

Special Issue

Design, Preparation and Characterization of Novel Functional Polymer Materials

Message from the Guest Editor

Polymers can be endowed with various functions by using certain preparation methods or by introducing functional groups or fillers into materials. These functions are either intrinsically possessed by materials or actuated by external stimuli. Academic research regarding polymer functional materials has been of great interest. With the valuable and continuous advancements in various polymeric material technologies over the last century, many varieties and advances related to the field of polymer science and engineering still promise great potential for exciting novel applications. This Special Issue on "Design, Preparation and Characterization of Novel Polymer Functional Materials" is devoted to the challenges and future perspectives of each type of polymer functional material, including research efforts regarding the design and fabrication of functional polymers to serve the increasing demand for new materials.

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