

Special Issue

Lignin: Modifications and Applications

Message from the Guest Editor

Lignin is the second most abundant biopolymer on Earth, constituting 30% of terrestrial non-fossil organic matter. It has proved to be a promising natural resource for replacing fossil fuels. However, the valorisation of lignin is hampered by a series of constraints such as its recalcitrance, heterogeneous structure, odour, colour, and the challenges associated with its extraction because of the presence of strong chemical bonds. Today, industrial lignin is mainly burnt to produce electricity and to valorise the inorganic compounds involved in the pulping process. This Special Issue will explore the extraction of lignin using various pre-treatments, its modifications and functionalisations, and new ways of adding value to this polymer. In view of your important contributions in this field, I cordially invite you to submit an article to this Special Issue. Full research papers, communications, and review articles will be accepted. I would like to bring together a collection of full papers from leading experts and up-to-date research from notable groups in the community.

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