

# A Comprehensive Review on Analytical Applications of Hydrazone Derivatives 

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#### Abstract

This review covers a summary of analytical applications of hydrazone derivatives in a systematic manner (1961-2021), which will help researchers in the design and development of hydrazone derivatives as potential candidates in medicinal, pharmaceutical, catalytic, and analytical chemistry, especially in the separation, identification, and detection of several metal ions, anions, organic molecules, and water in various real and synthetic samples. In addition to these, hydrazone derivatives may be used as light emitting diodes, for synthesis of DSSC, nanoparticles and polymers, as corrosion inhibitors, as dyes, etc. This review does not include all papers in this field, but it does synthesize all significant works on the subject.


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## INTRODUCTION

Hydrazones are a class of azomethine with a $-\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{N}-$ N - linkage, prepared by the reaction of hydrazide and aldehydes or ketones (1). In hydrazones, azomethine group gained much importance as compared to other organic compounds because carbon has both electrophilic and nucleophilic nature while both nitrogen atoms are in nucleophilic nature $(2,3)$. All the hydrazone derivatives exist in ketoenol tautomerism via intermolecular proton transfer (4) and cis-trans form depends on azomethine bond, solvent, pH, and concentration. Hydrazone derivatives are considered as both proton donor and proton acceptor species and show intermolecular and intermolecular hydrogen bonding (5). This unique characteristic of hydrazone derivatives makes a them very important class of compounds.

In the past few decades, hydrazone and their derivatives possessed many biological applications (6) (Figure 1,2) like antifungal ((E)-N'-[(5-Methyl-7-nitrobenzofuran-2-yl)methylene]-benzo-hydrazide,

1) (7), antibacterial (2,3,4 pentanetrione-3-[4-[[(5-nitro-2-furyl)methylene]-hydrazino]-carbonyl]phenyl]-hydrazone, 2) (8), intestinal antiseptic (4-hydroxybenzoic acid[(5-nitro-2-furyl)-methylene]-hydrazide, 3) (9), anticonvulsant (N'-(4-chloro-benzylidene)-nicotinohydrazide, 4) (10), analgesic (Decanoic acid (4-methoxy benzylidene)hydrazide, 5) (11), anti-cancer (1H-pyrazole-5-carbohydrazide hydrazone, 6) (12), antiinflammatory (Salicylaldehyde-2-(4-isobutyl-phenyl)-propionyl hydrazone, 7) (13), anti-platelet (Indole-3-carboxaldehyde 4-methoxyphenylhydrazone, 8) (14), anti-viral ( N '-benzylidene-2-((4,4-dimethyl-6-oxocyclohex-1-en-1-yl)amino)acetohydrazide, 9) (15), anti-proliferative (2-(2-(2,4,6-trioxotetrahydro-pyrimidin-5(2H)-ylidene) hydrazinyl) benzoic acid, 10) (16), anti-malarial (4-((2-(benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)hydrazineylidene)-methyl)benzene-1,2-diol, 11) (17), and antituberculosis ( N -isopropylisonicotino-hydrazide,12 ) (18), they were also used as organic, inorganic, and analytical reagents.

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Figure 1: Some biologically important hydrazone derivatives

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Figure 2: Biologically active hydrazone derivatives

Hydrazones are also used as plant growth regulators (2-((2-(benzo[d]oxazol-2-yl)-2-methylhydrazineylidene)methyl)benzoic acid, 13) (19), insecticides (podophyllotoxin-based hydrazone, 14) (20), pesticides (substituted nalidixic acid based hydrazones, 15) (21), corrosion inhibitors (ethylacetoacetate-[N-(3-hydroxy-2-naphthoyl)]
hydrazone, 16) (22) etc. They are important an class of compounds for the synthesis of other heterocyclic compounds like Coumarin, Pyridine, Thiazole and Thiophene Derivatives (2-cyano-N'-(1-(pyridin-3-yl)ethyl-idene)acetohydrazide (17) (23), and polymer initiators (acetophenone $t$ butylhydrazone, (18)(24).


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Figure 3: Hydrazone derivatives as polymer initials, corrosion inhibitor, pesticidal, insecticidal

## ANALYTICAL APPLICATIONS

Hydrazone is very important class of analytical reagents used for the spectroscopic determination of different metal ions in food, environmental, pharmaceutical, and biological samples. These are also used for organic compounds' determination like glucose, carbonyl compounds, estrogen, etc. in blood, urine, cell culture, and pharmaceutical samples. Hydrazone derivatives are also used as corrosion inhibitors for nickel, copper, and many others in acidic and basic media. They are widely used for dyeing purposes for cotton, nylon, etc., chemosensors, polymer initiators, sensitizers, pH sensors for detection of microbes, and waste water treatment.

## Spectrophotometric Agents

Hydrazone derivatives are not only extensively used for the detection of metal ions in water, alloys, soil and pharmacological samples but are also used for determination of anions like cyanide ion, fluoride ions, etc. via spectrophometric method. Hydrazone containing different heteroatom like S, O, N or presence of $-\mathrm{OH},-\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O},-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H},-\mathrm{COOH}$ groups form stable compounds with metal ions and anions as compared to others. Hydrazone derivatives form soluble metal complexes when worked on in very small amounts and are capable of detecting metal ions in micro or nanograms.


Figure 4: Hydrazone derivatives for spectrophotometric determination of metals.

Spectrophotometric determination of Cu (II) and Ni (II) in pharmaceutical samples was performed by 7-Hydroxy-8-aceto-coumarin hydrazone (19) at pH 4.5 and 5.5, respectively (25). 2-acetylfuran benzoyl-hydrazone (20) was prepared by Saleem Basha in 2017 and used for spectrophotometric Cu (II) determination in liver cells, vegetable oil, soil, cauliflower, and water samples as a greenish yellow colored complex at pH 6.5 with a detection limit ranging between 1.02 and $10.2 \mu \mathrm{~g} / \mathrm{ml}$ (26). (Figure 4)

All the hydrazone derivatives that were used as spectrophotometric agents and the established conditions like color of complex, pH range, $\lambda_{\max }$ and detection limit in ppm are presented in Table 1. In this table, hydrazone reagents used for the detection of metals or anions via spectroscopic methods from the period of 1971 to 2021 were described.

