Special Issue

Recent Developments in Nanocomposite Hydrogels

Message from the Guest Editors

Owing to their unique properties, such as adjustable physicochemical effects, sensitivity to external stimulus, biodegradability, biocompatibility, ease and low-cost synthesis, research addressing nanocomposite hydrogels has increased considerably in recent years. The incorporation of nanostructured fillers, including zeolite, cellulose nanofibers and nanocrystals, clay, nanoparticles and carbon nanotubes, into hydrogels has become an interesting strategy for enhancing some specific properties, particularly mechanical and hydrophilic properties, and sorption/absorption and release properties, among others. The aim of this Special Issue is to present a collection of papers focused on recent advances and developments in nanocomposite hydrogels for application in a number of fields, including food, engineering, agricultural, medicine and health area, and others. This Special Issue will cover all nanocomposite hydrogels, including nanoclay- and zeolite-based nanocomposite hydrogels, etc. All researchers working on nanocomposite hydrogels are invited to contribute their studies to this Special Issue.

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