# Special Issue

# Structure, Properties and Applications of Starch

## Message from the Guest Editor

Using renewable materials in various technologies, in particular, the packaging industry, is not only a fashion but is an urgent requirement. Industrial applications exist; however, the properties of these materials are still subject to improvement. Mechanical and environmental behaviour of these materials are sometimes unpredictable; the explanation for this is often difficult or unknown. This field of research requires more knowledge on the behavior of starch-based compounds, i.e., more knowledge regarding the fine structure of this polymer and the interaction between the components. Mechanical, thermo-analytical, mass transfer, and biological investigations are applied to starch and chemically modified starch-based materials.

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