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# **Conductive Gels**

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Conductive gels are a special class of soft materials. They harness the 3D micro/nanostructures of gels with the electrical and optical properties of semiconductors, producing excellent novel attributes, like the formation of an intrinsic network of conducting micro/nanostructures that facilitates the easy movement of charge carriers. Conductive gels encompass interesting properties, like adhesion, porosity and swelling, and good mechanical properties compared to those of bulk conducting polymers. The porous structure of the gels allows the easy diffusion of ions and molecules and the swelling nature provides effective interface between molecular chains and solution phases, whereas good mechanical properties enable their practical applications. Due to these excellent assets, conductive gels are promising candidates for applications like energy conversion and storage, sensors, medical and bio-devices, actuators, superhydrophobic coatings, etc. We aim to publish research articles and reviews on "Conductive gels", discussing their preparation, gelation mechanism, self-healing properties, micropatterning, and applications, ranging from electronics to biomaterial design.



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