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Photoelectric Nanomaterials for Biochemical Sensing, Photon Detection, and Energy Conversion Applications

Message from the Guest Editors

In recent decades, although significant progress has been made in the development of photoelectric devices for a variety of applications, the understanding and optimization design of high-performance photoelectric devices still requires improvement in various specific applications. Recently, the emerging use of nanostructures/nanomaterials in newly developed nanotechnology has provided opportunities to significantly promote the performance of devices by enhancing the efficiencies of optical absorption, carrier separation and transfer. On the other hand, numerous kinds of new materials and device configurations, such as perovskite materials, organic-inorganic heterojunctions, nanophotonics, and semiconductorelectrolyte junction, have been developed. The combination of nanostructures/nanomaterials and new (or traditional) materials and device configurations will surely lead to a much improved performance of photoelectric devices. Keywords:

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- plasmonics
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- Schottky junction
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