Special Issue

Synthesis, Characterization, Functional Properties, and Applications of Nanoparticles and Nanostructured Systems

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This Special Issue aims to gather reviews and articles on the latest research focused on the synthesis, surface characterization, functional properties and application of nanoparticles and nanostructured coatings. These materials may present at least one dimension on the nanometer scale, which can either lead to the onset of novel phenomena or hold promise for applications in the fields of green energy, optics, and spintronics. Hence, potential topics include, but are not limited to, the following:

- The synthesis of a variety of nano-sized composites such as organic and inorganic coatings, thin films, 2D materials, and nanoparticles.
- An emphasis on emergent materials or on cuttingedge techniques to explore their unique properties.
- Ways to predict the next generation of nanostructured coatings: multifunctional vs. novel phenomena.
- Characterization of structure, chemical composition, surface, and interface properties.

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