

Special Issue

Polymers in Petroleum Engineering: Enhancing Performance and Sustainability

Message from the Guest Editors

Polymers play a crucial role in advancing petroleum engineering by improving drilling fluid performance, enhancing oil recovery, and enabling environmentally sustainable operations. This Special Issue aims to showcase the latest research on polymer-based innovations that optimize oilfield applications while addressing challenges such as high-temperature stability, salt tolerance, and eco-friendly formulations. We welcome contributions covering a broad spectrum of topics, including but not limited to the following:

- Polymer-modified drilling fluids for enhanced rheology and filtration control;
- Polymer-based fracturing fluids for improved proppant transport;
- Polymer-based plugging agents for wellbore stability and lost circulation control;
- Smart polymeric materials for enhanced oil recovery (EOR);
- Biopolymer-based solutions for sustainable petroleum operations;
- Advanced polymer coatings for corrosion and scale prevention;
- Deep learning and artificial intelligence in polymer design and performance prediction.

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