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[54] **CONTROLLED RELEASE OF PHARMACOLOGICALLY ACTIVE AGENTS FROM AN ABSORBABLE BIOLOGICALLY COMPATIBLE PUTTY-LIKE COMPOSITION**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

An absorbable biologically compatible putty-like composition is used as a matrix from which immunologically or pharmacologically active agents, such as antibiotics, can be introduced into the body to provide a slow sustained release of the agent over an extended period of time. A preferred matrix comprises a mixture of calcium stearate, dextran and castor oil.

4 Claims, 3 Drawing Figures