Special Issue

Coatings Using Chitosan and Its Derivatives

Message from the Guest Editors

Chitosan is widely used as a biocompatible biomaterial for various purposes. Due to its strong positive charge, chitosan is readily attracted to the surface of nanoparticles, microbeads, fibres, lipid-based particles. etc., in the common process of chitosan coating. Chitosan coating usually increases the stability of and imparts other biological functions on the coated system. Moreover, chitosan is easily modified, producing several derivatives with novel functions which further promote the applications of chitosan coatings. Recent scientific and technological advances in many areas require innovative materials with multifunctional features. Coatings using chitosan and its derivatives promise feasible solutions to many such problems. However, there is still much work to be done in developing new chitosan coating systems to meet specific requirements and applications. In addition, it is imperative to understand the mechanisms of how chitosan coatings impact the coated materials. Herein, we are pleased to invite you to a Special Issue of "Coatings using Chitosan and its Derivatives" published in *Polymers*.

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