

Special Issue

Nanostructured Thermoelectric Materials

Message from the Guest Editors

The efficiency of thermoelectric (TE) materials is mostly reliant on one dimensionless parameter—the figure of merit (ZT) which depends on temperature, the Seebeck coefficient (S), electrical conductivity (σ), and thermal conductivity (κ). One approach to enhance the ZT value is to reduce the thermal conductivity, which can be accomplished by reducing the dimensions of the materials, for example, nanoparticles, thin films, and nanowires. In addition, it is desired to understand the pivotal role of the interactions between the charge carriers and phonons, as they play a decisive role in electric and thermal transport in TE materials. Special attention will be given to the experimental approaches to achieve reliable estimates of the TE parameters. Knowing the amazing importance of thermoelectricity from the applied physics perspective, we would be highlighting the works based on the synthesis and characterizations of TE devices. In addition, our secondary focus of this Special Issue will be on modeling and theoretical simulation of their astonishing behaviors caused at the nanoscale regime.

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