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# **Applications of Biomaterials in Otorhinolaryngology**

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## Message from the Guest Editors

Otorhinolaryngology is regarded as one of the medical specialties with the widest varieties. Materials with different utilities have been widely used in these applications, and improvements in material science greatly enhance the surgical/therapeutic outcomes in these patients. Due to their antimicrobial activities, enormous emphasis has been placed on materials supporting or facilitating wound healing and tissue growth as these materials release bioactive molecules on demand and are able to support the biological functions of living tissue and encourage regeneration. Modern materials are further utilized in the field of tissue engineering as factors inducing angiogenesis, signal delivery, cell recruitment, scaffold stability, electrical conductivity in nerve and cardiac regeneration, and adhesion ability for tissue approximation, as well as providing microbial barriers.

This Special Issue aims to incorporate research papers, communications, and review articles that report on the application of biomaterials in otorhinolaryngological head and neck surgery. Related submissions regarding regenerative medicine and tissue engineering are also highly recommended.



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