Table 1: Important Hydrazone derivatives worked as Spectrophotometric Agents.

| Spectrophotometric reagent | Sample | Metal ion | pH | Color of complex | Detection range (ppm) | $\lambda_{\text {max }}$ <br> (nm) | Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3,5-Dimethoxy-4hydroxybenzaldehyde isonicotinoyl-hydrazone | Alloy | $\mathrm{Ni}(\mathrm{II})$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8.5- \\ & 9.5 \end{aligned}$ | Yellow |  | 386 | (27) |
|  | Alloy samples, hydrogenat ion catalyst samples and real water samples | Pd(II) | 5.5 | Bright yellow | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1064- \\ & 2.1284 \end{aligned}$ | 382 | (28) |
|  | Monazite sand | Th(IV) | 3.0 | Yellow | 0.580-5.80 | 390 | (29) |
|  | Synthetic mixtures, certified reference materials, water samples and pharmaceu tical samples | Au(III) | 4.0 | Orange | 0.197-1.97 | 386 | (30) |
|  | Beer, wine, vegetables and milk | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{II})$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8.0- \\ & 9.5 \end{aligned}$ | Bright yellow | 0.317-3.17 | 494 | (31) |
| Diacetylmonoxime-4- <br> hydroxybenzoyl- <br> hydrazone <br> 2-pyridinecarb-aldehyde <br> 2-(5-nitro)pyridyl- <br> hydrazone <br> 2,4-dihydroxy- <br> benzaldehyde <br> isonicotinoyl hydrazone | Synthetic alloy | Pb (II) | 10.0 | Bright yellow | $\begin{aligned} & 0.414- \\ & 10.360 \end{aligned}$ | 440 | (32) |
|  | Steel | $\mathrm{Ni}(\mathrm{II})$ | 6.0 | Red | 0.05 | $\begin{aligned} & 475 ~ \& ~ \\ & 507 \end{aligned}$ | (33) |
|  | -- | Fe (III) | 7.0 | Yellow | 0.20-1.45 | 420 | (34) |
|  | Alloy <br> sample, zirconium sand and micro granite rock sample | Zr (IV) | 1.5 | Golden yellow | 0.4-4.0 | 410 | (35) |
|  | Alloys and steel samples | Ti (IV) | $\begin{aligned} & 1.0- \\ & 7.0 \end{aligned}$ | Reddish brown | 0.09-2.15 | 430 | (36) |
|  | Synthetic samples and ores | Os (VIII) | 5.0 | yellow | 0.95-11.41 | 393 | (37) |
|  | Water and pharmaceu tical samples | Zn(II) | $\begin{aligned} & 6.0- \\ & 8.0 \end{aligned}$ | greenish <br> yellow | 0.06-1.6 | 390 | (38) |
|  | Monazite sand | Th(IV) | $\begin{aligned} & 2.0- \\ & 8.0 \end{aligned}$ | yellowish orange | 0.3-7.0 | 415 | (39) |
|  | Portable water samples | $\mathrm{Fe}(\mathrm{II})$ | 7.0 | Yellow | 0.1-1.5 | 395 | (40) |
|  | Steel | Ti (IV) | $\begin{aligned} & 1.5 \\ & 1.5 \end{aligned}$ | Red | $0.36-3.8$ | 560 | (41) |
|  | samples | Mo (VI) | $1.5$ | Golden |  | $445$ |  |



| Spectrophotometric reagent | Sample | Metal ion | pH | Color of complex | Detection range (ppm) | $\lambda_{\text {max }}$ (nm) | Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Alloys, steel, synthetic mixtures | Co(II) | 8.4 |  | 1-10 |  | (60) |
| 2,5- <br> Dihydroxyacetophenone benzoic hydrazone | Alloy and plant leaves | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{II})$ | Acidi c | Yellow | 0.3-6.0 | 400 | (61) |
| 1-((1E,4E)-4-((2aminoethyl)imino)naphth alen-1(4H)-ylidene)-2( 2,4 -dinitro- $1 \lambda^{5}$ -phenyl)hydrazin-1-ium | Soil, water, urine, human hair, goat liver, plant material, steel and alloy samples | V (V) | Basic | Red | 0.02-3.5 | 495 | (62) |
| 2-hydroxy-1-naphthaldehyde-phydroxybenzoichydrazon e | Water (river, tap, and rain), soil, pharmaceu tical samples, wheat, orange, rice, tomato, banana, blood and urine | $\mathrm{Fe}(\mathrm{II})$ $\mathrm{Co}(\mathrm{II})$ | 5.0 6.0 | Reddish <br> brown <br> Yellow | $0.055-1.373$ $0.118-3.534$ | 405 425 | (63) |
|  | Environme ntal, Leafy vegetable, and Biological Samples | V (V) | 4.0 | Deep yellow | 0.101-1.121 | 430 | (64) |
|  | Water, ore, | Th(IV) | 6.0 | Yellow | 0.464-6.961 | 415 | (65) |
|  | fertilizer, and gas mantle samples | U(IV) | 6.0 | Reddish brown | 0.476-7.14 | 410 |  |
|  | Nickel based alloy samples and geological samples | Y(III) | 8.5 | Yellow | 0.044-2.222 | 410 | (66) |
|  | Plant, pharmaceu | V (V) | 4.0 | Deep yellow | 0.050-1.935 | 430 | (67) |
|  | tical, water and alloy samples. | Pd(II) | 4.0 | Greenish yellow | 0.022-2.021 | 430 |  |
| Diacetyl monoxime isonicotinoyl hydrazone | Rock, in pitchblende ore samples and synthetic samples | U (VI) | 3.25 | Yellow | 1.19-14.28 | 364 | (68) |




