

Special Issue

Nanomaterials for Field Emission

Message from the Guest Editor

Field-emission is a quantum tunneling phenomenon in which electrons pass from an emitting material (cathode) to an anode through a vacuum barrier by the effect of a high electric field. For a given material, cathodes with higher aspect ratios and sharper edges produce higher FE currents. For this reason, nanostructures are considered promising for commercial applications as flat-panel displays, vacuum electronics, microwave power tubes, electron sources, etc. From a theoretical point of view, FE experiments can be analyzed in terms of Fowler–Nordheim theory, the most commonly used model for FE from a metallic or semiconductor surface under a strong applied field, which is also widely used to investigate the FE from CNTs, graphene, other 2D materials, etc. This Special Issue aims to collect experimental and theoretical investigations related to the field emission phenomenon.

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