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Multi-Functional Liquid-Repellent Coatings: Innovative Approaches for Protecting Surfaces

Message from the Guest Editors

The demand for anti-liquid intrusion technology is increasing globally across diverse applications. From consumer electronics (mobile phones, televisions, audio equipment) to transportation systems (automobiles, ships) and building infrastructure, effective liquid intrusion prevention technology has become critical for product reliability and longevity. However, traditional methods for preventing liquid intrusion often face challenges, including complex fabrication processes, inadequate interfacial adhesion between coatings and substrates, and limited durability. This Special Issue aims to advance the science and engineering of liquidrepellent coatings through cutting-edge research in three key areas: Novel preparation technologies (additive manufacturing, thermal spraying, laser/plasma surface modification, chemical vapor deposition, etc.); Performance characterization (hydrophobicity, chemical resistance, abrasion resilience, high-temperature stability, extreme environmental adaptability, etc.); Coating durability (computational modeling of failure mechanisms, accelerated aging tests, in-service performance prediction, etc.).

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