

Special Issue

Aquatic Microplastics Pollution Prevention and Management Measures

Message from the Guest Editors

According to the reports published by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), more than 430 million tonnes of plastic is produced per year, and two-thirds of this becomes waste and ends up in oceans, resulting in the ingestion of microplastic particles and their emergence in the human food chain. Microplastics have various negative impacts on life: behavioral changes, reduced food intake, genetic alteration, etc. The United Nations Environment Assembly (UNEA) Res. 3/7 is calling for all countries to develop and implement action plans for preventing marine litter and the discharge of microplastics. By raising awareness, the scientific community is actively engaged in advancing pollution prevention and management measures to mitigate the proliferation of microplastics. The interdisciplinary nature of this endeavor underscores collaborations across environmental science, engineering, policy, and public awareness efforts. [This Special Issue \(SI\)](#) focuses on the latest cutting-edge research and seeks to explore innovative strategies, technological interventions, and policy frameworks designed to tackle the challenge of microplastics.

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