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Optical Spectroscopic Techniques in Nanomaterial Science: Raman, Infrared, Photoluminescence

Message from the Guest Editor

Optical spectroscopic techniques are indispensable tools in modern nanomaterial science, as the light-matter interactions provide a wealth of complementary information over the traditional diffraction and electron microscopy techniques. Quantum confinement effects substantially modify the electronic structure and the optical excitation spectrum in nanoscopic volumes of materials. The aim of this Special Issue of *Nanomaterials* is to cover recent advances in optical spectroscopic techniques – photoluminescence, Raman and infrared, in the most general scope of modern nanoscience. Papers describing the development of new nanomaterial characterization protocols, as well as more fundamental research giving insight into the structural, electronic, and optical properties of nanomaterials, are welcome.

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