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# **Crystal Growth of Multifunctional Borates and Related Materials**

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### Dear Colleagues,

Most borate materials have attracted considerable attention, owing to their remarkable characteristics and potential applications. Nowadays, more than 1000 representatives of the anhydrous borate family are listed in the Inorganic Crystal Structure Database. These compounds are characterized by the great variety in their crystal structures, caused in the linkage of planar BO3triangles and BO<sub>4</sub>-tetrahedra as fundamental structural units, and this leads to glass formation in viscous boratebased melts. Investigations of "conditions-compositionstructure-properties" relationships can help to develop growth in technology of single crystal components for high performance electronic and optical devices for industrial, medical and entertainment applications. Our Special Issue aims to provide a forum for investigators to submit manuscripts on recent advances about borate materials.









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