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Introduction to the Special Issue:

Advanced optics and manufacturing techniques are crucial for space exploration. So far, optical technology has been widely used in low-altitude, near-space, and deep-space exploration with various platforms such as drones, airships, and satellites. For instance, high-precision optical guidance and positioning are essential for different space orbits. In addition, high-resolution optical imaging technology can provide vital support for scientific research and production tasks in space-based equipment, satellite communication, and remote sensing detection. However, as humanity's exploration of outer space advances, an increasing array of exploration and manufacturing tasks pose complex and diverse challenges to optical technology. In this context, there is an urgent need for novel optical designs and manufactures to facilitate space exploration.

This special issue aims to discuss the cutting-edge advances in the field of advanced optics and manufacturing techniques for space exploration, including but not limited to computational imaging and sensing, multi-model imaging, cooperative detection, deep-learning based optics design, novel space platforms. We aim to present a comprehensive overview and insightful perspectives of the field through the contributions of prominent experts and major industry players. Our goal is to facilitate scientific breakthroughs and drive impactful applications in the areas of space exploration and manufacturing.

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