



## Plastics Pollution in Aquatic Environments

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

The aquatic environment is known to be heavily polluted with plastics, including microplastics that are released into the environment directly from everyday-use plastic items, wastewater treatment plants, polymer degradation and industries.

Microplastics may enter the food chain and cause serious health risks. However, little is known about their distribution and fate in the environment such as the following: What happens to the plastics when in the aquatic environment in relation to degradation, biodegradation and fragmentation? How does the environment affect the plastics?

Plastic products from biodegradable sources that are presented as a sustainable alternative to conventional plastics and a solution to marine plastic pollution. However, the use of additives could leach more effectively to the environment through microplastics.

This Special Issue welcomes manuscripts on all aspects related to studies on plastic pollution in the aquatic environment, including the fate and distribution of plastics, plastic degradation, fragmentation, biodegradation, and the production of materials that involve greater sustainability and less harm to the environment.





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