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# Carbon Dots/Polymer Composites: Synthesis, Characterization and Applications

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This Special Issue focuses on the synthesis of composites of CDs with various natural and synthetic polymers, their characterization, and their applications. Concerning the multifunctional nature of CDs, this Special Issue will be an interdisciplinary volume comprising fundamental aspects of CDs/polymer composites preparation, properties, and their widespread applications. Review articles with deep understanding and analysis are also welcome.

In particular, the topics of interest include but are not limited to

- Carbon dots composites with natural polymers such as chitosan, cellulose, plant gums, etc.
- Carbon dots composites with synthetic polymers such as PVA, PLA, PVP, etc.
- Study of binding interactions between CDs and polymers.
- CDs/polymer composites for smart packaging applications.
- Applications such as solid-state optical devices, sensors, fluorescent inks, and coatings.







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