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Dear Colleagues,

Polymer hydrogels are attractive materials utilized for the controlled release of drugs and therapeutic agents due to their ability to embed biologically active agents in 3D water-swollen networks. The latest advancements in natural biomaterials, polymer chemistry and the bioengineering domain have facilitated numerous developments in the field of hydrogels for the sustained delivery of therapeutic agents. In light of this, the current Special Issue is focused on the state of the art in the field of hydrogels, focusing on several exciting subjects, including cross-linking methods, stimuli-responsive hydrogels, multicomponent hydrogels, aerogels, and the release of therapeutic agents from 3D-printed hydrogels. Therefore, the challenges that have been overcome due to advanced development in the fields of biodegradable, biocompatible and temperature- and pH-stimuli-responsive hydrogels and interactions between hydrogels and therapeutic agents will be also highlighted.

In this Special Issue, theoretical and experimental contributions in the forms of literature reviews, full-length original research articles and short communications are welcome.



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