

Special Issue

Responsive Polymer Nanoparticles and Nanocomposites

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue is focused on the most recent advances in the synthesis, characterization, and applications of polymer-based responsive nanomaterials and nanocomposites, whose properties and functions can be controlled, even remotely, by external stimuli. The trigger signal can be induced by physical (temperature, mechanical forces, and electromagnetic radiation), chemical (pH, ionic strength, and solvent), or biological (enzymes and receptors) changes in the external environment. Progress in this field is rapidly expanding, and nanostructured systems based on responsive materials hold great promise for a breakthrough in materials science, for environmental, health, and biomedical applications. Nonetheless, in this Thematic Issue, we also invite contributions dealing with responsive polymer-based nanostructured materials designed for advanced structural applications, including self-healing and shape memory materials.

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