

Special Issue

Advances in Wood-Based Materials and Wood Polymer Composites

Message from the Guest Editors

Wood is a renewable and eco-friendly natural biopolymer that is widely used in various fields. Wood is mainly composed of cellulose, hemicellulose, lignin, and extractives. However, these natural polymeric materials are also susceptible to ultraviolet light, microorganisms and insects, fire, moisture, and chemicals and thus affect the durability of wood-based materials in service. To overcome the drawbacks of wood, the application of wood polymer composites has attracted increasing research interests in recent decades. Additionally, wood polymer composites are eco-friendly and budget-friendly biomaterials compared to synthetic polymers.

The scope of this Special Issue is to cover all aspects related to the wood polymer composites. We would like to invite the authors submit their latest research related to this topic in the form of original research and review articles.

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