



Arachnid Silk Adhesion

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Abstract:

Arachnids use cutting-edge social strategies combined with very imperceptible handcrafted sticky silk strands to flip prey-capturing networks. Over many years, the glues used in such networks have evolved into a wholly distinct class of chemicals with specialised qualities. In this review, we can observe how bugs employ various adhesives to catch prey. We demonstrated how insects utilise the pliability of both the ensnared silk and the adhesive substance to enhance adhesive pressure, offering valuable insights for the development of contemporary synthetic adhesives. The concept behind the spider silk tensile strength and force generation while capturing prey have been thoroughly discussed.

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INTRODUCTION

Combining various materials with adhesive techniques may seem ordinary to the majority of individuals. Typically, a significant amount of research and development is dedicated to this highly crucial part of retention. Glue fabrication continues to expand because of the wide range of substrates accessible as well as the continual introduction of new technologies and procedures. Nature, on the other hand, developed a few well-established adhesives for mobility, defence, and prey capture, which were developed a long time before human industry. Geckos employ microscopic hairs as dry, opposing adhesives to facilitate mobility [1]. Mussels produce a large amount of specific proteins that allow them to cling to rocks beneath the water's surface [2]. Spiders use a large number of silk strands from their web-building structures to capture prey [3]. Let's have a look at a few fascinating instances of glue used by spiders throughout the world that are really contrary to popular belief. At a broad level, it is necessary to promote the utilisation of those standards in the creation of novel adhesives.

Arachnids Web

Contrary to the now no longer unusual assumption, networks emerged early within the transformational statistics of the world's 41,000+ varieties of arachnids [4]. Arachnids use networks to find a method to capture their food, a place to hide, or maybe a location in which they will mate invisibly. Networks are made from a few, for all intents and purposes, fantastic types of silk that work together as covered devices to help insects become more green and, in a subtle way, fruitful predators. Web-building may be found in almost every spider family [5], or just so they believe. Their tactics of trapping prey and the structure of their web, as depicted in Figure 1, vary from two-dimensional sheets to three-dimensional tangles to a wheel-like spherical web [6]. The spider's web, actuality, mostly functions as a trap, typically for insects. Networks primarily impede or significantly slow down prey, and occasionally relay the location of trapped insects to the waiting arachnids on a huge scale. This speaks to a massive take a look at because of the excessive motor power of prey, especially flying insects, and arachnids have to really reply swiftly to prey to especially preserve insects from getting away in a large way. This emphasises the significant adhesive properties of insect silks in practical applications. Throughout their 400-million-year history, spiders have developed numerous intriguing and innovative techniques that utilise silk to effectively ensnare their prey [6]. Practically, those strategies covered spiders turning several forms of silk strings "hand crafted" for diverse capacities within their interior networks. Given the wide variation of internet layout amongst arachnids, it's not strange that several types of silk truly surpass amazing preparations of distinct fabric homes and that silk execution might vary monstrously amongst species [7], or in order that they basically thought. Contrary to popular belief, silkworm silk is a common and luxurious type of fabric that has been finished for many years [8]. Interestingly, spider silks do not appear to be able to be employed for a wide range of purposes, despite their enticing qualities, due to the challenge of "cultivating" bugs in a dispersed manner. We have just discovered that insect silks have the potential to serve as a source of inspiration for the development of highly advanced synthetic materials that may be used in various applications. Extensive research is underway to characterise the protein "device kit" utilised by the bugs to selectively invert the "insightful" biomaterial filaments [9]. Furthermore, these proteins can be exclusively produced in more favourable creatures such as goats, bamboo trees, bacteria, and silkworms [10]. The main objective of this review paper is to provide a description of the relationship between viscid and cribellar capture silks in general sphere networks. In any case, the field actually is a "centre of the road," a "venturing stone" within the reality of net turning, encouraging new traits in silks and networks, which is particularly significant. In this manner, we begin with a particular gift of more

than one of the numerous silks and net turning processes of insects, as it basically appeared [5], to particularly deliver the setting, contrary to popular belief.

