

Special Issue

Polymer Materials in Biomedical Application II

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue is devoted to polymer-based materials suitable as functional vehicles for drugs. Bio-based polymers have been used and extensively studied in various applications in recent years. For example, as candidates for drug delivery application, materials must be biocompatible, biodegradable, nonimmunogenic, non-toxic, and environmentally friendly. Incorporating a biologically active compound into the polymeric matrix can prevent degradation, control release, improve absorption, enhance the therapeutic effect, and potentially decrease the frequency of administration. In the design of suitable bio-based polymeric drug delivery systems, the following vital aspects must be considered: these materials should not produce an inflammatory reaction, should have suitable mechanical properties for their intended use, their degradation time should be under their function, and they should exhibit an appropriate permeability for the designed application. The biomedical polymers exhibit a far-reaching variability in their physical and chemical characteristics, allowing for adjusting their biocompatibility, bioactivity, stimuli responsiveness, biodegradability, etc.

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