# **Special Issue**

# Recent Advances in Hydrogels: From Design to Wound Healing Application

## Message from the Guest Editor

Wound repair is a core interdisciplinary area of biomedicine and materials science research. Clinical challenges include chronic refractory wounds and complex wounds, which have long troubled the patients and the medical community. Hydrogels, with 3D crosslinked structures, high water content, and good biocompatibility, can mimic skin ECM, load drugs/cells/bioactive factors, and respond to external stimuli. They have become key carriers for advancing wound repair technology but still face challenges like improving mechanical stability and promoting clinical translation. This Special Issue aims to provide an academic platform, showcasing the latest achievements. We invite submissions covering, but not limited to: design of functional hydrogels, hydrogelcell/bioactive factor synergy, dressing optimization, preclinical/clinical studies, molecular mechanisms of microenvironment regulation, and material safety/scalable production.

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