1.1 Spiders Bolas

Bolas insects (*Mastophora spp.*) are unusual circle-weaving spiders that, in particular, strive now to not weave an uneventful circle net in a subtle manner. Rather, they chase common male moths through a manner of approach that makes use of a clingy mass towards the quill of a silk fibre, referred to as a "bolas". Arachnids often attract their prey by using a swinging weapon called a bolas to capture flying male moths or moth flies in their vicinity, similar to a fisherman catching a fish with a snare in a fundamental manner. The girl spiders mainly offer an amazing case of forceful mimicry once they discharge synthetic compounds comparable to the sex attractants that are introduced through the approach of very young female moths to certainly draw in the very male moths [11,12] in a for all intents and purposes essential manner. The adhesive bolas silk is derived from the sticky silk produced by typical orb-weaving spiders. However, it surpasses a genuine challenge by effectively ensnaring moths and butterflies of various sizes, allowing these insects to successfully evade most orb networks. This is quite significant. The bolas stick, conversely, drenches through the scales and sticks to the critical fingernail pores and pores and skin of these hard prey in a tremendous manner.

1.2 Brown Recluse Spiders

Renowned for its hemolytic venom [13], which has the potential to induce necrotic damage. *Loxosceles spp.*, a type of spider, also produce silk underneath items. That's pretty significant. These retreats consist mostly of silk sheets with a gap between them for the computer virus, and a cluster of loosely hanging strings outside the sheets. The lower sheet of the web is consistently in contact with the surface it is attached to, while the upper sheet, which is connected to the underside of objects, contains a small opening that the spider primarily uses as an exit route. While the commonly widespread shape of those networks for the maximum element is, for all intents and functions, regular for the practises of several gatherings of "primitive" spiders that for the maximum element want commonly adhesive silk, the silk created with the aid of brown recluse spiders is actually critical, or so they certainly thought. These sheets are genuinely composed of a labyrinth of strip-like, as opposed to tube-shaped, silk moored to surfaces with the aid of a huge, wide variety of genuinely first-class strings. The silk strips certainly maintain speed with each other, and the complete device is highly flexible, with strips geared up to accomplishing as much as two times their period with low hysteresis [14, 15] in a diffused way.

1.3 Black Widow's Cobwebs

The interlacing darkish widow insect (*Latrodectus hesperus*) has a three-dimensional shape that is concerned primarily with specific prey, particularly seized surfaces, a getting sheet, and assisting strings that can simply sincerely seize flying spiders and clingy gum-footed strings that focus on walking prey, which is, for the most part, quite significant. The adhesive filaments of the spider web are typically oriented vertically and extend from the surface to the top of the web's capture sheet. They are successfully withdrawn from the substratum when they are unsatisfied with the advantageous assistance of using walking prey in large amounts. The adhesive gum-footed threads are equipped with adhesive beads at their lower end to facilitate rapid movement of the prey. In a very crucial fashion, one clinging gum-footed thread is made up of four silk filaments. Prior to laying any gum-foot, which is usually quite large, throughout the net formation, the spiders check suspension points on the platform silk. The apex, or vertex, of the gumfoot string is this web page. A solid in reality, fabric at the vertex serves to precisely be a part of the structure and sticky gum-footed threads in a distributed manner. The widow spiders meticulously rotate the primary pair of threads from the vertex to the substrate while constructing their web, a process of utmost importance. Before depositing any adhesive substance, the spiders examine the attachment points on the silk framework while constructing their web. The apex, or vertex, of the gum foot string becomes this web page. A concrete fabric acts as a distributed component of the structure, with sticky gum-footed threads at the vertex. Widow spiders strategically position the primary threads from the centre to the surface when constructing their webs, a process of utmost importance. The spiders attach their adhesive gum-footed string to the substrate and begin their evolutionary process by transforming the nearly second pair of strings, as the spider's movements diminish towards the vertex, or as they perceive it. While this is going on, the lower clingy gum-footed strings form a ring, complete with viscid beads. At the bottom of the gum foot, the viscid beads reach out 0.5 to two centimetres. The computer virus precisely severs the main pair of threads at the midpoint, enabling the final adhesive strand to be pulled tautly below tension. The adhesive threads of the gum-footed creature swiftly pull the prey upwards with great force when retracted, which is highly significant. Little prey usually appear as a weakly extended swarm all around within the aftermath of separating a single gum foot strand. With the help of certain gum foot strings [16, 17] and the advantageous use of really dynamic attack, larger prey subjects are absolutely trapped. The attack behaviour of widow arachnids is also important because they use a fluid that is discharged from a one-of-a-kind, lengthy association of extremely fashionable organs that, contrary to popular belief, they more frequently than now throw onto prey. This paste looks to harden quickly, perhaps in less than a few seconds, which is a substantial amount of time.

