



Modelling, Investigating and Engineering Viscoelasticity in Biological Tissues and Hydrogels

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Cell viscoelastic mechanotransduction is a fascinating research topic which has relevant implications in the understanding of pathophysiological processes and in the design of tissue substitute or in vitro models.

Although cell response to stiffness has been widely investigated, the interpretation of results as a function of substrate viscoelastic properties is still a challenge.

In this context, the Special Issue 'Modelling, Investigating and Engineering Viscoelasticity in Biological Tissues and Hydrogels' is collecting research papers and review articles addressing these issues. In addition to mechanotransduction studies, submitted papers may focus on the investigation of viscoelastic properties of poorly characterised tissues or on the implementation of in silico models to predict material mechanical behaviour and/or cell response. The presentation of new strategies for the fabrication of biomimetic materials which may foster viscoelastic mechanotransduction studies are also welcome.





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