



Ultrafast Laser Science, Technology and Applications

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Message from the Guest Editors

Ultrafast lasers now routinely produce everyday goods, from mobile phone screens to solar cells, and are employed in medicine, such as in eye surgery. On the other hand, scientific applications of ultrafast lasers increasingly employ challenging technologies, including attosecond pulse generation, the generation of pulses in parts of the spectrum inaccessible to laser media, etc. High-energy ultrafast lasers produce multi-PW peak powers and enable leading physics experiments. New applications of ultrafast lasers are appearing in other fields, including biomedical and optical communications. All applications would benefit from being lower in cost, compact, and reliable ultrafast lasers and integrated systems that employ ultrafast lasers. This would drive progress in the areas of laser components, accessories, and general technology.

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