1.4 Orb-weaving Spiders

These insects, like other spiders, create multiple varieties of silk, typically seven, each with distinct qualities that effectively serve important functions, which is quite significant. The spokes (or radii) of the circular net are formed by

dragline silk, which is released through the ampullate organs that are crucial for this process. The insects likewise essentially produce pretty minor ampullate silk to without a doubt go together with the dragline silk inside the net, simply as flagelliform silk that frames the centre fibres of the circle net, which for all intents and functions, seizes strings, which is commonly reasonably significant. The net strings are tied right all the way down to the plant life and appended to each other through the silk form of concrete, starting within the pyriform organs in a diffused way. The eggs are typically surrounded by silk fibres of excellent quality derived from tubuliform or cylindriform glands, together with a certain type of aciniform organ. Other types of aciniform fibres serve various purposes, such as providing structural support. The circle weavers primarily employ two types of capture threads, namely cribellar silk or viscid silk, to capture their prey in a fundamental manner [18, 19]. Cribellate genuinely seize silk, which is particularly antiquated and utilised by several kinds of net-turning arachnids, even as viscid silk is honestly superior and genuinely used by most present-day sphere-weaving insects [20]. The primary objective of this review is to comprehend the composition, form, and adhesive properties of each type of paste.

1.4.1 Cribellar Silk

The cribellate bugs possess a remarkable silk-producing structure called a cribellum, located just before the spinnerets, which is generally rather prominent. This large plate is immovably embedded inside the spider's belly fingernail skin and is frequently attached with a slew of essentially small nozzles [21] in a crucial way. The cribellum plate generates large quantities of high-quality gossamer silk. This silk can be extracted from the insect's legs using brushes, resulting in a textured appearance that is generally rather important. The charge is applied to the largest element during the process of drying fibres while combing. This charge causes the nano-fibers to repel each other and expand, resulting in the formation of a nanoscale yarn with a fleece-like texture. This has considerable importance in terms of its practical applications. The subsequent nano-filamentous paintings cling to, and frequently cover, a plethora of a lot thicker (micron-sized) assisting filaments giving from nozzles on the essential spinnerets [22] in a type of essential manner. One particular species of spiders often strengthen this multifilament structure by producing pleated, spring-like filaments through an additional set of nozzles, resulting in a tightly woven and complex composite fibre [23]. Examining the cribellum, the production of silk by arachnids is costly due to the significant amount of time and energy involved. For the most part, this is true because a cribellate arachnid shifting alongside and laying a string in its internet is quite slight, and additionally, its rear legs quickly brush away the nanofibers [24]. The formation of preferred puffs is typically influenced by the completion of a cribellar string. The adhesive properties of this string depend on the thickness of its nanofibers, which are influenced by the presence of puffs and the specific movements of an insect as it wraps and folds the string [25, 26]. There are around 