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Nano-Structured Liquid Crystals

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Message from the Guest Editors

Liquid crystalline mesophases or liquid crystals are intermediate states of matter between the liquid and solids. This state of matter originates from a particular arrangement of molecules or nanoscale units. Nano-structured liquid crystals, either synthetic of derived from natural sources, have in the past decade become a very important field of research covering a wide range of applications, from biomedicine to optics. Biomimetic design based on the supramolecular organization of mesophases is an innovative approach for the development of new functional materials and is a subject of broad and current scientific interest. This Special Issue of Nanomaterials on “Nano-Structured Liquid Crystals” aims to collect the current developments in mesomorphic nanomaterials covering synthetic and physical processing, chemical and/or physical functionalization, biomimetic design, properties and applications. It is our pleasure to invite you to submit a manuscript to this Special Issue and contribute to the advances in this field.

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