Special Issue

Materials Structure and Properties: Prediction, Characterization, and Application

Message from the Guest Editor

Materials are at the heart of innovation, driving progress across science, engineering, and technology. This Special Issue aims to highlight a broad spectrum of cutting-edge developments in materials science, ranging from novel material design and structural prediction to property characterization and real-world applications. We welcome contributions that explore computational and simulation approaches such as firstprinciples calculations, machine learning, and artificial intelligence, which are accelerating material discovery and optimization. Experimental breakthroughs in synthesis and characterization, including those conducted under extreme conditions or utilizing advanced facilities like synchrotron X-ray and neutron sources, are also of significant interest. This Special Issue also invites interdisciplinary research connecting materials science to a wide array of applications, including but not limited to electronic and optoelectronic devices, condensed matter and quantum physics, astronomy, and earth and planetary sciences. Researchers from academia, national laboratories, and industry are encouraged to contribute their latest findings and perspectives.

Guest Editor

Prof. Dr. Jiuhua Chen

Center for the Study of Matter at Extreme Conditions, Department of Mechanical and Materials Engineering, Florida International University, Miami, FL 33199, USA

Deadline for manuscript submissions

20 February 2026



Applied Sciences

an Open Access Journal by MDPI

Impact Factor 2.5 CiteScore 5.5



mdpi.com/si/251359

Applied Sciences Editorial Office MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5 4052 Basel, Switzerland Tel: +41 61 683 77 34 applsci@mdpi.com

mdpi.com/journal/applsci





Applied Sciences

an Open Access Journal by MDPI

Impact Factor 2.5 CiteScore 5.5



About the Journal

Message from the Editor-in-Chief

As the world of science becomes ever more specialized, researchers may lose themselves in the deep forest of the ever increasing number of subfields being created. This open access journal *Applied Sciences* has been started to link these subfields, so researchers can cut through the forest and see the surrounding, or quite distant fields and subfields to help develop his/her own research even further with the aid of this multi-dimensional network.

Editor-in-Chief

Prof. Dr. Giulio Nicola Cerullo

Dipartimento di Fisica, Politecnico di Milano, Piazza L. da Vinci 32, 20133 Milano, Italy

Author Benefits

Open Access:

free for readers, with article processing charges (APC) paid by authors or their institutions.

High Visibility:

indexed within Scopus, SCIE (Web of Science), Ei Compendex, Inspec, CAPlus / SciFinder, and other databases.

Journal Rank:

JCR - Q2 (Engineering, Multidisciplinary) / CiteScore - Q1 (General Engineering)

