance restoration (Das et al., 2019). In addition to lowering the total cost of cleaning up large-scale contamination, technologies that use nanostructures have the potential to shorten cleanup times, do away with the need to treat and dispose of contaminated materials, and lower contaminant concentrations to almost zero in situ (Corsi et al., 2018). Reactive nanomaterials like metal oxides, nanodots, bimetallic nanoparticles, carbon nanotubes, nanoclusters, and nanocomposites are used in nanoremediation technologies to break down and mineralise pollutants (Guerra et al., 2018; Garnie et al., 2021). Nanoremediation techniques can offer long-term solutions to environmental pollution issues and may lessen the cost of cleaning up contaminated sites when compared to a number of conventional remediation techniques, including chemical oxidation, solvent co-flushing, pump treatment methods, and thermal decomposition (Patil et al., 2016; Ganie et al., 2021).

Benefits of Nanoparticles and Metal Nanoparticles in Agriculture

A pest infestation, microbial attacks, natural catastrophes, poor soil quality, and reduced nutrient availability are the main causes of damage to approximately one-third of crops grown using conventional farming. To solve these problems, more inventive technologies are urgently needed. In this sense, nanotechnology has aided in the agrotechnological revolution, which holds promise for food security and the immediate overhaul of the robust agricultural system. As a result, nanoparticles are emerging as a cutting-edge substance that will revolutionise contemporary farming methods. For managing plant health and improving soil, a wide range of nanoparticle-based formulations have been studied, including nano-sized insecticides, herbicides, fungicides, fertilisers,

and sensors. By increasing qualities like disease resistance, crop output, and nutrient utilisation, a thorough understanding of the interactions between plants and nanomaterials opens up new possibilities for bettering agricultural operations (Mittal et al., 2020).

In general, nanotechnology assists in soil and water remediation, aiding in the removal of toxic elements while increased efficiency of fertilizers and pesticides (Singh et al., 2021), enhance crop protection and disease resistance (Bhushan et al., 2024), improve soil health and nutrient retention (Hafez and Khalil, 2024) and reduction in environmental contamination (Kumar et al., 2019).

The application of nano-fertilizers was reported to have several advantages. Increased crop yield, where it have been demonstrated that nano-fertilizers can significantly boost crop productivity by enhancing nutrient use efficiency, leading to higher yields (Saurabh et al., 2024). Environmental sustainability as a secondary effect of improving nutrient uptake and reducing losses, nano-fertilizers minimize the runoff of chemicals into water bodies, thereby lessening environmental pollution (Nongbet et al., 2022). Economic efficiency in the case of the controlled release and targeted delivery nano-fertilizers reduce the total amount of fertilizer required, potentially lowering costs for farmers.

One of the primary benefits of nanopesticides is their potential to improve the solubility and bioavailability of active ingredients. Traditional pesticides often face challenges with water solubility, leading to inefficient application and environmental runoff. Nanopesticide formulations can increase water solubility and protect agrochemicals against environmental degradation, thereby enhancing their effectiveness and reducing the required application rates (Chaud et al., 2021). Moreover, the unique size and properties of nanoparticles facilitate controlled release and targeted delivery of active ingredients. This precision reduces the frequency of applications and minimizes non-target effects, contributing to more sustainable pest management practices (Ali et al., 2023).

Nano-remediation has emerged as a promising strategy to address soil and water contamination in agricultural settings. This approach leverages the unique properties of nanoparticles to degrade or immobilize pollutants, thereby enhancing soil health and crop productivity. Several nanomaterials have been explored for their efficacy in environmental remediation. *Nanoscale* zero-valent Iron (nZVI) is widely used for its strong

reducing properties, nZVI effectively degrades a range of contaminants, including chlorinated solvents and pesticides. Its high reactivity stems from its large surface area, facilitating rapid pollutant breakdown (Alazaiza et al., 2021). Metal oxide nanoparticles such as titanium dioxide (TiO₂) and zinc oxide (ZnO) have demonstrated photocatalytic capabilities under light exposure, leading to the degradation of organic pollutants like dyes and pesticides. These materials are particularly useful in treating wastewater and contaminated soils (Guerra et al., 2018). Carbon-based nanomaterials like carbon nanotubes and graphene oxide exhibit high adsorption capacities, making them suitable for removing heavy metals and organic contaminants from soil and water. Their large surface area and functionalizable surfaces enhance their remediation potential (Alazaiza et al., 2021). Nanoremediation has gained attention as a potential tool for mitigating climate change through greenhouse gas sequestration, too. While traditionally used in soil and groundwater remediation, recent studies have explored its role in capturing and converting CO₂, CH₄, and N₂O into less harmful or utilizable forms. *Nanomaterials* such as metal–organic frameworks (MOFs), carbon nanotubes (CNTs), and graphene-based materials exhibit high surface area and tunable porosity, making them suitable for CO₂ capture. MOFs can be engineered for high selectivity and reversible adsorption, crucial for carbon capture and storage (CCS) applications (Younas et al., 2021). Photocatalytic nanomaterials such as TiO₂, ZnO, and doped nanocomposites can convert CO₂ into value-added chemicals (e.g., methanol) under light irradiation, mimicking natural photosynthesis (Islam et al., 2023).

