# **Special Issue**

## **Artificial Crystals**

## Message from the Guest Editors

Research on artificial crystals has a long history. A series of importantant crystals were explored from early synthetic crystals, such as rubies and diamonds, through current widely-used crystals such as Si, Ge, LiNbO3, LiTaO3, KTiPO4, BaB2O4, LiB3O5, Bi4Ge3O12, Y3Al5O12, and sapphire, to current research hotspots such as SiC, AIN, and sesquioxide single crystals. Based on these crystals, lots of new optoelectronic devices have been developed and are widely used in scientific research and industrial applications. Meanwhile, there are still many promising research fields that have yet to be further explored. For example, the basic principles of crystal materials are still unclear and higher quality, larger, and novel crystals are always in demand. This Special Issue aims to provide a timely collection that highlights the advances in the current research on artificial crystals, ranging from fundamental aspects to current applications-shedding light on further research in related fields.

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