

Special Issue

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Message from the Guest Editors

The recent requirements in the design and manufacturing of nanosystems and nanotechnology have encouraged the use of carbon-based nanomaterials, particularly carbon nanotubes (CNTs) and graphene, due to their outstanding mechanical properties, high electrical and thermal conductivity, and reduced flammability. In such a context, this Special Issue aims at gathering together experts and researchers for the mechanical modeling of micro/nanomaterials at different scales, as useful for biosensors, resonators, valves, pumps, porous structures, energy harvesters, and advanced composite structures. The well-known size dependance of most physical and mechanical properties of small-scale structures has favored the use of nonlocal continuum mechanics to simulate complicated scale phenomena in a consistent manner, both from a theoretical and computational standpoint. Advanced theories and high-performance computational models are welcome for the static and dynamic study of nanosystems and nanostructures, involving enhanced nonlocal damage and fracturing models, able to capture the size-dependent formation and propagation of internal cracks in complex heterogeneous materials and interfaces.

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