



Laser-Assisted Processes and Thermal Treatments of Materials

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Message from the Guest Editors

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In the volume are targeted studies of materials for coatings that in the obtaining stage use heat/cooling treatment or laser-assisted processes or are obtained directly by combustion.

Materials for coatings characterized in terms of heating or cooling behavior, e.g., Differential Thermal Analysis, Differential Scanning Calorimetry, Thermal Mechanic Analysis, measurements in the cryogenic environment are included. Materials characterized by Dynamic Light Scattering or materials for applications as lasers (glasses or oxides) can be published.

New manufacturing technologies covering different materials, such as 3D Printing, Selective Laser Sintering, Rapid Prototyping, Rapid Thermal Annealing, Chemical Vapor Deposition, E-Gun Technology, RF Sputtering are welcome.





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