



## Fracture Mechanics and Fatigue Design in Metallic Materials

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### Message from the Guest Editor

Devices, working structures, and their elements are subjected to the influence of various loads. The accumulation of damage and the development of fatigue cracks under the influence of loads is a common phenomenon that occurs in metals. To slow down crack growth and ensure an adequate level of safety and optimal durability of structural elements, experimental tests and simulations are required to determine the influence of various factors. Research carried out in this field and the results obtained are necessary to guide development towards the receipt of new and advanced materials that meet the requirements of the designers. This Special Issue aims to provide the data, models, and tools necessary to perform structural integrity and lifetime prediction based on the stress (strain) state and, finally, the increase of fatigue cracks in the material, which would result in the application of advanced mathematical, numerical, and experimental techniques.

This Special Issue is to gather the most recent research advancements regarding crack growth and fatigue design in metals.





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