

Recent Advances in Metallic Thin Films and Current Applications

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Dear Colleagues,

There has been a steady increase in the technological and societal impact of metallic thin films on material-based design and related research. This Special Issue welcomes a wide range of contributions that involve the deposition, synthesis, and characterization of metallic (plasmonic and nonplasmonic) of thin films on rigid or flexible substrates and their applications in detection platforms/sensors, nanostructured/tri-dimensional devices, or advanced nanomaterials. The topics should be related (but are not limited) to the following:

Fabrication of metallic thin films using modern top-down/bottom-up approaches.

Flexible sensors based on metallic thin films: from advanced fabrication methods to real-life applications

Porous metallic thin films: theoretical and experimental aspects.

Highly ordered nanostructured surfaces based on metallic thin films.

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Modeling and design of plasmonic thin films.



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