

## Superconducting Films and Nanostructures

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues,

Superconducting materials hold great promise to revolutionize sustainable energy conversion, transport, storage, and consumption, as well as offer new perspectives for novel multifunctional materials and unique electronic device applications. Since the discovery of cuprate high temperature superconductors in 1986, a large number of new superconducting materials, with promising performances, have been found. [...]

This Special Issue aims to focus on the latest advances in superconducting film processing nanoengineering, characterization, and their fundamental impact on all practical applications.

In particular, the topics of interest include but are not limited to:

- Thin films, multilayers, and high-temperature superconductors;
- Nanostructured and nanocomposite superconducting films;
- Hybrid systems (e.g., magnetic/superconductor heterostructures);
- Low-dimensional superconductors and unconventional materials;
- Applications and devices based on engineered superconducting films;
- Novel functionalities in superconducting electronic devices.



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