Special Issue

Next-Generation Convergence Industry and Adhesives

Message from the Guest Editor

We are currently living a smart life which is based on the convergence industry, an industry which is changing very rapidly. The boundaries between technologies are breaking down, and many research groups are trying to showcase their own differentiated technologies. Adhesives play a very important role in the convergence of technology, being used for fusion of functions, away from the purpose of speeding up the system. The role of adhesives has been greatly diversified, such as in terms of emotional design, complex functionality, development of lightweight systems, and grafting of eco-friendly technologies. As the importance of adhesives emerges, the scope of the research is also expanding. This Special Issue is intended to cover research topics on the role of adhesives in the nextgeneration industry. We will discuss topics such as the analysis of adhesive performance, adhesives with various functionalities, system packaging using adhesives, and reliability evaluation of adhesives. Through these discussions, we would like to look at the role of adhesives in the next-generation industry in the future and predict the direction of future research and development.

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