| Spectrophotometric reagent | Sample | Metal ion | pH | Color of complex | Detection range (ppm) | $\lambda_{\text {max }}$ (nm) | Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | samples <br> Plant <br> sample, edible oil and in alloys | $\mathrm{Ni}(\mathrm{II})$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8.0- \\ & 9.0 \end{aligned}$ | Yellow | 0.146-1.46 | 400 | (89) |
|  | Tannery effluent, synthetic water and chrome liquor samples | Cr (VI) | 4.0 | Brown | 0.078-0.780 | 440 | (94) |
|  | Food stuffs, pharmaceu tical samples and alloys | Mo (VI) | $\begin{aligned} & 3.0- \\ & 4.0 \end{aligned}$ | Green | 0.047-0.479 | 404 | (95) |
|  | Hydrogenat ion <br> catalyst <br> samples, <br> synthetic <br> alloy <br> samples <br> and in <br> water <br> samples. | Pd (II) | $\begin{aligned} & 4.0- \\ & 5.0 \end{aligned}$ | Brown | 0.106-1.064 | 375 | (90) |
| benzil-a-monoxime isonicotinoyl hydrazone | Pipe water, bore water and municipal water samples | Pb (II) | $\begin{aligned} & 10.0- \\ & 11.0 \end{aligned}$ | Yellow | 0.41-13.26 | 405 | (96) |
| dipyridylglyoxal mono(2-pyridyl)-hydrazone | Pharmaceu tical samples, multivitami ns, hormones and Hidropolivit mineral | Cobalt (II) | $\begin{aligned} & 3.0- \\ & 7.0 \end{aligned}$ | Orange red | 0.15-2.0 | 510 | $(97,98$ |
| salicylaldehyde benzoyl hydrazone | Steel, alloys, water, human blood, urine, apple, egg, soil and synthetic mixtures | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{II})$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.21- \\ & 2.58 \end{aligned}$ | Greenish yellow | 0.001-10 | 404 | (99) |
| benzil mono-(2-pyridyl) hydrazone | Steel and alloy samples | Co (II) | Basic | Red | $\begin{aligned} & 0.0061- \\ & 0.061 \end{aligned}$ | 535 | (100) |
| Benzil mono(2quinolyl)hydrazone | --- | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{II})$ | 6.0 | Red | 0.3-3.0 | 520 | $\begin{aligned} & (101,1 \\ & 02) \end{aligned}$ |


| Spectrophotometric reagent | Sample | Metal ion | pH | Color of complex | Detection range (ppm) | $\boldsymbol{\lambda}_{\text {max }}$ (nm) | Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2,4-dimethoxy benzaldehyde-4-hydroxy benzoylhydrazone | Pharmaceu tical samples (Zingisol, Insulin Zinc Suspension and in Biocosules Z) | Zn (II) | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 10.0- \\ & 11.0 \end{aligned}$ | Yellow | 0.163-1.96 | 466 | (103) |
| 2,4-dihydroxy benzophenone benzoic hydrazone | Simulated <br> rock <br> samples | Ce (IV) | 10.0 | Orange red | 0.7-7.0 | 400 | (104) |
| 5-Bromo-2-hydroxy-3-methoxybenzaldehyde-phydroxybenzoic hydrazone | Alloy samples, industrial water, drinking water, plant samples and in vegetable oil | $\mathrm{Ni}(\mathrm{II})$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5.5- \\ & 7.5 \end{aligned}$ | Green | 0.117-2.64 | 440 | (105) |
|  | In alloys, steel and in water | Ti (II) | $\begin{aligned} & 2.0- \\ & 7.0 \end{aligned}$ | Orange | 0.241-2.87 | 390 | (106) |
| ```2-(3'-sulfobenzoyl)- pyridine benzoyl- hydrazone``` | Natural water | $\mathrm{Fe}(\mathrm{II})$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7.0- \\ & 9.0 \end{aligned}$ | Blue | 0-4 | 646 | (107) |
| $\mathrm{N}, \mathrm{N}$ '-Oxalylbis(salicylaldehyde Hydrazone) | Water | Al(III) | 4.7 | Yellow | 0-0.2 | 390 | (108) |
| N -cyanoacylacetaldehyde hydrazone | Water | Au(III) | $\begin{aligned} & 3.0- \\ & 7.0 \end{aligned}$ | Blue | 1-30 | 550 | (109) |
| p-dimethylaminoben- <br> zaldehyde isonicotinoyl <br> hydrazone | -- | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Hg}(\mathrm{I}) \\ & \mathrm{Hg}(\mathrm{II}) \end{aligned}$ | 3.5 | Orange yellow | --- | --- | (110) |
| 4-Hydroxy benzaldehyde-4bromophenyl hydrazone | Water and alloy sample | $\mathrm{Ni}(\mathrm{II})$ | 4.0 | Red | 0.01-1.0 | 497 | (111) |
| 3-methylbenzothiazolin-2-one hydrazone | Drugs | $\mathrm{Ce}(\mathrm{IV})$ | 4.2 | Orange | 4.0-80.0 | 450 | (112) |
| 2-(4-biphenyl)-imidazo[1,2-]pyrimidine-3-hydrazone | --- | $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{II})$ | 4 | Green | --- | 430 | (113) |
| Glutaraldehyde phenyl hydrazone | Water, soil, biological samples | $\mathrm{Pb}, \mathrm{Cr}$, $\mathrm{Cd}, \mathrm{As}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5.6- \\ & 7.5 \end{aligned}$ | --- | --- | $\begin{aligned} & 387 \\ & (\mathrm{Cd}) \\ & 395 \\ & (\mathrm{As}) \\ & 395 \\ & (\mathrm{~Pb}) \\ & 360 \\ & (\mathrm{Cr}) \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | (114) |

## Chemosensors

Chemosensors are non-toxic nano-sized organic molecules or receptors that produced a detectable change for sensoring analyte (usually metal ions or small molecules) using fluorescence spectroscopy
(115). These chemosensors not only detect toxic and dangerous chemicals in the external and internal environment of the human body but also transmit that information to the nervous system to expel these toxins from body. For this purpose, a

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large number of organic molecules can be used but hydrazone derivatives containing thiol, carboxylic group gained more importance. Some important hydrazone derivatives used as chemosensors are presented below in Table 2.

## Organic compound detector

Hydrazone derivatives are efficiently used for detection of organic compounds (Figure 5) like glucose, aromatic amines, hetero-atomic
compounds, azo dyes, active methylene compounds, etc., in blood, urine, and pharmaceutical samples via spectroscopic and chromatographic methods.

Alzweiri and coworkers established a unique method for the spectrophotometric determination of glucose in biological samples by derivatization of glucose with 2,4-dintrophenyl hydrazine (21) (154).



Figure 5: Hydrazone derivatives as organic compounds detector.

