



Advances in Solar Thermal Technologies

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Message from the Guest Editors

Advanced solar thermal technologies are emerging as key renewable technologies to address the world's growing demand for energy and environmental issues. These year-old technologies have been gaining popularity recently due to their continuous improvement in performance and reduction of costs. This Special Issue is intended to give a platform to the wide range of researchers to share a comprehensive overview of cutting-edge and innovative ideas, concepts, and designs, performance optimization using entropy generation analysis that are being pursued to develop solar thermal technologies and systems, as well as related interdisciplinary research areas, space heating, dehumidification, refrigeration, etc.

Related topics include but are not limited to:

- Entropy generation and exergy analysis on solar thermal systems;
- Advances in solar collectors (flat plate; evacuated tube, etc.);
- Concentrated solar power;
- Direct and indirect solar drying system;
- Space heating technologies;
- Earth tube heat exchangers;
- Cooling and heating plant;
- Organic Rankin cycle;
- Distillation and desalination;
- Solar cooking system;
- Thermal energy modeling for solar thermal systems.





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