Molecular Response of Plants to Nanoparticles and Metal Nanoparticles

Nanoparticles (NPs) have been increasingly recognized for their significant role in modulating gene expression in plants through various mechanisms. Their ability to interact with cellular components, including nucleic acids, has profound implications for plant physiology and development. Different mechanisms can be affected by nanoparticles such as cellular uptake and interaction, epigenetic modifications, signaling pathways, influence on hormone regulation or antioxidant pathways, and stress response (Verma et al., 2024).

Recent investigations have highlighted the intricate relationship between nanoparticle (NP) exposure and the expression of pathogen-responsive genes in plants. In a study examining the responses of *Arabidopsis*

thaliana to various NPs, it was found that most genes activated during pathogen challenges, such as those involved in systemic acquired resistance (SAR), were significantly repressed following NP exposure. For instance, the gene FRK1, known for its role in the basal immune response upon bacterial flagellin perception, was notably downregulated when plants were exposed to nanoparticles like silver (Ag-NPs) and titanium dioxide (TiO₂-NPs) (García-Sánchez et al., 2015; Yan and Chen, 2019). This repression suggests that NP exposure can inhibit the plant's immune response, making plants more susceptible to pathogens.

Silver nanoparticles are widely recognized for their antimicrobial properties, but they also play a crucial role in modulating plant defense mechanisms. Research indicates that exposure to Ag-NPs can enhance the expression of pathogenesis-related (PR) genes such as PR-1, PR-2, and PR-12, particularly during viral infections like those caused by Tobacco mosaic virus (TMV) (Shivashakarappa et al., 2025). The ability of Ag-NPs to trigger SAR pathways suggests a dual effect where they not only provide direct antimicrobial benefits but also bolster the plant's innate immune responses, thereby improving resistance to viral infections.

Titanium dioxide nanoparticles exhibit complex regulatory effects on gene expression in plants. Studies have shown that TiO₂-NP exposure can lead to both upregulation and downregulation of genes involved in responses to biotic and abiotic stresses. Specifically, while some genes associated with oxidative stress and immune responses were upregulated, others, including those linked to root development and phosphate starvation, were downregulated (García-Sánchez et al., 2015; Aseel et al., 2024). This differential regulation indicates that the physiological responses of plants to TiO₂-NPs are context-dependent and may vary based on environmental conditions.

Comparative studies on the impact of various nanoparticles, including silver and zinc oxide (ZnO-NPs), on gene expression related to pathogen resistance, were realized. Their findings revealed a significant overlap in the genes that were responsive to both the NPs and bulk materials, emphasizing the need for further research into the shared mechanisms of action and potential crosstalk between NP exposure and plant defense signaling pathways (Carrillo-Lopez et al., 2024). The data highlighted that exposure to ZnO-NPs resulted in the upregulation of genes that facilitate functional responses to both abiotic and biotic stressors, further

underscoring the multifaceted role of nanoparticles in plant physiology.

The impact of gold nanoparticles on plant receptor-ligand interactions and signalling cascades has been investigated (Konwarh and Sharma, 2020). Gold nanoparticles functionalised with auxin hormone analogues by activating signalling pathways and could modify plant growth and development. Gold nanoparticles' function in plant signalling was highlighted by the alterations in gene expression and physiological reactions they caused in plants (Ferrari et al., 2021).

The effect of silver nanoparticles on plant signalling has also been studied. Silver nanoparticles activate signalling cascades involved in stress tolerance and increase the expression of genes responsive to stress. According to this, plants may use silver nanoparticles as signalling inducers to initiate adaptive reactions to environmental stressors (Khan et al., 2023). Additionally, it has been demonstrated that metal nanoparticles alter signalling molecules and pathways associated with defence systems in plants.

Copper nanoparticles have been shown to increase plant synthesis of defense-related signalling chemicals including salicylic acid and jasmonic acid. The activation of plant defence mechanisms against pests and diseases is facilitated by this signalling pathway modification (Shang et al., 2020).

