
Colloquium

Polymer-Metal Nanocomposites via Chemistry Inside a Polymer Thin Film

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Polymer-metal nanocomposite thin films are versatile materials that not only combine the unique characteristics of the components, but also manifest mutualistic effects. Soft chemistry within a polymer thin film is a facile in situ route to such materials. Generation of metal nanostructures within the films and real-time monitoring of their growth, crystal-to-crystal transformation at the nanoscale and the directed synthesis of unusual materials like mercury nanodrops and nanocrystals are some of the unique accomplishments of such an approach. The nanocomposite thin films find a range of applications in nonlinear optics to bactericides to chemical sensing and catalysis. The talk will highlight the simplicity of the fabrication method, novelty of the materials and the uniqueness of the avenues of utilization.

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