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Advances in Polymer Composites for Thermoelectric Energy Conversion

Message from the Guest Editors

Currently, large amounts of energy generated are dissipated as heat into the surrounding atmosphere. Thermoelectric materials which enable direct conversion from thermal energy into electricity are considered emerging candidates in harvesting waste heat. Driven by the rapid progress in wearable and miniaturized electronic devices, flexible thermoelectric materials, especially polymer-based composites have attracted special interest. Despite the advances achieved in pursuing high-performance thermoelectric polymer composites so far, we expect further steps through the physical-chemical, structural, electronic, and compositional study of polymer-based thermoelectric composites and their devices. In this Special Issue, we aim to provide readers with up-to-date research advances in polymer composites for thermoelectric energy conversion. Topics include, but are not restricted to, the following:

- High-performance thermoelectric polymer-based composites;
- Novel fabrication methods of thermoelectric composites;
- Physical/chemical study of thermoelectric composites;
- Thermoelectric composite fibers;
- Novel design of flexible thermoelectric devices.

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