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Composite Materials for Bridge Engineering Applications: Experiences and Future Studies

Message from the Guest Editors

Composite materials were and still are extensively used for strengthening and retrofitting structure life-cycle prolongation. However, composite material bridges are currently built in various limited situations, mainly as footbridges of different possible designs.

Notwithstanding the enormous efforts of academic

researchers and industry, new research and results for potential applications of composite materials for bridge engineering are needed. This Special Issue plans to overview the most recent advances in composite materials and their applications in bridge engineering. It will also provide the synthesis of potential calculation procedures that will support the designed process of future composite materials structures. Potential topics include, but are not limited to:

- Reinforcement of existing bridge structures by composite materials;
- Composite materials as structural tissue of new bridges;
- Vibration serviceability of composite materials footbridges;
- Structural health monitoring of composite materials bridges;
- Proposals of new calculation procedures for composite materials bridges.

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