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Design, Development, and Production of Nanocarriers and Nanovehicles

Message from the Guest Editors

The bottom-up approach, used by living systems to build up large complex structures from relatively small biological components, constitutes one of the most important strategies that currently drives nanotechnology. In this context, the manipulation of the physico-chemical properties of biomolecules and biomaterials amenable to self-assembly at the nanoscale, is used to develop nanocontainers with the ability to efficiently integrate and load proteins, drugs and genetic material for biomedical purposes. The symposium on "Design, Development and Production of Nanocarriers and Nanovehicles," organized by the "Spanish Nanobiocargo Consortium," aims to enable these nanobiotechnological developments in structural biology, biophysics, chemical synthesis, materials physics, or molecular and cellular biology. The purpose of this Special Issue seeks to address recent achievements in the preparation, characterization and application of nanocontainers, and exciting new developments in related aspects of nanobiotechnology, including future prospects and biomedical challenges.

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