



Advanced Metal Oxide Films: Materials and Applications

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Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Metal oxide films, and in particular, transition metals, have been utilized in the largest number of applications in modern technology. They are used as charge-transport layers in third-generation solar cells, as cathodes in metal-ion batteries, and as gate dielectrics in OFETs, and are widely used in various spintronic devices, among other applications. Despite an impressive number of works both on the practical application of metal oxide films and on the study of their fundamental properties, there are still many unresolved issues. This Special Issue of *Coatings* is devoted to new methods for producing oxide films, studying their properties, and creating new functional materials and devices based on them.

It is my pleasure to invite you to submit a manuscript to this Special Issue. The topics of interest include, but are not limited to, the following:

Novel charge-transport layers based on ZnO, SnO₂, TiO₂, etc.; Diluted magnetic semiconductors; Biocompatible films; Catalysts; Sensors; Lithium-ion battery cathodes; Luminescent materials.





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