

Special Issue

Biodegradable Polymers and Bio-Based Composites: Synthesis, Modification and Environmental Impact of Sustainable Waste Management, Energy Applications and Preservation

Message from the Guest Editors

Biodegradable polymers and bio-based composites are pioneering sustainable material innovation, addressing plastic waste challenges and advancing eco-friendly alternatives. This Special Issue delves into the synthesis and modification of biodegradable polymers like cellulose, starch, and cellulose nanocrystals (CNCs) to enhance mechanical, adhesive, and adsorption properties. It also explores bio-based composites for applications in packaging, industry, and energy storage. A key highlight is the role of olefins and specialized polymers in battery technology, where their properties enhance performance, safety, and sustainability. Integrating biodegradable materials into battery design aims to minimize environmental impact while supporting renewable energy solutions. Additionally, the issue examines the environmental implications of these materials, emphasizing their potential to transform waste management, reduce landfill dependency, and promote a circular economy. This research collection showcases the transformative potential of biodegradable polymers, bio-based composites, and advanced polymers in driving a sustainable future across industries, from packaging to energy storage.

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