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Polymer Membranes for Separation

Message from the Guest Editor

Polymer membranes are used on a large scale in many separation processes. Applications for these membranes include the desalination of seawater, gas separation, the cleaning of industrial effluents, the fractionation of macro-molecular solutions in the food and drug industries, and the controlled release of drugs in medicine. Membrane separation is in many cases faster, more efficient, less energy-demanding, and thus more economical than conventional separation techniques. Separation and/or purification processes may be categorized into the following three separate classes: (1) concentration-driven separation, represented by processes such as dialysis; (2) electro-membrane separation, used to separate dissolved charged ions; and (3) pressure-driven separation, which includes the more familiar processes of micro-/nano-/ultra-filtration and gas separation. The aim of this Special Issue is to highlight the progress and fundamental aspects of the synthesis, characterization, properties, and application of polymer membranes in various separation activities.

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