Special Issue

Polyelectrolytes Are Superheroes

Message from the Guest Editor

Polyelectrolytes are a special class of polymers with ionizable groups in each of their repeating units which can influence surface properties and interactions. The presence of various types of such interactions among polymer chains can have applications in various fields. They can also contribute to protecting sensitive molecules from losing their inherent properties. Topics of interest to this Special Issue include: the behavior and interactions of polyelectrolytes in solution phase; the design of polyelectrolyte complexes and nanoparticles/nanostructures for various applications; polyelectrolytes at various solid interfaces and their potential; topical reviews on polyelectrolytes and their interactions; the use of various types of polyelectrolytes with upconversion nanoparticles for drug delivery. bioimaging, etc.; the potential of polyelectrolytes in the design of membraneless organelles to unravel activities inside biological cells.

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