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GRANTED (IN455508) Nanoparticles reinforced hydrogel composite



## NEED

Infection rates after surgery still reach 20% globally due to poor antimicrobial coatings. Traditional hydrogels degrade quickly or release toxic byproducts, risking patient safety and \$4B annual healthcare losses. Current solutions lack safe, light-activated antimicrobial functions.

# **TECHNOLOGY OVERVIEW**

This invention presents a nanoparticle-reinforced hydrogel combining a carbohydrate-vinyl polymer matrix with gold nanoparticles and safe antibiotics. It creates light-sensitive, non-toxic materials ideal for wound healing, drug delivery, and tissue scaffolding, avoiding harmful chromophores or degradation products.

### **TECHNOLOGY KEY FEATURES**

Light-activated healing, gold nanoparticle reinforcement, safe antibiotic integration, non-toxic response, 21 nm particle control, 3.94–19.69% nanoparticle concentration, enhanced hydrogel stability and biocompatibility.

## MARKET ANALYSIS

The global hydrogel market will reach \$27.3 billion by 2033, growing at a CAGR of 7.8%, driven by regenerative medicine, wound care, and drug delivery innovations. [Source: Market Research Future, 2024]

### **Target Industries**

Regenerative Medicine, Advanced Wound Care, Controlled Drug Delivery. , Biomaterials developers, healthcare R&D platforms, wound healing product innovators.

# AT A GLANCE

 SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being), SDG 9 (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure),
SDG 12 (Responsible Consumption and Production)

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