

Special Issue

Advances in Solar Cell Materials and Structures

Message from the Guest Editors

Currently, silicon solar cells are the most popular devices for converting light energy to electricity, but thin-film solar cells comprise competitive, efficient, and cheap photovoltaic devices and are expected to replace traditional Si panels in the future. The layers of thin-film solar cells are up to 200 times thinner than the layers of traditional silicon solar cells. And they have great potential to reduce both their material consumption and production costs. They are lighter in weight so they can be deposited on flexible substrates and integrated with many devices. Therefore, we welcome review and research papers on the development of thin-film photovoltaic materials and solar cells. The scope of the Special Issue includes but is not limited to:

- Thin-film solar cells
- Perovskites and Perovskite Solar Cells
- Nano-structured PV cells
- Quantum dot solar cells
- Organic PV materials and devices
- New materials for photovoltaic structures
- New concepts and device architectures for next generation solar cells
- Nanotechnology for improvement of PV devices
- New materials and contact concepts

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