

## Laser-Assisted Coating Techniques and Surface Modifications

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Laser assisted surface technology (LAST, including coatings and modification) plays an important role in the surface engineering fields. Many studies have been carried out to develop advanced technologies and new functional materials. This Special Issue will focus on the cross combination of multi-technology, multi-mechanism, and multi-methods of LAST to improve the surface properties, including the principal scheme and technology, which cannot be solved by the single technology in the laser material processing field and other surface engineering fields, the design and optimization of the process system, as well as the physical process and interfacial microstructure transition mechanism of different laser-assisted surface technologies in improving surface properties. Additive manufacturing (AM), laser surface cladding (LSC), laser chemical vapor deposition (LCVD), laser surface alloying (LSA), laser-assisted plasma spraying (LPS), pulsed laser deposition (PLD), laser surface micro/nano structure preparation and other laser-assisted surface technologies are all of interest.

We look forward to receiving your contributions.



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