

## Special Issue

# Next-Generation Polymer Nanocomposites for Coatings

### Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue focuses on recent advancements in polymer nanocomposites synthesized through modern polymerization techniques, including single electron transfer-living radical polymerization (SET-LRP), atom transfer radical polymerization (ATRP), and other polymerization methods. It highlights how the incorporation of nanomaterials such as nanoparticles, nanoclays, nanotubes, and graphene significantly enhances key polymer properties, including mechanical strength, thermal stability, and biological functionality. The Issue emphasizes diverse advanced applications in coatings, including superhydrophobic and self-cleaning coatings, smart self-healing polymer coatings, UV-responsive photochromic coatings, thermochromic coatings for temperature sensing, anti-scratch and hard coatings, anti-corrosion nanocomposite coatings, and polymer coatings for advanced battery electrode protection. The primary goal is to spotlight innovative strategies and sustainable practices that are shaping the future of high-performance polymer nanocomposites.

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