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This conference is the joint symposium of the 22nd Polymer Networks Group Meeting (PNG) and the 10th international gel symposium (GelSympo) sponsored by Institute for Solid State Physics, The University of Tokyo. Scientific topics of this meeting will include all areas of polymer networks and gels, with special emphasis on:

- Polymer network (Rubber, thermostet, gel, biomaterial, food)
- Chemistry (novel gel, novel crosslinking, characterization)
- Physical chemistry (sol-gel transition, gelation/vitrification, volume phase transition)
- Physics (theory and/or simulation of elasticity, gelation, etc.)
- Engineering (Responsive gel, bio-application, biomimetics, food science)
- New materials (Liquid crystal gel, ion gel)

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