Special Issue

Chemical Recycling of Waste Plastics

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue of *Molecules* concerns publications of research related to chemical recycling and conversion of waste plastics to petrochemical feedstock, fuels and/or other value-added chemicals. Although the issue aims to bring together research related to catalysis, material synthesis and sciences using various methods for the mitigation of waste plastics, there is also a possibility to include research on the environmental impacts and handling of waste bioplastics. In this context, this issue covers the sustainable routes for the development of catalysts, study of physio-chemical properties and their effect on the activity and selectivity of the synthesized catalysts towards the chemical and biochemical recycling of waste plastics in general. Keywords:

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- bioplastics
- waste plastics to fuels
- chemical recycling of plastics
- biochemical recycling of plastics
- feedstock recycling
- plastics degradation
- life cycle assessment
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