# **Special Issue**

## Mechanical Behavior and Reliability of Micro-/Nanoscale Materials

## Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue focuses on the unique mechanical properties and reliability challenges of materials at the micro- and nanoscale. The Special Issue will cover, but is not limited to, the following key topics:

- Size-Dependent Mechanical Properties: at micro- and nanoscale dimensions, materials often display enhanced strength and toughness but also show considerable size-dependent effects. Understanding these phenomena is crucial for reliable material design and applications;
- Advanced Characterization Techniques: techniques such as Depth-Sensing Indentation (DSI) and atomic force microscopy (AFM) have been developed to evaluate properties like hardness, elastic modulus, and fracture strength at the nanoscale;
- Computational Modelling: advanced computational methods are useful to predict the mechanical behaviour of micro- and nanoscale materials and to understand complex phenomena such as stress distribution, deformation mechanisms, and failure modes;
- Reliability and Performance: studies in this area focus on enhancing the durability and performance of materials for novel applications in nanoelectronics and strain engineering.

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