

Special Issue

Recent Progress in Biomedical Optical Technologies

Message from the Guest Editors

Over the past decade, innovations in photonics and optical engineering have profoundly transformed biomedical sensing and measurement. Emerging optical technologies—enabled by advances in light sources, detectors, optical components and computational methods—are providing unprecedented capabilities for non-invasive, real-time and high-resolution monitoring of physiological parameters and tissue function. This Special Issue aims to highlight recent breakthroughs in optical methods, instruments and their integrated applications, with a particular emphasis on health sensing and diagnostic technologies. We invite contributions that explore novel optical techniques, system designs and translational applications in biomedicine. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to

- Functional near-infrared spectroscopy and near-infrared spectroscopy
- Diffuse optical tomography and imaging
- Photoplethysmography and its advanced derivatives
- Medical magnetic resonance imaging and analysis
- Wearable and portable optical health sensors
- Miniaturized and integrated biophotonic devices
- Multimodal optical sensing and hybrid imaging systems
- AI-enhanced optical signal processing and interpretation

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