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## **Chemical characterisation, antibacterial activity, and (nano)silver transformation of commercial personal care products exposed to household greywater**

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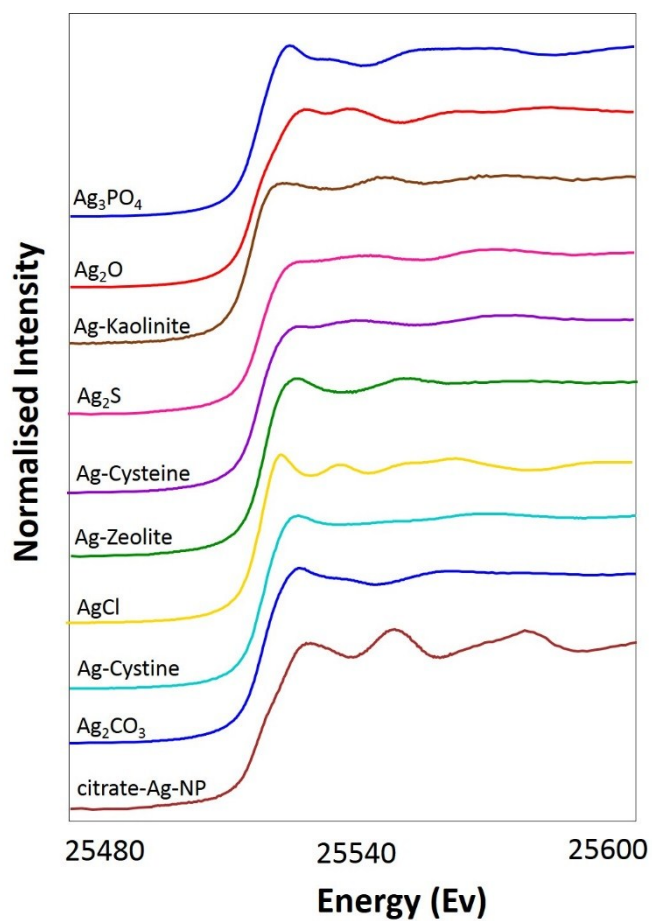
