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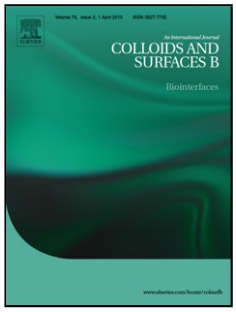

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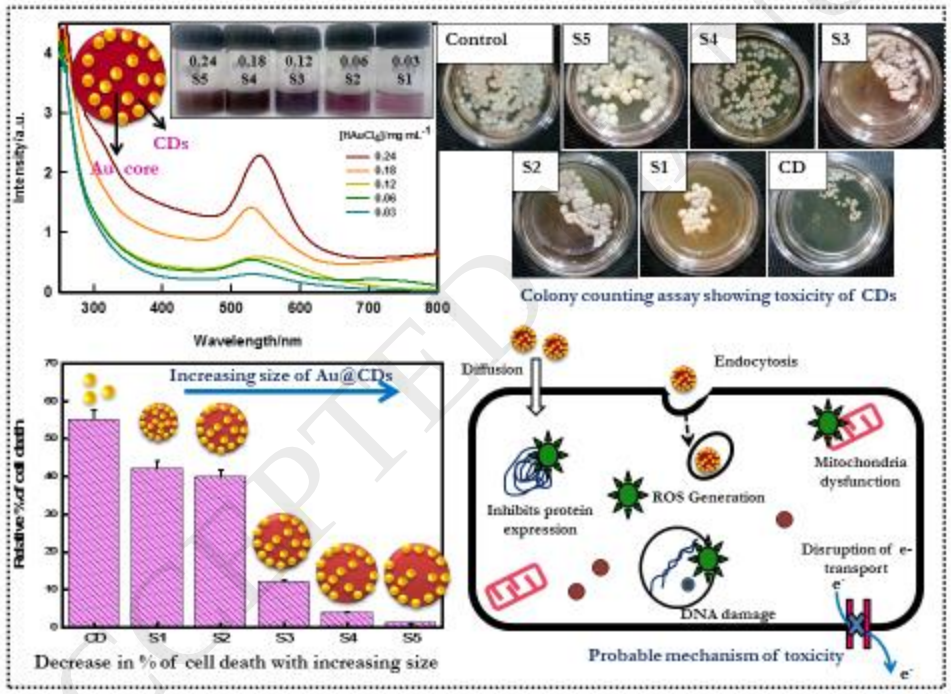

Highlights

- Novel Au@CDs nanoconjugates and CDs as antifungal agents against *Candida albicans.*
- The MIC_{80} value for CDs was at a concentration of 62.5µg/mL.
- Size dependent toxicity was observed in case of Au@CDs nanoconjugates.