

Special Issue

Recent Advances in Structural and Synthetic Supramolecular Systems

Message from the Guest Editors

Macrocycles are suitable building blocks with applications in supramolecular chemistry. The range of old and new macrocycles have found applications in many sections of the chemical sciences such as in soft materials, drug delivery agents, sensors etc. This prompted us to highlight this exciting new chemistry in a thematic issue *Symmetry on Recent Advances in Structural and Synthetic Supramolecular Systems*. In this Special Issue of *Symmetry*, manuscripts that report exciting new research on all kinds of macrocycles that have been the pillars in supramolecular chemistry, are also very welcome. Potential topics for manuscripts include but are not limited to:

- Synthesis and characterization of new macrocycles;
- Host-guest chemistry, dynamics of guest exchange;
- Applications of macrocycles;
- Symmetry in supramolecular assemblies.

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