

Special Issue

Recent Advances in Natural Fiber Polymer Composites

Message from the Guest Editors

Renewable and biodegradable natural fibers (such as hemp, sisal, jute, kenaf, flax, and others), which are abundant, low-cost and eco-friendly, have been widely used in human society. With the catastrophic change caused by global climate and the depletion of fossil resources, complete recycling and valorization of these natural fibers for value-added materials is significant and meaningful. In fact, natural-fiber-reinforced polymer composites with various merits have recently attracted extensive attention due to the suitable mechanical property of natural fibers. Nevertheless, it is still imperative to develop more natural fiber polymer composites. This Special Issue aims to present the latest scientific and technical advances in materials development, processing, characterizations, and applications of natural fiber polymer composites. Original articles and reviews on this subject are welcome in this Special Issue.

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