

Special Issue

Biodegradable Polyesters: Synthesis, Properties, Applications

Message from the Guest Editors

Biodegradable polyesters are one of the most important classes of biodegradable polymers, obtained biotechnologically, chemically from biotechnologically obtained precursors, or purely by chemical synthesis, and can potentially be applied in regenerative medicine, manufacturing of packaging materials, and in the development of controlled delivery systems for medicines and other biologically active agents. The main topics of the current Special Issue include the biological and chemical synthesis of biodegradable polyesters, including copolymers; the physico-chemical modification of polyesters and polymer structures to improve their properties and performance characteristics; methods of processing polyesters and polyester-based composites into materials and products with specified properties; in vitro, in vivo, and clinical trials of newly designed polymer materials; patterns of the microbial and non-biological degradation of polyesters; release patterns of biologically active agents from controlled delivery systems; topical reviews on the current state and challenges in the field of synthesis, processing, and application of polyesters.

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