



Nanoparticles and Biomaterials for Drug Delivery

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Message from the Guest Editors

The applications of nanotechnology in substance delivery systems development have opened up new areas of research in the sustained release of various drugs. Using diverse materials at the nanometer scale, nanotechnology will allow for specific and more personalized diagnosis and treatment of different pathologic areas such as cardiovascular diseases, cancer, inflammatory diseases, neurodegenerative syndromes such as Alzheimer's or Parkinson's disease, and psychiatric disturbances. Nanoparticle drug carriers consist of solid biodegradable particles ranging in size from 0.1 to 100 nm in which the active principle is dissolved, entrapped or encapsulated, and/or to which the active principle is absorbed or attached. The important technological advantages of nanoparticles used as drug carriers are high stability, high carrier capacity, a feasibility of incorporation of both hydrophilic and hydrophobic substances, and a feasibility of variable routes of administration.

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