

Special Issue

Surfactant-Free Syntheses of Precious Metal Nanoparticles

Message from the Guest Editor

Surfactant-free syntheses bear promising features to make the most of precious metal unique properties. If “capping agents”, “ligands”, “surfactants”, “polymers”, “stabilizers” etc. are commonly used to stabilize precious metal nanoparticles, these additives can have detrimental effects on the reproducibility and/or the use of the produced nanoparticles. Fortunately, a range of strategies has emerged to avoid the use of surfactants. This Special Issue of *Nanomaterials* welcomes the submission of manuscripts investigating the synthesis, characterization, and/or applications of surfactant-free precious-metal-based nanomaterials, obtained by chemical or physical methods. Authors are welcome upon submission of their work to stress how their research relates to the use or understanding of surfactant-free synthesis of precious metal nanomaterials. We hope that this Special Issue will be a useful platform to offer an overview of recent progress and remaining challenges in the development of surfactant-free syntheses of precious metal nanomaterials.

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