

## Special Issue

# Functional Nanostructures: Exotic Metals and Semiconductors for a New Story

### Message from the Guest Editor

Growing demands on the multifunctionality of different nanostructures have triggered interdisciplinary research efforts on material science and nanotechnology. In this sense, emerging exotic metals and semiconductors such as high entropy alloys (FeMnCrCoNi etc.), metal nitrides (TiN, ZrN, Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>, HfNbTiVZrN etc.), quasicrystals (Al<sub>62</sub>Cu<sub>25</sub>Fe<sub>12</sub> etc.), and metal–dielectric hybrids (SiAu) are timely for the fabrication of novel functional nanostructures. Over the last few years, such nanostructures have attracted increasing attention in diverse application from catalysis, biosensing, and nonlinear optics to electronics. The technology of fabrication of exotic metal and semiconductor nanostructures is also in its infancy. This Special Issue will highlight the latest advances in the design, fabrication, characterization, and application of exotic metal and semiconductor nanostructures (from thin films to nanoparticles). We invite researchers to submit their original research articles, letters, and reviews on fundamental and applied studies.

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