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## (57) **ABSTRACT**

Methods for forming a nanoparticle assembly are generally provided. The method can comprise applying a colloidal fluid to a surface of a magnetic media, wherein the colloidal fluid comprises magnetic nanoparticles, a surfactant, a trigger salt, and a carrier medium; and assembling the magnetic nanoparticles into a pattern through a magnetic force arising from the surface of the magnetic media.

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