

## Special Issue

# Experimental and Numerical Simulation of Composite Materials and Structures for Extreme Loading Conditions

### Message from the Guest Editor

Composite materials have shown outstanding performance in structural applications due to their highly customizable mechanical properties. Presently these materials have been increasingly utilized for primary structures and recognised to be effective under service loading conditions. However, one major criticality of composite material is their susceptibility to extreme loading conditions that may provoke complex degradation mechanisms. Extreme loading conditions include unforeseen events, conditions that far exceed original design or very demanding requirements that are not included in the standard approaches like, but not limited to impacts (at different velocities) and blasts. These conditions may provoke complex failure patterns that depend on the peculiarity of the composite materials themselves; these pose challenges in experimental technique and modelling approaches. This special issue is therefore aimed to collect original research articles and comprehensive reviews that consider experimental and modelling approaches focused on the topic of Composite Materials and Structures for Extreme Loading Conditions.

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