



## Advances in Low-Temperature Nitriding and Carburizing of Stainless Steels and Metallic Materials: Formation and Properties (Volume II)

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

The formation of an expanded austenite phase (S-phase) by low-temperature thermochemical treatments using nitrogen and/or carbon (nitriding, carburizing and nitrocarburizing) of stainless steels has been studied since the 1980s. Initially, this method was applied to austenitic stainless steels, but it has proved to be suitable to produce expanded phases not only on the different grades of stainless steels (duplex, martensitic, precipitation-hardening and ferritic), but also on cobalt- and nickel-based alloys, and, recently, on high entropy alloys. In recent years, it has been combined with new processes such as thermal spray coating and additive manufacturing techniques, and it is expected to contribute to the manufacturing of the next generation.

This Special Issue on “Advances in Low-Temperature Nitriding and Carburizing of Stainless Steels and Metallic Materials: Formation and Properties” intends to cover original research and critical review articles on recent advances in all aspects of low-temperature thermochemical treatments using nitrogen and/or carbon.

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