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Advanced Photoacoustic Spectroscopy and Its Applications

Message from the Guest Editors

Particulate matter (PM) and trace gas sensors with the advantages of low cost, high sensitivity, and high selectivity are strongly required in a broad range of applications, from atmospheric monitoring to industrial process control, and from life science research to biomedical application. Photoacoustic spectroscopy (PAS) is recognized as one of the best tools for PM and trace gas sensing, which relies on the detection of acoustic signals resulting from the light absorption of a modulated laser radiation by the target species. Various photoacoustic approaches have been developed using different acoustic transducers, PAS sensors have one unique advantage, which is that their performance is proportional to excitation optical power. Many methods have been investigated to build up high optical power in the PAS cell to improve the sensitivity of PAS gas detection. The purpose of this Special Issue is to concentrate on advanced photoacoustic spectroscopy based on novel acoustic transducers and novel PAS cell structures developed for various applications, including atmospheric monitoring, industrial process control, biomedical application, etc.

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