

Printed Functional Thin Films for Electronic, Optoelectronic and Sensing Applications

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Printing techniques are extensively employed to deposit and pattern controlled amounts of liquid-phase functional materials. They represent an important alternative to traditional manufacturing in order to produce functional films with suitable geometry, due to the ease of fabrication, design flexibility, compatibility with different type of functional materials and substrates. These factors make printing technologies attractive for academic and industrial research teams working in different fields, including microelectronics manufacturing, biomedical applications, and photonics manufacturing. This Special Issue offers the opportunity to present novel progress in the field of printing of thin films providing insights into the chemico-physical, morphological, and structural properties of printed products and also advances in geometries, architectures, and processes. The topics of particular interest include but are not limited to printed functional thin films for different applications in sensing, electronics, and optical fields.

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