



1 Plasma and ion surface engineering

- **Advanced plasma and ion source technologies**
 - Pulsed plasmas,
 - HIPIMS,
 - Atmospheric plasma sources,
 - Ion implantation / Plasma immersion ion implantation,
 - New ion and plasma sources,
 - Industrial device technology
- **Properties of technological plasmas**
 - Plasma diagnostics / process control,
 - Plasma modelling
- **Plasma treatment and cleaning**
 - Plasma-surface interaction,
 - Plasma treatment of polymers,
 - Plasma sterilization and bio-functionalization,
 - Surface cleaning / plasma etching,
 - Ion and laser treatment

2 Deposition technologies

- **PVD**
 - Magnetron sputtering,
 - Vacuum arc deposition,
 - Plasma-activated evaporation
- **PECVD**
 - Low pressure plasma CVD,
 - Plasma polymerization,
 - Atmospheric pressure plasma CVD
- **Plasma diffusion treatment**
 - Plasma nitriding / carburizing,
 - Hybrid and duplex processes
- **Plasma spraying**
- **Ion-assisted deposition**
 - Ion beam deposition,
 - Ion beam sputtering
- **Coating of special geometries**
 - Large area deposition,
 - Coating of inner walls and complex geometries (trenches, holes, ..)

3 Films and coatings

- **Nano films**
 - Ultrathin films,
 - Multilayer films,
 - Nanocomposite films,

- Nanostructures and nanoparticles
- **Protective and tribological coatings**
 - Tribological coatings,
 - Carbon-based films,
 - Corrosion-resistant coatings,
 - Barrier coatings
- **Functional coatings**
 - Optical coatings,
 - Conductive and photocatalytic oxides,
 - Films for photovoltaics,
 - Films with special electrical functions,
 - Films with special magnetic functions,
 - Films for biomedical applications

4 Properties and characterization of films and modified surfaces

- Structure and composition,
- Geometrical characterization (thickness, roughness)
- Mechanical properties,
- Internal stresses,
- Optical properties,
- Electric and magnetic properties