

Special Issue

Novel Coatings for Preventing Marine Biofouling and Corrosion

Message from the Guest Editors

Marine corrosion can reduce the surface strength of underwater equipment, inducing cracks on surfaces and resulting in serious security issues; thus, corrosion presents a challenge to the safety of seawater culture cages, wharfs, cross-sea bridges, etc. Surface coating techniques have shown promise as economical and efficient strategies to protect subsea surfaces from biofouling and corrosion. However, traditional antifouling and anticorrosion coatings cannot meet the current requirements because of some of the disadvantages, including toxicity and durability. This issue publishes original research papers, brief communications and reviews on topics including but not limited to:

- Antifouling coatings, anti-corrosion coatings, integrated antifouling and anticorrosion coatings
- Bioinspired antifouling and anticorrosion coatings, polymers, hydrogels, silicone coatings
- Nanomaterials, biomaterials, and self-healing materials for marine applications
- Chemical, physical and technological properties of antifouling and anticorrosion coatings
- Performance, testing and analysis of coatings
- Adhesion mechanisms of protein, bacteria, algae, and related fouling organisms

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Now more than ever, research is asked to deliver knowledge and technologies to solve the major challenges faced by our society. The development of new materials and devices for (without the ambition to be exhaustive) energy, health and food technology, together with the need for establishing processes that reduce the impact on critical resources and the environment, is indeed in the spotlight of most contemporary research. Surface science and engineering play a key role in this regard, with an incredible potential in delivering new and deep scientific understanding and technical solutions essential to solve most of the major societal challenges.

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