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Thermoelectric Thin Films, Thick Films, and Composites: From Materials to Devices

Message from the Guest Editor

Thermoelectric materials have long attracted significant attention due to their direct thermal-to-electrical energy conversion capability without moving parts or harmful emissions. Recent advancements in material synthesis, structural engineering, and performance optimization have further expanded their potential for wearable power generation, micro-scale cooling, and other niche applications where lightweight, flexible, and micro/nanoscale materials are essential.

Key Research Areas

- Synthesis and fabrication techniques—approaches for preparing thin films, thick films, and composite thermoelectric materials, including diverse printing methods.
- Characterization of structural, electrical, and thermal properties—advanced experimental techniques to evaluate and optimize performance.
- Fundamental electronic and thermal transport phenomena and mechanisms—understanding the physics governing thermoelectric behavior through both experimental and simulation studies.
- Device-level studies—prototype fabrication, performance evaluation, and potential applications in energy harvesting, wearable electronics, and IoT devices.

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