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# **Intelligent Image Processing and Sensing for Drones**

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Multiple sensors can be mounted on a drone. In addition to conventional visual cameras, infrared thermal imaging and multispectral imaging are available for drones. LiDAR and SAR are active sensors that can be mounted on drones. These mobile aerial imaging sensors provide a new perspective on research and development for a variety of applications. However, more challenges are often posed than grounded cameras because of the unique sensing environments and limited resources of a drone. Certainly, information acquired by a drone is of tremendous value, thus intelligent analysis of them is necessary to make the best use of it.

This Special Issue focuses on a wide range of intelligent processing of images and sensor data acquired by drones. The objectives of intelligent processing range from the refinement of raw data to the symbolic representation and visualization of the real world. This can be achieved through image/signal processing or deep/machine learning algorithms. The latest technological developments will be shared through this Special Issue. Researchers and investigators are invited to contribute original research or review articles in this Special Issue.











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