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Manufacturing and Properties of New Special Glass- and Ceramic-Based Composites

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In recent years, glass- and ceramic-based composite materials have been of great interest. One of the newest research areas focuses on nanocomposites and thin films used as coatings showing special properties. These materials are used in medicine and energy storage fields, which are both receiving a great deal of interest at present. It is the aim of this Special Issue to provide a peer-reviewed forum for the publication of original papers and authoritative review and opinion papers dealing with the most important issues facing the use of glass- and ceramic-based composites in clinical practice and as energy storage materials. Topics of interest for this Special Issue include (but are not limited to) the synthesis, fabrication, structure, morphology, physical properties, biological properties, performance, and technological application of novel special glass- and ceramic-based composite materials. Original research papers which present new scientific and technological knowledge and reviews of high interest to the international community are welcome.

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