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Nanotechnology for Green Chemical Engineering

Message from the Guest Editors

Recent years have witnessed a worldwide increase in concern for our footprint in the natural environment. The reduction of generated waste during chemical processes and the reasonable use of natural resources are both important issues to consider. Nanotechnology can greatly contribute to these purposes because there are several application areas of nanomaterials with great promise for green chemical engineering. Recently, significant advances have been achieved in the synthesis of biodegradable nanoparticles or nanocomposites in the field of nanomedicine as drug nanocarriers, which can lead to a sustained and targeted release. Another example of the research activity concerning biopolymers in nanotechnology is their use during the synthesis of metal nanoparticles as reducing and stabilizing agents avoiding the use of toxic chemical agents. This Special Issue aims at collecting a compilation of original research papers that cover these aspects but also many others which strongly demonstrate the continuous efforts in developing nanomaterials following the principles of green chemical engineering.

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