Special Issue

Advances in Smart Polymers and Materials

Message from the Guest Editors

Polymeric systems that present versatile behaviours are currently one of the most researched topics in applied polymer science, and novel applications that were previously reserved for materials such as metals, ceramics, and semiconductors are now emerging at an unprecedented pace. As these systems continue to boom, we propose this Special Issue which deals with the creation, testing, characterization, and complex application of polymeric systems that exhibit responses to triggers such as pH and thermal changes in their surroundings (or both). The nature of these polymer systems may naturally be derived both from scratch (e.g., the development and polymerization of smart monomers) and from the modification of natural or synthetic polymeric matrixes. Additionally, the applications for these systems may be broad, extending from medical applications (e.g., drug delivery, tissue engineering) to the creation of new materials (e.g., selfhealing polymers).

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