



Synthesis, Characterization and Applications of Ionic Liquids and Ionic Liquid Crystals

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Dear Colleagues,

Over the past two decades ionic liquids (ILs) and ionic liquid crystals (ILCs) have had a wide impact on science and technology, representing cutting-edge materials for various applications. ILs, organic salts which melt below 100°C, find application as catalysts or solvents in organic chemistry, fluids in separation, extraction and purification techniques, electrolytes, storage media for toxic gases, etc. ILCs are also organic salts generally forming isotropic liquid phase above 100 °C. This special issue will cover both theoretical and experimental aspects focusing on synthesis and characterization of novel compounds, novel types of ionic mesophases, efficient protocols to lower their production costs, the relationship between molecular design and mesomorphic properties, applications in devices and so on.

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