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Anti-Icing Coatings and Surfaces

Message from the Guest Editors

The strong adhesion of ice to almost all kinds of surfaces is an overwhelming problem in cold countries. Common examples include: scraping off ice from car windshields, skidding on icy roads, power outages due to icing on electrical cables and insulators, icing on aircraft wings and wind mills, *etc*. Although investigations around the world have been carried out for decades, so as to find a solution to this problem of ice adhesion, literature is relatively scarce in this field. This Special Issue provides a forum for the basic aspects, theories, and mechanisms of adhesion and surface science in general, and deals with applications in all areas of technology. Thus, the objective here is to offer to our readers a unique Special Issue exposing the state of the art regarding ice adhesion.

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