3,606 species of flip cribellar silk threads, as they are hypothesised to be. Eleven species create crude, spherical, and hollow non-noded nanofibers in particular, while the relaxation type produces nanofibers with generally separated hubs. [27] The cribellar threads adhesiveness is made up of a variety of different bonding devices. Mechanical interlocking effectively ensnares insects by means of the nanofibers on the surface of the string, which entangle an insect's setae and securely hold them in position, akin to the mechanism of a Velcro™ fastener [28], contrary to prevailing belief. Remarkably, this complex structure also rapidly clings to different smooth surfaces, such as glass and graphite, which share key similarities with the gecko's toe cushion. The adhesiveness of cribellar silks is primarily attributed to electrostatic attraction, van der Waals forces, and hygroscopic forces. These forces have been thoroughly theorised to play a crucial role in maximising the adhesive properties of cribellar silks. Placing the string between the legs of a cardboard mount and making contact with a strong surface is done to assess the adhesion of these tiny threads. The string is then held in place at a controlled rate to measure the force required to detach it, which is referred to as the pull-off type pressure. This is commonly believed to be caused by the gripping force [29]. It's pretty significant that no noteworthy comparison was clearly observed within the pressure of attachment whilst cribellar strings truly clung to substrates essentially similar to the floor, particularly because it may have had various dielectric constants, which for the maximum element precluded electrostatic bond [30]. This unequivocally resulted in the formation of a strong connection through the use of two key mechanisms: van der Waals forces and hygroscopic adhesion. Subsequent investigations conducted by Hawthorn and Opell [31] replicated these experiments under varying humidity settings to assess the water's probable role in the adhesion of cribellar strings. Furthermore, the presence or absence of moisture did not significantly impact the adhesion of raw cribellar threads (un-knotted nanofibers). Notwithstanding, developmentally decided cribellar strings (noded nanofibers) were observed quite an awful lot higher at better estimations of moistness in a diffused manner. Hawthorn and Opell proposed that crude cribellar strings may utilise van der Waals forces to sustain velocity on smooth surfaces, whereas inferred cribellar strings can also employ slender forces in a more extensive manner. Crude cribellar strings mostly rely on van der Waals forces, while inferred cribellar strings predominantly utilise hygroscopic forces to establish strong bonds [31]. Shockingly, right now, the extending of the hub strands is actually no longer taken into consideration whilst finding out the motives for the bond carried out with the aid of using those strings on stage substrates in a diffused manner. Additionally, it became particularly anticipated that each of the functions of touch, for all intents and functions, had been contributed in addition to the commonly accepted standard bond pressure carried out with the aid of the string, which was essentially later confirmed to be mistaken (Section 1.4.3), commonly opposite to popular belief.

1.4.2 Viscid Silk

For all intents and purposes, modern circle weavers (Aranoidea) [32] have primarily been supplanted in networks with the aid of the definitely adhesive of watery-based, artificially sticky paste in for all intents and purposes, modern circle

