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High-Strength, High-Ductility, Low-Carbon and Sustainable Modern Cementitious Materials

Message from the Guest Editors

Cement and concrete are the backbone of modern infrastructure, yet their performance limitations and environmental impact present ongoing challenges. Traditional cementitious materials often struggle to meet the demands of contemporary engineering projects, particularly in terms of durability, mechanical properties, and sustainability. Over the past decade, significant advancements have been made in developing high-performance cement and concrete. incorporating novel materials and techniques to enhance structural integrity and longevity while reducing the carbon footprint of production. Despite these breakthroughs, widespread adoption of these advanced materials remains hindered by issues such as cost, compatibility with existing construction practices, and the complexity of optimizing their performance. This Special Issue aims to highlight the most recent developments in high-performance cement and concrete, exploring innovative solutions that push the boundaries of material science and engineering. Contributions are welcome to focus on the intersection of performance improvement, environmental impact, and practical applications.

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