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## Gels for Water Treatment

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Water is one of the most important resources of our planet. However, this very precious source is in great danger especially because of anthropic activity, such as industry, agriculture, and transport. Conventional methods of water treatment are challenging tasks for the removal of emerging contaminants. Therefore, new advanced techniques and materials have been developed to prevent, assess and fight water pollution.

Among these materials, an increasing role plays gels: hydrogels, aerogels, oleogels, composite gels, nano-hybrid gels, etc. The application of these new materials refers mostly to the purification of drinking water, the retaining of pollutants from complex matrices such as wastewaters, analysis, and sensing, but other applications are studied as well, such as catalysis and biocatalysis or slow release of some active substances.

This Special Issue is aimed to publish original research articles and recent review papers that can provide innovative insight and improve our knowledge of the most recent approaches regarding the development of new gels for water treatment in order to enhance the current methods or develop new advanced materials.



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