# Special Issue

# Mechanical Structures: Fatigue Behavior, FEM Modeling and Design Best Practices

# Message from the Guest Editors

As materials and structures are increasingly subjected to complex loading conditions, understanding their fatigue behavior and strain-rate properties is essential for ensuring long-term reliability and safety. Innovations in design practices and computational modeling, such as finite element modeling (FEM), have further highlighted the need for interdisciplinary research in this field. By integrating experimental data with advanced simulation techniques, engineers can optimize structural designs and develop innovative materials and production technologies for a wide range of applications. In this context, we are pleased to announce a Special Issue on Mechanical Structures: Fatigue Behavior, FEM Modeling and Design Best Practices. This Special Issue will explore the latest advancements in research on innovative materials (such as functionally graded materials and metamaterials), design procedures, and numerical and analytical methodologies.

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