Special Issue

Silicon-Based Polymers: From Synthesis to Applications

Message from the Guest Editor

Some scientists and engineers refer to the current era as the "Silicon Age". The bond enthalpy of Si-O is much larger than that of the C-O bond, rendering the thermal stability of Si-O polymers, and its larger bond angle and longer bond length provide bond flexibility. In addition. uncondensed OH groups (silanol) of siloxane polymers facilitate effective bonding with other materials. This Special Issue explores the synthesis, properties, and various applications of silicon-based polymers. Investigations on their applications in sensors, semiconductors, displays, photoactive materials, filters, anodes in lithium-ion batteries, drug delivery systems, catalysts, and biocompatible materials have been conducted. This Special Issue will cover, but will not be limited to, the following aspects of silicon-based polymer chemistry and technology: novel preparation methods for polymers containing Si-O, Si-C, and/or Si-C bonds; the mechanism of the formation of silicon-based polymers; novel chemical and physical properties of silicon-based polymers; and applications of siliconbased polymers.

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