

Special Issue

Advanced Functional Polymers for Energy and Environmental Applications

Message from the Guest Editors

Functional polymers have become increasingly more popular in academia and industry due to their unique features and wide-ranging applications. These unique features mainly depend on the presence of chemical functional groups in the polymeric matrixes that regulate their physical (size, shape, volume, mechanical), chemical (thermal, biodegradability), optical, or electrical (conductivity, magnetism, thermoelectricity) properties. Currently, they reveal great potential in a variety of fields including actuating fabrics, coatings, biomedical, energy, and environmental applications. Therefore, the aim of this Special Issue is to cover the most recent progress in advanced functional polymers, particularly focusing on (but not limited to) synthetic technologies, structural design, and functionalization and modification of new functional polymers. All the potential applications on energy and the environment, such as batteries, fuel cell, solar cell, membrane separation and purification, etc., as well as the structure–property relationships are also welcome in this issue. Original research articles and review papers related to functional polymers are welcome.

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