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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

The development of water disinfection technology is still a scientific and technical challenge. A process included in a special class of oxidation techniques defined as advanced oxidation processes (AOPs), characterized by the production of $\bullet\text{OH}$ radicals. Photocatalytic disinfection has been reported to efficiently inactivate different kinds of pathogenic microorganisms as well as to remove multi-drug-resistant bacteria.

Several studies have been carried out to the mechanisms acting during the process of photocatalytic disinfection and on experimental systems designed to optimize this disinfection technology. Efforts have also been devoted to the development of composite materials to be utilized in immobilized photocatalytic systems, looking for an alternative to allow continuous wastewater treatment without the need of a post-treatment catalyst separation step.

The topics of this Special Issue include (but are not limited to):

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