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## Synthesis and Application of Multifunctional Polymer-Based Hydrogel Composites

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Hydrogels, a three-dimensional polymeric network prepared from polymers and monomers through mainly cross-linking or grafting technology, can retain large amounts of water without dissolving. Hydrogels can be prepared by using different methods, such as solution and radiation methods, physical and chemical cross-linking methods, and energy-intensive methods. In recent years, hydrogels have been used in diverse fields like environmental, agricultural, biomedical, drug delivery, artificial organs, and electronic devices.

We propose this special issue, “Synthesis and Application of Multifunctional Polymer-Based Hydrogel Composites,” to provide updated research on hydrogel composites and new technology for advanced applications. The scope of the issue includes the design and synthesis of new types of hydrogels, the application of hydrogel composites in diverse fields, the characterization and analysis of physical properties such as swelling kinetics, and the effect of different parameters (pH, temperature, pressure, nature of solvents) on hydrogels for various advanced applications.



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