



## Silicon-based Bioactive Materials and their Applications

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This Special Issue is dedicated to the most recent research in the field of silicon-based materials with bioactive properties. Indeed, silicon-based materials are widely known, especially for their application in the fields of microelectronics, photonics and photovoltaic. However, they are also of great interest for their application in the biomedical field, thanks to their capability to interact with biological systems, such as tissues, cells and bacteria. The presence of an interaction between silicon and biological systems has been widely described in the scientific literature. However, the mechanisms of interaction between silicon and biological systems are still not clear.

This Special Issue is intended to cover original research articles, as well as critical reviews, concerning the most recent advances in the study of the interaction between silicon-based materials and biological systems. Both fundamental studies and research aimed at studying advanced applications of these materials are of interest.

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