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## **BioPlastics-Emerging Materials for a Circular Economy**

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# Message from the Guest Editor

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Deadline for manuscript submissions: closed (31 December 2018) Dear Colleagues,

This special issue focuses on "biobased" plastics derived from plant-biomass resources (the beginning of life of the "biodegradable-compostable" plastic) and plastics representing an environmentally responsible end-of-life for the plastics. Chemical recycling offers another responsible end-of-life for bioplastics. These represents essential elements of the circular economy. Articles will report on new materials as well as process innovations, industrially relevant bioplastics, and its responsible end-of-life strategies. Standards. certifications. and regulatory framework articles around the world will be included. Articles in this special issue provides the present state of the science & technology in the bioplastics space and a vision for its future Prof. Ramani Narayan Guest Editor









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