Special Issue

Block Copolymers with Crystallizable Blocks: Synthesis, Self-Assembly and Applications

Message from the Guest Editors

Block copolymers with crystallizable blocks have recently moved to the forefront of current research owing to their unique self-assembly behaviour and properties. New synthetic concepts give, for example, access to tetrablock copolymers with four crystalline blocks, bio-based thermoplastic elastomers (e.g., based on ABA triblock copolymers with hard poly(L-lactide) (PLLA) segments), and conjugated semi-crystalline block copolymers for photovoltaics and allow for new, exciting insights into the interplay between the microphase separation and crystallization controlling self-assembly in bulk (confined vs. break-out crystalliza^{II}tion).

This Special Issue aims to present a collection of articles describing new developments in the synthesis and self-assembly (bulk and solution) of block copolymers with crystallizable blocks. It also aims to address emerging applications for these exciting materials.

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