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Design and Application of Novel Oxide Dispersion Strengthened (ODS) Alloys

Message from the Guest Editors

The increase in efficiency of nuclear reactors places structural materials in high demand as they can withstand the required harsh working conditions, such as high temperature oxidation, irradiation, and stress corrosion. Oxide dispersion strengthened (ODS) steels have potential for application as the structural materials of advanced nuclear reactors. Advances in the fabrication processes, microstructure characterization, and mechanical properties of ODS steels form the scope of this Special Issue. Moreover, the concept of ODS is not restricted to Fe-based steels. Other alloys, such as nickel, aluminum, and cobalt alloys can be also considered for strengthening as an approach to optimize the overall performance of different materials.

For this Special Issue, we welcome articles that focus on the fabrication process, microstructure characterization, and mechanical properties of ODS alloys. Technology improvements, especially innovations that lead to improved mechanical properties of ODS alloys, for the production of high-performance ODS alloys are of particular interest.

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