



Multifunctional Nanomaterials Based on Oxide Nanocrystals: Synthesis, Properties and Applications

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Centrosymmetric and non-centrosymmetric oxide nanocrystals are known as multifunctional nanomaterials because of their structure-induced properties that may include magnetism, catalytic activity, piezoelectricity and harmonic generation. On the other hand, the extremely rich physicochemical properties of oxide nanocrystals and their capacity to undergo surface chemical modification have paved the way to new proof-of-concepts in the nanomedicine field.

This special issue of *Nanomaterials* will highlight different aspects of oxide nanocrystals spanning from their chemical preparation and surface post-functionalization to their specific physicochemical properties and to their potential to new applications. Potential topics include, but are not limited to:

- Wet-chemical routes leading to morphology control;
- Formation mechanisms with identification of the transient species;
- Preparation of new centrosymmetric and non-centrosymmetric hosts;
- Multiphoton microscopy and multimodal imaging;
- Incorporation of luminescent species;
- Surface functionalization for bio-related applications;
- Drug delivery.





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