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Message from the Guest Editors

Humanity is nowadays troubled with three major concerns: energy that results from record oil prices, water shortages that derive from resource depletion, and global warming resulting from changing climate conditions. Membrane technology advances could offer approaches to, partially, solve or hinder such issues, as it combines several technology areas including materials science and engineering, chemistry and chemical engineering, separation and purification phenomena, molecular simulation, as well as process and product design. Polymeric membranes are a significant part of membrane science. Often, the use of innovative newly developed membranes is hindered due to drawbacks such as the lack of thermal stability and chemical resistance. This Special Issue covers all kinds of polymeric membranes with various geometries (flat-sheet, hollow fiber, electrospun, nanofibrous, etc.), with improved physical properties designed for the application. In this context, the main subjects of interest are: Membrane development (including synthesis of new monomers/polymers); Membrane crosslinking; Membrane performance characterization; Membrane transport properties.

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