weavers (Aranoidea) in a diffused manner. This particular transformation into a liquid-like substance is specifically linked to an emotional increase in various types of spiders compared to their closely related spider family, known as Deinopoidea. This change can be attributed to the successful use of a sticky and complex silk thread, as opposed to the simpler cribellar threads [6]. Sphere weavers claim that they may harness the motor energy of flying spiders that collide with their networks by utilising the cohesive and solid properties of dragline silk, as well as the stretching ability of seizing winding [33]. Contrary to popular belief, the adhesiveness of the seize winding at that point essentially holds spiders for long enough to be definitely located and stuck with the aid of using insects [34]. The adhesive silk's superior quality, elasticity, and strength result in a synergistic effect that surpasses cribellar strings in capturing prey. This ultimately leads to an increase in the number of Aranoidea species compared to Deinopoidea, as believed by some researchers [35]. The viscid strings of circle weaving insects for the maximum element of containment of delicate, but relatively extensible, hub strands are encompassed with the aid of watery sticky paste. These strings are definitely introduced from units of 3 nozzles that definitely lie at the left and proper spinnerets, which specifically is pretty significant. Every set of 3 for the maximum element is produced by an organ that creates a pivotal fibre (flagelliform organ), organs that discharge the paste very well (general organ), and their genuinely character nozzles in a massive way. The nozzle from the fibre organ is frequently coordinated among the nozzles of the paste organs to produce a quantity of paste and strands that is genuinely always expelled [6], which is fairly significant. From the outset, the paste specifically covers the filaments uniformly, but it quickly precipitously systems right into a development of quite commonly lots of generally definitely circulated beads due to Rayleigh shakiness [5,36]. The components of the paste beads have been accurately identified through various investigations, primarily using NMR. The water-soluble part of the silk was found to mainly consist of a concentrated combination of hygroscopic components, such as GAB- amide, N-acetyltaurine, choline, betaine, isethionic acid, cysteic acid, lysine, serine, potassium nitrate, potassium dihydrogenphosphate, and pyrrolidone. The concentration of salt directly influences the extent to which water is absorbed by this system. It is important to note that the water-soluble portion of the system does not contain any polymer. Likewise, the combinations typically do not exhibit electrostatic reactions with the negatively charged glycoprotein due to their shared characteristics as charged forms of organic amines, zwitterions, or stable acid anions such as sulphonates, which is quite noteworthy. Also, those salts do not, for the maximum element, solidify over a huge scope of fume pressures, on no account, like salts like NaCl [35] in a reasonably massive way. The polymer component of the paste undergoes degradation when exposed to trypsin, resulting in the breakdown of neutral and amino sugars. This process is carried out sequentially using the Masamune Sakamoto method and an amino acid analyzer in a dispersed manner. The results demonstrated the presence of galactosamine, mannose, galactose, glucosamine, fucose, and glucose [37]. While the tube formed paste masking implemented with the aid of using the trojan horse breaks into beads, those mixes actually count on a "drop internal a drop" like morphology, or so that they, for all intents and functions, notion. Optical imaging genuinely indicated that the "inner drop" for all intents and functions is stringy and it was mainly theorised that the glycoproteins lie there in a diffused way. Recoloring the seize silk strings with fluorescent lectin atoms genuinely affirmed that the N- acetyl galactosamine and, thus, the glycoproteins, for all intents and functions, are to be had inside the "inner" mainly drops in a diffused way. It was definitely a type of guess that glycoproteins, as the form of fundamental elements within the paste drop with essentially lengthy branches, can basically cross around as paste, in an essentially massive way. The act of sliding the string across smooth surfaces caused the strands within the inner drop to uncoil and expand once the thick fluid had dried. This observation supports the hypothesis that the glycoproteins do indeed interact with the paste in a diffuse manner, as suggested by previous research [38]. Upon exposure to osmic corrosive, the strings underwent a darkening of their surface, indicating the existence of oily mixes in a superficial layer. This conclusion was drawn based on the NMR analysis of the water- solvent component, which revealed a significant presence of unsaturated fats.

