



Synthesis and Characterization of Nanocomposites and Functional Coatings for Water Purification

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Dear Colleagues,

Currently, the prevention of environmental pollution caused by inorganic and organic toxic chemical compounds has recently focused the attention of the scientific community. The most investigated remediation techniques involve filtration, adsorption, and photocatalytic degradation using materials that are low cost and reusable after appropriate regeneration (such as graphene oxide, clay minerals, TiO_2 , Bi_2O_3 , and iron compounds).

This Special Issue will serve as a forum for papers on the following topics:

- The use of nanomaterials (i.e., carbon nanomaterials, metallic or semiconductor nanoparticles, clays) and polymeric nanocomposites for adsorption, filtration, or photocatalytic degradation of water pollutants;
- Synthesis and functionalization methodologies of nanostructures and polymeric nanocomposites;
- Methodologies for the preparation of active coating; structural and physicochemical characterization of materials;
- Applications in filtering, adsorption, and photocatalytic processes for water purification;
- Investigation of antimicrobial and antibiofouling coating properties.





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