



## Optical Properties of Crystals and Thin Films

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce that submissions to the upcoming Special Issue of *Coatings*, entitled "Optical Properties of Crystals and Thin Films", are now being accepted. The topics of interest in this Special Issue include, but are not limited to:

- optical spectroscopy of crystals and thin films (e.g., transmission, absorption, reflection);
- determination of the optical band gap energy and Urbach tail of crystals and layers;
- the use of Swanepoel's method for determining the refractive index and thickness of thin layers;
- luminescence of crystals (mainly photoluminescence and thermoluminescence);
- effects of external influences (irradiation, thermal treatment, etc.) on the optical properties of crystals and layers;
- optical properties of thin films for various applications (in solar cells, in light-emitting devices, etc.);
- optical properties of laser crystals.





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