Editorial

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Currently, additive manufacturing (AM) presents great number of advantages in the production of components, offering incomparable design independence with the manufacturability of the components from a wide range of materials, polymers, metals, composites, etc.

The motive of this special issue is to present a collection of examples illustrating some developments in additive manufacturing.

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