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Process-Structure-Properties Relationships in Polymers and Polymer Composites

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This Special Issue aims to provide a comprehensive exploration of the latest advancements in polymer materials and composites while charting a path for future innovations. The development of polymer materials is marked by an intricate relationship between the manufacturing processes, the resulting material structures, and their ultimate properties, necessitating a deeper understanding of each stage. This Special Issue intends to present cutting-edge research on topics including the design, synthesis, functionalization, and performance optimization of polymer composites. Significant focus is placed on understanding how various processing techniques—such as additive manufacturing, extrusion, and injection moldinginfluence the molecular and structural composition of polymers, thereby impacting their mechanical, thermal, and chemical properties. This Special Issue also explores emerging applications, like multifunctional composites for energy storage and biocompatible materials for medical applications, to inspire new avenues for innovation.

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