



Surface Modification on Wood Composites

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Recently, wood composites have been well developed, and their products have been used everywhere, such as in furniture, flooring, construction, rails, powder engineering, and even aerospace. Surface modification can improve some physical and mechanical properties of wood composites, such as hydrophobization, dimensional stability, hardness, flame retardance, and anti-fouling to pollutants. It is necessary to understand the deep mechanisms and to explore some potential ideas in the modification process. This scope of this Special Issue will serve as a forum for papers focusing on the following concepts:

Green modifiers and modification processes on wood composites that are harmless to humans and the environment;

Surface treatments with multiple functions, such as super-hydrophobization and flame and fungi retardance;

Experimental processing with new methods on surface treatments and characterizations;

Development of mechanisms on the surface and interface of wood composites;

Studies of advanced materials applied on wood composites.





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