



## Recent Advances in Polymers Applied to the Conservation and Restoration of Cultural Heritage: Innovative Materials, Applications, and Strategies

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

The conservation of cultural heritage objects often involves treatments such as consolidation, applying new protective layers to prevent further damage, and re-adhering detached parts or removing dirt/deposits or deteriorated coatings. In all of these treatments, polymers are extensively present and provide variable choices for conservators: their high versatility allows them to be combined with other materials and to be applied in a wide range of conditions; thus, related treatments can be adapted to several type of surfaces and materials.

The goal of this Special Issue is to bring together conservator-restorers and conservation scientists to share their advances in new polymeric materials or novel methodologies applied to conservation treatments, expanding the knowledge on these compounds and helping to improve the safeguarding of cultural heritage objects.

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