

Special Issue

Development and Performance Optimization of High-Strength Steels

Message from the Guest Editors

The development and performance optimization of high strength steels (HSS) have been a research focus since the mid-1970s when the HSS evolved. Design strategies, such as solution strengthening, precipitation hardening, grain refinement strengthening, and working hardening, are adopted to elevate the mechanical properties of HSS. Some novel conceptions, for example, Transformation-Induced Plasticity, are also included in order to meet the requirements of structural materials design. This Special Issue aims to provide a broad forum for the latest results in the development and performance optimization of HSS. This includes fundamental questions regarding the microstructure-property relationship, phase transformations, strain partitioning, strain hardening mechanisms and hydrogen embrittlement. Topics related to the processing, testing, characterization, and applications of HSS are invited.

I am very honored to be invited to serve as a of the journal of *Metals* and provide academic exchange opportunities for colleagues from all over the world to support the research and development of HSS.

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