# **Special Issue**

# Advances of Machine Learning in Nanoscale Materials Science

## Message from the Guest Editor

Cutting-edge machine learning (ML) techniques—such as gradient boosting models (e.g., XGBoost), graph neural networks (e.g., CGCNN, SchNet, ALIGNN), ML interatomic potentials (e.g., BPNN, GAP, M3Gnet, NegulP, MACE, NEP), and deep learning DFT Hamiltonians (e.g., DeepH, HamGNN, DeePTB)-are transforming materials science by enabling rapid property prediction, high-throughput materials discovery, large-scale accurate simulations, and mechanistic insights across scales. This Special Issue focuses on the application of ML, ML-based interatomic potentials, and data-driven methods in materials science. Topics include ML-assisted property prediction, inverse design, automated experimentation, uncertainty quantification, interpretable AI models, electronic structure prediction, and materials database development. Contributions on novel methodologies. benchmarks, and applications in energy materials, ferroelectrics, functional ceramics, catalysts, polymers, and two-dimensional materials are welcome. We invite experts and emerging researchers to share recent findings and perspectives to provide an authoritative overview of advances and future directions at the MLmaterials science interface.

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