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# **Designing Gels for Antibacterial and Antiviral Agents**

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

Infections caused by bacteria pose one of the most serious threats to human health. In addition, a threat to human health worldwide has been posed by antibacterial-resistant bacteria (so-called "superbugs") due to the widespread use of antibiotics. There are many clinical applications for antimicrobial gels, including wound healing. Further, antimicrobial gels are expected to stimulate new research and discoveries. To achieve progress in this field, an interdisciplinary approach is required to gain a deeper understanding of the structure of antibacterial gels and the mechanisms that underlie antimicrobial activity.

Recent advances in antimicrobial gels are the focus of this Special Issue on "Designing Gels for Antibacterial and Antiviral Agents", which covers most aspects of antimicrobial gel fabrication, characterization, and applications. It will cover a broad range of topics, including the structure and behavior of antibacterial agents and gels, the antibacterial and antiviral mechanisms of gels, tissue regeneration, and antimicrobial gel applications.













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