# **Special Issue**

# Characterization Techniques for Hydrogels and Their Applications

# Message from the Guest Editor

The development of novel functional materials is currently a major challenge to addressing specific problems not only in the environmental field but also in chemistry and biotechnology. In this sense, macromolecular chemistry is of great interest to produce processable materials with unique and valuable properties. In this sense, the use of spectroscopic and rheological techniques is necessary to achieve both the chemical structures and mechanical properties for the resulting materials as well as the success in their applications in different areas. Among them, nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) is the goal characterization technique to resolve chemical structures from small molecules to macromolecules. The aim of this Special Issue is to receive articles, comprehensive reviews, short communications, and perspectives, with topics addressing-but not limited to-the key findings and contributions on advanced hydrogels or supramolecular materials, with particular emphasis on their structure at different levels, including advanced characterization techniques and their applications.

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