



## Feature Paper Collection in Plasma Coatings, Surfaces & Interfaces

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You are invited to submit your work to this Feature Paper Collection on Plasma, which focuses on low-temperature plasma theory and applications. Low-temperature plasmas are widely used for manufacturing semiconductor devices, tribological coatings, displays, solar panels, and many more technical products. On one hand, fully understanding plasma behavior requires the combined effort of simulation and diagnostics. Accurate simulation of plasmas, especially at low pressures ( $<100$  mTorr), is computationally extensive due to the requirements to resolve the fastest temporal process and the finest spatial behavior of electrons. On the other hand, industry production has continuously driven the development of more efficient plasma sources and processes. Potential topics of the special issue include but are not limited to:

- Modeling and diagnostic methods of plasma discharges;
- Fundamental understanding of plasma behavior;
- Plasma-enhanced coatings and structures;
- Plasma-surface interactions;
- Novel plasma-based thin film deposition and material synthesis technology;
- Implementation of plasma processing for research and industrial applications.





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