

Special Issue

Advances in Polyelectrolytes and Polyelectrolyte Complexes, 2nd Edition

Message from the Guest Editors

Natural and synthetic polyelectrolytes have gained great interest in recent years for different applications.

Polyelectrolyte complexes (PECs) are micro-/nanostructured units with exceptional properties obtained via the polymeric interaction between cationic and anionic polyelectrolytes. This Special Issue aims to collect research papers and review articles with contributions to developing novel materials prepared using polyelectrolytes or polyelectrolyte complexes. Information about the relationship between the chemical structure of the polyelectrolytes and the characteristics of the PECs obtained from the morphology, thermal, optical, and/or mechanical properties of the materials based on PECs is relevant.

The Special Issue covers, among other topics, polyelectrolyte and polyelectrolyte complexes in:

- Multilayers;
- Drug delivery;
- Wound healing and tissue engineering;
- Packaging films;
- Paper additives and coatings;
- Membranes and gels;
- Bioadhesives.

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