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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Gels as physically and/or chemically crosslinked 3D systems have received much attention in recent decades, to such an extent that most fundamental and applied research in the field of materials refers, more or less, to the gel state of matter.

Depending on the nature of the immobilized liquid phase, there are two general kinds of gels: hydrogels—in which the majority of the liquid phase is aqueous—and organogels—in which the immobilized liquid consists of an organic solvent or a homogenous mixture of organic solvents, irrespective of the characteristics of the gelator(s) (natural, synthetic, or with low or high molecular mass) and the attractive interactions (physical, or chemical between gelator molecules) through which the entire gel-like system is crosslinked.

This Special Issue focuses on the latest results, obtained using appropriate methods of investigation, characterization and analyses, regarding the relationships between the structural peculiarities of such 3D networks, as well as their properties and potential applications.

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