Nano-emulsions and its Uses in Food Industry

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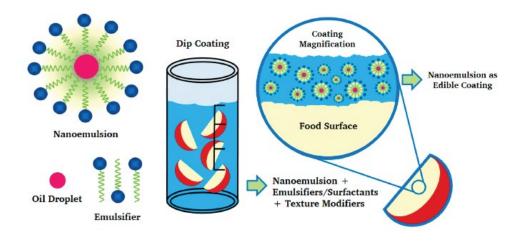


Figure 1: The figure shows the various uses of nano-emulsions in the food industry.

DESCRIPTION

Nano-emulsions are characterized as oil droplets, with particle sizes involved somewhere in the range of 10 nm and 100 nm, scattered in aqueous media and are thermodynamically and dynamically stable colloidal systems [1]. They can be utilized in different fields, for example, finding various applications in the field of pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, and food industries. The current utilization of nano-emulsions in food industries is very restricted; however these colloidal systems hold generous potential for reason in a few zones, by and large identified with the delivery of nutraceuticals, coloring and flavoring agents, and antimicrobials. Specifically, the delivery of functional compounds, such as bioactive molecules, micronutrients, colorants, flavorings, or antimicrobial agents, into food and beverage products that naturally do not contain them is highly desired to increase product value by enhancing health

benefits, nutritive profile, appearance, aroma, or shelf life [2]. The nano-emulsion details of active ingredients can be utilized for developing biodegradable coating and packaging films to enhance the quality, functional properties, nutritional value, and timeframe of realistic usability of nourishments. The emulsion-based delivery systems and nano-emulsion edible coatings can improve the functionalities of food and furthermore upgrade their quality and timeframe of realistic usability [1,2] (Figure 1).

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