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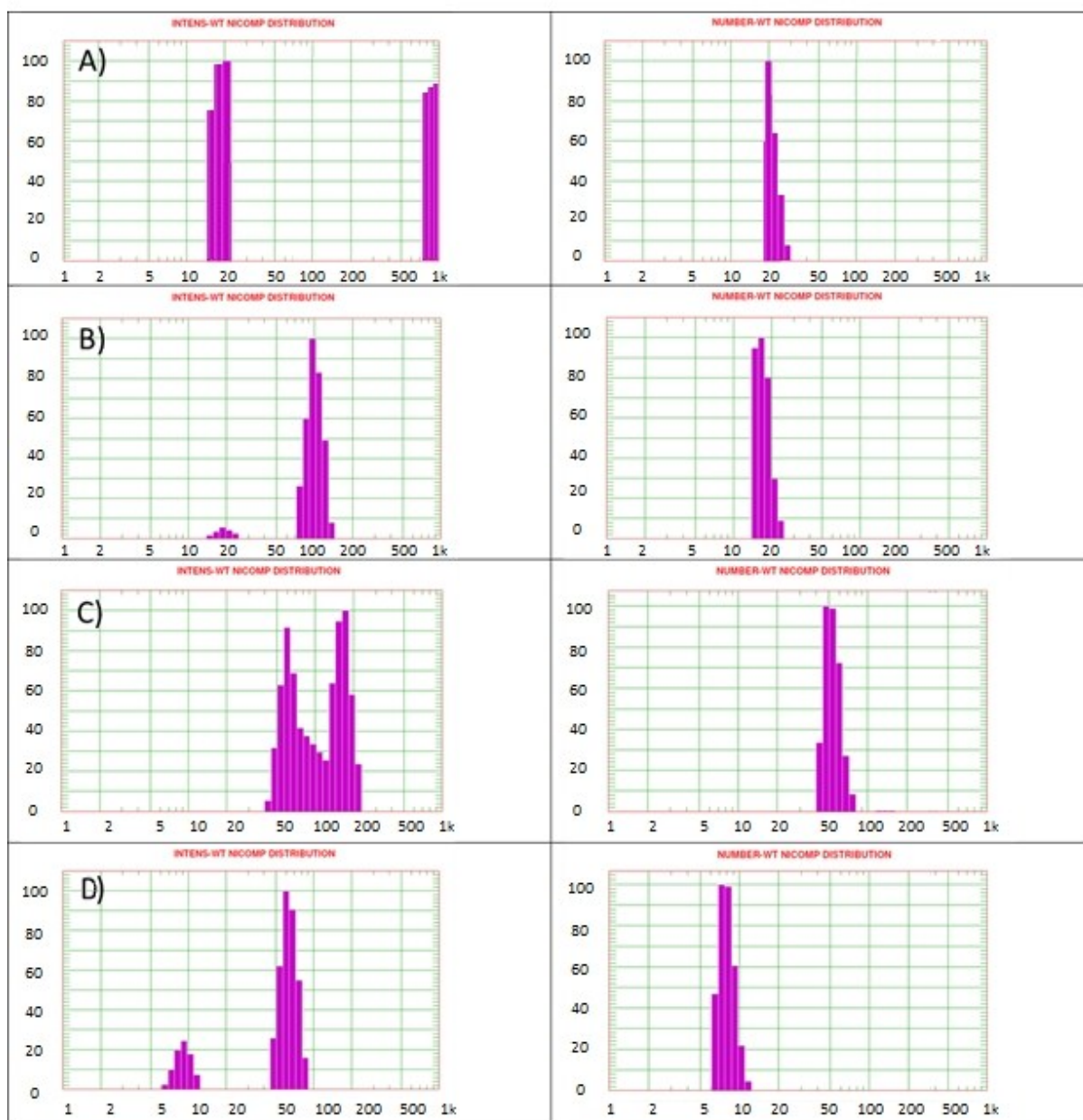
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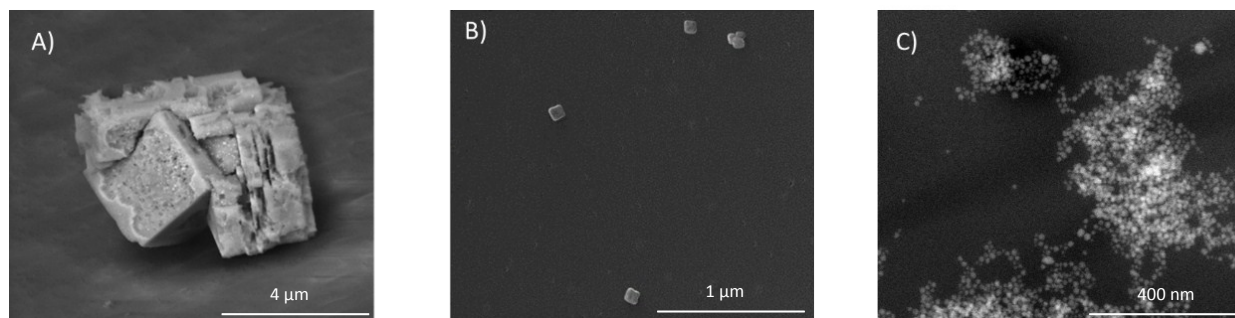
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