

Special Issue

Polymers' Life Cycle: Dedicated to Vincent Verney on the Occasion of His Retirement

Message from the Guest Editor

Nowadays, the global annual production of plastics is almost 400Mt and it is estimated to double within the next two decades. One of the major environmental problems is how to deal with plastic pollution and decrease its environmental impacts, especially at the end of life. In recent years, many research works have focused on two main end-of-life scenarios as a solution: the first scenario focuses on the development of biodegradable materials, and the second one focuses on the design of recyclable materials. This Special Issue of *Polymers* entitled "Polymers' Life Cycle" will cover the current research involved in the whole life cycle of polymers, including the elaboration of biopolymers and biocomposites, the development of bio-additives and end-of-life issues and solution propositions.

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