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Recycling and Resource Recovery from Polymers II

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Following the success of the Special Issue of Polymers, "Recycling and Resource Recovery from Polymers", we are delighted to reopen this Special Issue, now entitled "Recycling and Resource Recovery from Polymers II".

About 90% of the 300 million tonnes of plastics produced each year is not recycled and disposed of in landfills, posing significant environmental concerns. By 2030, 104 Mt of waste plastics are projected to enter landfill, causing a 50% increase in CO₂ emissions from the plastic life cycle and a three-fold CO₂ increase caused by plastic incineration due to poor waste management. A zero-waste approach conserves natural resources and reduces pollution from extraction, manufacturing and disposal. The vision for a new circular economy for plastics initiative is supported by three key actions: eliminate, innovate, and circulate. This Special Issue will focus on current and future research concernign the repurposing of plastics at the end of their life for various applications.













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