

## **PVD/CVD Deposition Processes, Coatings Characterization and Coatings Failure Analysis**

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PVD and CVD are sustainable and environmentally friendly processes which are able to improve the lifespan of surfaces or give them a more suitable look regarding application. Despite more than five decades of exploring PVD and CVD deposition techniques, these techniques evolve constantly, trying to fulfill the market requirements. Regarding the huge number of researchers involved in research and development directly related to PVD and CVD techniques, as well as to the improvement of coatings characteristics, this Special Issue will try to collect important contributions related, though not limited, to the topics announced. High-quality, novel researches are very welcome, as well as reviews on the aforementioned topics. Recent new coatings formulations and systems, laboratory works, traditional and novel applications, coatings failure analysis, reports in extended coatings lifespan, wear mechanisms affecting coated surfaces, and failure mechanisms affecting coatings in the most diverse applications are very welcome in this Special Issue.



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