

Special Issue

Recycling and Degradation of Polymeric Materials: Exploring Different Perspectives in Plastic Waste Management

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue aims to provide a platform for thoughtful discussion on the recycling of polymer waste. We encourage contributions that delve into these critical facets, fostering a comprehensive understanding of the challenges and opportunities in the realm of polymer waste recycling. Your valuable insights and research findings will contribute to advancing sustainable practices and mitigating the adverse impacts of plastic waste on our environment.

- The environmental fate of plastics;
- Characterization of post-consumer plastics for recyclability;
- Processes and technologies for post-consumer plastics recycling;
- Design principles for recyclability;
- Degradation processes of plastics in natural environments;
- Degradation processes of plastics in municipal solid waste management systems;
- Physicochemical properties of polymers during degradation;
- Development of new products from recycled plastics;
- Economic, social, and environmental aspects of plastics recycling;
- Case studies highlighting effective plastics recycling processes.

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