Special Issue

Graphene-Like Nanomaterials: Simulation, Preparation, Characterization and Applications

Message from the Guest Editors

Graphene is a single carbon layer of graphite, which (according to the IUPAC terminology) can be described by analogy to a polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbon of quasi-infinite size. Graphene-like phases functionally originate from a perfect graphene sheet, and its complete oxidation with oxygen leads to the formation of graphene oxide, partial oxidation to the formation of rGO, and the introduction of structural defects (vacancies, the functionalization of the graphene surface with oxygen-containing carbon radicals, and similar). In each of these cases, a change in the hybridization of a part of the carbon atoms from sp2 to sp3 is observed. The size of the graphene-like particles varies depending on the synthesis methods used. Parallel to the increase in the content of oxygen in the graphene-like nanoparticles, their properties also change. The focus of the Special Issue will be as follows:

- Simulations of the modification/functionalization of different carbon phases to graphene-like nanoparticles;
- Synthesis of graphene-like phases;
- Various aspects of the application of graphene-like phases;

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