3-Methylbenzthiazolinone-2-hydrazone (22) was used as an analytical reagent for determination of phenols (155), azo dyes, Schiff bases, stilbenes (156), aliphatic aldehydes from fumes and polluted air (157), carbazole in air (156), aromatic amines (158), imino heteroaromatic compounds (158), heterocyclic bases, heteroaromatic compounds, compounds with active methylene groups (159), Rutin (160), glyoxal (161), phenolphthalein in pharmaceutical products (162), metaxalone (163), dabigatran etexilate mesylate (163), total estrogens in urine (164), determination of formaldehyde and acetaldehyde in methanol and ethanol (165), oxcarbazepine in pharmaceuticals, sulpha drugs in blood and urine samples $(166,167)$, cannabinoids on thin-layer chromatography plates (168), free salicylic acid in aspirin (169), dobutamine hydrochloride (170) and carbonyl compounds in pharmaceutical samples (159) via different spectroscopic and chromatographic techniques.

By this method, $99.93 \%$ of phenol from waste water was removed by polystyrene hydrazone (23) by
solid-phase extraction method prepared by acetylation of waste polystyrene with phenyl hydrazine (171).
For the determination of atmospheric ozone in very low concentrations up to 0.02 ppm and carbonyl compounds from mixtures, 2-Diphenylacety-1,3-indandione-1-hydrazone (24) was used as a spectrofluorometric reagent $(172,173)$.


Figure 6: Fluorescence detecting hydrazone derivatives

Naphthalimide-based glyoxal hydrazone (25) is used for biological imaging of cysteine and homocysteine inside living cells via fluoresce spectroscopy with a color change from dark to green (174).

Table 2: Some Important Hydrazone reagents used as chemosensors

| Chemosensor Name | Sample | Analyte | LOD <br> (M) | Color change | Fluoresc ence color | Tested media | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Em/ex } \\ & \text { (nm) } \end{aligned}$ | Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1-phenyl-3-methyl-5-hydroxy-pyrazole-4 benzoyl(fluorescein)-hydrazone | --- | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | $2.0 \times 10^{-3}$ | Colorless <br> $\rightarrow$ Yellow |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { DMSO/ } \\ & \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \end{aligned}$ | 337/287 | (116) |
| Benzil mono(2-phen-yl)hydrazone | Biomedic al \& environm ental | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8.25 \\ & \times 10^{-8} \end{aligned}$ | Colorless $\rightarrow$ Pink |  | THF/ $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ | 490 | (117) |
| Salicylaldehyde hydrazone derivatives | Living cells (MCF-7 calls) | $\mathrm{Al}^{3+}$ | $1.5 \times 10^{-7}$ | Colorless $\rightarrow$ blue |  | DMF/ $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ | 450/390 | (118) |
| 2-((E)-(((E)-2-hydr-oxybenzylidene)hydrazineylidene)methyl)-6-methoxy-4-nitrophenol | Liver cells | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | $18 \times 10^{-8}$ | Colorless $\rightarrow \quad$ light yellow | Green | $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ | 570/400 | (119) |
|  | Biological system | $\mathrm{Al}^{3+}$ | $7.45 \times 10^{-8}$ | Yellow $\rightarrow$ colorless | Green | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{OH}$ | 545/400 |  |
| ethyl (E)-5-((2-(2-(2-hydroxyethyl)-1,3-dioxo-2,3-dihydro-1H3a1 $\lambda 5$-benzo-[de]isoquinolin-6-yl)hydrazineylidene)methyl)-2,4-dimethyl-1I2-pyrrole-3-carboxylate | HeLa cells | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | $3 \times 10^{-6}$ | Yellow $\rightarrow$ red |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN} / \\ & \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \end{aligned}$ | 620/480 | (120) |
| ```(3a1S)-2-butyl-7-(2-((Z)-1-(4-hydroxy-6-methyl-2-oxo-2H- pyran-3-yl)ethylidene)-hydrazineyl)-3a,3a}\mp@subsup{}{}{1}\mathrm{ -dihydro-1H- benzo[de]isoquinoline-1,3(2H)-dione``` | Real sample | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | 1.58 | Yellow $\rightarrow$ Colorless |  | THF/ $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ | 520/412 | (121) |
| 4-methyl-N'-(ferrocene-2-ylidene)benzenesulfonohydrazide |  | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | ${ }_{5}^{2.66 \times 10^{-}}$ | Pale yellow $\rightarrow$ yellow green |  | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ |  | (122) |
|  |  | $\mathrm{Hg}^{2+}$ | $7.60 \times 10^{-6}$ | Pale yellow $\rightarrow$ Red |  | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ |  |  |
| (E)-3-(1-(2-(benzo[d]thiazol-2-yl)hydrazineylidene)ethyl)-7-(diethylamino)-2H-chromen-2-one | HeLa tumor cells (Cervical cancer cells) | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | $4 \times 10^{-8}$ | Yellow $\rightarrow$ wine red |  | 1\%DMSO | 572/420 | (123) |
| 7-(diethylamino)-3-((E)-(((E)-(2-hydroxynaphthalen-1- <br> yl)methylene)hydrazineylidene)methyl)-2H-chromen-2-one | human breast adenocar cinoma | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | $2 \times 10^{-4}$ |  | Green | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{OH} / \\ & \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \end{aligned}$ | 574/487 | (124) |



