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2- Materials & methods

3- Results & discussion

4- Introduction

5- Abstract

6- Conclusion

7- Acknowledgement

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Introduction

1. Introduction

Ideally 3 Paragraphs

Background of study
(what other researchers have done before)

Problem statement
(What are the drawbacks and deficiencies of the pervious works)

Our solution to the problems
(what we are going to do)

Guide your paragraph towards the fact that with all the previous problems there is a major need for a new technology ....

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What we have done?
Why we have done?
What are the advantages?

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Methodology

2. Materials and methods

2.1. Chemicals and reagents
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Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA)

Mention the name of the manufacturer and the country for every single material you use
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2.2. Fabrication of Sample X

2.3. Preparation of Sample X

2.4. Synthesis of Sample X

2.5. Analysis of Sample X by scanning electron microscopy (SEM)

2.6. Analysis of Sample X by atomic force microscopy (AFM)

Fig. 1. SEM
Fig. 2. AFM

Same trend MUST be applied in results and discussion
Results and discussion

You have the pictures ready → Start writing about them

Follow the order strictly

3. Results and discussion
3.1. Morphology analysis of Sample X by SEM
3.2. Morphology analysis of Sample X by AFM

- Be honest with your data
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