



Novel Cleaner Materials for Pavements

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Due to the escalating demands for pavement service levels, the requirements of eco-friendly and low-carbon development, and the advances in materials science and cross-discipline research, the pursuit of cleaner and more sustainable materials has witnessed significant growth in recent years. Meanwhile, it is widely recognized that pavement materials are pivotal in shaping the construction and maintenance of road engineering. Thus, in order to promote the pioneering of cleaner materials for pavements, we are thrilled to launch this new Special Issue in *Coatings*, dedicated to collating original research articles as well as comprehensive review articles.

This Special Issue focuses on the newest research in cleaner and more sustainable materials in the fields of pavement engineering. We place a strong emphasis on interdisciplinary research and practical application. Potential topics include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Recycled waste materials in pavements;
- Bio-based materials;
- Chemistry of alternative binders;
- Low-emission materials;
- Low-noise materials;
- Functional pavement materials.





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Message from the Editorial Board

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