Special Issue

Testing and Modelling of Superconducting Cables and Coils for Fusion Tokamaks

Message from the Guest Editor

The commissioning and operation of large-scale and compact fusion magnets is a complex and interdisciplinary process that involves several phases, from the initial conceptual design to the manufacturing stage and, finally, to the factory acceptance tests (FAT). During these final phases, cables and coils are tested to meet the required standards. In the initial and later phases, multi-physics numerical models-able to describe the behaviour of superconducting magnets from electromagnetic, thermohydraulic, and mechanical points of view-are applied to optimise the magnet architecture, predict coil performances during plasma operation, and prevent failures, such as guenches or mechanical breakdown. The focus of this Special Issue is the testing and modelling of both HTS and LTS cables and coils for fusion applications. Topics of interest include the following:

- Cable and coil design;
- AC loss modelling and measurements;
- Thermal-hydraulic modelling and experimental characterisation:
- Quench modelling;
- Quench protection and detection;
- Testing of cables and coils

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