

Advanced Polymeric Materials and Coatings: Synthesis, Properties and Applications

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Modern life without organic polymers is probably unimaginable. Polymers are vital ingredients of different products we use daily. Polymers are also among the most important ingredients of the organic coatings used for the protection and longevity of various metallic structures across the globe. Organic coatings, applied heavily to protect metallic structures of immense commercial importance (e.g., automobiles, ships, chemical manufacturing plants, wind turbines, oil rigs, etc.), use a variety of polymers as binders, co-binders, rheology modifiers, etc., in a sophisticated balance with the other ingredients (e.g., extenders/fillers, pigments, etc.) in the coatings to perform their desired function in real-life contexts. Therefore, it is important to control the molecular structure and properties of polymers intended for use in coatings.

Therefore, this Special Issue is dedicated to the publication of research articles disseminating the synthesis, properties and applications of advanced polymeric materials and coatings.



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