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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Light-matter interactions at the nanoscale can lead to a plethora of optical effects, thus paving the way for a wide range of applications, from harvesting and new light sources to imaging and sensing. On the other hand, the fabrication of nanostructures that can meet the demand for a suitable light-matter coupling, such as precise shape, size, and geometry, both ordered and disordered, is a research field in constant expansion. Moreover, metallic nanomaterials and their plasmonic properties are known to promote an increase of light-matter interactions. These occurrences have a large impact in enhanced spectroscopies, dramatically increasing their sensitivity, with important outcomes in the diagnostic and medical fields.

This Special Issue of *Nanomaterials* concentrates on a wide range of topics, including advances in the preparation and characterization of photonics and plasmonics materials and their use in modern devices based on light-matter coupling at the nanoscale. Therefore, it is a great pleasure for us to invite you to contribute to this Special Issue.

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