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Supplementary Information

Understanding the role of nanoparticles in enhancing mechanical properties of hydrogel nanocomposites

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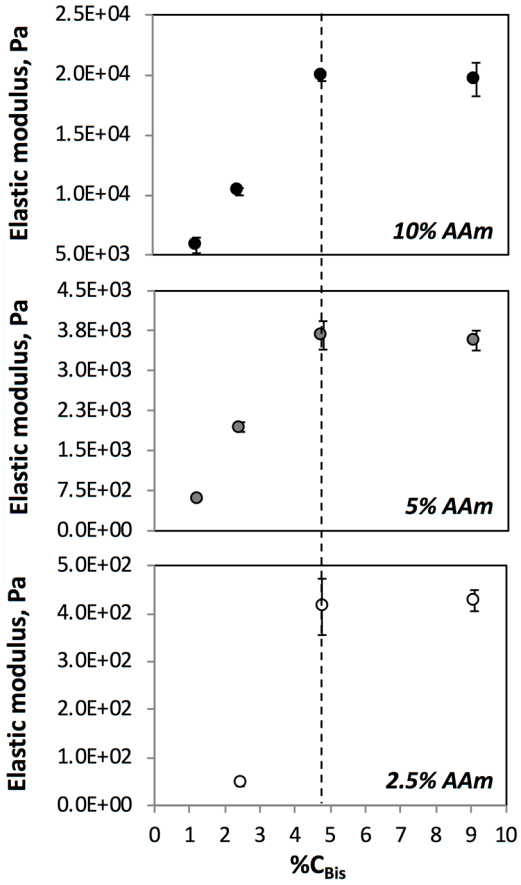

Figure S1. Elastic modulus for neat hydrogels for various monomer and relative crosslinker ratios. Data shown are the mean of triplicate measurements ± standard deviation and have been repeated at least three times with similar results.

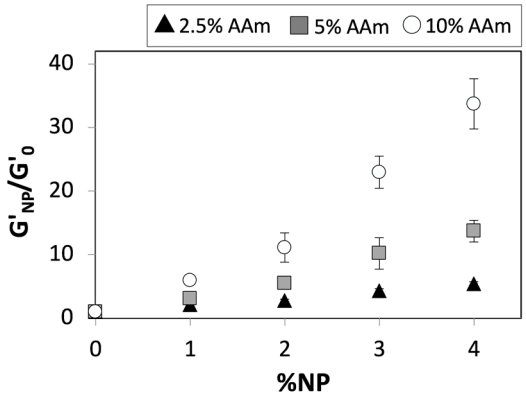

Figure S2. Relative elastic moduli of pAAm hydrogels as a function of nanoparticle concentration for 2.5% pAAm (white circles), 5% pAAm (grey squares), and 10% pAAm (black triangles) hydrogels prepared using $\%C_{Bis}$ = 1.23. Data shown are the mean of triplicate measurements ± standard deviation and have been repeated at least three times with similar results.

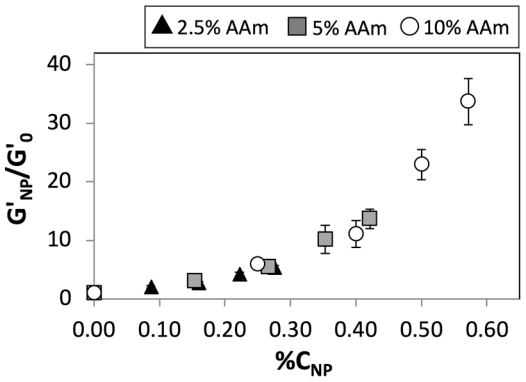

Figure S3. Relative elastic moduli of 2.5% pAAm (white circles), 5% pAAm (grey squares), and 10% pAAm (black triangles) hydrogels prepared using $\%C_{Bis}$ = 1.23 as a function of relative nanoparticle concentration ($\%C_{NP}$). Data shown are the mean of triplicate measurements ± standard deviation and have been repeated at least three times with similar results.