NEW STRATEGIES FOR RECYCLING SINGLE-USE NITRILE GLOVES

Disposable gloves play a vital role in **reducing the risk of contamination** in medical facilities, food factories, and research laboratories!

65 BILLION

The number of gloves used globally every month in 2020.

Nitrile gloves release:

MICROPLASTICS

HEAVY METALS

TRACE ELEMENTS

These substances have serious negative effects on human and environmental health!

26G CO_2E

The climate impact of a single nitrile glove!

Innovative **recycling strategies** have emerged as opportunities to **divert waste away from landfills**.

CONVERTING WASTE GLOVES TO RENEWABLE FUEL

Co-pyrolysis of waste nitrile gloves with biomass can be used to increase the heating value and reduce viscosity of liquid fuel!

USING WASTE GLOVES AS STRENGTHENING ADDITIVES

Used nitrile gloves can be employed as a **strengthening and stabilizing additive** in expansive soil and could play an important role in displacing carbon-intensive cement!

However, more research is needed to consider:

CLIMATE IMPACT OF DISINFECTION PROCESSES & **BIO-DEGRADABLE DISPOSABLE GLOVE ALTERNATIVES**

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