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Nanotechnology and Renewable Energy

Message from the Guest Editor

The ever-increasing energy demand and depleting sources of conventional energy have forced policymakers and researchers to contemplate efficient use of available resources as well as to explore renewable forms of energy. In this context. nanotechnology can be said to have emerged as a blessing for engineers and scientists who have successfully explored its applicability in enhancing the efficiency of numerous devices. The last decade has seen enormous efforts being devoted to investigating heat transfer behavior assisted by nanofluid. The research in this particular field is progressing in a new direction with hybrid nanofluids. The recent trend has shown promising outcomes when nanotechnology is coupled with renewable energy extraction. To provide but a few examples, nanotechnology has been successfully applied to enhance photovoltaic efficiency, solar-assisted desalination, and biofuels. This Special Issue is devoted to exchanging the latest information with respect to nanotechnology as applied to energy transport in the form of heat transfer and its use in renewable energy.

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