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# Thin Films and Heterostructures for Optoelectronics

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## **Message from the Guest Editors**

Dear Colleagues,

Over the last several decades, nanomaterials—especially semiconductors—have made great advances in the development of optoelectronics. The main focus has been directed to methods for the fabrication of several types of heterojunctions, such as organic–organic, organic–inorganic and inorganic–inorganic. These types of heterostructures/heterojunctions with new or enhanced optical and electrical properties are used in the development of optoelectronic devices, such as solar cells, photodetectors and light-emitting diodes. The aim of this *Special Issue* is to publish high-quality research papers addressing current and future advances on the preparation and characterization of thin films and optoelectronics devices.

In particular, the topics of interest for this Special Issue include, but are not limited to:

- Nanostructured materials for optoelectronics applications;
- Functional thin films and heterostructures (including deposition techniques and technology)
- Design and synthesis of thin films/heterostructures;
- Interface phenomena in oxide heterostructures;
- Physico-chemical and electrical characterizations.









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