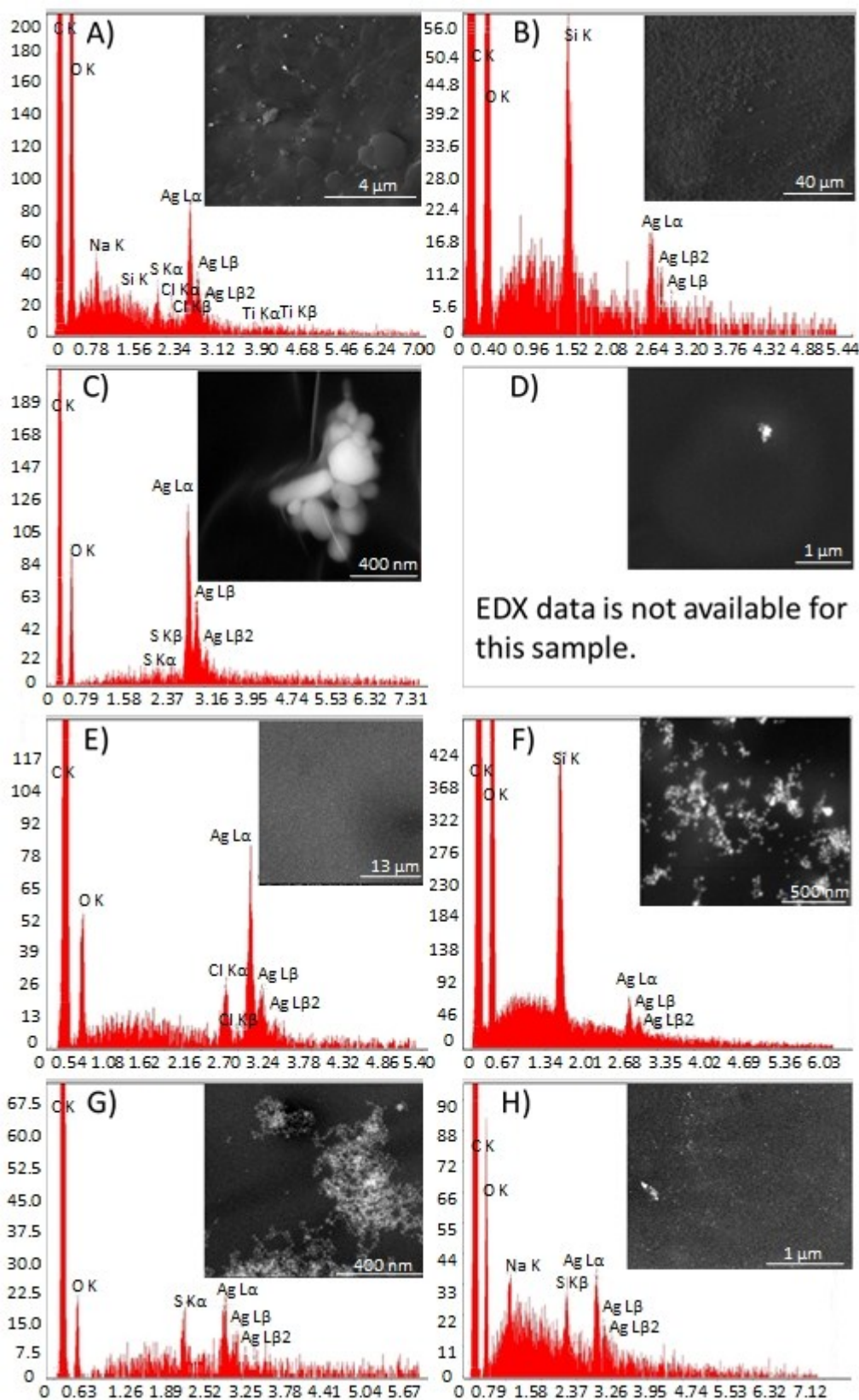
**Figure S1** XANES spectra of Ag standards used in principal component analysis (PCA), target transformation (TT) and linear combination fitting (LCF) of Ag containing personal care products exposed to greywater.



