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Durability and Safety of Concrete Structures

Message from the Guest Editors

The materials that compose building and civil structures can be degraded by a large set of factors, including environmental or engineering. The pathologies of concretes can manifest themselves in the appearance of cracks, pop outs, and even pieces to break off. Among the causes of the damage that may suffer are the corrosion of the reinforcements of the concrete due to the action of chlorides or carbonation, expansive reactions due to alkali-aggregate reactions, or reactions with sulphates, freeze/thaw cycles, mold and humidity, etc. This Special Issue includes research papers that study the durability of materials and their relationship with the safety of structures. Among others, the topics on which it will focus will be works that advance the study of the degradation of materials, test methodologies including NDT, practical cases of structure deteriorations, and repair and maintenance, as well as the modeling and simulation of processes of degradation and their influence on construction elements.

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