# **Special Issue**

# Surface Modification of Biomaterials and Biomedical Devices

# Message from the Guest Editors

Biomaterials and biomedical devices made with them are engineered to meet different medical needs, such as treatment, augmentation, repair or replacement of damaged tissue, etc. Although the bulk properties of a material are crucial for certain applications, the physicochemical properties of the material surface are also extremely important for biomedical applications since the surface is in the direct contact with biological systems. Thus, the surface modification of biomaterials is often necessary to obtain adequate physicochemical and structural properties which further improve their biocompatibility, by a promoting favorable cellular response at the biomaterial/tissue interface. Potential topics include, but are not limited to, the following areas:

- Surface modification of metallic biomaterials;
- Surface modification of ceramic biomaterials;
- Surface modification of polymeric biomaterials;
- Surface modification techniques;
- Bioactive coatings;
- Biomimetic coatings.

We look forward to receiving your contributions.

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