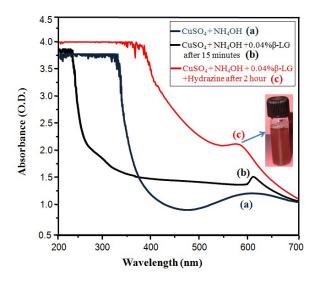
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**UV- STUDY:** 



**Fig. 1** UV visible spectra of CuSO<sub>4</sub> + NH<sub>4</sub>OH(a), CuSO<sub>4</sub> + NH<sub>4</sub>OH +0.04%  $\beta$ -lg after 15 minutes(b), CuSO<sub>4</sub> + NH<sub>4</sub>OH + 0.04%  $\beta$ -lg + Hydrazine after 2 hour(c)



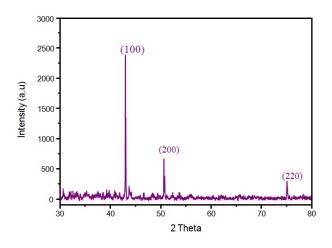


Fig. 2 XRD patterns of synthesized Cu nano particles at 25°C showing three types of planes (100), (200) and (220)

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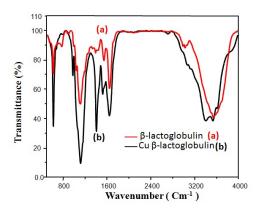
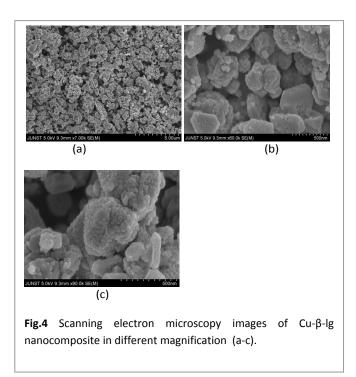
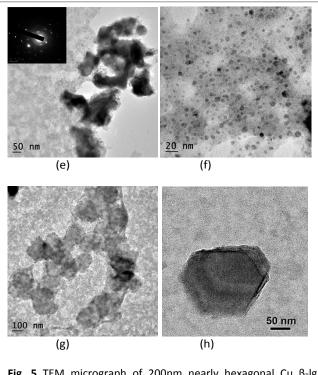


Fig. 3 FTIR spectra of pure  $\beta$ - lg [curve (a)] and Cu  $\beta$ -lg nanocomposite [ curve (b) ]

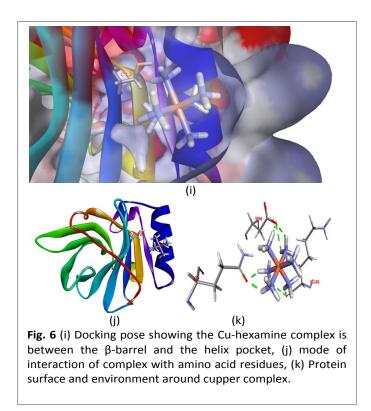
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**Fig. 5** TEM micrograph of 200nm nearly hexagonal Cu  $\beta$ -lg nanocomposite (e). 100nm, 50nm and 20nm zoomed out pictures of the same comsite particles (g, e, f). SAED pattern of nanocomposite particles inset of (e).

## DOCKING STUDY:



## Possible mechanism:

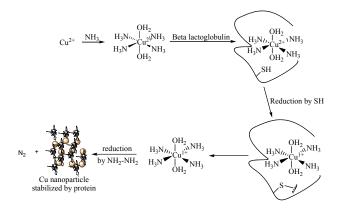


Fig. 7 Possible mechanism of synthesis of Cu  $\beta$ -lg-nanocomposite