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Polymer-Based Fiber Reinforcements: Synthesis, Structure, Characterization and Application

Message from the Guest Editors

The growing interest in innovative and performing materials has made composite materials an object of interest for research due to their excellent strength/weight ratio and the variety of fields of application (aerospace, automotive, sports, and construction). Many studies concern the research of new techniques for the production of composites with a polymer matrix and fiber reinforcements, from pultrusion to filament winding. However, these conventional techniques require the use of molds, and this inevitably raises costs. Other studies, on the other hand, concern the optimization of processes for existing techniques, to obtain high-performance materials, and at the same time, to obtain light materials. The present Special Issue aims to focus on research related to innovative technologies, manufacturing processes, and composite materials for high-performance components. Contributions may be related to conventional or unconventional processes, highlighting novel aspects of processing and manufacturing methods, coating technology, fiber treatments and materials that can be used to obtain high-performance components.

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