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Non-optical Properties of All-Dielectric Mirrors

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Dear Colleagues,

Ultrahigh optical reflectance dielectric mirrors are found in a multitude of applications, enabling key scientific instruments from interferometers detecting gravitational waves to nanocavities used in quantum spin devices; however, the methods of fabrication often trade off results vs. the complexity of the growth process. In this Special Issue, we explore some of the more common growth methods but with an emphasis on the lesser explored, nonoptical properties of the resultant coatings.

Includes in the scope of this Special Edition are mechanical, thermal, structural, electrical, and laser resistance studies on all-dielectric mirrors with optical reflectance >99%.









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