



## Synthesis of Monomers and Polymers—in Memory of the 70th Anniversary of Nobel Prize to Prof. Hermann Staudinger

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Works conducted by Prof. Hermann Staudinger were ground-breaking for polymer chemistry. He was the first to define the concept of polymers as giant macromolecules. In 1920, Staudinger proposed the chain formulas we accept today, maintaining that structures are held together by covalent bonds, which are equivalent to those in low-molecular-weight compounds. He also developed the theory of solutions of macromolecular compounds, which explained the process of formation of their colloids.

We dedicate this Special Issue to celebrate the 70th anniversary of the awarding of the Nobel Prize to Prof. Hermann Staudinger. This anniversary makes us realize that polymer science is still young, even though we use these materials in all areas of industry and everyday life. Staudinger himself saw the potential for this science long before it was fully realized.

The aim of this Special Issue is to cover the most recent progress in the rapidly growing field concerned with the synthesis, characterization, modification, and application of polymeric materials. It is our pleasure to invite you to submit your manuscripts for possible publication in the Issue.





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