When examining how exposure to metal nanoparticles affects transcription and transcript processing in plants, these particles are essential. Their distinct physicochemical characteristics allow for accurate modification and study of RNA metabolism and gene expression regulation (Van Aken, 2015). To evaluate metal nanoparticles' uses in agriculture, environmental monitoring, and risk assessment, it is essential to comprehend how they affect these processes. The effect of zinc oxide nanoparticles on alternative splicing patterns in maize has been studied by Xun et al. (2017).

The ability of gold nanoparticles to affect RNA processing systems and contribute to transcriptome diversity in plants was demonstrated by notable changes in the splicing patterns of genes. Additionally, RNA stability and degradation mechanisms are impacted by metal nanoparticles (Tiwari et al., 2016). Aluminium oxide nanoparticles were studied to affect tobacco plant RNA decay, noting increased breakdown of RNA components and possible modifications to gene expression profiles. This implies that metal

nanoparticles have a part in plant post-transcriptional control (Burklew et al., 2012). The impact of metal nanoparticles on transcription and transcript processing in plants can be influenced by several variables, including plant species, concentration, exposure time, and nanoparticle size.

Risks and Challenges of Nanoparticles and Metal Nanoparticles in Agriculture

Reported risks and challenges of nanoparticles are in the area of potential toxicity to humans and soil organisms (Dimkpa, 2014), uncertain environmental fate of nanoparticles (Mishra et al., 2017), and regulatory and ethical concerns (Poddar et al., 2017).

Despite the potential of nano-fertilizers, several challenges must be addressed, such as safety and toxicity in the long-term effects of nanoparticles on human health and the environment, as they are not yet fully understood. Comprehensive risk assessments are necessary to ensure safe application as well as regulatory framework of the development of standardized regulations governing the use of nano-fertilizers is essential to facilitate their adoption and ensure safety. Further, the cost of production, as the synthesis of nanoparticles can be expensive, which may limit the accessibility of nano-fertilizers to resource-constrained farmers needs to be studied.

Nanopesticides offer advantages, but their environmental impact requires to be carefully considered. Studies have shown that nanopesticides can outperform their non-nano counterparts by 32% in effectiveness against target organisms, including a 19% increase in efficacy against insects (Kannan et al., 2023). However, the long-term effects of nanoparticles on soil health, water quality, and non-target organisms are not yet fully understood. Therefore, comprehensive risk assessments and the development of regulatory frameworks are essential to ensure the safe integration of nanopesticides into agricultural practices. Nanopesticides are being explored for various applications, including the delivery of insecticides, herbicides, and fungicides. Their ability to provide controlled release and targeted action makes them suitable for managing a wide range of agricultural pests. As research progresses, the development of environmentally friendly nanopesticide formulations is anticipated to play a significant role in advancing sustainable agriculture (Deka et al., 2021).

While nano-remediation presents significant advantages, several challenges must be addressed. The environmental impact of the long-term effects

of nanomaterials on soil microbiota and overall ecosystem health are not fully understood. There is a need for comprehensive studies to assess potential risks associated with nanoparticle accumulation in the environment (Alazaira et al., 2021). Economic viability, as the cost of synthesizing and deploying nanomaterials can be high. Research into cost-effective production methods and the use of sustainable, bio-derived nanomaterials is ongoing to make nano-remediation more accessible. The regulatory framework, as the application of nanotechnology in agriculture, requires robust regulatory guidelines to ensure safe usage. Establishing standardized protocols for the application and disposal of nanomaterials is crucial to prevent unintended environmental consequences (Mittal et al., 2020).

The use of nanoparticles in agriculture raises significant environmental and safety concerns, particularly regarding their interaction with terrestrial plants and subsequent impacts on ecosystems and human health. As NPs enter soil through agricultural practices, especially via biosolids from sewage treatment plants, their long-term accumulation poses risks to plant health and productivity. Nanoparticles can induce phytotoxic effects, adversely affecting plant growth and development. Studies indicate that different types of NPs, such as silver and copper oxide, lead to oxidative stress in plants, resulting in genotoxicity, chromosomal aberrations, and altered gene expression. Exposure to silver nanoparticles has been linked to significant physiological changes in peanut plants, impacting their growth and food safety. Furthermore, the differential accumulation of NPs within plant tissues, influenced by factors such as particle size and charge, has been documented, revealing the complex interactions between plants and nanoparticles (Gao et al., 2023).

Considerations for Sustainable Application of Nanoparticles and Metal Nanoparticles in Agriculture

Nanoparticles offer innovative approaches for improving soil fertility, pest control, plant growth, and crop yield, with reduced dependency on chemical fertilizers and pesticides (Mgadi et al., 2024).