**Figure S2** Intensity-weighted and number-weighted size distributions of Ag nanoparticles in: A) PCP5, B) PCP6, C) PCP7, and D) PCP8, as measured by DLS.



**Figure S3** Representative SEM images of A) PCP2, B) PCP5 and C) PCP7.



**Figure S4** Sample Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM) images of Ag (nano)particles in the commercial personal care products examined, and information from Energy Dispersive X-ray (EDX) spectra. A to H correspond to PCP1 to CP8.

**Table S1:** Composition of the synthetic greywater mixtures used to test the chemical transformation of Ag in personal care products.

Ingredient	Greywater 1	Greywater 2	Product Brand/ Grade
	Amount in 100 L (g)	Amount in 100 L (g)	
Moisturiser	1	1	Dove
Toothpaste	3.25	3.25	Colgate Maximum Cavity Protection
Deodorant	1	1	Mum
Shampoo/hand wash	72	72	Palmolive
Laundry detergent	15	-	Omo High Performance concentrate
Clay (Kaolinite)	5	5	Industrial grade
Vegetable oil	0.7	0.7	Coles Own brand
Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	3.5	-	Analytical grade
NaHCO <sub>3</sub>	2.5	-	Analytical grade
Na <sub>2</sub> PO <sub>4</sub>	3.9	-	Analytical grade
Boric acid	0.14	-	Analytical grade
Lactic acid	2.8	-	Analytical grade
Recycled (treated) wastewater from an urban wetland	2 L	2 L	-

**Table S2** Labelled ingredients of the products used in the preparation of the synthetic greywater.

Product	Ingredients as per package	Comments
<i>Dove Protecting Moisturising Lotion</i>	Octyl methoxycinnamate (5.5%), Butyl methoxydibenzoylmethane (2.0%), Octyl salicylate (3.0%), Phenylbenzimidazol sulfonic acid (2.0%), Methylparaben, Propylparaben, Phenoxyethanol, Iodopropynyl butylcarbamate, Fragrance.	
<i>Toothpaste Colgate Maximum Cavity Protection, regular flavour, 140 g by Colgate (Customer info: Colgate Oral Care 1800 802 307)</i>	Sodium monofluorophosphate (0.76% w/w), Abrasives, Detergents, Humectants, sorbitol, and water. Thickeners, Preservatives, Flavouring agents, Colouring agents, Tartar control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A common sweetener used is Saccharin.</li> <li>• Artificial dyes are used to colour red, green, and blue toothpastes. Titanium dioxide is used to make some toothpastes white.</li> <li>• Toothpaste that are designed for tartar control commonly contain pyrophosphate.</li> <li>• Abrasives: used to provide cleaning power, common compounds used are calcium carbonate, silica, calcium phosphate, and alumina.</li> <li>• Detergents are used to create the foaming action and keep it from dribbling. The most common detergent is sodium lauryl sulphate.</li> <li>• Common humectants are Glycerin</li> <li>• Common preservatives are sodium benzoate, methyl paraben, triclosan and ethyl paraben.</li> </ul>
<i>Anti-perspirant Mum Dry Active, 24h by Procter and Gamble (Customer info: 1800 226 524)</i>	Aluminium chlorohydrate (22%w/w), Other common ingredients in anti-perspirants, Binders, pH agents.	
<i>Palmolive Soft Wash Milk and Honey 500 mL, made in Thailand (Customer info: 1800 802 307)</i>	Water, Sodium Laureth sulphate, Cocamidopropylbetaine, Cocamidine DEA, Lauryl glucoside, Polyquaternium 7, Fragrance, Glycol distearate, Laureth-4, Sodium chloride, Sodium sulphate, Citric acid, Poloxamer 124, Sodium styrene/acrylates copolymer, DMDM Hydantoin, Methylchloroisothiazolinone, Methylisothiazolinone, Tetrasodium EDTA, Honey, Dry milk powder, Ci 19140, Ci 16035.	
<i>Omo High Performance concentrate 1kg, 5way cleaning action by Unilever (Customer info: 1800 225 508, www.omocareline.com.au )</i>	Anionic and non-ionic surfactants (Commonly used are alcohol ethoxylates and alkylphenol ethoxylates), Optical brightener/fluorescer, Enzyme (commonly used is proteinase), Alkalis, Sodium polyphosphate, Zeolite, Polymer, Perfume, Colour.	Alcohol ethoxylates and alkyl phenol ethoxylates are commonly used as surfactants.

