Special Issue

Multifunctional Antireflective Coatings and Nanocomposites

Message from the Guest Editor

This Special Issue aims to present a collection of studies describing recent advances and the state of the art in the field of "Multifunctional Antireflective Coatings and Nanocomposites". Regardless of the application domain, in addition to the main functionality of the antireflection effect and a high degree of transparency with omnidirectional efficiency over a broad range of the spectrum, other characteristics of film-forming materials have been developed at the same time, including surface wetting, a self-cleaning ability, mechanical or thermal resistance, adhesivity or scratch resistance, UV protection, and antiglare or anti-fogging properties.

Topics of interest for this Special Issue include, but are not limited to:

mono-, bi-, or multiayer nanostructured designs; hybrid coatings and composites;

fabrication methods (bottom-up and top-down approaches);

structure and morphology;

customized omnidirectional efficiency over a small or broad range of the spectrum; and

tailoring of other properties for special applications.

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