

## Special Issue

# Advanced Hydrogels for the Repair of Cartilage Defects

### Message from the Guest Editors

Osteoarthritis (OA) is a degenerative disease that causes pain and disability of millions of people worldwide. Cartilage defects are one of the leading causes and a common symptom of OA. This Special Issue on “Advanced Hydrogels for the Repair of Cartilage Defects” is dedicated to recent developments from theoretical, fundamental, experimental and applicable aspects to the synthesis and characterization of hydrogels that are potential for cartilage defects repair, cartilage tissue engineering, and cartilage regeneration. Within this context, a broad range of subjects, including hydrogel design, hydrogel with stem cells or chondrocytes, in vivo animal studies, and clinical trials will be discussed. We look forward to the submission of new concepts and results of hydrogels used for the repair of cartilage. Reviews that summarize the recent developments of advanced hydrogels for cartilage regeneration are also welcome. It is hoped that this Special Issue will stimulate new research and discoveries in the field of hydrogels and cartilage tissue engineering.

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