



Natural and Biomimetic Architectures for Tissue Engineering and Regenerative Medicine

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Tissue engineering and regenerative medicine are relatively new research fields with remarkably promising results in enhancing the health status of human beings in the future.

Identifying the properties of such naturally occurring systems and understanding the underlying mechanisms by which they regulate organisms' response is of high importance for the development of synthetic analogues. Accordingly, this Special Issue aims to cover the latest advancements in the design, biofabrication, and application of natural and/or nature-inspired architectures in tissue engineering and regenerative medicine in the form of letters, reviews, and original research articles. Potential topics include but are not limited to:

- Natural/nature-inspired self-cleaning or antifouling surfaces;
- Naturally occurring bactericidal surfaces;
- Regenerative architectures (ECM) inspired from nature;
- Enabling technologies for biofabrication of such structures;
- Cell–biomaterial interactions in nature-inspired architectures.

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Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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