



Progress in Shape Memory Polymers

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Shape Memory Polymers (SMPs) possess the remarkable ability to retain temporary shapes and then revert to their original forms when triggered by external stimuli such as heat, pH variations, light, electric, and magnetic fields. The versatile nature of SMPs has led to their extensive utilization across various domains, including sensors, actuators, and biomedical devices, among others. Despite the considerable advancements in SMP research over the past decade, we believe that there remain unexplored and intriguing avenues in this field.

This Special Issue aims to present the state-of-the-art advancements, innovations, and breakthroughs in the realm of Shape Memory Polymers (SMPs). We welcome submissions of original research articles and reviews covering a wide range of topics, including but not limited to:

1. Advanced Material Design and Synthesis Techniques for SMPs;
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3. Sustainable Approaches and Eco-Friendly Alternatives in SMPs Research;
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5. Challenges and Future Directions in the Field of SMPs.





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