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Nanomaterials for Optical Bio/Chemical Sensing

Message from the Guest Editors

The recent surge in the development of functional nanomaterials has significantly increased the effectiveness of optical biosensors. Nanoscale materials offer high throughput, high sensitivity, rapid response time and compact features. Therefore, engineered nanomaterials can be employed to magnify the optical readout of low concentration bio/chemical molecules and biomarkers in the liquid or gaseous environments. Indeed, customised nanomaterials are one of the key tools to realise the next generation of ultra-sensitive sensors for medical diagnosis in the early stages of diseases development. This Special Issue aims to highlight the recent progress in the field of optical nanomaterials-based bio/chemical sensors, categorised by materials such as plasmonics, dielectrics and semiconductors, metamaterials, metasurfaces, 2D materials, hybrid nanoparticles, quantum dots, and nanopores.

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