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## Preparation and Application of DNA Hydrogel

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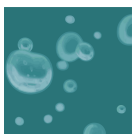
Deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) not only stores genetic information but is also regarded as a block copolymer and polyanion. Designer DNA polymeric chains will self-assemble into well-defined secondary and higher ordered structures by following Watson–Crick base-pairing rules, which have been used to construct DNA materials with precisely designed structure and tailored functions. Among DNA-based materials, DNA hydrogel, a three-dimensional network of DNA polymeric chains, has received considerable attention in a wide range of promising applications. Furthermore, other functional materials could be introduced into DNA hydrogel, generating multifunctional hybrid hydrogels. This Special Issue plans to give an overview of the most recent advances in the field of antibacterial nanomaterials and their applications in diverse areas. This Special Issue aims to provide selected contributions on advances in the synthesis, characterization, and applications of DNA hydrogel.

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