

## Special Issue

# Advances in the Development of Nanogels/Microgels for Drug Delivery

### Message from the Guest Editors

A new era of pharmaceutical research is focused on novel drug delivery systems. Conventional dosage forms are mostly associated with problems such as poor bioavailability, frequent administration, adverse effects, and patient incomppliance, so researchers are seeking novel carriers for drug delivery as alternatives to the traditional ones depicted in the literature. Particle size reduction is one of the successful strategies.

Microgels/nanogels can offer many advantages including high water content, functionality, porosity, flexibility, versatility, tunable size, large surface area, and 3D network, allowing for the incorporation of different therapeutic agents. These unique properties present excellent opportunities for their pharmaceutical application. This Special Issue will cover all aspects related to the synthesis, development, preparation, characterization, in vitro/in vivo evaluation, and optimization of various types of microgels/nanogels for drug delivery purposes using different routes of administration (oral, dermal, transdermal, ocular, nasal, vaginal, rectal, parenteral, implantable, etc.).

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