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# Advanced Studies on Strength and Cracking of Prestressed and Reinforced Concrete Structures

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

Concrete is one of the most common materials in the field of structural engineering. For this reason, its mechanical behavior and, even more, that of prestressed and reinforced concrete, has been a research topic through several approaches for years......

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- Monitoring techniques of deterioration conditions;
- Nondestructive testing methods;
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