

## Special Issue

# Next-Generation Functional Polymers for Energy Harvesting and Storage

### Message from the Guest Editors

Research on advanced functional polymer materials is gaining momentum, driven by the growing demand for sustainable energy solutions. Functional polymers are integral to both energy harvesting and storage technologies due to their tunable properties, lightweight nature, and environmental compatibility. Through advanced molecular design, innovative synthesis techniques, and the incorporation of functional groups or fillers, polymers can efficiently convert and store energy. This Special Issue will explore recent advances in polymer-based materials for batteries, supercapacitors, and energy harvesting devices such as piezoelectric and triboelectric nanogenerators. Additionally, it will address design strategies, classifications, emerging applications, and future challenges in developing next-generation polymeric materials for energy conversion and storage.

- functional polymer materials
- energy storage
- supercapacitors
- lithium-metal batteries
- piezoelectric nanogenerators
- triboelectric nanogenerators
- solid-state electrolytes
- separators
- polymer-based composites
- energy conversion

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