# Special Issue

# Fluorescent Probes: Design and Biological Applications

### Message from the Guest Editor

Fluorescent probes are molecules that absorb light of a specific wavelength and emit light of a different, typically longer, wavelength (a process known as fluorescence), and they are used to study biological samples due to their versatility, sensitivity and quantitative capabilities. In recent years, fluorescent probes based on smallmolecule organic fluorophores, quantum dots and microspheres have been designed and applied to a wide range of biological research. The capability of qualitative analysis and quantitative detection has facilitated the development of fluorescent probes as valuable tools for the investigation of physiological and biochemical properties in biological samples. For this Special Issue, we welcome original research papers, as well as reviews, on current developments in the design of fluorescent probes and their biological applications, including the design of state-of-the-art biosensors for disease biomarkers, the characterization of biomolecules, biological analysis, and medical diagnostics.

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