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Polymers and Block Copolymers at Interfaces and Surfaces

Message from the Guest Editor

The design of functional or adaptive interfaces is key in regulating and, ideally, controlling the interaction of a material with its surroundings-this accounts for almost all areas of science. In this respect, synthetic polymer chemistry plays an important role in the preparation, understanding, functionalization, and addressing of (polymer) interfaces in various environments. This includes side chain and end group functionalization, the synthesis of well-defined materials in general, covalent and non-covalent immobilization strategies, as well as modern approaches to control the sequence of building blocks or segments in oligomers and (block co-) polymers, respectively. The aim of this Special Issue is to bring together research that aims at modifying interfaces and surfaces with polymers and block copolymers-thereby creating, e.g., nanostructured interfaces with different functional groups in close proximity, controlling solubility or dispersion stability, or influencing the interaction with cells or tissue.

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