| Chemosensor Name | Sample | Analyte | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOD } \\ & \text { (M) } \end{aligned}$ | Color change | Fluoresc ence color | Tested media | ```Em/ ex (nm)``` | Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3',6'-bis(diethylamino)-2-((2-hydroxy-5-(1,2,2-triphen-ylvinyl)benzylidene)amino)spiro[isoindoline-1,9'-xanthen]-3-one | cinoma (HeLa) cells - - - | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | $10^{-6}$ | Colorless <br> $\rightarrow$ purple |  | $\mathrm{EtOH} / \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ | 550/- | (135) |
| 2-(((3H,4'H-1I3,1'I3-[2,2'-bithiophen]-5-yl)methylene)-amino)- <br> 3',6'-bis(diethyl-amino)spiro[isoindoline-1,9'-xanthene]-3-thione | Human epithelial adenocar cinoma (HeLa) cells | $\mathrm{Hg}^{2+}$ | $3.10 \times 10^{-9}$ | Colorless <br> $\rightarrow$ purple | Pink | EtOH | 593/390 | (136) |
| 3',6'-bis(diethylamino)-2-((piperidin-2-ylmethyl)-amino)spiro[isoindoline-1,9'-xanthen]-3-one | Caco-2 <br> cells | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | 0.137 | Colorless $\rightarrow$ red | Orange | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 573/520 | (137) |
| ```N-(3',6'bis(diethylamino)- 3-oxospiro[isoindoline-1,9' -xanthen]-2-yl)-3-oxo-3-ferrocenylpropanamide``` | HeLa cells | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | $1.0 \times 10^{-6}$ | Colorless <br> $\rightarrow$ purple | Orange red | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ethanol/ } \\ & \text { H2O } \end{aligned}$ | 595/550 | (138) |
| 2-(hydrazineylidenem-ethyl)pyren-1-ol | HeCaT cells | Z $\mathrm{n}^{2+}$ | $3 \times 10^{-4}$ | Colorless $\rightarrow$ yellow | Green | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 527/450 | (139) |
| ```3',6'-bis(diethylamino)-2-((2- mercaptobenzylidene)amino)spiro[isoindoline-1,9'-xanthen]-3- one``` | Nematod e Caenorha bditis elegans | $\mathrm{Hg}^{2+}$ | $1 \times 10^{-9}$ | Colorless $\rightarrow$ pink | Red | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN} / \\ & \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \end{aligned}$ | 580/510 | (140) |
| 1-phenyl-3-methyl-5-hydroxypyrazole-4-carbaldehyde(benzoyl)hydrazone |  | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | $1.0 \times 10^{-6}$ |  |  | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 305/406 | (141) |
| 3',6'-bis(diethylamino)-2-((furan-2-ylmethylene)-amino)spiro[isoindoline-1,9'-xanthene]-3-thione | Rat Schwann cells | $\mathrm{Hg}^{2+}$ | $5 \times 10^{-4}$ | Colorless $\rightarrow$ pink | Orange | $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}-$ DMF | 564/500 | (142) |
| 4-nitro-2-[(phenylhydra-zoimino)methyl]phenol |  | $\mathrm{F}^{-}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.02-0.2 \\ & \times 10^{-4} \end{aligned}$ | Colorless $\rightarrow$ yellow | Yellow | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ |  | (143) |
| 4-nitro-2-[(4-nitrophenylhydrazoimino)methyl]phenol |  | $\mathrm{F}^{-}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.02-0.2 \\ & \times 10^{-4} \end{aligned}$ | Colorless $\rightarrow$ orange | Yellow | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ |  |  |


| Chemosensor Name | Sample | Analyte | LOD (M) | Color change | Fluoresc ence color | Tested media | ```Em/ ex (nm)``` | Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| N',N"'-((1E,1'E)-(((4-((E)-(2-(1-hydroxy-2-naphthoyl)-hydrazineylidene)methyl)phenyl)azanediyl)bis(4,1-phenylene))bis(methaneylylidene))bis(3-hydroxy-2naphthohydrazide) | Human cervical cancer (HeLa) cancer cell lines | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | --- | --- | --- | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} / \\ & \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN} \end{aligned}$ | 470/450 | (144) |
| ```3,3'-((1E,1'E)-(((1E,1'E)-(((4-((E)-(((E)-(1-hydroxy-naphthalen- 2-yl)methylene)- hydrazineylidene)methyl)phenyl)azanediyl)bis(4,1- phenylene))bis(methaneylylidene))bis(hydrazine-2,1- diylidene))bis(methaneylylidene))bis(naphthalen-2-ol)``` | Human cervical cancer (HeLa) cancer cell lines | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | --- | --- | --- | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} / \\ & \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN} \end{aligned}$ | 430/405 | (144) |
| 2-(((1E,2E)-but-2-en-1-ylidene)amino)-3',6'-bis-(ethylamino)spiro[isoindoline-1,9'-xanthen]-3-one | Water, soil | Pd ${ }^{+}$ | $1.80 \times 10^{-7}$ | Colorless $\rightarrow$ pink | Yellow | $\mathrm{EtOH} / \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ | 555/505 | (145) |
| 2-hydroxy-benzaldehyde benzoyl-hydrazone | biological and environm ental sample | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | $5.6 \times 10^{-6}$ | --- | -- | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{MeOH} / \\ & \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \end{aligned}$ | 490/424 | (146) |
| Methyl Pyrazinylketone Benzoyl Hydrazone | --- | $\mathrm{Al}^{3+}$ | $10^{-7}$ |  | Green | Ethanol | 506/390 | (147) |
| 3',6'-bis(diethylamino)-2-((2- <br> hydroxybenzylidene)amino)spiro[isoindoline-1,9'-xanthen]-3one | --- | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | --- | Colorless <br> $\rightarrow$ pink |  | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 576/520 | (148) |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { (E)-(2-((2-(2,4- } \\ & \text { dinitrophenyl)hydrazineylidene)methyl)phenyl)diphenylphosphin } \\ & \text { e oxide } \end{aligned}$ | -- | $\mathrm{F}^{-}$ | $2 \times 10^{-5}$ | Yellow $\rightarrow$ pink |  | $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}$ | 514/379 | (149) |
| N-(2-(-(2-(-3,4-dihydroxy-6- <br> (hydroxymethyl)-5-(-3,4,5-trihydroxy-6-(hydroxymethyl) <br> tetrahydro-2H-pyran-2-yloxy) tetrahydro-2H-pyran-2-yl) | Water | $\mathrm{CN}^{-}$ | $1.29 \times 10^{-6}$ | Colorless $\rightarrow$ purple |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{MeOH} / \\ & \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \end{aligned}$ | --- | (150) |
| hydrazono) methyl)-4-(-phenyldiazenyl) phenyl) acetamide (E)-2-(2-(2,4-dinitrophenyl)hydrazineylidene)-1,2-diphenylethan-1-one | Real <br> water and <br> simulated <br> urine <br> samples | $\mathrm{CN}^{-}$ | $10^{-7}$ | Yellow $\rightarrow$ Red |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN} / \\ & \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} \end{aligned}$ |  | (151) |
| 1-((Anthracene-9-yl)-methylene)-2-(4-nitrophenyl)hydrazine |  | $\mathrm{F}^{-}$ | $4 \times 10^{-5}$ | Yellow $\rightarrow$ green |  | DMSO | 571/493 | (152) |
| N, N-diethylamino-3-acetyl coumarin with 2- hydrazinobenzothiazole | HeLa cells | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ |  | Yellow $\rightarrow$ orange | Green | DMF | 536/420 | (123) |


| Chemosensor Name | Sample | Analyte | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LOD } \\ & (M) \end{aligned}$ | Color change | Fluoresc ence color | Tested media | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Em/ ex } \\ & \text { (nm) } \end{aligned}$ | Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $N$-(3-methoxy-2-hydroxybenzylidene)-3-hydroxy-2naphthahydrazone | Water | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Zn}^{2+} \\ & \mathrm{Cd}^{2+} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Zn } \quad\left(9.85^{-}\right. \\ & \times \\ & 10^{-9} \\ & \mathrm{M}) \\ & \mathrm{Cd} \quad(1.27 \\ & \times \\ & 10^{-7} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | --- | Yellow (Zn) Red (Cd) | THF/ $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 365 / 440 \\ & 645 / 430 \end{aligned}$ | (153) |

