



## Advances in Thin Films for Energy Storage and Conversion

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

To meet the growing demands of energy supply and overcome worldwide energy shortages, thin films for energy storage and conversion technologies have recently attracted increasing attention due to their capability of providing specific physical and chemical properties to the surface of bulk materials with the versatility and ease. Material development, characterization, and simulation, as well as performance evaluation of thin films, have been conducted in energy storage and conversion devices.

This Special Issue aims to provide a platform for researchers to demonstrate and exchange the latest research findings on thin films for energy storage and conversion applications. Research areas may include (but are not limited to) the following:

- Novel thin films or coatings for electrochemical applications;
- Fuel cells;
- Water electrolyzers;
- Lithium/sodium-ion batteries;
- Solar energy conversion and storage;
- Capacitors and supercapacitors;
- Materials for cathodes, anodes, and electrolytes;
- Electrochemical characterization;
- Nano/microstructured materials;
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