# Special Issue

# Research and Application of Lightweight Metals

## Message from the Guest Editor

Driven by global carbon neutrality policies, light metals, including magnesium, aluminum, and titanium, as well as their alloys and composite materials, have become crucial structural materials due to their high specific strength and lightweight properties. These materials are essential for reducing CO2 emissions across various industries, including aerospace and automotive. Extensive research on the manufacturing processes, microstructure, properties, and applications of these materials is of significant importance. This Special Issue aims to gather original research and review articles focusing on the manufacture, microstructure, properties, and applications of lightweight metals, their alloys, and composite materials. Manuscripts employing experimental or simulation methods are all welcome. The goal is to explore innovative fabrication strategies, advanced characterization techniques, and real-world applications of these materials. Contributions that delve into the design, processing techniques, and performance optimization of lightweight metals, alloys, and composite materials are particularly encouraged.

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