

Special Issue

Surface Engineering of Thin Films

Message from the Guest Editor

The aim of this Special Issue of *Surfaces* is to offer a broad open access forum for all groups across the surface science community and gather together a collection of original fundamental, applied research articles and review papers in the context of “Surface Engineering of Thin Films”. Special emphasis will be given to, but not limited by, the following topics:

- New and emerging thin-film fabrication strategies and techniques that provide tangible benefits in versatility, environmental sustainability, processing efficiency and scalability;
- Advanced gas and liquid phase methods for thin-film deposition, self-assembly and epitaxial growth;
- Smart and multifunctional thin-film materials systems with stimuli-responsive and adaptive behaviour for demanding applications;
- Green, sustainable and bio-compatible thin-film systems and associated fabrication methods;
- Advanced thin-film materials, including compositionally and functionally graded nanostructures, superlattices, nanolaminates and 2D materials;
- Organic thin films, molecular layers and polymeric systems with new and enhanced properties.

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Surfaces is a new Open Access journal that will provide rapid publication of scholarly articles on studies related to surfaces and interfaces. Its mission is to publish cutting edge articles and conference proceedings and organizing special issues to highlight outstanding research on specific topics, encouraging the application of a rigorous Surface Science-based approach to many complex interesting phenomena and breaking boundaries among different disciplines.

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