

Advances in Polymer-Based Thin Films

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Polymer-based coatings and thin films provide excellent mechanical, thermal, and chemical properties, which make them ideal for many advanced applications.

This Special Issue aims to present recent advances in the field of polymer-based coatings and thin films, with a focus on synthesis, processing, characterization, and performance evaluation and covering topics from fundamental understanding to practical applications. Original research papers, reviews, and perspectives are welcome, including but not limited to the following:

- Novel synthesis and processing methods for polymer-based coatings and thin films.
- Surface modification of polymers for improved adhesion, wetting, and corrosion resistance.
- Multifunctional coatings and thin films for sensing, actuation, and energy storage.
- Bioinspired coatings and thin films for biomedical applications.
- Advanced characterization techniques for polymer-based coatings and thin films.
- Computational modeling and simulation of polymer-based coatings and thin films.
- Scale-up and manufacturing of polymer-based coatings and thin films.
- Challenges and opportunities in commercializing polymer-based coatings and thin films.



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