

Special Issue

Additive Manufacturing of Polymers

Message from the Guest Editors

Additive manufacturing (AM), including 3D/4D printing, can be applied in many areas of engineering. Generally, 4D printing is described as the 3D printing of smart materials that can change shape or other properties over time under external stimuli, such as humidity, light, heat, electric fields, or magnetic fields. Polymer is the main material of additive manufacturing, and 3D/4D printing of complex polymer-based parts can be processed via FDM/FFF, SLS, SLA/DLP, IDW, and hybrid additive manufacturing technologies. This Special Issue of *Polymers* aims to cover the state of the art of polymer-based materials in additive manufacturing, especially in 3D and 4D printing, with special emphasis on novel processing methods. Further, perspectives and critical reviews about the current limitations as well as future directions and emerging applications in the field are welcome.

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