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Polymer-Based Materials for Oil Spill Recovery and Management

Message from the Guest Editors

Energy and raw materials are the essential foundations for any development. Based on those principles, crude petroleum oil gained importance in providing energy and synthesizing synthetic polymers and chemicals worldwide. However, the processes and activities related to petroleum crude oil and its derivatives may result in oil spillage, which has powerful drawbacks of direct or indirect effects on human life and the environment. The elimination of those drawbacks takes a long time and too much effort. Of the different techniques and methods used in oils spill removal, the sorption process comes in the front. The oil sorbents can be classified based on their origin and must have two essential characteristics: a high capacity to sorb oil and repel water. Different materials with different physical forms have been developed and used as sorbents for oil spills.

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