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Message from the Guest Editors

Over the past two decades, Global Navigation Satellite System Reflectometry (GNSS-R) has emerged as a powerful and innovative technique for ocean remote sensing, offering unique advantages over conventional monostatic radar systems. Traditionally, oceanographic parameters like sea surface height (SSH), significant wave height (SWH), and sea surface wind speed have been measured using dedicated satellite altimeters (e.g., Jason series, Sentinel-6) or scatterometers (e.g., ASCAT), which require complex, expensive payloads and significant power resources. GNSS-R fundamentally challenges this paradigm by leveraging the abundant, coherent, L-band signals continuously transmitted by global navigation satellite constellations (GPS, Galileo, GLONASS, BeiDou) as signals of opportunity. This Special Issue aims to advance the theoretical understanding and practical application of Global Navigation Satellite System Reflectometry (GNSS-R) for ocean remote sensing. Its primary objectives are threefold: advancing ocean surface scattering modeling, improving retrieval of key ocean parameters, and exploring novel applications and parameters.

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