$\overline{\mathrm{OD}}=$ limit of detection; Em= emission; Ex= excitation;

## Water detectors

Hydrazone - acetate derivatives (26) derived from 9-anthracenealdehyde and 7-hydroxy-coumarin-8carboxaldehyde were used as for Chromogenic signaling (detection) of water contents in water miscible organic solvents like THF and acetonitrile by Y.H. Kim et al in 2012 (175). Anthracene-based hydrazone (27) was found to be more sensitive to water content as compared to 7-hydroxycoumarin hydrazone and showed a visible color change from red to yellow with a detection limit of 0.037 and $0.071 \%$ in both solvents (175).


(26)

(27)

Figure 7: Water-monitoring hydrazone derivatives.

## Microbes detectors

Most of the hydrazone derivatives have different colors in acidic and basic media as well as in neutral ones. This property of hydrazones is very useful for microbe detection in food and pharmaceutical samples (Figure 8).

Recently, Khattab and coworkers introduced Tricyanofuran hydrazone derivatives (28) as pH sensors for detection of microbes which alkalize the environment, like S. aureus, B. subtilis, E. coli, and $P$. aeuroginosa. The color change from yellow to blue to red indicates the pH change from acidic to neutral to basic. These pH sensors were also used to detect microbes in food packages and pharmaceutical samples (176-178).


Figure 8: Microbe detecting hydrazone derivatives.

## Sorbents

Some modified hydrazone derivatives are widely used as sorbents in ion exchange chromatography or in Sol-gel process for separation of ions in synthetic mixtures, natural water, ash coal, petroleum products, and pharmaceutical samples. Such hydrazones work as low cost resins with high productivity, are highly stable and can be used many times with the same sorption capacity listed in Table 3.

## Organic Collectors in Flotation

Flotation is the separation process of toxic metal ions in trace amounts, for this purpose many hydrazone derivatives worked as organic collectors. These form hydrophobic aggregates with metal ions that float with the help of air bubbles produced on the surface of solution by slight shaking of floatation cell. Many important hydrazones used as organic collectors are summarized in Table 4.

## Sewage Water Treatment

Sewage water is commonly known as wastewater, which contains a large amount of contamination mainly coming from household and industrial waste. This wastewater contains several heavy metals like mercury, arsenic, cadmium, chromium, lead, thallium, and nitrogen compounds like ammonia, nitrite, and nitrates. Many physical, chemical, and biological processes are now used for sewage water treatment, but most of these are very costly and time consuming.

Cellulose hydrazone derivatives were obtained by the reaction of dialdehyde cellulose and 2-hydrazino- 3,5,6,7 tetrahydrocyclopentanethieno[2,3-d]-pyrimidin$4(4 \mathrm{H})$-one (29) used as a polymer for sewage water treatment and the removal of several heavy metal ions. The synthesized derivatives were used for production of clean water with less side effects. These derivatives not only had ability to remove iron and chromium up to $73.91 \%$ but also chlorine up to 50 \% (192).


Figure 9: Hydrazone for sewage water treatment.

| Sorbent | Separated Ion | Sample | pH | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { LOD } \\ & \text { (ppb) } \end{aligned}$ | Eluent | Recovery \% | Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1-(3,4-Dihydroxy-benzylidine)-2-acetylpyridinium chloride hydrazone | $\mathrm{Fe}^{3+}$ | Waste water, sea water, lake water, food oil, petroleum products, pharmaceu tical sample | 3.0 | 1.0 | 0.5 M HCl | 100 | (179) |
|  | $\mathrm{Cr}^{3+}$ | Waste water | 6.0 | 13.3 | 0.1 M HCl | ${ }^{-100}$ | (180) |
|  | $\mathrm{Cr}^{6+}$ | Waste water | 2.0 | 10.0 | 3.0 M HCl | ${ }^{-100}$ | (180) |
|  | $\mathrm{Ga}^{3+}$ | Synthetic | 2.5-3.0 | 20 | 0.5 M HCl | 98 | (181) |
|  | $\mathrm{In}^{3+}$ | mixture of | 2.5-3.0 | 13 | 5.0 M HCl | 98 | (181) |
|  | T ${ }^{3+}$ | mercury, aluminum, cobalt, copper, zinc \& lead | 2.0 | 20 | 2.0 M HCl | 95 | (181) |
| acenaphthenequinone-[N-[(2,4-dinitrophenyl)]-hydrazone | La ${ }^{3+}$ | Lake water, rain water, river water | 4.0 | --- | $\begin{array}{ll} 0.1 & M \\ \mathrm{HNO}_{3} & \end{array}$ | 97 | (182) |
| 1-[(bromomethyl)-(phenyl)methyl]-2-(2,4-dinitrophenyl) hydrazine | $\mathrm{Ag}^{+}$ | Tap water, drain water | 5.0 |  |  | 99 | (183) |
| 4-hydroxy-N'-[(E)-(2- <br> hydroxyphenyl)methylidene]benzohydrazide | Biogenic amines | Orange juice, ketchup, budu, soy sauce. | 9.0 | 20-60 | --- | 99.7 | (184) |

LOD= limit of detection in ppb

## Polymer initiators

Polymer synthesis is the process in which small molecules (monomers) covalently combined to form giant molecules that are more stable as compared to initiators. Many organic molecules are used for this purpose, but hydrazone derivatives gave the highest yields and the best results among them (Figure 10).

