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Advanced Polymer Composites: Design, Synthesis, and Functions

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Advanced polymer composites are engineered materials composed of a polymer matrix reinforced with fibers, nanoparticles, or hybrid fillers to achieve superior mechanical, thermal, electrical, biomedical, or other multifunctional properties. These materials are increasingly critical across industries such as aerospace, automotive, energy, construction, electronics, and healthcare due to their lightweight nature, high strength-to-weight ratio, corrosion resistance, and design flexibility. Despite their growing adoption, several challenges remain. These include a deeper understanding of structure-property relationships, improving long-term durability, enhancing recyclability and sustainability, and developing costeffective, scalable manufacturing techniques. Addressing these limitations is essential to unlock the full potential of advanced polymer composites in nextgeneration technologies. This Special Issue seeks to bring together cutting-edge research and comprehensive reviews that address both fundamental science and practical engineering solutions.

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