



Synthesis and Properties of Light-emitting Liquid Crystals

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Message from the Guest Editor

Light-emitting liquid crystals possessing both light-emitting and LC properties are promising functional molecules that can switch light-emitting properties by changing their molecular aggregated structures via phase transition, e.g., crystal \rightleftharpoons LC \rightleftharpoons liquid. This Special Issue, titled “Synthesis and Properties of Light-Emitting Liquid Crystals”, is intended to provide an innovative and broad perspective on light-emitting molecules with liquid-crystalline properties, particularly focusing on molecular design, synthesis, and the light-emitting, as well as liquid-crystalline, properties.

The potential topics include, but are not limited to:

- molecular design of molecules with both light-emitting and liquid-crystalline properties;
- development of efficient synthetic protocols for light-emitting liquid crystals;
- characterisation of the structure, photophysical properties excited by photons or electronic-fields, and liquid-crystalline behavior;
- photoluminescent or electroluminescent properties in liquid-crystalline phases; and
- applications using light-emitting liquid crystals.





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