## Special Issue: Frontier in Optical Imaging and Display Research

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## Introduction to the Special Issue:

The field of optical imaging and display research is a dynamic and rapidly developing area that spans multiple interdisciplinary fields and focus on the advancement of technologies and techniques for acquiring, processing, and presenting information. This field necessitates collaboration between experts in areas such as optics, photonics, materials science, electrical engineering, and computer science, among others. Recently, microscale metasurfaces with subwavelength structures have garnered considerable attention due to their ability to manipulate the phase, amplitude, and polarization of light, enabling the creation of ultra-thin lenses and more compact, lightweight, and versatile optical imaging systems. Additionally, display technology has rapidly progressed to meet the demands of the human visual system. As humans obtain the majority of external information through their eyes, display technology has evolved to offer higher resolution, improved color reproduction, larger brightness, and microscale pixel size, covering a wide range of applications such as outdoor signages, TVs, projectors, augmented reality, and virtual reality.

This special issue aims to highlight cutting-edge advances in the field of optical imaging and display research, including but not limited to the development of novel optical imaging techniques, the design and fabrication of advanced photonics materials, the manipulation of light fields for various applications, and the latest advancements in display technology. Contributions on related research areas, such as optical communication, sensing, and computation, are also welcome. Our goal is to provide an up-to-date overview of the latest research in the field and promote discussion, collaboration, and a deeper understanding of the fundamental principles underlying optical imaging and display research.

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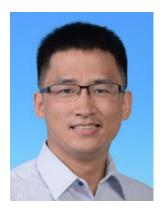
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