

## Special Issue

# Polymers in the Face of Sustainable Development

### Message from the Guest Editors

Today, polymer materials are widely used in many areas of human life, making an invaluable contribution to the development of civilization. Over the centuries, we have learned to draw the best from nature's resources, and in recent decades, we have been deceptively convinced only of the benefits that come from the use of petroleum-based raw materials. The reality turned out to be different. There are many problems with polymer processing and there is no simple way to solve them. Limited sources, high production costs and finally resistance to degradation are the main problems. It is worth noting that many additives in the polymer matrix in the form of plasticizers, compatibilizers and stabilizers are also not indifferent to the environment. Therefore, designing new biodegradable polymer materials and their pro-ecological processing will be quite a challenge in the coming years for both scientists and the entire polymer industry.

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