Nakanishi et al. and Masuda et al. used pyridine hydrazone derivatives (30) as a suitable and useful initiator or starting material for the synthesis of synthetic polymers or hydrazone polymers $(193,194)$.

Hydrazone derivatives (31) were used as initiators for high yield polymerization of acrylamide, acrylic acid or styrene at a temperature $-10-98^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ with yield

A series of six hydrazone derivatives (32) were prepared by Singh and coworkers and used for the synthesis of hydrazone functionalized epoxy polymers by the conversion of hydrazone derivatives into epoxide to form hydrazone polymer (Figure 11). These polymers showed high nonlinear optical properties (196).

## Indicators

Salicylaldehyde phenylhydrazone (33) prepared by Love and Jones from simple and cheap starting


Figure 10: Polymer initiating hydrazone derivatives


Figure 11: Hydrazone as epoxy polymer up to $77 \%$ (24). Similarly, acylhydrazone derivatives were also used as starting materials for acylhydrazone polymers (195).
material was used as an indicator for the titration of organometallics, including Grignard reagent, providing a clear and accurate end point from yellow to golden orange or red (Figure 12) (197).

(33)

Figure 12: Hydrazone as indicator.

Table 4: Hydrazones used as organic collectors in flotation.

| Organic collector | Surfactan t | Metal ion | Tested Sample | pH | Recovery \%age | HOL | Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1-acetylpyridinium chloride-4-phenylthio-semicarbazide | Oleic acid | $\mathrm{Hg}^{2+}$ | Natural water samples of Mansoura city | 6.8 | -100 | $1 \times 10^{-3}$ | (185) |
| 4-acetylpyridine-[N-(3-hydroxy-2-naphthoyl)]hydrazone | Oleic acid | $\mathrm{Ni}^{2+}$ | Water | 7.0 | -100 | $4 \times 10^{-4}$ | (186) |
| 1-(amino-N-(pyridine-3-yl)methanethio)-4-(pyridine-2-yl)thiosemi-carbazide | Oleic acid | $\mathrm{Hg}^{2+}$ | Sea water, lake water, Nile water, distilled water | 5.0 | 100 | $1 \times 10^{-3}$ | (187) |
| thiophene-2-carboxaldehyde-[N-(3-hydroxy-2-naphthoyl)]-hydrazone | Oleic acid | $\mathrm{Ni}^{2+}$ | Water | 7.0 | -100 | $4 \times 10^{-4}$ | (186) |
| salicylaldehyde-[N-(3-hydroxy-2-naphthoyl)]-hydrazone | Oleic acid | $\mathrm{Ni}^{2+}$ | Water | 7.0 | -100 | $4 \times 10^{-4}$ | (186) |
| p-anisaldehyde-[N-(3-hydroxy-2-naphthoyl)]hydrazone | Oleic acid | $\mathrm{Ni}^{2+}$ | Water | 7.0 | -100 | $4 \times 10^{-4}$ |  |
| ethylacetoacetate-[N-(3-hydroxy-2naphthoyl)]-hydrazone | Oleic acid | $\mathrm{Ni}^{2+}$ | Water | 7.0 | -100 | $4 \times 10^{-4}$ |  |
| (E)-2-(2-(dimethylamino) $-1 \lambda^{3}, 3 \lambda^{2}$-thiazol-4-yl)-N'-(2hydroxybenzylidene)acetohydrazide | Oleic acid | Z $\mathrm{n}^{2+}$ | Water | 7.0 | 96 | $1 \times 10^{-3}$ | (188) |
| 4-(2-pyridyl-azo) resorcinol mono sodium mono hydrate | Oleic acid | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | Water, drug | 3-5 | 95 | $2 \times 10^{-5}$ | (189) |
| Oxalyl-bis(3,4-di-hydroxy-benzylidene) hydrazone | Oleic acid | ZrO ${ }^{\text {+ }}$ | Sea water, undergrou nd water, lake water, tap water, Nile water | 3.0 | 99.7 | $1 \times 10^{-5}$ | (190) |
| 2-(2-(4-hydroxy-3-methoxybenzylidene) hydrazinyl)-2-oxo-Nphenylacetamide | Oleic acid | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | --- | 7.0 | 98 | $1 \times 10^{-3}$ | (191) |
| 2-(2-(2-hydroxy-3-methoxybenzylidene) hydrazinyl)-2-oxo-Nphenylacetamide | Oleic acid | $\mathrm{Cu}^{2+}$ | --- | 7.0 | 99 | $1 \times 10^{-3}$ | (191) |

## Catalyst

2-Carboxybenzaldehyde-p-Toluenesulfonyl Hydrazone (34) was used as an efficient catalyst in coupling reaction (Figure 13) of benzaldehyde, piperidine, and phenylacetylene with 1,4 dioxane as a solvent for the preparation of $1-(1,3-$ diphenylprop-2-yn-1-yl)piperidine at $120^{\circ} \mathrm{C}(198)$.

(34)

Figure 13: Hydrazone as catalyst for organic coupling reaction.

## Corrosion Inhibitors

Corrosion is the degradation process of metals to form oxides, sulfides, or hydroxides. Many organic compounds like pyrimidine, imidazole, oxazole, triazole, amino acids and hydrazone are common organic corrosion inhibitors used to prevent or delay corrosion process of metals like copper, nickel, iron, and tin. Among all the organic compounds hydrazone gained much importance due to heteroatom nitrogen and oxygen. Some important hydrazone derivatives that worked as good corrosion inhibitors are presented in Table 5.

## Ionophores

Ionophores are ion carriers and have tendency to bind, shield, and facilitate transportation of metal ions across the membrane (Figure 14). Ganjali and coworkers used pyridine-2-carbaldehyde-2-(4-methyl-1,3-benzothiazol-2-yl) hydrazone (35) and thiophene-2-carbaldehyde-(7-methyl-1,3-
benzothiazol-2-yl)hydrazone (36) as suitable neutral ionophore for the preparation of Er (III) and Tm (III) membrane sensor at pH 2.5-12.0 and 3.012.0, respectively, with lower detection limits 5.0 $\times 10^{-6} \mathrm{M}$ and $8.0 \times 10^{-6} \mathrm{M}$. $(218,219)$.

