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Latest Insights in Metal Fatigue, Failure, and Fracture

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Message from the Guest Editor

Fatigue in materials represents one of the most prevalent causes of failure in modern constructions. Based on fatigue tests and the simulation of metal components, the theory and method of fatigue damage assessments of metal materials or components are proposed. These methods provide a base for structural safety, as well as for the design, material selection, and process selection of metal components. This research requires multidisciplinary expertise, including material science, structural analysis, detection technology, structural design, manufacturing technology, computer technology, quality assessment, physics, reliability, etc. In order to solve the complex engineering fatigue problem, it is necessary to involve both micro- and macro-scale theory and experimental methods.

Metal fatigue, failure, and fracture is a very broad and diverse field, encompassing the analysis of concepts such as residual strength or life, crack propagation, damage assessment using different fatigue damage detection methods, and various related topics.

We look forward to your contributions to this Special Issue.









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