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Cellulose and the Circular Economy

Message from the Guest Editors

A critical component of the circular economy concept is material choice. Within this context, cellulose has reinvigorated importance for facilitating a circular economy in a variety of industries and applications. Cellulose is a fascinating natural polymer that can be extracted, functionalized, or regenerated into a variety of different products and end use applications. This is reflected in the many existing applications of cellulose materials as well as the emerging applications, expanding the already wide variety of possible cellulosic materials being increasingly reported. This Special Issue aims to connect the importance of cellulose as a key polymer to facilitate circular economy design, covering all aspects from extraction to regeneration, new applications, new processing methods, and fundamental understanding.

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