



## Recent Advances in Conducting Polymer Films and Coatings: Applications in Optoelectronics, Solar Cells, Electrochromics, and Biosensors

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Conducting polymers (CPs) are a class of polymers with innate electrical conductivity coupled with exceptional electrical and mechanical properties. With their low cost, low density, mechanical flexibility, and ease of processing, conjugated polymers are promising for electronic applications, electro-optical and -chemical applications. Finding new, essential lines of inquiry in this research area requires novel polymer synthesis methods, chiral-based systems, and streamlined device fabrication strategies. Additionally, using peptide modifications in organic materials offers a new viable strategy to enhance their biocompatibility and promote bioreceptor targeting behavior. The combination of peptides with conducting polymers (CPs) has gained considerable attention in this regard.

- Conducting polymers;
- Novel methods of their synthesis and development;
- The theoretical and computational modeling of the properties of conducting polymers;
- Characterization techniques for their electronic applications;
- Chiral polymer photonics;
- Chiral sidechain or peptide-integrated conducting polymers;

We look forward to receiving your contributions.



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