



## Surface Modification of Advanced Metallic Materials

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### Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Metallic materials, such as steels, aluminum alloys, and magnesium alloys, are widely used structural materials in engineering applications. Usually, it is difficult for most metals and their alloys to achieve high toughness with good corrosion resistance or high toughness with high wear resistance. With the progress of society, increasingly demanding service conditions (heavy/cyclic loads, high corrosive environments, high temperatures, etc.) are challenging the future applications of metallic materials. Traditional thermal diffusion can no longer meet the requirements, so various surface modification treatments, including deposition technologies (physical, chemical or electrical), spraying technologies (thermal or plasma), and high-energy beam (laser or electron beam) treatments, have emerged. This Special Issue focuses on the application of such advanced surface modification technologies to metallic materials. Traditional thermal diffusion, such as pack-cementation, with attractive advantages of low cost and wide application, will also be considered in this Special Issue.





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