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Innovation and Application of Novel Ferroelectric Materials

Message from the Guest Editors

In the technical application of ferroelectrics, several directions have emerged, the most important of which should be considered:

- 1) manufacturing of small-sized low-frequency capacitors with a large specific capacity;
- 2) the use of materials with high polarization nonlinearity for dielectric amplifiers, modulators and other controlled devices:
- 3) the use of ferroelements in computing technology as memory cells;
- 4) the use of crystals of ferroelectric and antiferroelectrics for modulation and conversion of laser radiation;
- 5) manufacturing of piezoelectric and pyroelectric transducers.

The main environmental factors affecting the development and commercialization of new materials are the reduction in the use of toxic materials (mainly lead, lead oxide, but also bismuth, cadmium and nickel), conservation of natural resources, environmentally friendly sources and energy conservation. There is an increasing interest in the study of ceramic ferroelectrics at the micro- and submicroscopic level. This is due to the emergence of new technological problems, such as ferroelectric structures for optics, micro- and radio electronics.

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