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Hydrogels for Biointerface Application

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Functional and smart hydrogels are widely used for biointerfaces, such as artificial skin, flexible and implantable bioelectronics, and tissue engineering. The essential attribute of the hydrogel is polymer networks with a high-water content that allows for the transport of biological and chemical molecules, thus providing an extracellular matrix-like (ECM-like) environment to facilitate the exchange of biological molecular and markers across interfaces.

In this Special Issue, we intend to provide detailed and in-depth exploration and discussion in designing hydrogels for biointerface application. The interests of this topic include, but are not limited to, the novel components, strategies, high performance (e.g., toughness, stretchability, and biocompatibility), and features (e.g., self-healing, shape memory, and wet adhesion, conductive hydrogels) of the hydrogel, and the fundamental study of the hydrogels for biointerface.

We hope that this Special Issue can bring new knowledge and ideas for all the related fields. Original research articles and concise and precise reviews are both accepted.



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