Nano-fertilizers provide essential nutrients in a controlled and efficient manner, reducing nutrient losses and improving soil health. Metal oxide nanoparticles such as zinc, copper, iron, and manganese have been shown to enhance plant nutrition, leading to improved growth and productivity (Kumari et al., 2019). The application of these

nanoparticles reduces soil degradation while ensuring long-term agricultural sustainability. Recent studies have focused on the development of nanohybrid fertilizers, which combine nanoparticles with organic or inorganic materials to enhance nutrient delivery and sustainability. These fertilizers aim to integrate the benefits of nanotechnology with traditional fertilization methods to achieve precision and efficiency in nutrient management (Easwaran et al., 2024).

Nanopesticides and nanoherbicides have emerged as efficient alternatives to traditional chemicals. These formulations use nanoparticles as delivery vehicles, increasing the efficacy of pest control agents while minimizing environmental contamination. Metal-based nanoparticles, such as silver and copper, possess strong antimicrobial properties that help in plant disease prevention (Shende et al., 2022).

Certain nanoparticles have been found to improve plant stress tolerance against drought, salinity, and extreme temperatures. Their application enhances photosynthesis, seed germination, and biomass production, leading to better crop resilience (Zhao et al., 2020). Additionally, nanoparticles promote root and shoot development, boosting overall crop yield.

Nanotechnology also contributes to food security by extending shelf life and preventing spoilage. Metal nanoparticles like silver and titanium dioxide are being incorporated into food packaging materials to provide antimicrobial protection and improve food preservation (Maity et al., 2022).

The integration of nano-remediation techniques in agriculture offers multiple benefits. Soil decontamination where nanoparticles can immobilize heavy metals, reducing their bioavailability and toxicity to plants. This process not only cleanses the soil but also restores its fertility, promoting healthier crop growth (Dhanapal et al., 2024). Water purification by nanomaterials can be employed to treat irrigation water contaminated with organic pollutants and pathogens. For instance, ozone micro-nanobubbles have been used to disinfect water, effectively inactivating bacteria without harmful residues (Jkunkeaw et al., 2021). Enhanced fertilization, where nanotechnology has led to the development of nano-fertilizers, which offer controlled nutrient release and improved uptake efficiency. These fertilizers can reduce the environmental impact of traditional fertilization methods and enhance crop yields (Mirbakhsh, 2023).

While nanoparticles offer substantial benefits, concerns about their long-term environmental

impact and bioaccumulation must be addressed. Studies emphasize the need for comprehensive risk assessments and regulatory policies to ensure the safe deployment of these materials in agriculture (Hafez and Khalil, 2024). Green synthesis methods, such as mycosynthesis and plant-based nanoparticle production, provide eco-friendly alternatives that minimize toxicity (Chhipa, 2018).

Further research is needed to develop biodegradable nanoparticles to reduce environmental risks; improve safety regulations, create standardized guidelines, and enhance public awareness and acceptance of nano-enabled agriculture.

Conclusions

Nanoparticles present both promising applications and notable risks in agriculture. While their efficiency in enhancing plant growth, reducing chemical inputs, and improving soil health is well-documented, their long-term environmental and health effects require deeper exploration. Continued research and regulatory advancements will play a crucial role in ensuring the responsible use of nanotechnology in agriculture. Nano-fertilizers hold significant promise for advancing sustainable agriculture by enhancing nutrient efficiency and reducing environmental impacts. Ongoing research and development, coupled with the establishment of regulatory frameworks and cost-effective production methods, are crucial for the widespread adoption of this technology in modern farming practices. Nano-pesticides represent a significant advancement in agricultural pest management, offering the potential for more effective and environmentally conscious solutions. While promising, it is imperative to conduct thorough research to fully understand their environmental interactions and to establish appropriate regulatory measures. This approach will ensure that the benefits of nano-pesticides are realized without compromising ecological integrity. Nano-remediation holds substantial promise for enhancing environmental sustainability in agriculture by effectively addressing soil and water contamination. Ongoing research and development are essential to overcome current challenges, ensuring that the integration of nanotechnology into agricultural practices is both safe and beneficial. Nanoparticles and metal nanoparticles present transformative opportunities for sustainable agriculture by improving crop productivity, reducing environmental impact, and enhancing food security. However, further research is needed to optimize their application, minimize

risks, and establish regulatory guidelines for their widespread adoption. The future of nanotechnology in agriculture lies in responsible innovation that balances productivity with ecological sustainability.

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The authors declare no conflict of interest.

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