

Special Issue

π -Stacked Polymers

Message from the Guest Editor

This Special Issue focuses on the synthesis, structure and properties/functions of polymers and molecular systems having π -electron systems with controlled spatial arrangements. Of particular interest are those with intra-chain and inter-chain π -stacked structures. π -Electronic polymer and molecular systems exhibit photo electronic properties such as conduction, emission, optical non-linearity, and even photo catalytic activity. These properties and functions are based on mobility of charges and/or energy transfer through a chain and/or between chains. It is hence important to design a polymer or a molecular system where π -electronic systems having tailored alignments such as π -stacking. Papers are sought that discuss the latest research in the area or summarize selected areas of the field. The scope of the Special Issue encompasses the studies on the synthesis, structure, properties, and theories of intra-chain π -stacked polymers, inter-chain π -stacked systems comprising of conjugated and non-conjugated π -electronic polymers, and also those of supramolecules comprising of stacked π -electronic species. Further, novel forms of accumulation of π -electronic systems other than π -stacking will be covered.

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