## Dyes and Pigments

Nowadays, various hydrazones are used as stable dyes and pigments with a visible color change at different pH levels due to $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{N}$ linkage or presence of carbonyl group. Such dyes are not only used for dying polyester, silk, cotton, or nylon but are also used as sensitizers or for dying purposes in dye sensitized solar cells due to their broad absorption band.



Figure 14: Hydrazone derivatives as ionophore for inner transition metals

Tricyanofuran hydrazone derivatives (37) were tested as pigments on polyester fibers to give orange-red, yellow and orange shades with $\lambda_{\max } 485$ $\mathrm{nm}, 478 \mathrm{~nm}$, and 463 nm , respectively, by Khattab and coworkers (220).

A series of heterocyclic hydrazone dyes (38-44) (Figure 15) were prepared from 2-amino-3-cyano-4-chloro-5 formyl-thiophene and five pyridine-2,6dione based coupling components by Qian and coworkers. These hydrazone derivatives display distinct colors: yellow, purple, pink, and grey on five common fibers like Polyester, Nylon, Silk, Wool, and Cotton at pH 7.0 and 8.5 (221).

Al-Sehemi and coworkers synthesized different hydrazone dyes (45) (Figure 16) by the reaction of aromatic aldehydes with phenyl hydrazine. These hydrazones were further reacted with tetracyanoethylene to obtain violet colored dyes and supposed to be low-cost, efficient, and stable DSSC due to their smaller HOMO-LUMO energy gaps $(222,223)$. Percentage efficiency for 45 was increased by $3.12 \%$ at incident power $50 \mathrm{~mW} / \mathrm{cm}^{2}$. Due to high EA, it had high tendency to generate free electrons and holes (222,224-226).


Figure 16: Hydrazone derivatives as dyes in DSSC
Ping Shen at el synthesized and used a series of N , N -diphenyl-hydrazone dye as efficient sensitizers (Figure 17) for production of DSSC with maximum conversion efficiency of up to $5.83 \%$ (227). A series of metal free hydrazone based dyes (46) were synthesized from cheap materials without any expensive catalyst and used as DSSC by Urnikaite at el. The highest solid-state device conversion efficiency for these hydrazone dyes was 3.8-4.5 \% with $\mathrm{FF} \% 64-72 \%$ under $100 \mathrm{~mW} \mathrm{~cm}{ }^{-2}$, AM 1.5 G (228-230). In 2020, Al-Sehemi et al. synthesized some promising dyes CHMA, CDBA, and AMCH (47) for DSSC (231).


Figure 15: Hydrazone derivatives as dyes.

(46)

$\mathrm{R}=1,1$-dimethyl- 1 H -indene, heptane $Z=$ pentane, phenyl

(CHMA)


(CDBA)

(47)

Figure 17: Hydrazone based dye sensitizers.

## Nanoparticle synthesizer

3-thiopropionylhydrazones (48) of mono and disaccharides were prepared by Vasileva et al. and used for the synthesis of silver glycol-nanoparticles
in ultrasonic bath with average particle size of 1540 nm while hydrazine hydrate was used as reductant (232).


Figure 18: Hydrazone derivatives as nanoparticle synthesizer.

Table 5: Some important hydrazones that worked as good corrosion inhibitors


## Nonlinear optical devices

Nonlinear optical materials are those materials or organic compounds that describe the behavior of light in nonlinear medium (Figure 19). Such materials play a major role in modern technology in telecommunication, optical switching, data processing, ultra-short pulsed lasers, laser

Shing Wong et al. synthesized various hydrazone derivatives (49) from aromatic aldehydes and 4-methoxy-phenylhydrazine or 4-tolylhydrazine or 4nitrophenylhydrazine and used them with powder test for second or third order nonlinear optical devices (233). amplifiers, sensors, and many more.

$X=O, S$
R= $\mathrm{CH}_{3}, \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{CO}, \mathrm{H}_{3} \mathrm{CS}$
(49)

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{1}}=$ pyrene, anthracene
$\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{2}}=4$-flurobenzene, 2,4-difluorobenzene,

## 2,3,5,5-terafluorobenzene, 2,3,4,5,6-pentafluorobenzene

(50)

Figure 19: Hydrazone compounds used in nonlinear optical devices.

A series of eight anthracene hydrazone derivatives (50) were prepared and their third-order NLO performance was studied using the standard picosecond Z-scan technique in the open aperture mode by Wenjuan Xu at el. in 2018 (234). Similarly, 4-dimethylaminobenzaldehyde-4-
nitrophenylhydrazone had promising non-liner optical properties (235).

## Light emitting diodes

6-Alkyl-3-chromonealdehyde (2,2-dialkyl)hydrazone derivatives (51) were synthesized from 6-alkyl-3chromonealdehydes and 2,2-dialkylhydrazones by Chung and Chang and were used as light-emitting diodes due to their green light emission (236).

$\mathbf{R}=\mathrm{CH}_{3}, \mathrm{CH}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2}$
$\mathbf{R}=\mathrm{CH}_{3}, \mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5}$
Figure 20: Hydrazone based light emitting diodes.

## CONCLUSION

This review summarizes the analytical applications of hydrazone derivatives. These hydrazone derivatives are widely used as spectrophotometric agents not only for detection of metals in sand, soil, water, pharmaceutical samples, alloys, wine, beer, bread, oil, fruits, and vegetables, but also for the detection of organic compounds like carbazoles, aldehydes, ketones, carboxylic acids, salicylic acid, aspirin, aromatic amines, heterocyclic bases, and many more in drugs, food, air, blood, and urine samples. These are also used as organic collectors in flotation for collecting different metals from water, where oleic acid is used as surfactant.

Nowadays, they are used as dyes in DSSC due to their broad absorption band, as chemosensors, especially in tumor cells due to their florescence property, as indicators and as microbe detectors due to their pH sensoring properties. Hydrazone derivatives are also used as corrosion inhibitors for nickel, iron, steel, copper, etc. Hydrazone derivatives have many binding sites due to which they have ability to bind metals via coordinate covalent bond and anions via covalent bond. This property makes them a unique class of compounds among all organic compounds. These types of compounds are used in light emitting diodes and due to nonlinear optical properties, are also used in lasers, telecommunication devices, and optical switching. Hydrazone derivatives produce stable colors that can't fade after long washing and are used as dying reagents for the dying of nylon, cotton, polyester, and silk. This review covers approximately 61 years of work on hydrazone's analytical applications with 236 references.

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