



Non-conventional Technologies for Thermal/Thermo-Mechanical Treatment

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Message from the Guest Editors

Conventional metal processing significantly impacts resource exploitation and CO₂ emissions. In recent years, there has been a growing interest in nonconventional heat treatment processes in which heating is carried out at very high speed via different heating sources, via passing the current directly through the sample.

This Special Issue is focused on the results of experiments and modeling studies conducted on such nonconventional technologies for thermal or thermo-chemical treatments where high and very high heating rates and very short soaking times are used. Alternatively, approaches with multiple thermal treatment steps, such as thermal cycling, thermo-chemical treatment, (nano) composite production, and magnetic materials, are a subject of interest. We encourage you to share your experience in this field by publishing your research on the applications of such innovative technologies for ultrafast heating, ultrashort annealing, ultrafast tempering, microwave synthesis, thermal cycling, and thermo-mechanical or thermo-chemical treatment on steels and nonferrous alloys, demonstrating the link between the processing parameters, microstructure, texture, and properties.





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Metallic materials play a vital role in the economic life of modern societies; contributions are sought on fresh developments that enhance our understanding of the fundamental aspects related to the relationships between processing, properties and microstructure – disciplines in the metallurgical field ranging from processing, mechanical behavior, phase transitions and microstructural evolution, nanostructures, as well as unique metallic properties – inspire general and scholarly interest among the scientific community.

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