

Special Issue

Advanced Ultrasonic Motors and Sensors: Design, Optimization and Applications

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue is devoted to introducing new theories, new methods, new technologies, and their applications in the field of advanced ultrasonic motors and sensors. The ultrasonic motor is a micro motor developed in the past 40 years, and it has small size, light weight, no electromagnetic interference, shape diversification, and other unique advantages. It also has a wide range of applications in space satellite drive mechanisms, high-end medical equipment, optics, robotics, micro terminal equipment, and other fields. In addition, ultrasonic sensors have been widely used, in recent years, in the fields of robotics, minimally invasive surgery (MIS), health monitoring, human–computer interaction, smart prosthetics, bionics, energy harvesting, and surface detection. In addition, application fields are constantly expanding.

- structural design and optimization of ultrasonic motors and sensors
- mechanism and theory
- driving methods and control strategies
- piezoelectric materials and friction materials
- dynamic modeling
- friction and wear
- fault diagnosis and remaining life
- application research of ultrasonic motors and sensors

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