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Supporting Information for:

Harnessing gradient gelatin nanocomposite hydrogels: a progressive approach to tackling antibacterial biofilms

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Fig.S1 SEM and element mapping images of PDA-Cu nanoparticles (a and b). Image J analysis of the size of PDA-Cu (c). Full scan XPS survey spectrum and the high-resolution spectra of PDA-Cu@PgelMA (d).

Hydrogel groups	GelMA (5%)	GelMA (10%)	PDA-Cu (1 mg/mL)	PDA-Cu (10 mg/mL)	LAP (20 mg/mL)
1-PgelMA-5%	٧				v

2-PgelMA-10%	٧			٧
3-PDA-Cu@PgelMA-01	٧	V		٧
3-PDA-Cu@PgelMA-02	٧		٧	٧
4-PGelMA-T(top)/PDA-Cu@PGelMA-D(down)	٧		٧	٧
5-PDA-Cu@PDA-Cu@PGelMA-T/PGelMA-D	٧		٧	٧

Table S1. hydrogel groups.

Sample quality M0 (g)	0.0254
Test solution element coenctration Cu (mg/L)	Cu
Sample elemental content (%)	0.061867

Table S2. ICP-MS analysis of PDA-Cu.



Fig.S2 The hygroscopicity of gradient gelatin nanocomposite hydrogel (n = 3)



Fig.S3 Microscopy images of hematoxylin and eosin (H&E) stained sections of major organs of rats after 7 days of subcutaneous implantation of gradient gel.



Fig.S4 Evaluation of bacterial colonies inside the infected skin after 6 d treatment (n = 3).



Fig.S5 Microscopy images of hematoxylin and eosin (H&E) stained sections of wound tissues.



Fig.S6 Infected skin wound tissue evaluated by IHC of IL-6 a after treatment.