Special Issue

New Magnetic Films for Novel Applications

Message from the Guest Editors

Magnetic thin films, the cornerstone of the spintronics field, serve as the medium for information processing, transfer, operation, and storage. In recent years, spintronics research has seen remarkable progress. This includes advancements from giant magnetoresistance (GMR) to tunneling magnetoresistance (TMR) for detection, and from spintransfer torque to spin-orbit torque for magnetization switching. The exploration of new materials, such as heavy metals, topological insulators, two-dimensional materials, antiferromagnets, and altermagnets, has significantly broadened the field.

To keep pace with these developments, this Special Issue aims to collect papers on a wide range of topics related to magnetic thin films, including novel magnetic materials, altermagnetism, spin-orbit torque, orbital torque, magnetization switching, surface-acoustic-wave spin devices, magnetization dynamics, skyrmions, the orbital Hall effect, chirality-induced spin selectivity, and their associated applications. We welcome original research articles, encompassing both experimental and theoretical works, as well as comprehensive reviews.

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