# **Special Issue**

# Fatigue and Fracture of Crystalline Metal Structures

## Message from the Guest Editors

Fatigue and fracture cause massive losses to the economy, about 4% GDP (gross domestic product). Crystalline metal structures are intensively developed by materials science and extensively used in many applications, such as mechanical, civil, and aerospace engineering. This Special Issue (SI) aims to publish high-quality, original papers that provide new data, fatigue and fracture phenomena and insights into the behaviors, processes, and mechanisms dominating fatigue and fracture of metallic materials with crystal structures in theoretical formulations, numerical simulations, physical and machine learning based models, laboratorial experiments and case studies. Fatigue and fracture are highly dependent on the microstructure bearing the external loads, including monotonic, cyclic, shock, and waves. Thus, microstructure investigations associated with the damage accumulation and elastoplastic deformations are strongly recommended, including but not limited to the following: characterizations of XRD (X-ray diffraction), TEM (transmission electron microscopy), FIB (focused ion beam), FEM (finite element method), crystal plasticity and MD (molecular dynamics).

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