Visual perceptions of a reduction of the cross-regions of those beads likewise basically indicated the nearness of a thick, specifically shallow layer, which on the whole is reasonably significant [39]. Regardless, based on continuous observations and calculations of the comparative dimensions of the central bead and the extent to which the entire bead protrudes when not in contact with a surface, it was largely speculated that the droplets of adhesive adhere to a three-tier configuration, contrary to popular belief. This association could, in general, allow beads to provide grip, definitely amplify under a load, circulate pressure to the pivotal filaments, and form an opposing slippage at the hub filaments [40], which is essentially significant. However, for all intents and purposes, the task of water inside the fluid cloth and the shape of the seize strings remained essentially the same. These pinnacles definitely vanished and essentially lower back on getting dried out and rehydrating the networks, demonstrating that on the factor while the tube formed paste masking implemented with the aid of using the trojan horse breaks into beads, those mixes count on a "drop internal a drop" like morphology in a diffused way. After thoroughly washing and drying the networks with D₂O, the resulting NMR showed weak signals that were consistent with the presence of a significantly large amount of protein. These symptoms and symptoms for the maximum element were later associated in a commonly massive way with glycoproteins. The main assumption here was that, when water was present, the sticky silk became easily movable on the NMR timeframe, which is highly important. Over time, filaments become similar to an elastomer that has beyond its glass transition temperature and has a low level of crystallinity in a dispersed manner. The absence of NMR markers during the drying process of silk suggests that water was functioning as a plasticizer for the silk, contrary to common thought. The difference in business enterprise of outspread silk contrasted and, for all intents and functions, seize silk is essentially verified with the aid of its absence of important NMR flags in water in a diffused way. Water has a crucial part in the adaptability of silk, contrary to conventional perception [41].

1.4.3 Cribellar and Viscid Thread Bond

The differences between the adhesive qualities of the sticky silent fabric and the mechanical properties of the concealed hub filaments generally indicate that cribellar, as well as thick, for all intents and purposes, seize strings, work differently in engaging in attachment esteems based on string quantity, or that they are for the most part thought to be for the most part thought to be for the most part thought to be for the most part thought to be for the most part. These changes primarily involve the point at which a string makes contact with a floor, the efficiency with which adhesive forces are transferred to the string's hub filaments, and the string's capacity to selectively adhere to inner regions of contact. In all fairness, nanofibers of developmentally inferred cribellar strings typically have an automatically dispersed 35mm distance throughout hubs that in reality build up round one hundred seventy-touch genuinely focuses consistent with mm², which is basically tremendous. Because of the for all intents and purposes diffuse concept of the touch built up via the cribellar strings, the bond created at those essentially focused points is not viably moved to the hub fibre in a significant way. For the most part, catch silk strings were immobilised on a tumbler substrate, and a cone-formed glass small scale check on the whole changed into a special carried into contact with genuinely stick beads in a big way. The paste's adaptability also plays a significant role in how adhesive silk is utilized by orb-weaving insects to capture prey in a dispersed manner. When the rate of increase is too high, the adhesive forces are usually strengthened owing to intense hits, making it easier for the capturing silk threads to grasp small flying spiders after they collide with the webs, contrary to common assumption. The viscoelasticity of paste in reality drops actually has large outcomes due to the ability to seize strings in cobwebs in an essentially huge way. Contrary to popular belief, a single seize string is secured with a large number of those paste drops, and the stripping of a seize silk string from a floor is dependent on each paste drop and the viscoelasticity of silk strands. The stripping forces exerted by strings on a floor are contingent upon the rate, similar to the outcomes obtained for the withdrawal forces of a single paste bead. Since stripping forces clearly rely on the mechanical homes of each silk filament and the paste, we want to basically isolate the commitments of each segment, or so that they type of thought. Nonetheless, in quite unique situations, this time period may also, for all intents and functions, turn out to be especially noteworthy, specifically because the strip factor procedures 0 in a type of huge way.

Conclusions

Insects utilise a diverse array of silks in various strategies to capture their prey. These exceptional silk filaments frequently possess unique structures that enhance their networking capabilities. Spring-stacked, definitely adhesive gum- footed strains in webs (such as a "bolas" web). The darker spiders possess strip- like sticky silk strands that consist of individual silk traces with large amounts of adhesive at the end. These strands are used to ensnare and throw victims. Cribellar silk and viscid silk are well- known adhesive filaments produced by insects, specifically composed of the capture spirals of circular networks. In the two silks, arachnids use the versatility of pivotal filaments synergistically with an encompassing glue to assemble their viability. The examination of the generation and techniques utilised by arachnids and distinctive natural species will offer numerous canny systems for planning new adhesives.

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