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To develop a biocompatible and biodegradable polymer-metal composite with good mechanical and drug release properties

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For achieving additional benefits and improving the material characteristics two or more materials are often combined together in the form of composites. Composites are important because of their light weight, high strength and flexibility of design. Composite materials provide various advantages based on their particulate or fibrous nature and on the basis of individual qualities of the constituting elements of the composites. Besides the multiplied benefits achieved with the composite materials, they being composed of two different materials exhibit greater challenges and biocompatibility threats which need to be addressed while developing a composite material. A structural composite of bio-absorbable nature is developed using a polymeric material and metal particles. The composite material so developed would provide altered strength and flexibility, better than the individual constituting materials for use in various biomedical devices and would eventually degrade on subject to exposure to the physiological environment. The two different varieties of the composite have been developed using metal particles and metal salt and they have been tested for their tensile, degradation and drug release properties, which have been found satisfactory for use of the composite in various biomedical devices and drug release applications.

Biography

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