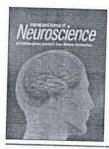


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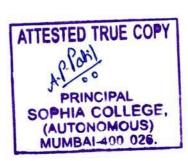
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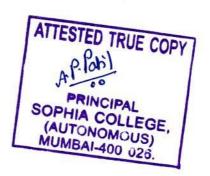
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Pilgrimages and Women: Reading 'Gender' in Early Travel Narratives

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Abstract:

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Travel' as a category of practice and as an agency of experience is increasingly mediated by the contributions of science and technology. Thus, travel is understood as an activity that moves beyond the expectations of leisure alone and newer definitions of 'travel' are embedded with layers of meanings. Early modern travel narratives have revamped the concept of travel and exploration as a precursor to the act of colonialism itself. At the same time, the existing belief is that travel is an extremely male dominated space/activity. Through this paper I study the travels for spiritual health (pilgrimages) as a platform where gender differences can be broken down to a large extend. The initial part of this essay will explore the rhetoric of travel narratives which makes travel sound non-gendered even when it exhibits the obvious language of masculinity and the latter part will analyse pilgrimages in detail.



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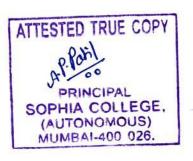
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ABSTRACT

With extensive use of silver nanoparticles (NPs) in various applications comes a greater risk of its release in to aquatic ecosystem. Environmental exposure to nanomaterials is inevitable as they become part of our daily life. However, little is known about their effect on the aquatic species when they exposed to the NPs accidentally. To address this issue, thezebra fish (*Danio rerio*) embryo and daphnia was selected as our experimental model to assess the toxicity of aggregated NPs to the biota in the water column. The main objective of this particular study was to assess the effect of chemically and biologically synthesized silver NPs on zebra fish embryos and daphnia. Toxicity studies were carried out in order to determine the concentration range of nanoparticles for further testing. The embryo of zebrafish and adults of daphnia were exposed to various concentrations of silver NPs. The mortality rate, heartbeat, pigment production was checked after every 24hrs, 48hrs and 72 hrs.In the present study, silver NPswere synthesized using chemical as well as biological method (green







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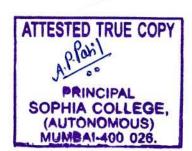
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Abstract

Widespread and indiscriminate use of insecticides is a major concern for human as well as environmental health. A fraction of the insecticides used in agriculture and domestic use finally enter aquatic ecosystems. While insecticides are used to control insect pests, their mechanisms of action are often not specific enough to prevent undesired effects, such as an non-target aquatic populations. Cyfluthrin is a non-systemic synthetic pyrethroid which affects both the central nervous system and peripheral nervous system and is widely used in agriculture and households as an insecticide. In this study, developmental toxicity of cyfluthrin at sublethal concentrations of 20, 40, 60, 80 and 100 ng/L were studied on zebrafish (Danio rerio) embryos at 24, 48, 72 and 96 hpf (hours post fertilization). The results showed that cyfluthrin caused severe cardiac abnormalities such as failure of embayanic hearts to loop properly, pericardial edema and increased rate of







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Developmental Toxicity of Phosmet in Embryolarval Stages of Zebrafish

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Abstract

Pesticides have become ubiquitous environmental pollutants and a part of the pesticides used for domestic and agricultural purpose reaches aquatic ecosystems. Pesticides, while eliminating pests can potentially affect non-target species, such as aquatic organisms. Phosmet is an organophophate used in control of aphids, suckers, mites, and fruit flies. In this study, developmental toxicity of phosmet at concentrations of 50, 100, 150, 200 and 250 µg/L was observed in zebrafish (Danio rerio) embryos at 24, 48, 72 and 96 hpf (hours postfertilization). The results showed that 96 hpf LC to of phosmet to zebrafish embryos was 172, 772 µg/L. Phosmet increased the hatch rate of embryos, while reducing their hatchability. Exposure to phosmet induced morphological abnormalities like yolk sac edema, pericardial edema, failure of hearts to loop properly and decreased rate of heart beat. This study shows that phosmet causes lethality and significant developmental defects in zebrafish in early life stages on short term exposure.

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Phosmet. Zehrafish, Developmental toxicity. Acute toxicity



