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Functional Polymer and Ceramic Nanocomposites

Message from the Guest Editor

Nanocomposites differ from conventional composite materials widely used today due to the nanoscale dimensions of the filler phase and the exceptionally high surface-to-volume ratio of this phase. As a result, compared with traditional composites, nanocomposites always hold many unique mechanical, thermal, electrical, magnetic, optical, biological, or catalytic properties, which are controlled by many factors like local chemistry, mobility, morphology, or crystallinity. Additionally, nanocomposites often offer a combination of several properties, thus making them even more attractive as multifunctional materials for the future. Therefore, the objective of this Special Issue is to explore all aspects of polymeric and ceramic nanocomposites and nano-engineered composites, from nanoparticles, synthesis, morphology, structure, interfacial bonding, aging, properties (e.g., mechanical, thermal, electrical, optical, wear, barrier, flame retardancy, antifouling, sensing, and drug release) and characterizations, processing to potential applications.

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