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**Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> Nanoparticles: Structures, Synthesis, Magnetic Properties, Surface Functionalization, and Emerging Applications**

by Minh Dang Nguyen, Hung-Vu Tran, Shoujun Xu and T. Randall Lee\*  
*Appl. Sci.* **2021**, *11*(23), 11301; <https://doi.org/10.3390/app112311301>

### Article:

**Enhancement of Antimicrobial Activity of Alginate Films with a Low Amount of Carbon Nanofibers (0.1% w/w)**

by Isaías Sanmartín-Santos, Sofía Gandía-Llop, Beatriz Salesa, Miguel Martí, Finn Lillelund Aachmann and Ángel Serrano-Aroca\*  
*Appl. Sci.* **2021**, *11*(5), 2311; <https://doi.org/10.3390/app11052311>

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