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Message from the Guest Editors

Nosocomial infections (NIs) have been a worldwide healthcare issue for decades. The spread of micro-organisms should be urgently limited because the projected mortality rate due to HAIs is estimated to reach more than 10 million per year in 2050, which is higher than the projected rate for cancer.

In order to prevent this risk, many devices used in hospitals have been covered with antibacterial coatings which could either kill micro-organisms (biocidal coatings) or prevent their adhesion/growth (passive coatings). In this context, a wide diversity of materials have been described in literature.

This Special Issue is dedicated to original research and review papers of the highest quality that consider the synthesis and design of new antimicrobial materials (e.g., coatings, films, hydrogels, 3D systems) which significantly prevent the growth of or eradicate bacteria. While centered on materials science, contributions to this Special Issue are expected to have significant microbiological relevance.



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