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Processing and Characterization of Ceramic Materials Using Microwave Techniques

Message from the Guest Editor

Ceramic materials are ubiquitous in our daily lives. Nonetheless, their applications are steadily increasing owing to their unique physical and chemical properties. Strategic sectors, such as energy, defense, health, communications, and aerospace, are benefiting from these materials, and often push their limits. On the other hand, high-end applications frequently correspond to high production costs, which limit the application of the most advanced ceramic materials in niche markets. Due to their rapid, specific, and selective heating, microwaves promise to reduce production costs. The scientific and technical relevance of microwaveassisted processes is confirmed by the hundreds of publications that have appeared in recent years in the relevant literature. To provide an overview of the stateof-the-art and emerging trends in the processing and characterization of ceramic materials using microwaves, we invite you to contribute to this Special Issue with your most recent research, including results, methodologies, or applications. Thanks to this Special Issue, your work may serve as inspiration to the many experts working in this exciting field!

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