

Special Issue

Advances in Antibacterial Coatings: From Materials to Applications

Message from the Guest Editors

Healthcare-acquired infections and emerging multi-drug resistance (MDR) have become an urgent global challenge demands for innovative alternative tools, technologies, and strategies to combat bacterial infections. Considering the recent advancements in materials science and nanotechnology, the formulation of novel antibacterial surface coating technology as a component of advanced functional biomaterials remains a top research goal. Advanced functional antibacterial coatings consisting of natural entities, functional polymers, biomolecules, antibiotics, and nanomaterials were used to eliminate bacterial infections and biofilm formation in biomaterials. I invite authors to contribute original research articles and review articles including, but are not limited to:

- Antibacterial formulations and coatings;
- Bio-inspired universal antibacterial coatings;
- Contact-killing surfaces;
- Release-killing surfaces;
- Hydrophilic antifouling coatings;
- Superhydrophobic antibacterial coatings;
- Smart interfaces;
- Photothermal agent-integrated coatings;
- Photosensitizer-integrated coatings.

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Now more than ever, research is asked to deliver knowledge and technologies to solve the major challenges faced by our society. The development of new materials and devices for (without the ambition to be exhaustive) energy, health and food technology, together with the need for establishing processes that reduce the impact on critical resources and the environment, is indeed in the spotlight of most contemporary research. Surface science and engineering play a key role in this regard, with an incredible potential in delivering new and deep scientific understanding and technical solutions essential to solve most of the major societal challenges.

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