BACKGROUND

MILLIONS OF PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD HAVE PARKINSON'S.

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PATHOLOGY INCLUDES DOPAMINE DEGENERATION IN THE SUBSTANTIA NIGRA, INCREASING OXIDATIVE STRESS AND ALPHA-SYNUCLEIN AGGREGATION.

CURCUMIN HAS ANTI-INFLAMMATORY
PROPERTIES AND HAS SHOWN TO HAVE
NEUROPROTECTIVE EFFECTS ON PD MODELS.

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GOLD NANOPARTICLES ALLOW EFFICIENT DRUG
DELIERY AND DEMONSTRATE SIGNS OF INCREASED
DOPAMINE LEVELS AND REDUCED ROS LEVELS.

6-OHDA, A NEUROTOXIN, WILL BE USED TO MODEL OXIDATIVE STRESS AND INCREASING ROS IN C.ELEGANS.

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C. ELEGANS IS UTILIZED AS THE MODEL ORGANISM DUE TO ITS SHORT LIFESPAN AND SIMPLICITY.

TREATMENT

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• Plain gold nanoparticles

• Curcumin+Gold Nanoparticles