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Properties and Applications of Cellulose Based Gel

Message from the Guest Editors

Cellulose is a common and important organic compound on Earth, found in the cell wall of green plants and many forms of algae, fungi and molds. As the most abundant polymer, it is one of the oldest raw materials that have been used by humans since the dawn of civilization. Due to its unique structure and excellent properties, such as biocompatibility, biodegradability, chemical stability and derivatization, coupled with its low cost, abundance, availability and renewability, cellulose has various large- and smallscale applications, e.g., building and construction materials, paper, paperboard and packaging, cotton and textiles, food ingredients and feed, heat and luminous sources and so on. However, there are still great challenges that facilitate this natural polymer to be further used, especially the development of a new and green platform for cellulose shaping through chemical and/or physical modification. Among these, cellulosebased gels offer new opportunities and open new frontiers over a broad range of applications.

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