

## Special Issue

# Photonic Integrated Circuits: Recent Advances and Future Perspectives

### Message from the Guest Editors

Photonic integrated circuits combine multiple photonic components with diverse functionalities into a single chip, enabling efficient light-based computing, signal processing, and communications. By harnessing the unique and fundamental properties of light, photonic integrated circuits offer key benefits such as low power consumption, ultra-high bandwidth, and inherent parallelism. With the accelerating growth of fields such as artificial intelligence, cloud computing, and real-time sensing, the demand for faster data processing, improved energy efficiency, and greater system scalability is also gaining momentum. Advances in materials science, fabrication methods, and integration technology are not only enhancing individual device performance but also enabling innovative architectures that support increasingly complex and powerful photonic integrated circuits for practical, real-world applications.

This Special Issue highlights recent progress that has been made in photonic integrated circuits. We are happy to invite contributions spanning theory, fabrication, system demonstrations, and application case studies.

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