**Table S3** Fundamental parameters of synthetic greywater at the beginning and at the end of Ag exposure.

Parameter	Greywater 1		Greywater 2	
	Start	End	Start	End
T (°C)	22.7 (±1.1)	23.6 (±1.7)	22.7 (±0.9)	23.7 (±1.8)
pH	9.1 (±0.6)	8.5 (±1.4)	7.9 (±1.2)	7.9 (±0.9)
Eh (mV)	175 (±4)	172 (±3)	261 (±2)	214 (±3)
EC (mS)	0.7 (±0.1)	0.7 (±0.1)	0.5 (±0.2)	0.5 (±0.1)
TDS (mg L <sup>-1</sup> )	0.3 (±0.1)	0.3 (±0.1)	0.2 (±0.1)	0.2 (±0.1)
Dissolved Oxygen (mg L <sup>-1</sup> )	23.1 (±1.2)	8.4 (±1.0)	22.9 (±2.4)	9.9 (±1.7)
Total dissolved Oxygen (mg L <sup>-1</sup> )	22.9 (±1.3)	23.6 (±0.8)	22.9 (±0.9)	23.7 (±1.6)
COD (mg L <sup>-1</sup> )		222 (±7)		180 (±4)



**Table S4** LCF results of the Ag K-edge XANES spectra using the standards listed, as percentage composition and variability (in parentheses) of the total. R-factor indicates the quality of the fit.

	PCP1			PCP2			PCP3		
	Before exposure	GW1	GW2	Before exposure	GW1	GW2	Before exposure	GW1	GW2
Ag-NP (Ag <sup>0</sup> )	69 (3)	--	--	31 (2)	--	--	26 (1)	23 (2)	--
AgCl	--	67 (3)	68 (6)	64 (2)	64 (4)	64 (4)	56 (1)	61 (1)	43 (3)
Ag-clay	16 (4)	16 (5)	15 (5)	--	--	--	--	--	28 (4)
Ag <sub>2</sub> O	--	17 (2)	16 (3)	5 (3)	--	--	17 (1)	15 (2)	--
Ag <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	--	--	--	--	20 (7)	27 (6)	--	--	--
Ag-reduced sulfur	14 (5)	--	--	--	16 (4)	8 (4)	--	--	29 (2)
<i>R-factor</i>	0.000194	0.000133	0.00018	0.000276	0.000281	8	0.000043	0.000109	0.000102
	PCP4			PCP5			PCP6		
	Before exposure	GW1	GW2	Before exposure	GW1	GW2	Before exposure	GW1	GW2
Ag-NP (Ag <sup>0</sup> )	87 (4)	--	31 (3)	--	--	--	84 (5)	42 (5)	--
AgCl	--	39 (3)	69 (3)	80 (4)	61 (2)	63 (3)	--	35 (6)	44 (7)
Ag-clay	--	36 (4)	--	16 (4)	20 (3)	17 (4)	--	3 (9)	30 (3)
Ag <sub>2</sub> O	12 (4)	24 (2)	--	3 (2)	18 (1)	18 (2)	--	18 (3)	16 (3)
Ag <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Ag-reduced sulfur	--	--	--	--	--	--	16 (5)	--	8 (4)
<i>R-factor</i>	0.000618	0.00010	0.00011	0.000479	0.00006	0.00011	0.000479	0.00017	0.000070
	PCP7			PCP8					
	Before exposure	GW1	GW2	Before exposure	GW1	GW2			
Ag-NP (Ag <sup>0</sup> )	86 (2)	21 (2)	--	91 (4)	--	--			
AgCl	--	18 (7)	56 (3)	--	59 (2)	60 (2)			
Ag-clay	--	23 (5)	24 (4)	--	28 (8)	23 (3)			
Ag <sub>2</sub> O	--	--	18 (2)	9 (4)	12 (2)	15 (2)			
Ag <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub>	--	--	--	--	--	--			
Ag-reduced sulfur	13 (2)	35 (3)	--	--	--	--			
<i>R-factor</i>	0.000254	0.000056	0.000101	0.000459	0.000070	0.000078			