Special Issue

Polyester-Based Materials

Message from the Guest Editors

Polyesters represent one of the most important classes of polymers with an increased demand on the market. In addition to the well-known polyethylene terephthalate (PET), polybutylene terephthalate (PBT), and polycaprolactone (PCL), which are petroleum-derived polyesters, the versatility of the ester linkage has increased the development of novel biobased polyesters and copolyesters from renewable resources, among them polylactic acid (PLA) and polyhydroxyalkanoates (PHAs) being the most competitive biodegradable polymers commercialized so far. This Special Issue invites original papers and reviews reporting the most valuable findings on polyester-based materials. Insights into polyester functionalization, copolymerization, surface modification or use of a diversity of additives or fillers in order to widen the development and performance of polyesterbased materials in various industries, such as packaging, automotive, constructions, electronics, textile or the medical field, are welcome. Studies regarding the environmental impact and in particular recyclability or (bio)degradation of the polyester-based materials can also be included in this Special Issue.

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