
Editorial

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We, the organising committee, are pleased to organise for the publication of the Proceedings of *the 3rd International Conference on Energy Materials and Nanotechnology (ICEM3-2017)* as a special issue of ‘New energy materials and nanotechnology: modelling and experiment’. The conference was proposed and organised by the Zhengzhou University and the Chinese Society of Chemical Science and Technology in the UK (CSCST-UK), co-organised by the Zhengzhou Materials Genome Institute (ZMGI) and supported by the Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC).

The conference was successfully held at the Zhengzhou University in China from April 14 to April 16, 2017. The organising committee invited 45 keynote speakers from the UK, Germany, Hong Kong, and China, and 360 researchers attended with over 100 posters being presented. Thirty papers from over 200 submissions to the conference were selected via a rigorous peer review process. The scope of this SI covered nanomaterials and devices on the basis of materials genome method and experiment approaches, aiming to meet the accelerating demand of worldwide energy consumption.

On behalf of the organising committee, we would like to express our sincere thanks to all the participants, with particular gratitude to all reviewers and members of the publishing group for their timely and proactive engagement. We are looking forward to seeing you in the next session of ICEM.