



Non-toxic Actuator Materials

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

There are five key trends in the recent development of actuator materials: “*Performance to Reliability*”, “*Hard to Soft*”, “*Macro to Nano*”, “*Homo to Hetero*” and “*Single to Multi-Functional*”.

This Special Issue will collect papers on Non-Toxic Actuator Materials. Worldwide toxicity regulation is accelerating the development of Pb-free piezoelectrics as a replacement for conventional PZTs. Piezoelectric polymers and polymer–piezoelectric ceramic composites have been revived and commercialized. “Homo to hetero” structure change is also a recent research trend.

Topics of interest include:

- Advanced Pb-free actuator (piezoelectric/electrostrictive) ceramic materials;
- Polymer actuator materials (including elastomer actuator materials);
- Non-toxic composite actuator materials;
- Non-toxic flexoelectric actuator/sensor materials;
- Other unique non-toxic actuator materials.

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