Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Surfaces and interfaces are ubiquitous, and their relevance in Chemistry, Physics, Catalysis, Materials Science & Engineering, Nanoscience, Biology and Nanomedicine is nowadays well acknowledged. Similarly, surfaces cannot be neglected when targeting applications in many strategic fields, such as sensors, energy conversion and storage, environmental and food science, and medical devices.

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Surfaces is a peer-reviewed, open access journal focusing on fundamental aspects of chemistry and physics occurring at surfaces, interfaces and thin films; it aims to achieve a better understanding of surfaces and interfaces as well as their applications. Contributions range from basic phenomena at interfaces to complex interactions at surfaces.

The scope of Surfaces covers, but is not limited to, the following topics:

- Preparation, functionalization and modification of surfaces and interfaces
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